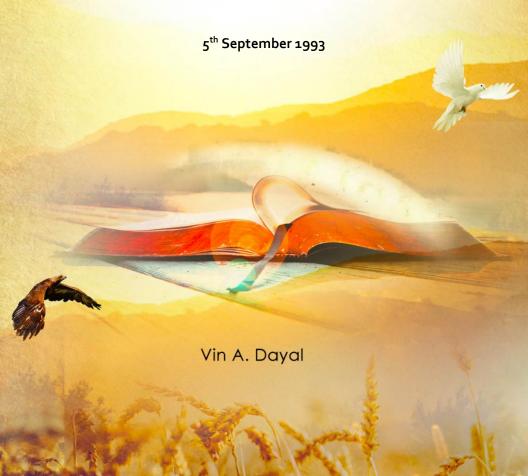
# The Goodness And Severity Of God Pt. 1



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[#375 Reach Out And Touch The Lord -Ed.]

He is passing by this moment

Your needs to supply;

Reach out and touch the Lord

As He goes by

- 1 Amen. Let's bow our heads. Let's just think upon Him. Not just singing He is passing by but believing that He truly is passing by; getting our hearts and our minds into that place that if He were passing by physically here, today, we would all be waiting in place and just watching for Him coming. We would want to get a really good look at Him and have faith in our hearts to believe that we would receive what we have need of when we touch Him, or when He looks at us, or whatever He would speak to us.
- 2 We are living in an Hour when the Word is coming to pass, the Word is real, when the Presence of God is here to make that Word manifest in the hearts and lives of His children. We're living in an Hour when God is opening up His Word and showing to us and proving to us by the Scriptures, that it was promised that He will be here at this time.
- 3 As we sing that little chorus again, let us just sing it with faith, with real confidence in our hearts; the eyes

of our faith, the eyes of our understanding so focused into His divine promise, knowing that it is impossible for God to lie. May your heart, and your mind, your soul, move right up into His Presence, where you can feel a real contact in your heart, to know truly, I see Him; He is passing by. There is a worship, there is a praise because it's real to your soul. It's in the realm where faith can see Him, faith can touch Him; where faith realizes why He is here. Hallelujah.

- 4 Friends, you watch and see, it will make all the difference in your life today. It will be so different, way beyond what you can imagine, way beyond what you could even think about Him, because God is real. The chorus might have been written many, many years ago, but the reality of Jesus passing by is so much more real than when the song writer wrote that, and especially to Believers who know by a divine revelation that He is passing by. Hallelujah.
- 5 He is not too busy this morning, to hear your heart's cry. He knows what you are thinking of. He knows where you are hurting. He knows where there is a pain, there is a cry, there is a hunger. He knows where there is a repentance. He knows where there is a confession. He knows where there is a praise. He knows when there is a thanksgiving. He knows where there is a bad habit or some influence that might be holding us in captivity.
- 6 Then Jesus came. Then Jesus came (hallelujah) and set the captive free. He is the same. He is the same this morning. Let us believe Him with all our hearts. Let us enter into the spirit of the service where God can do something for us in our lives. It would be such a reality, it would bring a new burst of faith. We'll not just be coming to church, we'll not just be going along with the crowd, we'll not just be hoping that something just happens to us and live in that humanistic realm, hoping, wondering: could it be? Is it possible? But where it would lift us up into the realm of revelation

where we know the gates of hell cannot prevail, where faith could take a hold of it and we can be like Job, having a testimony, I know that my Redeemer liveth. Hallelujah! That is the realm where we receive something from God. That is the realm where we come from hope into reality. Praise His wonderful Name. Hallelujah.

7 Let's just sing that again and this time reach out by faith when you sing it. This time sing it with your eyes of faith looking upon Him and His promise knowing faith always moves God and God always responds to genuine faith.

Reach out and touch the Lord

As He goes by,

You'll find He's not too busy

8 Oh, you surely will find it today. He is not too busy. He knows all about you. He brought you into this service today just for that purpose. He wants to come and talk to you. He wants to come and make Himself real to you all over again.

Reach out and touch the Lord

As He goes by

[I Know The Lord Has Made A Way For Me –Ed.]

I know the Lord has made a way for me

9 Amen. I know it. I believe it. I am confessing it.

I know the Lord has made a way for me

10 Oh, lift your hands and sing, I will live a holy life

I will live a holy life

Shun the wrong and do the right

## I know the Lord has made a way for me.

11 Oh, once more, sing it with all your heart, express your confidence in Him. If you care to believe it, He cares to confirm it in your life. If you care to confess that He is able to do that for you, He will do it.

I know the Lord has made a way for me

- 12 Oh, precious Jesus, I will live a holy life.
- 13 By Your grace and with Your strength, Lord, I will shun the wrong and I am persuaded I'll do the right.

... has made a way for me

- 14 Hallelujah. As we bow our heads in His Presence, and we look to Him, our God, unto whom we are gathered today, as we desire with deepness of sincerity that we will be more and more like Him, we will live for Him, we'll take a stand for His Word, we will put the things of the world behind our back, we will build our hopes on things Eternal. Oh, we will let Him have His rightful place in our lives today. Thank You, Lord.
- 15 We want to remember the mother of our precious Bro. Neville, who is in the hospital with asthma and a heart condition, that God's grace will be extended to her. If you have a special request, any one of you standing here, let's just believe Him. He knows, friends; and it's not just He knows, He cares. He has made it possible that we can have these things and He so wants to give them to us to show us His goodness. Sometimes He has to deal with us in such a severe way, but it's only that we might know His goodness. Just believe Him now as we pray and consider it settled in your heart, settled and done.
- 16 Great is Thy faithfulness, oh God. We stand in Your Presence and we think of Your great love that You have loved us with. We see our own sinful and unworthy self,

dear God, but coming to approach You. But when we see that, Lord, it only tells us that the Blood is so worthy, so valuable. The Life that was given for us is so precious, It could take us who were rags and make us into parchment paper with Your image stamped upon us; miserable creatures, oh God, but You made us a new creation. You removed the old things so far away from us, dear God, that we can stand in Your Presence without fear and without condemnation. How great is Thy love unto us, Lord. How great is the favor that Thou hast shown unto us.

17 Lord, as we stand, we stand with deepness of gratitude and we just want to say we love You and appreciate You for these things. We had never known love until we came to know You, Lord Jesus. We had never known what it was to be cared for until we met You. Truly, Your loving kindness is better than life. Dear God, we only have one desire that we will live for You always, every moment of the day, every breath we take, Lord, every step we make, dear God, our lives truly can express You in this dark and dying world that we live in and walk in every day. As we see the breaking of the new day and we see the brightness of Your glory and Your great majesty being revealed to us through Your Word, and this great Civilization, and these great Things that You have prepared for them that love You, how we pray You hasten that Day, Father.

18 May You strengthen us. Every opportunity we have to come and sit in Thy Presence and to gather together around Thy Word, Lord, may Your Word search out our lives in the places, oh God, where we need You to be attentive to us and to deal with us, dear God, according to Your great purpose that we might be made perfect, we might be made ready, oh God, we might be just the expression of what truly it would be to display the victory of Calvary. We know that is that You might have the preeminence in a people, the oversight, the leading,

oh God, that Your vindicated Word could just operate; that God, the Creator, could just display His great attributes in and through us, showing forth that great union, showing forth that restored fellowship. Why would we ever want, Lord, to deny You that privilege and receive this great blessing, Lord, by trying to hold on to some earthly, temporal thing, Lord, that is only deforming us and making us, Lord, to be something that is not even worth standing in Your Presence, just fit for hell?

- 19 Lord, may You wash us, may You clothe us, oh God. May You fill us with Your great divine Presence. Father, today as we will look to You, knowing that there are needs among us. There are those that are standing believing for their loved ones that are in need. We know, dear God, that You made all these things available to us through Your death on the Cross, and the great Holy Spirit is here to minister to every need, the blessing, the things, oh God, that would cause us to be settled and to be truly anchored that we can serve You and walk in Your light and show forth Your great mercy and love.
- 20 May You touch the dear mother of our brother, Father. Lord, how I would desire if it were my mother in that condition, Lord, a sincere prayer could be prayed for her, oh God, and the Holy Spirit, dear God, could just raise her up, Lord, knowing, dear God, that she believes You and she believes this Message, oh God. I pray, Father, that Your Holy Spirit will grant her Your grace and favor, as she is laying in that bed in that hospital, oh God, that You will bring her out and You will make her well for Your glory and for Your honor. We believe and we unite our faith with those who have prayed, oh God, and believing as well for her that this blessing would come to her in her time of need. Let her see Your great love and Your care and loving kindness, oh God.
- 21 Lord Jesus, even all those that will stand here today,

believing in like manner with like precious faith, precious Lord, may You minister to their need. Lord, most of all, Your Word we've come to receive, and those who have been baptized today, Lord, I pray that Your Holy Spirit would just take full charge, Father. We so depend upon You. We so confess our inability and our insufficiency, but we look to You and we depend upon Your promise. We ask Your favor now. Grant it to us now, Lord, that the Word might be ministered with faith and with power under the direction and influence of the Holy Spirit, that the Church of God might be strengthened and established in the faith, walking on in the Light that You have sent, Lord (grant it, oh God), and being prepared and ready for Your Coming.

- 22 Even the strangers, the visitors within our gates, we ask that You remember them, and You fulfill Your purpose in drawing them here. In Jesus' precious Name we pray, amen.
- 23 Amen. Let's turn to our Bibles. We'd like to get... Amen. I can't even find where I want to read. I want to get Exodus 34. Exodus 34 and Romans 11.
- 24 I want to welcome everyone in His house. I trust that you are feeling fine, and the Lord is blessing you really good and will give you something special today. Amen.
- 25 Exodus 34. We're going to read from about verse 5.
  - <sup>5</sup> And the Lord descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the Lord.
  - <sup>6</sup> And the Lord passed by before him, and proclaimed, the Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,
  - <sup>7</sup> Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and [a

conjunction] that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.

- <sup>8</sup> And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped.
- 26 Amen. And Romans 11. Seems like Exodus there just seems such a contradiction that God is so merciful and gracious and longsuffering and abundant in goodness and truth, and giving mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression, yet It says He will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children and upon the children's children unto the third and to the fourth generation.
- 27 Romans 11. Let's take from about verse 18. Paul is writing here to the Romans, Gentiles, that they might not be lifted up and become self-secured or take things for granted, in that the Gospel had come to them and that they will not despise the Jews who were blinded for their sakes.

### 28 He said,

- <sup>18</sup> Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root [bearest] thee.
- <sup>19</sup> Thou will say then, the branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in.
- <sup>20</sup> Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not highminded, but fear:
- <sup>21</sup> For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not

thee.

- <sup>22</sup> Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.
- <sup>23</sup> And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be grafted in; for God is able to graft them in again.
- 29 Let us pray. Father, as we read Your Word, Lord, I come in this pulpit this morning, just desiring to take a few brief moments, realizing oh God, we want to have the baptismal service, and the school reopening tomorrow, much of the parents have a lot of things on their mind in trying to get ready, oh God, and yet taking the time to be in Your house to worship You today, knowing dear God, they need Your strength.
- 30 Lord, I pray that You will give us the portion that You have intended for us this morning and may You just lead me and direct me. I don't want to get in Your way, Lord. I just want to let You just have Your way in this service; just the way You want to go and just what You want to speak to us. Let all things be done, I pray, according to Your richest blessing, to bring glory to Your Name and assistance to Your people.
- 31 We love You and we commit this service and ourselves into Your hands now, in Jesus' precious Name we pray, amen.
- 32 God bless you. You may have your seat. Well, I just trust that we could just get right into the service. I took the week off to just relax a little bit and be with my boy and ended up having to preach and have services. God is doing some wonderful things and maybe now might not be the appropriate time to testify some of those

things, but just to speak something I've been looking at here and I've been carrying in my heart for a little while, and especially in preaching these messages on chastisement. I trust that you've been taking time to fellowship and look into it in the Scriptures.

- 33 You know, something about the Word is that when we... God will be dealing with us and cause us to maybe sit awhile to fellowship with us around certain things in the Word that He knows is profitable for us. We pray and we desire things. "Lord, I want to walk closer to You. Lord, I want to enter into deeper experience. Lord, I want a greater relationship. Lord, I want to see more power in my life. Lord, I want to see Your Word operate in me." We are confident we are asking for the right things and we are confident that those things, if we have them, and we have them in the measure and the quality that we desire them that we will be able to live victorious, but we know not God's ways of bringing them into our lives.
- 34 Many times, it would take us to have a true understanding of God's nature and character in dealing with us, and then it would have to be in relation to God's purpose for our lives; the position that God ordained us to fulfill in His great economy. Because we're all called to a different position. We have one general position as part of the Bride of Christ to be in the Body of Christ but then the Body is made up of different members and each member has a different position. Just like God placed Israel in Canaan's land, and the land was divided up by Joshua, who is a type of the Holy Spirit, bringing them into their inheritance. Then each one had to fight maybe a different kind of enemy under a different condition, and the battle might have extended for a longer duration of time. Is that right? Some may get a piece of land, might have been up in the mountains, and to fight those devils up in the mountains who might have been fortified so strong up inside of there, to get

them out, it must have been something else. Then some might have fought their battles in the plains. Then some might have fought to take the rivers and different things. Then some may be more heavily populated. So, each person's experience would be different.

- 35 But if God ordained us for a particular position then we believe that He put in us or He will work with us in acquiring what He has given to us by promise, because Abraham coming into his promise waited twenty-five years. Noah took a hundred and twenty years. Solomon was different. Joshua was different. Different ones were different in the Bible. David, coming into the throne, had to go through different experiences. Is that right? And they all were led differently and had to face different things. But God, when they trusted in Him, was able to bring each one into his place.
- 36 And so, it is that God is bringing you into your place this morning. He is bringing me into my place. His Word will not return to Him void. He has spoken it. We are beginning to discover that God said things about us, not when we were born or when we began to serve God, but He had said things about us when we were blessed in Christ
- 37 The Bible says God made man in His image and His likeness. In the image of God, created He him. Male and female created He them, and blessed them, and gave them dominion. Well, it changes from 'him' to 'them'. God made man in His image. In the image of God, created He him: Genesis 1:27. But It says, "God blessed them and gave them dominion." [Genesis 1:28 -Ed.] But not until Genesis 2, then God took the woman out and brought her into expression. But while she was in the man, God was viewing her in the man and as part of the man, though she was unexpressed at the time. But when she was brought out, then no doubt Adam would have had to tell her, "Well, hear honey, when I was back there it was I alone; you weren't expressed yet. God told

me that we would have dominion." She began to realize she was chosen in him and blessed in him with all spiritual blessings. She saw that she had been made something because she received all her dignity in him.

- 38 And so, it is with us. We are discovering that God didn't just see us in our family. That came afterwards. That is when we were getting ready to be expressed in flesh in our designated season. That is when God was arranging the conditions that His attribute would be expressed and grow and develop to fulfill His purpose on the earth. But when your name was written in the Lamb's Book of Life before the foundation of the world, when you were chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world and predestinated unto the adoption by Jesus Christ, when you were back in the thoughts of God. Then back there, God saw you in a certain light, thinking certain thoughts about you. And the works of God were finished before the foundation of the world: Hebrews 4.
- 39 So, we realize then that we came here, but we came here with amnesia. We came here and it's dark in our minds, exactly what God said about us there. That is why God opened this Word. When that which is perfect is come, that which is part shall be done away, and you shall know as you were known. [1 Corinthians 13:10 -Ed.] So, God now is showing you, the time is going to come, one day you will know as I was in the Father and the Father in Me, so I in you and you in Me. [John 14:20 -Ed.] It's going to come to you one day and you are going to see what God thought about you, and it is going to do something.
- 40 Just the fellowship when you know you came from your natural father and you had a true relationship with your natural father and you grow up knowing him and loving him and being part of him, and you grow into a family and everything else. Then you take those things; it will settle in your heart. You relate to it normally, you give reverence and respect to your daddy, you honor

your mother. You were in submission to them in your home. You love them because you know you're part of them by nature. You act like them, you walk like them, you have the same kind of blood they have.

- 41 Well, when that revelation begins to strike the inner man who was not produced by the mother and the father, but who was in God, and who truly came from God, then it's going to bring the same kind of union but only in a far greater consciousness. Here in the natural realm, it's more in a temporal way, but here it is an eternal way. Then the same way you respect God, you love the Lord, you know you are part of Him, you want to fellowship with Him.
- 42 When you talk to your parents, they know you from when you were small. Like my boy, I was telling him, I said, "Tim..." Yesterday we were talking, and I said, "Do you know something?" I sent a picture to him on Saturday (I think it was yesterday. Yes, yesterday was Saturday), where he was in Sabino Canyon in Dove Cove and I was holding him up inside of there. I said, "Look." He can't remember that but the picture, he knows that is him there. I told him, "We went there in 1981 and I took you up inside of there where the Dove came to the Prophet and these things." I said, "I want you to see it. That is why I sent the little picture for you to keep it."
- 43 Now the same way, I am his father; I can tell him things that are beyond the realm where his memory can go, to help him know himself a little more perfectly. That's what God is doing. God is taking these pictures that He has of us here in the Bible (hallelujah) and He is showing us back beyond where our memory can go and beyond where our thirty years or forty years or twenty years or fifteen years can go. He's taking us back there. Hallelujah.
- 44 He is showing to us we were there with Him. He's

showing to us that He thought of us. He's showing to us all these thoughts about us in His mind, about His Word in His great mind, and how He is bringing them to pass in our lives. We find that in knowing that, it brings a certain quality into the relationship and it gives a certain confidence and it helps us understand things that are present in a way and with a consciousness that we couldn't understand them if we didn't know something about our past. It better prepares us and focuses us to deal with the future and what it holds for us, because we see where we come from and we know where we are going. Since we know where we are going because we know where we came from, we understand that we're in the midst of the journey now and we can know how to deal with these things that are sent to prepare us in our journey while He is taking us there. So, we don't get flusterated. We don't think we're losing our salvation. We don't think that this is the end of us. We realize this is a stepping stone unto greater things by God's grace.

- 45 So sometimes we don't understand it all, but yet we know He is the Author and the Finisher of our faith. That word *'Finisher'* means the perfecter of our faith.
- 46 Here we see then that God has these things in His mind for us and He is doing this great thing. And now that we are beginning to catch that and see that God is dealing with us in that manner, it brings us to the place where we want to walk with such a faith. It challenges us many times. We see what the Word says about us and we want to see those things in our lives. As we would learn how to let go, He Who says these things about us, He will bring them to pass.
- 47 I'm speaking this morning on "THE GOODNESS AND THE SEVERITY OF GOD". I'm still dealing with this little series on Chastisement because this is what we are looking at: remedial judgment for sons but penal judgment for bastards. Because the New Testament

speaks of children of obedience and children of disobedience. There are two vines there.

- 48 I want you to notice something, as we have been looking at this subject. And we are getting ready to break right in because I don't want to be long. I want to baptism. include water the We miscommunication. I was to have the baptism and the Lord's Supper on Friday night and because of that misunderstanding in the communication, we couldn't have it. So, we will get through that and if we have to stay a little longer this morning, it would not have bothered us. But I am mindful that many of you have your children to take care of and send to school and all these things, and getting prepared for tomorrow.
- 49 So, I am just trying to trust the Lord here because I have a great deal of things I'm looking at right here in trying to bring because this little series that we are looking at is really in those Seven Vials. Because we know it's judgment, but I am more trying to stress judgment in the family, than judgment in the world. Because we went through that many times: judgment in the world. But I'm dealing with judgment in the family, and judgment in the church, and judgment in your life. The Bible says if you don't judge yourself, you will be judged. When we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord that we will not be condemned with the world. [1 Corinthians 11:31-32 -Ed.]
- 50 Now that's God's love right there. That's God's love for a son. That's God's love to save you and to separate you, not just save you, but separate you from the world. Because the world is so evil, and its influence is so damaging that they will deform you if they get you under their influence. That's why He said, "Don't be conformed to the world or the things of the world. Be you transformed by the renewing of your mind." [Romans 12:2 Ed.] If you just let go of yourself, do you know what is going to happen? You're going to find that it's going to

take you right into the world in such a condition.

- 51 I was reading a little message here on responsibility, which is really *A Man Running From The Presence Of The Lord*. I want to get into some of that this morning to show how God dealt with a son to bring him into submission to the revealed will of God that he might fulfill the purpose of God for his life in that Day.
- 52 You know that's the story of Jonah in the Bible. The measures God had to use to break his self-will to bring human nature in submission to the will of God. Even after God did that and got him to fulfill part of the commission, which was preaching to the people and pronouncing judgment, yet when God didn't judge the people, it brought up another realm of his life that God had to further deal with him on, because he couldn't rejoice to see God saving people. He couldn't rejoice to see people repenting under the Word of God. He was sitting there wanting to see judgment come on people. He wanted to sit and be vindicated for what he spoke.
- 53 God used that to show him he didn't have as yet a true revelation of the heart of God, the God he serves. He didn't know that God the way he thought he had known that God. God showed him, "I am longsuffering, full of mercy, slow to anger," and then God showed him his own condition: how quickly he gets angry; how he was more interested in the comforts of life, when he was being shaded over so nicely and cozy from the heat and everything else by that big leaf, and waiting for people (human life, which is a higher life than botany life) to be destroyed. When the worm came and ate down the botany life, he was really vexed again. God said, "Look at you. You're vexed for botany life being destroyed and you are happy waiting to see human life destroyed. Look at your condition."
- 54 So, we realize how God has to take us many times. But you see some of us, if we are not sensitive in the

sensitivity that God wants us to learn our lessons, and if He gives you your lesson in a worm and a leaf, you are going to miss it because you want to preach on a platform with a Pillar of Fire over your head and an Angel on your right hand side, and preaching fire and brimstone and you're seeing some kind of big, supernatural here to say God's dealing with you. But the realm that God was dealing with him was that he was sitting there on the hill and God took the leaf and the worm to teach him something about himself and his nature, and about the love of God to bring him into harmony with the will of God, with the nature of God, so he can truly fulfill the plan of God for his life.

- 55 As I said, if you have been sitting and studying the messages and going over them, I trust that you are grasping what we are trying to communicate. Because as I said, we are at a certain stage of the journey; God knows what is profitable, and how we can see Him fulfill the desires and the things we pray for in our lives.
- 56 He knows, as I said, what it takes. He knows unless you don't know His nature how He works, unless you don't see how He works with somebody else to bring them to the same condition, you can misunderstand your experience. If you misunderstand your experience, you can't have faith in God when you see your mind being frustrated by conditions the and circumstances. All the voices and the things that you see around you, they will actually hold you down and paralyze your faith. You will be looking for God to talk to you, you'll be looking for God to do this, you'll be trying to cut your Bible, you'll be trying to do all kinds of different things. But when God can bring your heart and mind into a certain realm where when the Word of God is being spoken to you, where It is showing you the Scriptures...
- 57 Because the Third Pull is not just cutting your Bible and these things. The Word is open. God has opened It.

You don't have to try to open It. God has opened It. God sent a Prophet to open It. It's open. It's the opening of the Word to reveal the hidden Truth that is sealed in the Word. And it didn't come by a man cutting his Bible. It came by Seven Angels from Heaven; the Pillar of Fire bringing the Word in every Age to reveal every mystery in this Bible, to reveal the whole plan of God for each and every one of us. Is that right?

- 58 So, then it takes us now to get under the Word knowing all Scripture is given by inspiration, is profitable for doctrine and these things. It takes us to study the Word, it takes us to abide in the Word, it takes us to give ourselves wholly to this form of doctrine, it takes us to meditate on the Word day and night, not turn left or right from It. Is that right? It takes us to feed upon It and grow in grace and in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 59 It's not shortcuts, it's not fast food; it's overcoming in your life, overcoming. God is dealing with you on this in your life, "I want you to overcome that. Do it over, pass here. I want to perfect that out of you. I want to purge this out of you. I am bringing these things. You're praying for Me to take it away, but I'm in the midst of a big operation. I'm giving you a new heart. It's a heart transplant going on."
- 60 And you bawl, "Oh God, take out this tube. Take away this. Take away that."
- 61 If He takes it away, you're going to die right there. You're going to perish. Amen. He might give you a couple revelations to sort of put you to sleep, give you some anesthetic, get your mind out of the picture (amen); lock you off. Stand still and see the salvation of God. Amen. What are you crying about? What are you hollering about? He is bringing you to the place by God's grace. Amen.
- 62 So, we see that as God is doing that for us, we are

looking into the Word here. I am talking to you in the local assembly. We are looking in the Word here. We are walking in these things that God is revealing. While I'm preaching this, so much is happening with different people. I was talking to a precious brother yesterday. I was in the midst of studying and he came to me and he had a need, a certain situation he was faced with. He was desperate. We got there and started to talk and the Holy Spirit just came right down there and took up the little experience and began to show him God in the experience; exactly where he was, exactly what the experience was all about, to reveal his spirit, to show him the way he is handling his affairs is not the way he should handle it as one that is under the Word, growing, one that is a steward, one that God is trying to train.

- 63 Then when we're faced with conditions, we don't look for escape routes, when we sometimes need to make a confession or humble ourselves and confess our delinquency. That is where progress comes. Sometimes the mind comes, works out a formula to come out of the situation and God shuts doors because God doesn't want you to escape from it. He put you in the oven, in the fiery trials, to bake you into a life loaf. He puts you in the frying pan (amen) in the fiery trial.
- 64 It shows the need to look closer in our lives. It shows the need to examine what we are going through. It shows the need to set aside, many a times, where you can get under the influence of the Word in meditation, in prayer, in studying the Scripture, in praying over the things that God is trying to communicate to you that you can grasp the reality of it.
- 65 And we've come through the series thus far on chastisement, preaching about chastened and not condemned [Chastened But Not Condemned, 1993-0801 -Ed.] and then from there, we went to *Remedial Chastisement For Sons And Penal Judgment For Bastards* [1993-0811 -Ed.]. And then, God dealeth with you as sons [God Dealeth With Us As

Sons, 1993-0811 -Ed.]; chastisement for neglection, then subjection in chastisement [Subjection Under Chastisement, 1993-0822 -Ed.].

- 66 Now I am speaking about **THE GOODNESS AND SEVERITY OF GOD.** With all those things, we have already seen the goodness and severity of God in how God had to deal severely with Moses and said, "No, you cannot go. Don't talk to Me anymore about going in that land. I'll take you up in the mountain. I'll show you it." He said, "Because this is back there where you glorified yourself before the people." He said, "Joshua is going to take the people in." He said, "And that is it."
- 67 Then Moses didn't fuss. Moses didn't argue. Moses didn't make a big noise and carry on. Moses went and took his mantle off, put it on Joshua, told the people, he said, "It is for your sake God is angry with me." He didn't put them down and say, "You see the same thing," watch them, cut eye, "it's you all who have me not going in that land."
- 68 He said, "Joshua is going to take you in. Have confidence. The Holy Spirit told me for your sake He is angry with me. I am not going to go in and so on. This is as far as I'm going to go with you. Praise the Lord. The Lord bless you. See you in the hereafter."
- 69 Then we see Aaron made the golden calf. God said, "Come aside." Golden calf. He said, "Take your clothes off." He told Moses to take his clothes off; put it on Eleazar. Is that right? Exactly. He said, "You got under the influence of the people, made your little golden calf and everything, gave them to worship, stripped the people naked." He said, "Look, he is not going to go any further. He reached this stage in the journey." And you see those things in the Bible.
- 70 Then you see Uzziah. The time came, what happened? Being blessed of God, got self-secured, received correction and could not receive correction,

could not submit himself to the correction he received. Is that right? And God said, "Uh uh [no -Ed.], from the throne to the leper house; a leper for the rest of your life. Cut you off, separate you, quarantine you, put you in isolation."

- 71 And you see the severity of God. But yet look at the goodness of God in each one of their lives. They saw how God blessed them. They saw when they were nothing. They saw how God stood with them, how God fought their battles. First, they saw the goodness of God, then they saw the severity of God.
- 72 Look at the Gentiles. For two thousand years the Gospel, the great Gentiles around the world, a people who were not a people have now become the people of God. But what is happening now in the last Age? They are blind, wretched, naked, miserable, don't know it. It is that right? They are going to be taken down to be atomic fodder in this atomic age. Why? The very thing Paul told them here: be careful, take heed, lest you be cut off. That's exactly what comes in this Age. The cutting off comes in this Age, so that it can be turned back to Israel again.
- Jews. I preached those things for you over the years to show you, here they come now and they—after that kill... I said, "Look at those men like Shamir and Begin [Former prime ministers of Israel-Ed.] and these things. Now they're thinking about giving up the land, giving up a piece of the land. Do you see where they went to? They went to Jericho. The first place that they conquered in this Bible, they've come to give back. And that is only to bring the Roman power in because they will have to come to make a covenant with Rome. But when these things are coming the Bride will not see those things, but She will see the footsteps of it coming in, She will see it because She knows the plan of God. The Seal was already foretold because we have had an eagle Prophet.

We have had a prophetic Message (amen) that has forewarned us of what is going to happen.

- 74 That is why among the Bride of Jesus Christ we can look and see what the Holy Spirit is doing in getting the Bride gathered together and taken up into that Mystery where She is being prepared for great translation faith. Because Joseph's wife must be dismissed to the palace before Joseph makes himself known to his brothers. All of these things have been laid out from the Book to show us the Age that we are living in and to show us what is happening.
- 75 You see when you can see what is going on at present in your midst and in your own life and among believers in this Hour, in the light of where we are positionally, in the light of where we've reached in the program of God for this Age, in the light of the position of the nations, in the light of the condition of the church, in the light of the condition on the social world... because the Bible said Israel would be in their homeland, the church would be in Laodicea; the world would be in a condition like Sodom and Gomorrah. Is that right? But in that Hour the Bride is going to come to Her perfection, a Church without spot and without wrinkle.
- 76 Since the church is in Laodicea, it's not a message from there that is going to do it, not a denominational message. But there was a promise of the opening of the Seven Seals Book in the last days. There is a promise of the coming of the Redeemer again. There is a promise of Revelation 10, when that mighty Angel is going to come down from Heaven with the open Book and reveal the Mysteries in this Bible; not to bring a new religion but to turn the hearts of the children back to the faith of the fathers, to bring back one Lord, one faith, one baptism; to bring us back to the apostolic faith! Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord, lest I come and

smite the earth with a curse [Malachi 4:5-6-Ed.].

- 77 So, we knew that there is a Message that is going to come. Just as John forerun the first coming, there is a Message that's going to come to forerun the Second Coming to call a people out and make them ready.
- 78 So, it's a tremendous thing as we are trying to kind of paint a little picture to give you the setting and catch some of the strangers so that they could understand what we are talking about.
- 79 But this chastening, we've been seeing how God purges the branches that they might be more fruit bearing. And you have to know the fruit in your life. You have to see the fruit of the Word for the season coming forth in your life. You have to see the fruit of the Spirit. If you say, "Boy, I find I can't do this and I can't do that, and I can't do this, and it's hard for me to do this," all you are saying is, "Lord, I need a purging".
- 80 A purging doesn't mean Andrews Liver Salts [A laxative -Ed.] It means the husbandman is going to take that pruning hook. He is going to take a sharp tool and He's going to come, and He is going to purge that tree, that branch. He may have to pull off a lot of old leaves, a lot of fellowship with a lot of people that you are not supposed to fellowship with. You might be in little cliques and little groups of fruit; He might have to bust it and thin it out. When that begins to happen, you say, "Like things went from bad to worse."
- 81 God is answering your prayer. In your mind, you don't understand it, but He is purging the vine. That is the teaching in St. John 15. St. John 15 is teaching that there is a union between God and man. That union is necessary that man can bring forth the fruit of God. It shows how the husbandman has to purge it that it might be more fruit bearing. He has to cut off branches and these things that are not bearing. He has to trim it off. They might be just grafted in there but living off of

the life; weakening the tree and depriving the fruit of the tree and the genuine branches from getting what they are supposed to be getting in the tree.

- 82 When that husbandman walks up there, the only thing on his mind is the benefit of the tree, the betterment of the tree, the health of the tree. He is not on some little branch feeling, or on some leaf feeling, or on some little old fruit feeling. He's not on that. That little fruit could bawl, "Oh God, that's my good friend. I don't want to leave them. I don't want to stop talking to them. I like that little girl over here." He busts it out and throws it away. Amen. As that fruit begins to mature afterwards, it says, "You know I realize that thing would have really kept me back." But at that time, he couldn't appreciate it; but he can appreciate it afterwards.
- 83 So, it's very carnal when people say, "You know I'm serving God, but things are going hard for me. I'm trying to serve God and it's like I can't enjoy myself." Because the concept you have about serving God is you keeping your own spirit; God just blessing you on your old nature, giving you everything that you want, and you're not really pleasing God. Because in your mind, you think when you come to church, you're doing God a great, big favor and God should be so thankful, "Oh God, they came to church this morning. They're coming to church."
- 84 God is not thinking about that at all. God is saying, "There is My son. He's obeying My Word." Amen. Somebody spits on you, laughs at you; you don't compromise; you stand right here! Amen. Somebody calls you "old granny" (amen!), you don't go and shorten up your dress tomorrow. You say, "I am glad to be that." Amen! "I'm doing that for my Lord." Hallelujah! He gives you faith to stand for Him. That is what God is interested in. Exactly.
- 85 And we took those things in the Bible through

David's experience: how God had to make him more fruit bearing; how God breaks up the vessel. We've been looking at how God breaks up the vessel to remold it when it's marred. He took him off the throne and put him back. Why? Before he can bring it back in its position. He took it back to the wheel; took him back to the potter's shop to break it up a little bit.

- 86 And it's because of a lack of understanding of God's ways and how He is working to fulfill His purpose: we become rebellious in our thinking towards the things that God predestinated in our lives because we are still self-centered and selfish, and we cannot appreciate the wisdom of God in our trials, and we think it strange concerning these things, and we refuse to be in subjection. And He says, "If you are in subjection to your earthly parents when they spank you, how much more your Heavenly Father when it's for your profit? That you might bring forth peaceable fruit unto righteousness." He said, "And they only did it for their pleasure." [Hebrews 12:9-12 -Ed.] They did it hoping that that might correct you but He is doing this specifically to discipline you and make you more fruit bearing and make you a better person in the end. Is that right?
- 87 And He said, "Who art thou that repliest against God? Can the thing formed say to the potter why hast thou form me thus?" [Romans 9:20 -Ed.] In the sovereignty of God, He made you what you are. Paul said, "I am what I am by the grace of God." [1 Corinthians15:10 -Ed.] Is that right? Vessel of honour set aside for the Master's use, prepared unto every good work. [2 Timothy 2:21 -Ed.] But look at the Potter; how He had to form that vessel. And look at the things—Paul said, "Chastened but not killed." [2 Corinthians 6:9 -Ed.] "We are like sheep for the slaughter, killed all the day long that the life of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh." Amen.
- 88 Just trying to lay a background a little bit so we could try to come up to where we want this morning.

But in there trying to show you that we have been coming through those things about the goodness and the severity of God.

- 89 And now, we are looking in the Scripture here of something that is very outstanding: how God says He told Moses (He said), "I'm longsuffering, plenteous in mercy, gracious, abundant in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving their iniquity and transgressions and sin, and Who will by no means clear the guilty." He is showing His side as a Savior and He is showing His side as a Judge.
- 90 And God doesn't actually deal with people in judgment and punishment until He first warns them. God didn't just pour out His wrath in the days of Noah, or in Egypt, or in the days of Sodom. God had a prophet, and that prophet Moses came to Egypt and Moses began to preach to them and he said, "Pharaoh, let my people go. God said, 'Let My people go.' God said you're holding the people in bondage. He said you're treating His people evil. Their cries come up before God."
- 91 He said, "What God are you telling me about? I am god here. This is my place. They're under my subjection."
- 92 And he began to harden his heart. Well, he learned that God's hands were heavy. Is that right? And while God was whipping Egypt and dealing with them, it seemed like the children of Israel were getting away. It looked like that, right? But when God started with them through the wilderness, they realized, God isn't going to spare His children and just beat up the unbeliever; that God was going to discipline His own children.
- 93 And we took it in Deuteronomy: as a father chasteneth a son, so the Lord chasteneth thee. Because He was bringing them into an inheritance. He was bringing them into a position where He said, "I will be glorified in you." And every experience, everything that

He was doing, the Father was seeing the position that they were going to come into. His eyes were upon that. He knew exactly when they came into that position, the responsibility that they would have. He knew the capacity in which they would serve Him.

- 94 And so, God is seeing us in that New Civilization. He's not just seeing you until a few years here and then you die. He knows you have eternal life. He deals with you as sons. You are part—you are genes! You come from His loins. And you are going to... If you suffer with Him, you are going to reign with Him. And He has an Eternal Kingdom that is coming. And you have a place in that Kingdom. He said, "If you overcome you will sit with Me in My throne." [Revelation 3:21 -Ed.] Is that right?
- 95 So, He's not going to wait until you go over there and start to train you again. He is developing and molding that character now. Some of it will be displayed here, sure. But the real fulfilling of the purpose will be in those Ages to come. Because death doesn't change your nature; it only changes your dwelling place. Is that right?
- 96 Moses was still a prophet. Moses died, but what happened? That was the flesh. But he came back on Mount Transfiguration with Elijah and talked with Jesus. Is that right? And they were talking about Jesus' death. Then Samuel came back up and prophesied. Is that right? So, it showed death only changed their dwelling place. They were still what they were when they left this earthly journey.
- 97 Even in this Day, when the Prophet went behind the curtain of time and came out of the body, they put him on a scaffold and they said, "On earth you were a Prophet." And we took those things in the Bible and showed that that attribute of God is Eternal. And if that attribute of God is Eternal, you are predestinated unto the adoption, unto the placing. Adoption is your

placing: Where you are placed positionally in an inheritance that was given to you in Christ.

- 98 And it's that faith that is being perfected in you. He is the Author and Finisher of that faith. It originated in Him; it's completed in Him. And you be confident that He Who began the work in you will perform it even until the day of Jesus Christ. And the reason He has sent forth His Word in Its fullness in this Hour is to bring you to recognize what part of the Word you are. So, it is a tremendous thing.
- 99 Now... But I want you to see as we move on a little bit. One of the things we begin to discover as we look at this was: many people sitting under the Word, they end up in a lot of difficulties and a lot of circumstances because of failure of self-judgment. And we took those examples in the Bible where David, different ones have gone through and because of failure of self-judgment, then they had to be judged of the Lord. If you don't judge yourself, you will be judged.
- 100 And God has given you the Word. He has given you a revelation of your position. That is why to whom much is given, much is required. You don't jump around with some intellectual thing and you know, some superiority complex and then say, "Boy, I know who I am. I believe I am part of the Bride, so and so and so." If you confess that, then you are responsible for everything that the Bride is supposed to do and be, and anything short of that, you will be whipped for it because you will be saying you know that and then not doing it. Then it will become—that will become iniquity: to know what is right and don't do it.
- 101 So, you see, people get fun in boasting. They get fun in self-exaltation. They get fun in thinking that when they say all of that, they say that with a concept to impress the one or two around them to get their admiration. Well, if you have to go and try to play

peacock and walk about to get admiration from somebody, let God give you favor with people; let God bless you; let God approve you among men. Amen. You don't have to go and try to get your own Fan club. It shows the carnal, shallow realm; you are still sensual. You still want attention and you're trying to use methods to gather it to yourself. But when God approves you, you please God rather than man. You don't look to what man is saying about you; you look to what God says about you.

102 Look at Ahab. He wasn't looking at what God was saying about him; he was looking to what man was saying about him. And man was saying, "Thus saith the Lord, go on up. The Lord be with you and bless you."

103 And God said, "You go up and come back," He said, "You're going to find out who is right and who is wrong." Is that right? And when God spoke to him through Micaiah, he said, "You see the man hates me. I told you the man hates me." He wanted to see himself blessed. He got so trained to the voice of man that he became deaf to the voice of God. Oh, I tell you.

104 And it happens. Because people, they are walking in a place where they are failing to really become conscious. They fail to realize this is real. This is not church. This is not: "Bro. Vin could preach it good," or "It's sounding good" or "our church". This is not that. This is God. As I said, if you're under this Message and this Message was sent to ripen the grain to bring a harvest of the first one that was matured and waved over us, how could you stay under this Message all these years and still be immature; still holding on to childish things, still can't even take corrections, still can't even take a rebuke? Somebody rebukes you, "I'm not coming back to church again," you start to run and look for a next church. You go outside here. When you are supposed to be a man and take control of your house, your wife is controlling the house; you're

sissified in the back there. You are in a bad shape.

105 We're talking about man taking the responsibility. We're talking about man having confidence that God in me will make me love my wife as Christ loved the Church. God in me will make me lay down my life. God in me will give me confidence to lead them right. God in me will make me reflect the mystery of fatherhood to my sons (amen!) and a husband to my wife, that they can look at me and know that that is God inside of me, and respect that, and have faith in God and what God is doing.

106 When somebody tries to dodge, "And you did this," and hide behind, "And you did this over here", and who doesn't want to take the blame, and who's competing with who, and... Oh, God have mercy! They've missed the Message. If they're still in the realm: "We're right; denomination is false. I tell you, judgment is on the world," they've missed the Message. What about a man in the image of God, a man in God's image and God's likeness? What about the stature of a perfect man? What about the life of God in a man, the Token on display? What about a man being restored to his sonship, back to his dominion?

107 It doesn't just mean... People want to go and stop the sun; want to call rain down or something. [Bro. Vin exhales in awe -Ed.] You start that with your ABC's. You get power over these elements first, these sixteen elements here. [Bro.Vin indicates his body -Ed.] You get that human spirit under subjection to the Word. Sure. You begin to get a revelation of your place in the economy of God; you begin to realize that you in your inheritance, in the boundaries of your home, you represent God from wall to wall; from fence to fence. And God put you there and gave you headship over that, and you become responsible before God for what you allow and permit there. Is that right? Sure.

108 But great failure in self-judgment. Many begin to realize that the thing that they try to pray out of existence and kind of show a bulldog attitude towards, wasn't the devil trying to just destroy them; it was God using that as the rod to bring discipline into their lives, that they might examine and re-examine the situation and see what they are being whipped for. Because God doesn't just beat people and vent rage and anger; God brings judgment, and the punishment always fits the crime. And when God is spanking you for something, He shows you what you did wrong; He shows you why you shouldn't have done that; He shows you what you need to be spanked for, and you come out knowing, I will not make that mistake again. Exactly.

109 But when we think, "Well I'm just going through that," we make it like, "Well God is just giving me thunder here and I don't know when God will finish but I'm taking it." And then you come out and you don't know what you got all that thunder for. Do you understand what I mean? That is not God. Don't call that God at all. It could be God doing it but then you don't call what—you say, "well yeah, you know..."

110 If God is dealing with you, God will show you why He is doing those things because it is intended for you, to correct your attitude. It is intended for you to recognize now, to train you in handling certain things that through you—you are the Christ in your home. Your family is the family of God that you're dying for to bring salvation to them. You can't bring an abundance of anything to them and then you're not living the Word or you're not willing to die to yourself.

111 If you have to take headship over your home, it takes a certain character to fully manifest that headship. And it must take a union with the true Head, Christ, to reflect that headship. And then it means to say you have to learn submission in order to be in union with Christ because Christ will not come in submission

to you; you will have to come in submission to Him.

- 112 You're not going to say, "Lord, You're supposed to do that for me, you know." You're not going to order Him around. He's not any sissified man. When He told the church to straighten up that, they didn't do it; He left them in their ignorance. He put them away. Sure. They want to have bongo games, they want to have parties, they want to have beach outings, they want to have this, and they don't want to obey the Word; He put them away.
- 113 So, when you look and you see, it's come to the place where God is bringing to us the Age we are in. He is being revealed as Judge. The Supreme Judge is here. That is the vision. The world has rejected the Message. You see people, sometimes they're confused, they say, "Boy, haven't you seen in the papers, a little twelve-year-old boy killed a next boy in school? And you haven't seen so and so, a seventeen-year-old boy... Boy, I tell you, yes, this place!"
- 114 My goodness. That is one. The world will be filled with it. It's not going to get better. The social programs wouldn't work. God's remedy is the Word. God's remedy is repentance. God's remedy is a Prophet that condemned the thing and called it back to the Word. [Blank spot on the audio -Ed.] God stays with His program. These people mean good and they're trying to do something. Sure, they help one or two people but that is not God's program; that is not the solution to the problem.
- 115 When we see the Hour that we are in, we're still seeing men with their little fig leaves, every man trying to design a different fig leaf as a solution to their nakedness. And they still need to come back to the blood of the slain Lamb and come back to the right covering and come back in submission to the Word. That is still God's program. Man's works will not do it. God's grace has already provided it.

116 God brings judgment when man refuses the provided way. But the thing is, as long as we leave God as a far concept, maybe some mysterious Person way in the universe, billions of miles in space somewhere, where we don't try to think of how God thinks about it, what does He see about it, how does He approve of this, to what extent is God pleased about this, what God requires of this or what God's Word says about this, or where in God's Word is an example to show us what this is all about, so that we can see that God cannot change, and if He looks at this thing the same way, He will see it the same way like He did back there in the Bible. That is where we need to come.

117 But people are afraid, and they feel very fearful within themselves to really come and be exposed before the Word. It's coming to a place that when people hear the Word judgment being preached, they feel you're prying into their lives. They're getting afraid. They don't even want that anymore. Where is that spirit coming from? What is the Message? What is a prophet a sign of? Do you see what I'm saying? And it shows down inside of that soul there, it's just in the human realm. It's just in the church realm. But to come face-to-face with it and realize it, it means a submission. It means a surrender to the Word.

118 Let's turn to the Book of Nahum. It's there I want to take my text from. You have Jonah, Micah, Nahum [pronounced nay-hum -Ed.] or Nahum [pronounced nah-hum -Ed.]. I don't know how you say it but... And we're going to be in here for a little while because it will take quite a few messages to bring it out. I know I'm not in the place to really start it this morning because we will be here for the next few hours. But just to catch a little part of it and then we get a little feeling, and we get to the water baptism.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The burden of Nineveh. The book of the

vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.

<sup>2</sup> God is jealous, and the Lord avengeth; the Lord avengeth, and is furious; the Lord will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies.

<sup>3</sup> The Lord is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked:

119 We read over in Exodus, It says, "I will by no means clear the guilty." He will not acquit the wicked.

... the Lord hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.

120 If you can enter into the vision of the prophet, what he is seeing: he is revealing God as a Judge. God is jealous and the time has come for judgment. He is furious. He will take vengeance on His adversaries. He reserveth wrath for His enemies. He is slow to anger but now He is angry. Now He is angry.

...and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: The Lord hath his way in the whirlwind...

121 When He came in that whirlwind in 1964 and made three blasts, He said, "Judgment striking West Coast," it almost cut the trees down, ripped the mountains off and everything else. Man, going there with big bulldozers, do you know how long it would take to cut a piece of mountain? One blast and stones were flying everywhere. Men were running for their lives; veterans, men who had been in war.

...and in the storm...

122 And you see the kind of damage these storms do when they come.

...and the clouds are the dust of his feet.

123 See, like when the army is marching on the march and you see that dust as they are trekking their way into battle, and especially when they get into battle, you know they have a kind of slow march. They aren't really charging at the enemy yet and they're just marching, making mileage, going to their place. When you see it comes to the place where they're going into an attack and they see the enemy, the army begins to march. Under the voice of that general, every man now is in the heat of the battle, they know their place; they begin to see the enemy. When that dust starts to kick up, he said that's how God is. The clouds are like the dust of His feet when He is coming in judgment. The whirlwind, He's coming in the whirlwind and the storm, and He is coming with great fury.

<sup>4</sup> He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry,

124 See like when He was coming across in judgment there upon the... Moses said, "The Lord will fight for you this day. You will see those Egyptians no more." The first thing God did, He rebuked the sea, opened it up, took His people out, and then He destroyed the whole army of the Egyptians.

...He drieth up all the rivers:

125 Look at God when He was coming across Jordan and He was going to launch His attack on Jericho. Every man was set in position, every man washed his clothes and everything else, and then the Levites went with the Ark. Is that right? And God opened up that river and they went across dryshod, like on dry land. So, he's giving a picture. He's painting a picture here of this One coming in judgment. We see it back in the Bible.

...Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.

- 126 Carmel and Bashan and Lebanon, those were the most fruitful parts of the country. The great, big cities of Lebanon and Carmel where they were very fruitful; all the great orchards and so on; and Bashan, you know, where they had the great fields and the pasture. He said, "Now it languisheth." Because you see a country look so great, so rich, like how Egypt was, and do you know what happened? In one plague, the locust came, stripped every tree bare. In a next time, flies came, frogs came, and in no time the rivers turned to blood. Is that right? The water. And the pride and the power of that nation that ruled the world by her economy, God brought them down to such poverty in no time, because He began to pour out His wrath upon them.
- 127 So, he is giving us a picture here. You have to understand the scene. He is presenting you to the God in judgment. Remember when God is being revealed in judgment, you're looking at those Vials.
- 128 Now we're going to take a little part on the side of the world now. I've been speaking to you about the goodness of God that you will not be condemned with the world. But now look when the world is going to be condemned. How God had to chasten you to take you out, separate you, remold you, prepare you unto His good work: the goodness of God.
- 129 But then look at the severity of God here a little bit. God Who is now visiting the iniquity of people unto the second generation, unto the third generation, even unto the fourth generation. Why? Because His judgments He remembers and He has patience. He's going to wait; going to pour out some here, going to pour out some in the next generation.
- 130 He has been doing that down through the Church Ages. Every Age that rejects the Message has a temporary judgment. How many know that? A plague

fell! And it's all heaping up, heaping up, heaping up and when it comes to the last generation, the generation of His wrath, and He begins to pour out those Seven Vials... And remember as divine as His wrath is, so divine His mercy is. As great and furious His judgment is, so great is His blessing on the other side. As He's going to destroy those bodies and the fowls of the air are going to eat them and the beasts of the field are going to devour them, so He'll change these bodies of the Elect and make it put on immortality as well. Watch and see.

<sup>5</sup> The mountains quake before Him, and the hills melt.

131 See? Earthquakes and volcanoes.

...and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.

132 So, He's not just talking about a little local something here. He's bringing judgment sure on Nineveh, but we all know it is showing you what Nineveh really is today.

<sup>6</sup> Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger?

133 First, we hear that He's furious, we hear about His vengeance, we hear about His fierceness of His anger, we hear about His wrath that is reserved.

...his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.

<sup>7</sup> The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.

134 And while He's revealing Himself as Judge, here He reveals Himself as Deliverer of His people. What does

2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 2 say? The Lord knoweth them that are His.

<sup>8</sup> But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.

<sup>9</sup> What do ye imagine against the LORD?

135 Nahum is speaking to Nineveh here.

...he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time.

<sup>10</sup> For while they be folden together as thorns, and while they are drunken as drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.

- 136 I want you to get the picture. Watch the language of the Holy Spirit. They are what? Folden like thorns. Hebrews 6 says like thorns and briars nigh unto rejection. They are drinking the same rain. They are mature, but their part was to be burnt. Jesus said, "Gather up the tares together that they might be burned." [Matthew 13: 30 -Ed.] And watch, It says, "Them that are drunken are drunken in the night. We are not of the night; we are of the day." See? Them that are drunken; 1st Thessalonians 5 talking about the coming of the Lord in judgment.
- 137 You say, "You're trying to maybe type this and dramatize this." I'm going to show you it's what it is. The Book is open, and the same way redemption is revealed down through the Bible, His wrath is revealed down through the Bible.
  - <sup>11</sup> There is one come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the LORD, a wicked counsellor.
- 138 Here God now is telling them, He says, "Out of Nineveh, you all have one. He's a wicked counsellor and imagineth evil against the Lord." A certain one, the man

of sin, which I'm going to show you just now.

<sup>12</sup> Thus saith the LORD; Though they be quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be cut down, when he shall pass through. Though I have afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more.

139 He's talking about Judah here now, His own.

<sup>13</sup> For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.

- 140 So, God is telling His people, "I had to afflict you. I had to afflict you, I had to let oppression come against you, I had to put a yoke upon you, put you in bonds because it was My way of dealing with you as a son in chastisement. But now that I've dealt with you as a son and brought you to your place, I'm going to... You don't have to fear the rod anymore. You don't have to fear the nations that I used to bring that chastisement anymore," He said, "because now their doom is come. Their judgment is come."
  - <sup>14</sup> And the LORD hath given a commandment concerning thee, that no more of thy name be sown: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the carved images and the [melted] images and I will make thy grave; for thou art vile.
- 141 I want you to catch it. The prophecy is coming forth from the mouth of the prophet but He's dealing with two people at one time. He's dealing with Nineveh whom He's bringing judgment upon. What for? For all the images, for all the idolatry, all these things. He said because you are vile; all the molten images, because I am jealous. Exodus 20, God said what? God is a jealous God. Thou shalt have no other gods before Him. Is that right?
- 142 So, watch Him. He is revealing Himself as jealous.

He is jealous. And He is coming in vengeance, and now He's going to destroy this nation.

14 ...the house of thy gods will I cut off the carved images and the molten images: I will make thy grave;

143 In other words, "I'm going to dig your grave here for you now because you are vile."

15 Behold...

144 Now He's going back to Judah again.

Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for the wicked shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off.

145 In other words, "I'm going to take the bands off you. I'm going to cut him off now." Now catch this. Don't put your mind back in history; the Book is prophecy. God is announcing His judgment. But in the Hour of judgment, He said, "Behold the feet of Him on the mountains." Revelations 10 reveals those feet. He is coming to take full dominion of everything, and He's coming with a message of what? Peace. The Great JVHU in the skies, bringing a message of Shalom. Now no more... "All these things that corrupt the land, that defile the land, that pollute the land, all these images, all these different things, I'm going to utterly destroy it and cut it off; it will be here no more."

146 Now we'll perform the vows, now you'll celebrate the feast, now the true God will be worshipped. Behold Him Who bringeth glad tidings. He's bringing tidings. What is the Good News? The Gospel. He's bringing news of a bright, new Day; a Day that is breaking between mortal and immortality; the pressing coming of the great Light; a Day of Shalom; a thousand years of peace. Amen! He's going to cut this thing that pollutes the land.

He's going to remove it completely. What happens after the Vials? It brings on a thousand years of peace. It removes that harlot system.

- 147 Now watch. I'm going to bypass Chapter 2 because it's going to take us some time to get that, but I'm going to pick it back up. But just to get to the point I want to bring this morning, to show you it is the Vials; to show you it is this Day.
- 148 In Chapter 3, It begins [Nahum 3 -Ed.]:
  - <sup>1</sup> Woe to the bloody city!
- 149 Or the city that is filled with blood. Woe: two have already passed; the third one is her judgment.

Woe to the bloody city! it is all full of lies and robbery; the prey departeth not;

- 150 Her gates are the gates of hell. She has drunken every king of the earth. She brought them in there and she destroyed them with her lies because the beast that carrieth her is the father of lies.
  - <sup>2</sup> The noise of a whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheels, and of the pransing horses, and of the jumping chariots.
  - <sup>3</sup> The horseman lifteth up both the bright sword and the glittering spear: and there is a multitude of slain, and a great number of carcases; [about sixty-eight million back there alone] and there is none end of their corpses; they stumble upon their corpses:
- 151 Look how many are in Bosnia right now. Do you get what I'm saying? This city is so filled with blood that the Red Horse Rider is what we're looking at. When we get to Chapter 2, you will see more perfectly how he's also the red horse rider, a bloody city. That red horse represents blood; violence being taken from the earth by this city that is full of lies. They had the sword, the

bright sword and the glittering spear. They who live by the sword will die by the sword. You watch and see.

152 And look at Verse 4.

<sup>4</sup> Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the well favoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families [or peoples] through her witchcrafts.

153 Do you know such a woman? Do you know such a woman is a city? Do you know such a city is drunken with the blood of the saints and the martyrs? Do you know such a city is filled with all the corpses of them that they slew? Do you know such a city is full of idolatry? Do you know God told one of the angels who had the Seven Vials filled with the wrath of God, He said, "Come, I will show you, what? The judgment of the great whore"? Is that right? All right now. We're going to get it in the New Testament just now.

<sup>6</sup> And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile...

154 Oh, I missed out a verse here, 5:

<sup>5</sup> Behold, I am against thee, [God is saying] saith the LORD of hosts; [that's when He goes in battle; the Lord of hosts] and I will [uncover] thy skirts upon thy face...

155 Because she is all in disguise like she is some queen, like she is some fine lady or something, like she is some holier-than-thou with all her purple and her scarlet and all these different things. See? All her pious look and all her crosses and all her different things. But God said, "I will uncover you." He said, "I will uncover you and expose you and you will be so exposed."

...and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame.

156 God, one day (let me tell you and it's this Day), He is going to uncover... I am tempted. I want to tell you all what I want to preach because I know I'm still reading this and you just think I'm reading the Scriptures; you don't even know where I'm going, but you will see in a while.

<sup>6</sup> And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazingstock.

<sup>7</sup> And it shall come to pass, that all they that look upon thee shall flee from thee, and say, Nineveh is laid waste: who will bemoan her? whence shall I seek comforters for thee?

157 And that is like a little pun being used there. God is telling Judah, "Judah, the time of your deliverance is come; rejoice, clap your hands, keep the feast, start to celebrate, because behold the feet of Him Who stands on the mountains (hallelujah!), He Who cometh with glad tidings for you, Judah. And let Me tell you once more, Judah," He said, "the days of your affliction are over." Amen. He said, "Because the time has come, I am going to rid the land of this very thing."

158 Because that One Who is coming is the Lion of Judah roaring as a lion roareth and Who is bringing a message of peace. And this nation that oppressed the Church, the real Bride, under those four horse riders for Seven Church Ages, deceived the church, killed the Christians, robbed them of their wealth, and then came in this day to unite everything and persecute them and kill them, and set up themselves as the world state religion, the only true one. God has uncovered their scheme.

- 159 God used them to chastise the Church. That red horse rider could have only ridden and killed them when? When those Christians sold out their birthright at Nicaea, Rome. Is that right? When was that? That was when they went down into Babylon. That was when they were taken, because why? They rejected the Word like Adam and Eve back there at Nicaea, Rome, and they chose creed and dogma rather than the Word, and they took a name that was not the Name and they forfeited the true Name.
- 160 And at Pergamos, the church and the state became married. Is that right? Ahab and Jezebel right back there as well, back in the Old Testament. Back there in Pergamos in Genesis, when the sons of God and the daughters of men were married; the church and this world were married. And that was when they went in there and they suffered.
- 161 But all the time though God used them to persecute the church... Then God told them to escape, and they came out in Sardis. But what happened? He said, "I have not found your works fulfilled. I have not found your work perfect." Is that right? And what happened? That means 'fulfilled' because they were turning back and going back to the very system and they were selling out again. But in the last days, God raised up a Prophet to condemn the thing; that church that oppressed the true Church, killed them, deceived them, strangled them using the powers of the state.
- 162 Don't you know it is the World Council of Churches, Protestant churches, going to give their support to Catholicism? Going to use the power of the state? Going to cause them to enact principles into law to bring persecution on the true Believer? But God is saying, "Little Bride, you do not have to fear them anymore, Judah. I will cut them off in this Age." Amen. "I have turned that Cloud. I have revealed Myself unto them." His eyes are a flame of fire with a sharp two-

edged sword (amen), a Voice of many waters, feet like brass. I am coming to destroy the thing."

163 It's going to happen in this generation; it's going to happen in this Age because this Message has pronounced the thing already. "I will burn the earth with fire after that Elijah comes! I have already bound up the thorns and the thistles. I have taken my wheat and I am going to destroy the whole thing. I had to chasten you. I had to discipline you." Amen. "I had to separate you from that thing totally. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. The Message in the last Age: a message of rebuke, a message of chastisement, a message of repentance, amen. Come out of her, My people, because her sins have come to Heaven." Amen. Hallelujah. "I am going to destroy the thing once and for all." Amen. "Now we will have peace. I am publishing glad tidings." Amen. Glory!

164 What a vision Nahum had. I feel like Nahum, standing in the vision. Amen, glory. I feel the spirit of Nahum is here speaking that vision.

165 Look at Verse 6 again.

And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazingstock.

166 Strong language. That sounds like a Man Who is angry. That sounds like a Man Who is furious. That sounds like a Man that the clouds could be dust under His feet. That sounds like a Man Who cometh in a whirlwind. Amen. That sounds like a Man Who was slow to anger but now He is angry, and He will by no means acquit the wicked.

167 He acquitted you; there is now no condemnation. You stand justified. He declared you righteous. He imputed that righteousness to you because you had faith in His Word! It was imputed unto Abraham for

righteousness because what? He did good works? He went to church every day? He believed God. Not trying to attain your own righteousness; establish your own righteousness; not the righteousness that comes by the law by what you can do to make yourself holier-thanthou, but that which you get when you deny yourself and identify yourself with the Lamb.

168 And that is where many are coming this morning, to be identified with the Lamb of God (amen) that His righteousness can be imputed unto them. They don't have to go and try to live the life afterwards. God will want to impute His righteousness to them in the form of the New Birth, the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Glory.

169 And verse 7 he said,

<sup>7</sup> And it shall come to pass, that all they that look upon thee shall flee from thee, and say, Nineveh is laid waste: who will bemoan her? whence shall I seek comforters for thee?

170 In other words, God is saying there will be no comforters. That is what you call a rhetorical question. We went through that once before. It is being asked with the understanding that the person being asked already knows the answer.

171 Nahum means consoler or comforter. Judah had a comforter bringing a message of peace when they beheld the feet. And they knew those feet came to take dominion; they knew feet meant possession. Hallelujah! They knew Revelation 10, when that blast and Seven Angels appeared, and that distinctive Angel on the right-hand side with the swept back wings that materialized when the camera was taking the picture. Amen! They looked and *LIFE* magazine showed it in the sky. Amen! They knew that One there was that One in the Bible; meant more to me than the rest. Hallelujah. The rest still were Him, but that was the Seventh Seal for this Age, the Coming, that Message. Because all the

messages are gathered up in that one Message. This represented the Seven Church Ages because it came down through Seven Church Ages.

- 172 And He is saying, "Where will I get a comforter for you?" In other words, God is saying, "I opened the Seven Seals. I can give comfort to My Bride, this morning. I could tell them a thousand years of peace is coming. I could tell this mortal will put on immortality.
- 173 When I look to Nineveh, what can I tell them? When they crucified the Word a second time? When they chose their dogma and their creed rather than the Word? When Cain refused to receive correction and he wouldn't do like Abel his brother, then all that can be done is to be marked and separated from the Presence of God. There's no court of appeal. It's souls that are in prison now. It's the eternal lost, the doomed. See? Already have been investigated, tried, the verdict came forth guilty, put in prison, and they have an appointment where they will be executed under the Sixth Seal; awaiting divine judgment to be executed upon them; already fixed, no case of appeal. They turned down the revealed Word.
- 174 God is saying, "Where will I get a Nahum for you?" Where could a message like this be preached inside one of the systems this morning? The man who stands up in a system and tries to preach a message like that and tells them that they are in the Bride and they are going is lying to them. It's another Zedekiah trying to bless what God cursed. Do you know that? Exactly. It's another Balaam trying to curse what God blessed; cursing the Bride and then trying to bring a false union and think that God is going to accept that.
- 175 But they're doing it for money, after the wages of unrighteousness. Exactly. It is all being identified. It's another Korah with a golden image that they have there. The Bible said, "They have gone in the way of Cain, and

the gainsaying of Korah, in the error of Balaam." [Jude 1:11 -Ed.] You watch the spirit; it's identified, friends.

<sup>8</sup>Art thou better than populous No Amon [God is asking them], that was situated among the rivers...

176 This was a city—which I don't want to go into this morning, but it was Thebes. I was telling you the history of it and showing that, seeing that where it was, it felt so secure; something like America today that God is going to destroy with an atomic bomb after He sinks Los Angeles. But now when God is going to put judgment on that Vatican they were already perished.

177 He said, "What about them? Do you think you are secure? What about them? They are the global police today." They're going across the world, sending their armies everywhere, taking over the territory they want, establishing what rule they want, doing what they want. And they have all the nuclear missiles and everything, all the defenses that they are so secure, they can dictate to the whole world. But the Word shows Ahab was destroyed by a missile. Is that right? Jezebel went on for a while, but then the dogs ate her flesh. Watch the Scripture and see.

178 He said that,

...that was situated among the rivers, that had the waters round about it, [and] whose rampart [that is the defenses] was the sea, and her wall was from the sea?

179 In other words, she was so strategically situated; she had all the defenses that she was able to trust in the security of where she was positioned, that it made them a little loose and carry about themselves because they felt so protected from any invasion or any kind of attack.

180 But that nation had fallen because God had given

it over to the very people of Nineveh who had gone and taken it. He said, "Look how secure they were, and you could have taken it. Well, the same way you think you are so secure," He said, "you are going to go down as well. You, who are the well-favored harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts; you who are that bloody city, who sells families and sells nations."

- 181 Do you know right now they have four of the leaders here in the Caribbean who've gone to see President Clinton? You know years ago they had the Caribbean Basin Initiative. They want to take a hold of it. When we took those things back there and showed how they have been telling them they have to unite because Europe is uniting, new trades zones are coming in. They are going to divide the land for gain. Those things were preached to you. They are going to destroy the present-day money system. What do you think they're going up there to do? What do you think all the state enterprises are being given over to foreign—what do you think all these things are about?
- 182 And when some of you are seeing your job getting a little insecure and so you get under pressure. How much do you believe the Word now? It's nice to confess your revelation when you are not in a situation, but when you stand there, now you're going to see if subconsciously your faith was in Jehovah Jireh or you felt it was you supplying your own need. If you think you were supplying your own needs, then you will have fear. If you know it's Jehovah Jireh, well, pull up your tent, follow the Pillar of Fire and walk on. "Move from the Brook Cherith, go to the house of Zarephath. I'll command them to feed thee". Amen, glory. God is guiding; leadership.
- 183 As long as they follow the Pillar of Fire, the Cloud, the water will never cease from the rock; the manna will never cease to fall. Amen, glory! He'll take care of you. Amen. Faith to multiply the bread and the fishes. And

that is not some brash statement; that's a Scriptural promise; that's the pattern in the Bible to foreshow this very Hour that we are coming to. Amen! It's just our heart and mind to get under the influence of the Word, to see the Hour, to recognize the experience, and to get in step with God. Buckle on the armor a little tighter and move on up, amen.

# 184 He said,

<sup>9</sup> Ethiopia and Egypt were her strength, [that was Thebes. No Amon was a name for her] and it was infinite; Put and Lubim were thy helpers.

<sup>10</sup> Yet was she carried away, she went into captivity: her young children also were dashed in pieces.

185 Have you read some of the reports of what is going on inside of Bosnia? How they systematically were killing those people, systematically raping those nations? Everything was being done... Have you ever read about those Jews, how they destroyed them systematically? The final solution that Hitler called it. How they built so many ovens; had to get so much gas, had to get so much manpower, had to get so many different things. It was a whole big system set up to eliminate a race from the earth.

186 Let me tell you, that Rome... And that was the Roman spirit loosed upon the dictators. That is the spirit that deals in torture, that deals in killing, that is drunken with the blood. That is that woman Jezebel. But look, God is describing. He said when they went in and they captured that place,

...her young children also dashed in pieces at the top of all the streets: and they cast lots for her honourable men, and all her great men were bound in chains. 187 They found out all those who were skilled, maybe scientists, geologists... They don't just want to shoot off these like ordinary people, you know. That is the think tank. Read the Book of Daniel; how they screened them. They found the intelligent ones and they used it to train them in their own language, to learn their sciences, to teach them, to extend their kingdom so that they might become more powerful. The Prophet said, "Why do you think Russia was able to advance and be able to make the atomic bomb too and do these things? Because when they invaded Germany, they got a lot of the German scientists and then they took them over."

<sup>11</sup> Thou also shalt be drunken: thou shalt be hid, thou also shalt seek strength because of the enemy.

<sup>12</sup> All thy strong holds shall be like fig trees with the firstripe figs: if they be shaken, they shall even fall into the mouth of the eater.

188 God is saying, "You are like a tree with your first ripe figs. Well, the eater is coming to shake the tree down."

<sup>13</sup> Behold, thy people in the midst of thee are women: the gates of thy land shall be set wide open unto thine enemies: the fire shall devour thy bars.

189 Watch it. Fire is going to bring the destruction of this city.

<sup>14</sup> Draw thee waters for the siege, fortify thy strong holds: go into clay, and tread the morter, [make industries] make strong the brickkiln.

190 Go into your war industry, get your war machinery going when you're under invasion. Churn out more planes, start to beat your plowshares into swords, get yourself armed, ready to defend what you have. God

said, "Go ahead and see if that is going to help you."

- 191 In other words, the prophet—God in the prophet was taunting them. He is mocking them. Because why? She lavishes in her strength. She lavishes that she could sell nations. She lavishes that she could sell families of the earth. She lavishes that she could redraw the lines and take over the whole world. She lavishes that they stumble over corpses; nothing could stand in their way.
- 192 And God said, "I am watching you. I was slow to anger. I saw you kill sixty-eight million until some people even say I sit there like a big, fat belly God with My hand on My tummy. They wrote books and they laughed at Me and called Me the silent God."
- 193 But God said, "I sat down there, and I watched it because I am slow to anger." He said, "I sent Luther to protest you and you would not take it. I raised up Wesley, Knox, Finney, and all those fellows; revival after revival. After they died, you came in with subtlety and their move and you turned took it organisations and today you took all of them right back under you. I sent My Prophet and you got together and conspired and crucified the Message, saying, 'Look the heir is come. Now we're going to take away the whole land. We killed all the different witnesses that came. We have become the main tenants now. We took over everything." God said, "I watched you."
- 194 But He said, "When I come down there, and My feet land on the mountains, put one on the land and one on the sea, when I start to publish peace to My people and deliverance for them, that means it's your doom; I am going to cut you off now." He said, "I already turned the Cloud to Judah, let Judah see Me with eyes like a flame of fire. Judah saw Me with the white wig already. Judah knows I am here with feet like brass." Amen! Hallelujah! The true Judah, the one with the praise, the one who

could sing: *love riding the trail again*. Amen. Hallelujah! The one who could sing: *shout the sword of the Lord and of Gideon*. Amen. The one who knows You have come back for the honest in heart. Amen. Yes, sir!

195 He said they know that those Vials, he does not have to come back in any tent and preach anything. It's right here. It was sealed up in the Message. Wait until the Cycle comes back around a second time to make It plain (amen), when His wrath will be poured out just as He poured out His Holy Spirit under those Seals, under those Seven last Seals, those Seven Thunders, when He pours It out upon that Bride. So, He's going to pour out His wrath upon them.

### 196 Look at verse 15:

There shall the fire devour thee; the sword shall cut thee off, it shall eat thee up like the cankerworm: make thyself many as the cankerworm, make thyself many as the locusts.

197 God is telling them, He said, "Well, try and see if you could make yourself many like the cankerworm, try and see if you can multiply yourself."

<sup>16</sup> Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven:

198 She's controlling trade and commerce. Don't you know that? It's merchants It's saying. I want to get to Revelations 18; you'll see just now. The merchants are who they multiplied. All the big conglomerates come together. In the eighties was the decaying of corporate warfare. All the big businesses were taking over everything, because when they came into the nineties, it was going to be the time to redraw the lines and change the trade zones: put one out there in the pacific among the Chinese nations out there; put one in Europe by bringing all the nations together; break down the

Berlin wall and bring them together. See? And bring one here from Anchorage in Alaska all the way to Tierra del Fuego (see?) and bring new trade zones. Already taken the Panama Canal, already taken the Gulf oil, and the Swiss canal they already have under their control.

199 Because Egypt, they cancel their debt and all these things; they are just another ally. Israel has been spanked in the midst of all the Arabs after they brought a political kill, got Begin and Shamir and them out of power, and then they brought in the compromisers now who want peace in the region, who want better economic prosperity. But that is why God had sent a Prophet to open the Seven Seals to uncover the scheme of the enemy.

200 So, he said,

<sup>16</sup> Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven:the cankerworm spoileth, and flieth away.

<sup>17</sup> Thy crowned are as the locusts, and thy captains as the great grasshoppers, which camp in the hedges in the cold day, but when the sun ariseth they flee away, and their place is not known where they are.

201 God is really threatening them. God is really showing them the condition they're going to come to. Now for the first time in the Book, in Chapter 1, He said, "They have a wicked counselor inside of there. Watch, it's two things He's talking about: a blood city and a wicked counselor; a king in that city, the mastermind behind that whole thing, Satan's superman. So, for the first time in the Book, God addresses him.

<sup>18</sup> Thy shepherds slumber, O king of Assyria: thy nobles shall dwell in the dust: thy people is scattered upon the mountains, and no man gathereth them.

- <sup>19</sup> There is no healing of thy bruise; thy wound is grievous: all that hear the bruit of thee shall clap the hands over thee: for upon whom hath not thy wickedness passed continually?
- 202 I will never get to where I want to get this morning, but I'm just going to read Revelation 18 a little bit to back up some of that, so you can see the spiritual side of it and then we'll close for the water baptism.
- 203 So just give me the last few minutes and we are finished. But this is good for me to lay the background in, because when I get Jonah and Nahum, they go together. Jonah and Nahum are one book. Not one book, but they're dealing with one people, Nineveh. Revelation 18.
- 204 Let's read Revelation 17, Verse 6 first. Let's start from Verse 1.
  - <sup>1</sup> And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore
- 205 I wonder if you are seeing the judgment of the great whore, this morning, that well favoured harlot, that mistress of witchcraft, that bloody city.
  - ... that sitteth upon many waters:
- 206 Look at verse 6.
  - <sup>6</sup> And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.
- 207 And verse 16:
  - <sup>16</sup> And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked,

and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.

208 How is that woman going to be destroyed? By fire.

<sup>17</sup> For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.

<sup>18</sup> And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

- 209 So, watch this city, this woman, this great city. She was a bloody city. She's going to be destroyed by fire. She was a city who ruled over the nations. God was showing His prophet, that angel who was a prophet, her judgment.
- 210 Revelation 18, verse 6, speaking about the same woman again:
  - <sup>6</sup> Reward her even as she rewarded you,
- 211 Watch how the punishment fits the crime now.

...and double unto her double according to her works:

212 We went through that already. That was an Old Testament Law. I won't have time to go into it again, at least not this morning, to save a little time.

...double unto her double...

- 213 That is not God just using a word; it's a law He is referring to of judgment, divine retribution.
- 214 You see God was slow to anger. God judged this thing. God sat down. God knows every crime. God knows every Christian they killed. The history books... The Foxe's Book of Martyrs has the names of a few. God knows every name. God remembered every one, yet in the Book of Revelation He only called one, "Antipas, My

faithful Martyr," but He knows every one. In the history books not one had mentioned Antipas but God called an obscure one to show He knows everyone. And now the time has come, He is going to judge the thing. He says, "Now give unto her double for all her works."

- 215 Let me tell you this, friends, everything you do from the cradle to the grave is recorded on God's film. Television proves that. These who are coming to be baptized this morning, all what was there from the age of accountability up until the time they are going to be baptized (if they are at that age or past that age, whatever their age is) is recorded there, but God is going to erase it. When a man is going to come up into the judgment, it is not that God is not going to remember what he did, or nobody would tell. In the natural court, a man takes the rap for a next man. He stays silent; he doesn't say a word. "I'm not squealing. You could do me what you want. I am not talking."
- 216 God doesn't need that. In God's judgment, God pulls the file out and He shows you even your thoughts. When you are before that judgment throne, you are seeing your own self in technicolor. When you were young, you are seeing yourself doing it young. When you get a little older and you are still doing it, you are seeing yourself at that image, at that age, doing it.
- 217 How many ever heard the visions under discernment? He said, "I see you; you are getting older." He said, "I see you young here when you were a certain age, you had that accident. I see you getting older in the vision and then you had your first operation here. Now I see you here now three days ago." He is seeing the past, the present; then he said, "Go on your way. You will be healed." He saw them in the future as well. All in the vision, because why? God is taking him into that realm to see their record. Their book was opened.
- 218 Let me tell you, it's not this Book alone that was

opened. Because every person's book is in this Book. And under that Prophet, when he stood there with that Word in him, every man's life was opened. The only thing that was not shown was what was in the sea of forgetfulness having been confessed and put in the blood, because God doesn't have any record of it; but every other thing was recorded there.

- 219 There were people who used to be with him; he took that vision book, as Bro. Billy Paul testified, he said, "Look, God showed me before I knew them that they were going to come in here, they were going to come into the assembly, they're coming on this date; they will work with me for so many years. On this day, they will betray me and go back out." He said, "God was showing me everything. It's right there in the book." He said, "I have it written down there." And all those years while they were with him, he treated them nice, friendly, everything, as usual.
- 220 And they said, "How can you do that?"
- 221 He said, "Well, this is the only love they will know in this life."
- 222 Look at David with Joab, different ones there, but yet when the time came and he was ready to go, he said, "Okay Solomon, now, for the blood of this one that was shed and for Shimei that day when I was rejected and he was cursing me, and for this one here," he said, "make sure every one is wiped out."
- 223 God remembers. That was when the son of David, Solomon, was coming into the throne and the judgment was being executed upon those who were in the Age when God was in theophany, before He comes the Son of David, when Nathan the prophet was uncovering the scheme. I say that to put on the tape; you study it afterwards. But I know some understand what I'm talking about.

224 I'm ready to close, just finishing this Scripture here. Revelation 18. Look at Verse 8 now.

#### 225 Verse 7:

How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her:

226 God is saying, how much she has glorified herself, give her so much torment. You mean God checks how much people glorify themselves? It's all in the records, friends. When the punishment comes, it's going to come according to the crime.

...and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.

227 And I want you to remember that. I'm telling you this; I'll refer it back to you when I come back on this message. I want you to remember that she is saying, "I sit as a queen." Because when you get to Chapter 2, that is what that mistress of witchcraft, that great harlot, that bloody city, she was called the queen. She is called the queen. Because Nineveh (go back to Genesis 10), Nineveh was built by Nimrod. Nineveh means 'the habitations of Ninus', which was another name for Nimrod.

228 And the Assyrians—Nineveh was the capital of Assyria. And the Assyrians originally were Babylonians. So like Babylon in another form, they still had the same religion and everything else, but now when they became Assyrians, they became interbred with some other nations. And they were the most brutal people in history, during the time while they existed as a great power in the earth. They say they used to burn people alive. They used to skin them while they were alive and decorate the walls with their flesh. And when you read the Book of Jonah, God said, "Their wickedness is

great."

- 229 Read here, It says, "They dasheth the children to pieces," [Nahum 3:10 -Ed.] and It describes some of the brutality in the book here. Yet they are talking about, "We don't believe in abortion. We don't do this," and all the different things, and they are the biggest aborters there are; they are the biggest murderers there are.
- 230 But God is not fooled by the propaganda in the media. God is not fooled by the false image they project. God sees, God said, "I will uncover your skirt. I will let the world see how naked you are." [Nahum 3:5 -Ed.] It isn't going to be some little *Chick Publications*' exposure. It isn't going to be some Dr. Rivera, a little exposure or John Todd's... It isn't going to be that kind of exposure. God said, "When I am done with you, you will be a gazing stock."
- 231 And watch it, verse 8:
  - <sup>8</sup> Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine...
- 232 We were taking those forms of chastisement: death, famine, all these things were God's methods of chastisement.

...and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her.

- 233 That sounds like the same God we read of in Nahum? Watch.
  - <sup>9</sup> And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived [luxuriously] with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, [for] they shall see the smoke of her burning,
- 234 How is this woman, this great harlot, this bloody city going to be destroyed? By being burnt by fire.

- <sup>10</sup> Standing afar off for the fear of her torment [radiation, atomic fire. See?], saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.
- 235 God is saying, "You are sitting as a queen; you are saying, 'I am no widow.' You are sitting down there in your pump and your glamor." He said, "I watched you: you walk around the world, you kind of bow. You said, 'Stop the war in Bosnia. We don't believe in all this abortion."
- 236 God said, "I watched you." He said, "That wicked king you have inside of there; that one who is thinking evil against the Lord, that one who multiplies merchants, who fights business wars, who fights trade wars, who fights media wars, who sets his traps; that mighty hunter who took over everything in that bloody city, that oppressed My people." He said, "But now, I told My people they do not have to fear you anymore. I have already revealed to My people, they do not have to fear you anymore." He said, "And when I destroy you, they are going to clap their hands and they are going to rejoice in such a way, when they see your destruction come."

## 237 Look at verse 16 to 19.

<sup>16</sup> And saying, Alas, alas that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!

<sup>17</sup> For in one hour so great riches is come to nought....

238 God said, "You looted the whole world, you robbed everybody, and you piled all the spoils in your city." He said, "Well when I expose you, the looters will loot you and take everything too."

- <sup>17</sup> For in one hour so great riches is come to nought....
- 239 Let me tell you, the richest place on the earth, the wealth of the world is laying there. In one hour, so great riches... Under that Third Seal, they captured the wealth of the world. Under this Fourth Seal, they unite the money together with the Jews and break the covenant afterwards. They are going to do it to control; change the money system, everything, to control everything. And God said, "In one hour, so great riches come to nothing."
- 240 Do you mean you spent thousands of years to build this kingdom, enthrone yourself as god, devise all this mischief, unite the whole world with your telecommunication system and the networks and these things, and in one hour it comes to nothing?

...And every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea [the merchants], stood afar off,

- 241 In verse 15, It calls them the merchants. Look it's right there.
  - <sup>18</sup> And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What city is like unto this great city!
  - <sup>19</sup> And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, Alas, alas that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness! for in one hour is she made desolate.
- 242 She controls all the shipping routes, all the territorial waters, all the contracts, controls all the oil wells, everything, that the merchants and those who

lease out their ships too or who were in covenant with her, they were made rich by her. But look, look and see.

243 Chapter 19:1-6. Or Verses 23 and 24 first, in Chapter 18, before we go to Chapter 19. [Revelation 18 -Ed.]

<sup>23</sup> And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.

244 This great city, this bloody city, this city who multiplied the merchants, this city who deceived the world (she was the mistress of witchcraft), deceived them by her sorceries, that was going to be judged and burned by fire. Are you seeing it is the same? It was a prefigure of this city; this city that was drunk with the blood of the saints and the martyrs.

<sup>24</sup> And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

## **245** Revelation 19:1:

<sup>1</sup> And after these things I heard a great voice [after she was destroyed. Watch.] of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:

<sup>2</sup> For true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great [harlot], which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

<sup>3</sup> And again they said, Alleluia And her smoke rose up for ever and ever.

- <sup>4</sup> And the four and twenty elders and the four [living creatures] fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.
- <sup>5</sup> And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great.
- <sup>6</sup> And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.
- 246 God is saying there will be such rejoicing in the earth when you get destroyed; the earth will be filled with the praises of those who see your destruction, those who were oppressed by you all these years, when all these things come.
- 247 Oh my. Keep it in your mind and go over it when you go home. We haven't even broken the seal on it yet. Because you see Nineveh, under the resurrection sign of a prophet, repented and God stayed judgment. But the same Nineveh sank when Nahum's prophecy came up. It was revealing the time had run out for them. When Jonah preached, he said in forty days it's going to go down, but it didn't go down; it lingered, because God stayed His judgment.
- 248 Jonah means dove. Jesus said, "That is the sign that will be given; the sign of Jonah, the prophet, unto this generation. A resurrection sign, a prophet that is going to come forth with a resurrection sign, with a message of judgment to Gentiles. Jesus was one like Jonah, but Jesus is now being revealed to the Gentile world. It came to Jews, it came to Samaritans, but now it has come to Gentiles.
- 249 That Gentile world, Nineveh, we see what she is. It

was established by Nimrod. It was the religion of Nimrod. It was the city of Nimrod. So under that prophecy, the same God to the same people in another season. That is really where I want to get it to, to show you that it's a great Mystery.

- 250 Under Jonah, it shows you the goodness and the grace of God. It shows the longsuffering of God. He is plenteous in mercy. See? He spared them; He let them repent. He even rebuked and chastised Jonah for his wrong attitude towards them, to teach him. But then the Hour came when God was going to pour out those Seven Vials. He is going to pour out His wrath upon them.
- 251 I want to take this because when we get it back, we will see Revelation 10:1 to 7, that first fold: Jonah, a resurrection sign, the ministry of a prophet pronouncing judgment. And I want to take that second fold and show you under Nahum's prophecy, comforter, God is now declaring to the Elect, after they have been chastised and everything else, "The chastisement is finished but now I'm going to bring judgment upon them; the wrath. The cup is full."
- 252 You watch and see. You take the two Books together because Nahum is only a sequel to Jonah. It's the same people. They went right back into their unbelief. They went right back into their idolatry and they never completely separated to the living God.
- 253 When you watch this system here, and this city that rules the world, and fills the world with their pollution, that was pronounced judgment upon by a Prophet, but God let it linger. All these years have passed and she failed to repent, and separate, and went right back and became worse, because they are worse today than they were in the time of the Prophet.
- 254 But now God was saying, "I held back My wrath to see what your attitude was going to be, to give you a

space to repent. As many as I have love, I rebuke and chasten. I showed that I didn't just love the Jews. I showed I loved you, Gentiles. I showed that I was God over all." Because Jonah was afraid to go to the Gentiles first. He said, "I showed I was God over all. Salvation has come to you." He said but look...

255 Remember he was a runaway prophet, that God had to break his will and chastise him, make him a prisoner, to send him with a message to cry out against it. He said, "And all man has forsaken me because of the stand I took for this Word." It wasn't a message to be popular; it was a message to rebuke the Age to repentance. But that same Age, when we look at it now, friends, is shifting. Because between Jonah and Nahum, the Cloud is turned; it's judgment. It's far advanced in this Age.

256 And if you can understand by the Word... That is why I say sit under it, study it. Understand what the Spirit is saying. Don't sit there and try to figure me out. What I am saying is thus saith the Bible. You pray over it and see. Search the Scriptures and see whether these things are so or not. Compare the Message. Go back to warning and then judgment. When He warns, He doesn't always strike when He warns. He holds it back. See, he said Nineveh sank afterwards. God destroyed it afterwards. See what Nineveh represents as we try to show you the parallel there; the capital that ruled the world under Assyrian rule. It was such an evil place.

257 I trust that as we see what is advancing on, we catch the spirit of the message. Don't misunderstand the tone of His voice. Catch the spirit of the message. See your day. The Prophet said, "What day are we living in? Is it building programs? Getting new carts?" He said remember the rock that was thrown up. Remember the vision of the Bride: keep Her in step. He said it is judgment breaking in the world.

258 When you see these things happening in the land, friends, remember this nation is past redemption. There is no nation... The Lord will spare this nation if He sees a few righteous, if He can find them. When He separates them, He will not destroy the righteous with the wicked. He separates them. That's what the investigation means. He comes to separate. He said, "At the end of the Age, I will separate the wheat from the tares. I will bring them under the Blood like in Egypt. I'll put the seal of God in their forehead like in Ezekiel 9. When the slaughtering angels pass through there, when the death angels move, it wouldn't touch them under the Blood and those who have the seal of God on their forehead. I'll make a way, like in the days of Noah, for them to come into the ark that they will not be caught in the judgment. They will go above the judgment and come back in the new earth."

259 Catch with understanding and see whether these things be so. Then you realize in your heart and you say, "Lord, is that where we are at? Is that what You called us unto? Lord, make me a little more sincere. Lord, I want to walk a little closer. It isn't the Message becoming harder, Lord. It is coming down to the Hour we are talking about." You stand there and believe. Remember to apply the Token with unwavering faith for you and your household. If you believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, you and your household shall be saved.

260 Let the Word live in you. Don't try to run around and preach to a lot of people and you don't have the Word living in you. Be an example. Be an example. Let the Word begin to live in you. Ask God to let that Word become flesh, become spirit and life within you, become flesh in you, that you can truly represent Him. No makebelief, friends; something real. Let's bow our head for prayer, as the musicians come to play.

261 Oh, gracious God, we stand today at the end of this message, looking at Your goodness and looking at Your

severity, Lord. Paul said, "Behold the Goodness and the severity of God." To see when You came down in that Cloud on the mountain to that exodus prophet, You expressed You a God Who's longsuffering, full of mercy and compassion and slow to anger, Who will pardon sin, transgression and iniquity, but by no means clear the guilty. You will visit the iniquity unto the third and fourth generation.

- 262 We see You have come down in this Exodus, Lord. We see You've come down in a Cloud again. We see You proclaimed in the Name of the Lord in those Seven Thunders again. We see first, there was a message of redemption for the Bride but when that Cloud was turned, it was a message of judgment unto the world.
- 263 Lord, we have experienced Your goodness. We have seen Your love towards us. We have experienced Your severity in our lives as well. You never even spared the rod, Lord; You disciplined us. You chastened us. It was grievous many times. Sometimes, we despised it, sometimes, we fainted under it, but it was that we should be exercised by it; bring forth peaceable fruit unto righteousness.
- 264 Today we look back down through the journey that we have travelled, Lord; we realize that truly all things work together for good. Truly, dear God, it was in Your great wisdom, the tender hand of Jehovah leading us. Some through the water, some through the flood, some through the fire, but all through the blood. Lord, as we see those who refuse Your mercy, who refuse Your goodness, who refuse the pardon, dear God, who refuse to go out in the time of the jubilee, we see, dear God, all that is left for them is the severity of God.
- 265 Now we see what is happening in the East. We see what is happening in the West, Lord. We lift our eyes and we look up because we know our redemption draweth nigh. *Just any day now, our Lord is coming. He*

will be returning for you and for me. Oh, may we watch and may we be waiting, Lord. Just any day now Your face we will see.

266 Oh, precious Lord, take our hands, lead us on, dear God, in this dark Hour that we're living in. Let Your Word be a lamp unto our feet, dear God. May Your Holy Spirit, Lord, quickly gather in the ones, oh God, that are halting between two opinions. Bring them to that place of decision, dear God. Bring them to that place where they can make a clean-cut decision like Ruth who said, "Where thou goest, will I go; Your people shall be my people, Your God shall be my God; where you die, will I die; and where you bury, will I be buried." Then like Rahab, oh God, who heard the message and believed it, dear God, saying, "I know God will judge this place. I know this place is under the wrath of God but give me a sure token."

267 Oh, God, may it be like in Egypt that time when the prophet brought the message, and they caught the urgency and the desperation in the voice of the prophet and the revelation of the Hour, and they applied the blood with desperation. All man was moving into Goshen to get under that blood because they knew at midnight the death angel was going to go through the land, "and when I see the blood I will pass over you".

268 Oh, gracious God, I pray, Father, that in this Hour, Lord, Your Holy Spirit moves in such a way, dear God, and You'll take up Your children; You'll break the powers of darkness around their lives, oh God. They who have been falling into pits, who have been entangled by snares, who have been trapped in the cages of the enemy, oh God, let their ears be attentive to Your voice, Lord. May it bring faith to their hearts. May they know they can receive their deliverance. May they be willing to take Your Word into their hearts and apply It with faith, dear God.

- 269 Lord, I pray men and women today will mark the spot where You laid and lay down there. Those, oh God, who are not fully surrendered to You, Lord, will come to that place where they will stop fooling around and be certain of God today. God, those who are believing for their loved ones, who see, oh God, children are going astray.
- 270 Father, I pray dear God, Your servant standing here at the sacred desk, with a believing people gathered all around me, and Your Word being revealed in our midst here, dear God, by the Spirit of the Living God. Oh, precious Jesus, Your hand is not too short that You cannot save, neither is Your ear deaf that You cannot hear. Reach down Your hand, Father. Stretch forth Your great, everlasting arms. Draw them back, oh God. Those feet who have been turned out of the path, becoming lame, oh God, may You stop them, Lord. May You turn them around.
- 271 Oh, God, soon the door will swing shut, Father, and he that is filthy will be filthy still; he that is righteous will be righteous still; he that is holy will be holy still. We don't want to be caught outside. We want to be eating our bread in haste, with our lamps trimmed and filled with Oil, our staff in our hand, our loins girded up and our feet shod, our ears attentive to the blast of the trumpet.
- 272 Oh God, even strangers, visitors who might be trusting in some denominational religion; men, oh God, women, I pray You would touch their heart today; they would hear Your voice. You said, "My sheep will hear My voice." They would hear the voice of the Scripture, dear God. Lord, may You lift them up, Lord, on higher ground, by faith on Heaven's table land, dear God. Let faith catch the joyful sound today. You said blessed are they that know the joyful sound, oh Lord. They will walk in the light of Your countenance.

273 Help men, oh God, to be real men; not to be sissified men. Man is revealed and waved to us in this Day, the Man Christ Jesus, the Son of Man, the Corn of Wheat that was revealed in a son of man, and waved to us as the firstfruits in this great Harvest. Oh God, may they catch the vision. You say, "If we are without chastisement, we are bastards and not sons." May we not be wishy-washy. May we not be under the spirit of some dominant female or something, some Thyatirian influence; might not believe in a Roman Catholic doctrine but be under the influence of a Roman Catholic spirit, Lord; fail to realize that that is what Laodicea is all about.

274 But, Lord, we want to be under Your headship. We want to be prisoners bound with the chains of Your Word; Your Word might have its preeminences in our lives. Oh God, cause women to be in submission today, to see their place, to see the beauty of their position that they are placed in, and the virtues that You have placed in them, Lord, that they might reflect and manifest that true feminish spirit of Jesus Christ.

275 Oh, Father, Your Word has restored these things. Your Word has made these things available. Your Word has opened up the channel whereby we can enter in and receive these things. The Holy Spirit is here to do the work in every believing heart. Lord, may You cause people to recognize that. This is not just saying so, but this is what the Word declares. And we have faith in Your infallible Word spoken to us by a Prophet, upon whom laid the Spirit of infallibility, the power of infallibility, where he can speak, "Thus saith the Lord".

276 Oh, God, isn't that this very Voice that is being recycled here? Isn't that the very same Word, Father? God, You know I'm saying that sincerely because I believe that It is. So many are becoming hybrid in their spirit, they cannot take the truth of the Gospel. They want some little, sissified, watered-down concept of the

Message. They want some little church where they can fit in, where they could just socialize and do what they want to do in self-will. But, Lord, when we look through the pages of the Bible and we see Your nature and character in dealing with Your children, we don't see that with sons. We don't see that with sons anywhere.

277 Let us have faith in Your Word today. Let us gird up our loins and step forward under the influence of the Word. Let us repent and let us lay aside every weight and let us come to true identification with You. Where we are failing, Lord, let us really stand. It is not past repentance for many that are here sitting under the Word. They may not be living where they ought to be living, Lord, but I pray where every hungry heart will believe You and want to be restored to You and be joined to You again, Lord, where that fellowship might be broken, where that peace might be lost, that they would see that these things are available now, here, present. The Spirit of the living God is ready, willing, and able to minister to them. Let them believe it, Father. And as they believe, may they receive it. You know everyone, I pray.

278 I pray, Lord, their faith would draw You right where they are seated, right where they are praying in depths of sincerity in their hearts, right where they are calling unto You, oh God, saying, "Come by here, Lord. Come by here. Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me, oh Lord. I am standing in the need of prayer." Oh Jesus, like Fanny Crosby wrote that song that time: Pass me not, oh gentle Savior, hear my humble cry; while on others Thou art calling, do not pass me by.

279 Even these, Lord, who made the decision to be baptized in Christian baptism, Lord, You know how grateful we are to see in this late Hour, the Holy Spirit, God rich in mercy, God rich in love, reaching down Your hand and remembering all whose names are in the Lamb's Book of Life. "No man can come to Me except the

Father draws him first."

- 280 Lord, may Your love be so shed abroad in their hearts that there would be no doubt, no uncertainty, Lord. They would see You, they would see Your shape, they would hear Your voice, they would know it is You dear God, here, being revealed through Your Word, Whose Presence is being identified, according to what You promised for this Hour. All that the Father hath given Me will come and I will lose none of them. Oh God, I know My sheep and My sheep know Me. The seal of God standeth sure. The Lord knoweth them that are His. Hallelujah.
- 281 You spoke peace to them, Lord. May they hear Your voice and may they receive it. Bless them today. As they come may their sins be remitted, Father. May Your grace and mercy wash it away, Father; the precious Blood of the bleach of Jesus Christ. Lord, how we are thankful for that great Clorox for sin that could break it up, Lord. They could be loosed from that sin. The commission is here and the Holy Spirit is still here to make it effective, as we believe it and apply it to their confession. Blessed be Your Name.
- 282 We thank You, Father. How great Thou art, how wonderful. How marvelous is Thy Truth. How excellent is Thy Name, oh Lord, in all the earth. Great is Thy faithfulness, oh Lord. Hallelujah! Worthy art Thou, Lamb of God! Worthy, worthy, worthy, worthy! We lift our hands and we exalt Your Name. We praise You. We praise You and we exalt You, Lord. Oh, Hallelujah! Hallelujah, Lord! How faithful Thou art. Thou art the Faithful and True Witness. Hallelujah. Thank You for Your grace.
- 283 May all Judah praise You today, oh God, who have heard Your peace, who have heard Your message of tidings, who see Him on the mountains Who bringeth glad tidings, Who spoke, Lord, that total deliverance,

that we can have joy and gladness in our midst, because this evil city is about to be cut off and Your kingdom shall be established and Your Name fill the earth, and the kingdom of this world becomes the kingdom of our Lord and His Christ. Thank You, Jesus.

284 We behold Your goodness and Your severity, Father. May it become so real and may it draw us into such a fellowship, bring us into such an obedience. In the Name of Jesus Christ, we pray, amen.

285 Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Oh, blessed be Your Name Lord. Blessed be Your Name. Praise waiteth for thee in Zion, oh God. Hallelujah. Thou art worthy, oh God. Let's sing that. Thou art worthy to receive all glory, all honor. Exalt Him who is our King, whose Presence we are gathered around, Who is in our midst, proclaiming peace, publishing glad tidings. Unto the Lord Jesus now.

[# 388, Thou Art Worthy - Songs That Live. -Ed.]

286 (Unto the Lord Jesus now.)

Thou art worthy, thou art worthy,

287 Oh, everyone giving their praise to Him. Just get in the Spirit and worship Him. Let Him be the center as you worship. Let Him fill your mind, fill your heart, fill your soul, that you see Him and Him alone; He Who deserves all glory and honor.

Thou art worthy, oh Lord. To receive glory, glory and honor,

288 Oh yes, You are worthy to receive it, Lord; You alone and no one else.

289 Glory and honor and power;

For Thou hast created, hast all things created Thou hast created all things,

290 Oh, we believe it, Lord. Not any evolution; creation.

You are the Creator, Lord, the only One that can create.

And for Thy pleasure they are created Thou art worthy, oh Lord.

291 Oh, once more, everyone, sing it. Let's lift our hands in adoration, in worship, and lift our voices in praise. Give Him glory, give Him honor. Oh, His Great Majesty, His Excellency, the King of kings, the Lord of lords.

Thou art worthy, thou art worthy Thou art worthy O Lord

292 Oh, give Him all glory today, children.

To receive glory, glory and honor, Glory and honor and power For Thou hast created...

- 293 Hast all things in Heaven, in earth, under the earth, (hallelujah!) in the sea and all that is.
- 294 Thou hast created all things
- 295 He alone is God. Besides Him, there is no other.

And for Thy pleasure they are created Thou art worthy, oh Lord

296 Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah, Lord. We praise You, Lamb of God. We worship You. We worship You, oh God. You are our Deliverer. You are our Healer. You are our Savior. You are our Provider. You are the Creator. You are God. You are King. Hallelujah! You are the Mighty Conqueror. Oh, hallelujah! How great Thou art, oh God. How great Thou art. How great Thou art. Blessed be Your wonderful Name. Blessed be Your wonderful Name. You are a Restorer. Oh God, You are a Revealer. Hallelujah. You are a Shepherd. Oh God, You are the Light, You are the Door, You are the Truth. You are the Bread of Life, the Lily of the Valley, the Bright and Morning Star. You are everything to us. Oh God, You are our peace, You are our joy, You are our

love. Hallelujah.

297 Oh, Jesus, be the center of our lives today. Be our all in all, Lord. Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah! Oh, we praise You, we praise You, we praise You, we praise You, oh God. We praise You. We magnify You. Blessed be Your Name. Blessed be Your Name. Amen.

