## Demonology

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1 ... contention that since a little boy.... And when I was first converted and when I met up with the people, the full Gospel people, I've always had in my heart that there was something different. And when the Angel of the Lord met me....

2 And how many was in my primitive meetings when I first started? Is there anybody here that was in my first meetings when I first started? how I'd take the people by the hand. Remember that? All right. And you heard me say that it would come to pass, that He told me that it would come to pass, if I'd be sincere, then I would know the very secrets of the people's heart. You remember Him saying that? Now, it didn't work ... it wasn't then, but He said it would be. Well now, that's taken place, and He told me ... I told Him, I said, I questioned it, and He said, "I'll be with you."

Well, that's always been one consolation; that I've knowed that He was here. I've often heard people say, "Brother Branham, why don't you take the initiative side? Go right out there and just take the side and rebuke the enemy?" I was afraid to because I suppose maybe I'd ... maybe had seen something that I should not have seen.

4 And, I do realize, friends, with all sincerity, that this is not just a drama, a stage show. We're in church and it's the power of Almighty God. And if the demon spirits are on people, if I tell Christians that, and I don't mean it.... You say, "I've got the Holy Ghost, Brother Branham. I ain't got no demon."

Well now, I don't say demon possession. It's demon oppression, you see. Satan in the flesh, not Satan in the spirit. Satan in the spirit gives unclean habits and so forth. Unbelief.

5 You might live just as pure and holy and clean, and yet be a sinner. It's your faith that saves you, see. Many people live just as pure and clean, and yet a lot cleaner sometimes than people who profess Christians live. But yet would deny the Holy Ghost, would deny every operation of the power of God. They're unbelievers. No matter.... They're very religious. And the antichrist spirit is a very religious spirit. Just to the mark. Just as religious as it can be--the antichrist. Jesus even said it would deceive the very elect, if possible, in the last days. It's true.

Now. So then, it behooves you to know where you're ... where you're doing, where you're standing, what you're talking to.

Now, being that I've made this much confession, I'm going to tell you something I've never told publicly in an audience in my life knowingly, unless it was under the Spirit sometimes, because I do things then I don't know what I'm doing. But on the platform many, many times I see the spirit that leaves the person. They're in all kinds of shapes. (I'm fixing up a book on *Demonology*, of what I know about it myself, in my personal dealings with demons.) They're beings. They're just not some thought, like Christian Science says. It's actually a being, and you see it when it leaves the person, like a black shadow. I've seen them. Some of them look like bats about that long. Got long hairs hanging down. I've seen them like that. I've seen them like tortoises, and like great big spiders that weighs fifty pounds or something. Great big shadow like, and it leaves the people. Usually that's epilepsy.

And it goes right over the audience. And Almighty God, who we're preaching about... And surely to be in the deepest of sincerity, I've seen those things move over the audience. And I've seen them sometimes when the congregation would be just in one accord, they'd see that thing themselves many times. Hundreds and hundreds of people would see it move. And therefore, it must take the very deepest of sincerity. It isn't a bluff. You can't bluff the devil at all. He won't bluff. But whenever you really can produce the blood of Jesus Christ, Satan can't stand before that. Now that's just as true....

Well now, here's what I've often wondered. And thank you for bearing with me tonight, to explain this. Here's what I've often wondered. Now, notice. We got a great group of ministers back here, which I am very happy for them to be here, my brethren.

8 And I've often wondered and seen people come to the meetings that have been through meetings, went through prayer

lines. And, the first thing you know, they wind up there at the house, some of them possessed with evil spirits. They've been through there. They've been prayed for, and prayed for, and prayed for, and oil poured on their head and prayed for, through this prayer ... but yet it hangs right on.

Now, there's some reason somewhere. You know that there's such a thing as divine healing, don't you? And you know that there is no hard case with God. Well, God healed leprosy same as He would a toothache, see. It's all under the atonement.

9 But when you look in reading articles, this person was sitting paralyzed--healed. Here's another one with, maybe with a last stage of cancer, just withered away. They're made well. Then, see another person maybe with just a persistent headache or something. And just been through prayer line after prayer line. There's something wrong somewhere. There's bound to be.

10 Now, that's where the benefit of the little humble gift that God gave me. If I can get that person alone and quiet and before God, it'll reveal just exactly what's the matter. There's something that they haven't done, or something that they ought to have done. There's some reason for it somewhere. But you must find that, then the patient go makes it right; they get well.

11 How many times has that happened? God only knows. Thousands of times, that people who come, filled with the Holy Spirit, Sunday school teachers and everything. And yet, way back down the line somewhere, something happened. Here, the Holy Spirit reveals that right up, tells them just exactly what ... "I remember that. That's just exactly right." And away they go and make it right. That settles the sickness, see. Well, that's the reason ... or the disease, or affliction, or whatever it is.

12 So, that's the reason that the little gift that God gave comes in so wonderfully in the church. But you go to doing that over an audience of people.... Well then, each individual must have that same contact, or they don't feel they're prayed for. They just don't do it. I've tried it eight years.

13 And, you've heard me say in Owensboro, down in Africa, once ... I could stand here under the Spirit of God and someone sitting out in there, It would discern one thing--tell the person what was wrong, or something another like that--every person would do just exactly what you told them to do. If they were laying twisted, bound up, they'd be wiggling and trying their best to get off the cot, or do ... and then keep doing it 'til they could do it, to get up. No defeat with them there. But in America, it never did work just right.

14 It's just... It's so much teaching in America. So many different teachings. They each one has their own idea. They'd say, "Now, my pastor said that that man was a spiritualist." Well, that settles it with you. Oh, you say, "I don't believe that now, Brother Branham." But way down in that subconscious, it's still there.

15 You usually move by your subconscious. Just like a big ship going out to sea: The captain gives orders to a little man that goes down in the bowels of the ship. And he don't see nothing. He just operates the way orders come from above. He don't go and say, "turn this way" or "turn this way" or "full speed ahead" or "backup." He just works according to what the man does up here. Well, usually, that's the way your subconscious works. It stirs you. When it's up here you're trying to think this, but way down here there's something else moves you. Now, I know that.

16 I've caught the patients by the thousands on the platform. Well, they'll say, "Brother Branham, I believe that with all my heart. Yes, Brother Branham, I believe that." And yet, down in there, I think, *God, if they believed it down here like they did up here, it would be different*, see. But they believe it up here but don't down here. So, that won't work. This here will overrule that because subconscious will move on.

17 You'll try to walk out with a mental conception. Say, "Glory to God, I'm healed! Praise the Lord, I'm healed!" And right down in here, that isn't saying so. So, finally, this just rules that right away. And, when symptoms arise, then you say, "Well, I just didn't get it." See, there's where it's at. *This* has got to be with *this*, and *this* and *this* has got to be with *that*. See what I mean? And then healing takes place. Then you, your soul, and your mind, and all is in cooperation with God, and the channel of God's blessing just flows right into you and heals you. It's got to. Now, I've noticed that. And I've been very particular on what I was doing. I'd always wait. 18 Perhaps, maybe God put that curse on ... let Satan put it on. God don't put a curse on no one, but sometimes He'll permit Satan to do it. He did on Job and many of them, you know. Satan puts a curse, God doesn't. God's love. But if you do something wrong, then you're just loosed to Satan for some whipping. And, then, when this curse is on you, and then, perhaps, maybe, what if, by power of attorney, that you go back and take the curse off that God wills that it stays on there till this thing's made right, then what about it? Then you're in trouble with God, is that right? You're in trouble with God.

19 Like a woman come on the platform there in Durban. She walked up, great big, strong, healthy looking woman. The Holy Spirit spoke to her, told her who she was, where she come from, what her name was, and where she'd been, who her husband was. Told her she had a cyst on the womb.

She said, "That's exactly right."

I said, "Prepare for death, for you're not going to live but a few minutes. And fifteen, twenty minutes time she was a corpse. They packed her out of the way, see. I never speak that when I see death around the person. I just pray for them and go on, because I don't know. But, this time, I seen the funeral procession taking her out; and God had already said so, so that settled it, you see; I knowed she was going to die. So, she died. She died yet on the grounds. She just walked down, sat down, set there a few minutes and pitched right over dead. Just as normal, healthy woman with a little cyst on the female organ. That's all that was wrong with her, but she died. It'd just foreseen....

Now, if I'd been the healer, I'd have healed her. I couldn't heal her. God's the One. You have to obey what He says do. Then, in all that, that's the reason... You remember Moses, who smote the rock when he was supposed to speak to it? How many remembers that story? You ministers do. He certainly got in trouble, didn't he? He didn't get to go over in the Promised Land. God just took him out of it, you know. [Unclear words.] Crawled up the hillside. There he died. The angels took and buried him.

And many other stories in the Bible like that. So try to be very careful. But there's one thing that I've always thought about: That God, by the power of His death at Calvary, has given to the church power to cast out evil spirits. Because Mark 16 said, "In My name they shall cast out..." Not "*I* will"; "*they* will." "In My name they shall cast out devils." Is that right? "If they lay their hands on the sick, they shall recover."

Now, that laying hands on the sick has been one thing. I've often wondered.... As I've said, there's not a mother in here but knows what laying hands on the sick is. Let your little baby be sick and you pat it and play with it a little bit, how it quietens it. Did you ever have a horse that was nervous and upset or something another. Your dog, pat him just a little bit, put your hands on him, rub him. See what I mean?

Now, there's a power of God by laying hands on the sick, because it's a commandment of Jesus Christ to do so. And last Tuesday ... or, night before last ... three nights ago, it's been, I suppose, when I was at Brother Vibert's church, which I knew ... (that was going to be the night that we was to be at Brother Vibert's church, I think, which was Tuesday night.) Brother Vibert and I are close relations. And I thought, if I was wrong, I wanted God to forgive me, and I was sure Brother Vibert would too. But I wanted to see a showdown one time--just a perfect showdown against Satan. For I've had some experiences without vision.

And I remember at Portland, Oregon, when that maniac run out on the platform. (Three times my size. I weighed a hundred twentyeight pounds, he weighed about two-sixty. Seven foot tall, great huge fellow.) He come across the platform swinging his arms like that, cursing me and spitting in my face, and said, "You impose yourself to be a man of God?" Said, "I'll break every bone in that little frail body of yours." Well, he was plenty able to do it, humanly speaking.

Now, I'd just led two little police to Christ; they run out to grab him. I said, "This is not a flesh and blood affair." And, no more than I had said that, that Something on the inside of me lifted up, and I knew he was whipped right then because God had said so. And he come across the platform and he stopped out about five feet from me and he just [Brother Branham makes spitting noise.] spit and just flew all over my face.

27 Said, "You snake in the grass. You hypocrite." Said, "Stand up here...." Sixty-five hundred people seated, besides just up and down the street. He said, "I'll just break every bone in your body." And he shook his big fist and, oh, his great, huge arm. His eyes begin to roll around, his teeth set together. And these police found out that he had broke a jaw bone and a shoulder of a minister the day before, and they had a search warrant to get him ... or, a warrant to get him, rather, right away. He's out of an insane institution. He just didn't like preachers. He just hit them, everything. So he thought then he could do it. And when he run up there, and how the Holy Spirit leading.... Well, I know at that moment....

Now, without a vision first, Something said to me, "Don't be afraid." When He come to me, I thought of what that angel said, "I'll be with you."

I thought, If You're here, which You said You'd be, then what's he? How will this uncircumcised Philistine defy the living God? So, he come on up towards me and he said, "I'll break every bone in your body," and he drew back his fist.

I said, "Because you've challenged the Spirit of God, tonight you'll fall over my feet." I didn't know I said that, see. That was the Spirit talking, It done took over then. So there was both challenges. And, he run to me.

He said, "I'll show you whose feet I'll fall over," and he drew back his great big fist like that, and the audience sat spellbound.

And just as he drew back his fist, I said, "Satan, come out of him."

And, he threw his hands back like that, his eyes bulged way out like that and rolled around. He threw his head back and spun around the floor and fell on my feet so that the police had to come roll him off my feet before I could move--right across the platform. He was perfectly, laying there.

The police said, "Is that man dead?"

I said, "No, sir."

Said, "Is he healed?"

I said, "No, sir. He worships that spirit, see."

29 He'd bring it right back to him because he thinks he's right. I said, "He isn't healed." They rolled him over. I said, "Get him off

my feet. It's cramping me." He's laying, that big man, upon my feet. And I couldn't move my feet out and both of them together. And so, I couldn't move my feet out, and they rolled him over, and I took my feet away and went on.

And at that time when all them demons had seen their chief man defeated, they just begin to raise up out of wheelchairs, cots, stretchers, and everything else and walked. That was the end of the meeting. They just.... Everybody was healed, walked out. That was it, everything, see. Just.... Now you see. When Satan was defeated there, the whole audience believed with one accord and went out. Now, if Satan is defeated in one case, why can't they do the same thing, see?

So, the other night, I said to my boy, I said, "How many prayer cards did you give out?"

And all that day, I just stayed there under prayer. I lived under prayer. I just sat in the room. I wouldn't let Billy and them around me. I closed the door. I kept quoting. I said, "The Angel of God came down to me and told me when I was just a little baby not over three minutes old. And when He hung over when I was a baby.... All my life He's talked to me, even had His picture taken on a picture." I begin to quote those things then. I said, "That night, standing there, when He walked to me...." Not a vision--a man. I stood there and talked to Him, just the same as you'd.... Not imagination--a man out here walking on the floor, He walked up, just as real as I am, or anybody. And He stood and talked to me.

He said, "You were sent ... born in this world to pray for sick people." He said, "If you'll be sincere and get the people to believe you, nothing will stand before your prayer."

And I said, "Well, they won't believe me, sir." I said, "I'm a poor man who lives among my people who's poor and I'm uneducated."

Then He begin to tell me about these things that would take place. Then He said, "I'll be with you."

32 I thought.... There He was. And that night, in the debate when His picture was taken, where thousands of people were sitting in that big coliseum. (This group here wouldn't make the choir, see.) And all of them standing there, and that Baptist preacher just calling me everything in the world. (I was sitting up in the balcony; he didn't know I was there.) Trying to make fun of Brother Bosworth, and had his picture taken shaking his finger in Brother Bosworth's face and things.

Brother Bosworth said, "I know Brother Branham's here if he wants to dismiss the audience."

33 When I came down, I said, "Oh, I'm not no divine healer. I only speak of an Angel of God who came and told me to pray for sick people." I said, "If I testify of the truth, God will testify for me. If God doesn't testify of me, then I'm wrong. I'm only testifying of myself." I said, "I'm testifying of Him, and He'll testify of me."

About that time something went "Whoosh." Here He comes, right down. He was testifying. About thirty thousand people looking at it; and they took the picture of it, and there It was. And, now as scientific world begins to move into that realm. They begin to say, "That's true, that power."

I thought, Well, God, You told me to do this. And why can't I, while I'm in America, if they can't believe these signs, why can't You let me do something else for them? I said, "God, I ask You tonight to help me, and vindicate...." And you heard me say it before I come to the platform, I said, "to help me."

And that night, on the platform, we called up a few in there. We didn't get anything visibly that people could see. We called up another group, and down along the group was a.... First thing was a boy. His eyes had been shot out with a dynamite cap. One eye was completely gone, amputated and took out. And the other one was hit right in the middle and all the sight bursted out of it—totally blind. So, he walked up. I prayed for the boy as sincere as I know how to pray for anybody.

And there I said, "Can you see, son?" And a big bright light beaming down like this in his eyes. He was looking over this way to see the light. I turned his head around. I said, "This is the light."

He looked over that way, said, "I'm sorry, sir. I can't see a thing."

Well, I remember in showdowns and places.... I looked back and I thought, God, now here's a chance that I.... If there's anything in my life, You take it away. If there is, I don't know nothing about it. But I know that You're standing here, and You promised this thing, and this is Your Word.

In my heart, I begin to dig down to get a hold of something-faith. I turned again, put my hand over the boy's eye, and said, "Satan, you who done this evil, all the sights are bursted, every nerve's killed. He's totally blind. He can't tell daylight from dark." And there it was, and I said, "I ask in the name of Jesus Christ and command that the sight comes to the boy's eyes."

I hold up my hand. He screamed and grabbed my hand and run off the platform looking at his hands and praising God. What was it? Two women, blind in the eyes, come to the platform. Both of them received their sight. Here come a deaf man ... come to the platform. The hearing come to his ears. He could hear to a whisper. What was it? That give me consolation.

When I return from Africa, God willing, that's what it was all about yesterday. The reason I left. I'm glad I did. I thought I should go, but then it just begin to choke me down ... [Blank spot on tape.]

His poor old feet that's packed the gospel before I was born. And we knelt there. And in the name of Jesus Christ, God rebuked that demon from his foot that would swelled like that. It's gone now. He walked just like he always did.

The Holy Spirit said to me, "Get to the wilderness as hard as you can."

I grabbed my coat and hat and I said, "Brother Bosworth, you take the pulpit. I'm gone." And, I went out and stayed there until I got in connection with God. My voice come back normal. He's revealed to me that this that's been going on now is just a little bitty thing. You wait till we return back from Africa. Watch what taken place now.

40 The church is rising, brother. The power of God. The tide is high. Moving along. We're going from deeper depths and higher heights. The old fashioned, apostolic, pentecostal power of God that once dwelt on the disciples is coming back to the disciples again. It's exactly right. And I believe that things that you've never heard about is right now in making. I just feel tonight like a new person, just to know that His power is here. 41 I got two more meetings to hold. One in Florida. And I heard today that's right away now we're going to Africa. The meetings are getting set. And then, when I get in to that and return back, I believe you're going to see a different meeting altogether. Now, I believe the things....

42 I want to get a bunch of ministers and get them together. The thing of it is, if you can get preachers a-moving in the Spirit of God, then you've got something going, you see. Then they'll take it to the church and the church takes it here and from there to there. Not a new organization, but revive these that we have got back to the kingdom of God--back again to the apostolic faith.

The Lord bless you, friends. I believe we're just at the verge of something.

43 Last night, way in the night, probably when you all were in bed, I was talking to Him. I could feel Him. He was near me. And as sure as I believe I'm standing here tonight with this Bible before me, I believe He's going to appear visibly before me again right away, maybe before I go overseas again. Oh, I trust that He will. I've got so many things to talk to Him about. And I trust that He'll appear to me. And by the time I get back, I'll have a message for you that comes straight from the throne of God. Oh, how wonderful He is.

44 All right, let's pray for the handkerchiefs now. Our Heavenly Father.... What things He says, you do it. Mary, talking to the servants.... Lord, that's what our hope is tonight: Do just what You say do. I pray, Father, that [unclear words] in Thy Bible. And we're taught they taken off the body of Paul, handkerchiefs or aprons. Now, we know we're not Saint Paul, but we know that Thou art still Jesus, the One who heals. And I ask You to heal every one that these handkerchiefs represents—all the special requests everywhere, that Thou will heal them. Grant it, Lord. And may they get well for Your glory. In Jesus Christ's name. Amen.

45 In the meetings, I have found something in my poor Irish heart that just so thrilled, I don't know what to do. I know something of the Lord now that I didn't know a week ago, see. I know that He has a channel. "Ye are the branches." We're the ones that bears the fruit. He's the Vine that furnishes the energy. But the branches bear the fruit. Is that right? "In My name, ye shall cast out devils. Nothing shall harm you by no means." Is that right?

46 Then, we are wrapped in the bundle of life of God. Every believer. It's just like when you receive the Holy Spirit, God gives you a bankbook. And at the bottom of every check, it's got Jesus' name signed on it. And anything you got need of, just fill out the check and send it in. Yeah. It's good. Don't you believe that?

47 Why? The deposit was put in the bank at Calvary. "He was wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquity, the chastisement of our peace upon Him; with His stripes we were healed." Any of those redemptive blessings they belongs to every believer.

If you're scared to fill the check out, well, it'll never do you no good. If you fill it out and then tear it off and put it in your pocket, it'll never do no good. Just tear it off and commit it in. Watch what takes care. God'll take care of it. Is that right?

(Billy, I've been looking for you. I thought you ... I was looking for you to come up over there. What was that? W? W is next. Well, let's call from W, then. Williams. Alright. 1 to a 100.)

Well, let's call from prayer card W, tonight. From ... let's call from 85 to a 100. [Break in tape].

Now I believe, now I believe, All things are possible, now, I believe; Now I believe, now I believe, All things are possible, now I believe.

48 Our Heavenly Father, may each one of us now pull down the shades in our hearts to the things of the world, and shut ourselves in with Thee. Say, "Lord, I'm just forgetting about my denomination, and forgetting about tomorrow and its works and its toils. I'm just coming to You, Lord. I'm forgetting who's sitting next to me, what they might say. I'm forgetting about my disease or my affliction. I'm just shutting myself in with You, now.

49 Inspire me, O Lord. Help me to believe. Help me to believe all that the Scripture teaches. Help me to believe all that the prophets have said, and the disciples, and the apostles, Your holy men, as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. And as we're taught tonight that Your Son raised from the dead and promised that the things that He did, should His believers do, also.

50 And we realize that He didn't claim to be a healer. He only claimed that He did just what the Father showed Him. That's all He could do. He knew what was in their minds. He perceived their thoughts. And then, Father, appear to us tonight in that reality and we'll believe."

And help thou me, Lord, Thy servant. And anoint Thy servant, unworthy very much, Lord. And thinking of night before last, couldn't even speak a whisper. I didn't know what was the matter. But just a little talk, everything's all right now.

<sup>51</sup>But, God, grant it'll be all right with every person here tonight. I pray for them. And You who showed mercy to me, show mercy to them. I pray that You'll send Your Angel now, the Messenger from God Who reveals the thoughts of God to the human heart, that Jesus Christ might be glorified, for we ask it in His name. Amen. [Blank spot on tape.]

52 ... thing greater is just moving up. If our Master was standing here tonight with this suit that He gave me, what would He do? He didn't claim to be a healer. He only said, "I do just as the Father shows me." He knew what they were doing, what they had done. In our Scriptural lesson, He knew where Philip was before Nathanael called him ... or, vice versa. He knew the thoughts in the woman's heart that had five husbands. But, to heal, He didn't claim to heal. Only if the Father showed Him. Is that right? Saint John 5:19.

Now, if He's risen from the dead, He said the things that I do, shall you also. Is that right? Well, then, if He's risen from the dead, the power that He had there to know the secrets of their thoughts, know their hearts, know what was wrong with them, what they had done and the reason they wasn't healed and so forth, He could tell them. Is that right?

But how many knows, now, with your hands raised up, in Saint John 5, Jesus, when He passed through all those crippled and blind people, never healed a one of them—at the Pool of Bethesda. Went right by all them twisted and blind, halt and lame, thousands of them. And went over to a man laying on a pallet that had some kind of a trouble, maybe a prostate or something, maybe TB. He'd it thirty-eight years. And He healed him. But, you notice, the Scripture said, He knew he was laying there.

55 Now, when the Jews questioned, the nineteenth verse, He said, "Verily, verily...." Now, you Catholics, in your translation ... in the Dewey translation, it says, "Amen, amen." In the real translation, in the King James, from the original Greek, it says, "Verily, verily"; means "Absolutely, absolutely, I say unto you that the Son can do nothing in Himself, but what He sees the Father doing, that doeth the Son, likewise." Is that right? Now, how many knows the Bible said that? Raise your hand. Saint John....

Now, Jesus did not do nothing until He seen the Father do it first. Is that right? How many believes that He knew their thoughts? Well, then, He read their mind. Is that right? Not one of these mind readers out here, this devil's work. The devil's got a pattern for everything God's got. Do you believe that? You see an old bogus dollar, you know there's a real dollar made off of it. But watch. You don't see mind readers and so forth healing the sick and preaching the coming of Christ and getting people saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. They're out there charging you a dollar to guess a few things. That's the devil. Exactly. But God has the power. He's perfect in His. And Jesus said, "The things that I do, shall you do also." Is that right? "Even more (or greater), for I go to my Father."

57 Now, here stands.... Is this the patient? All right. Excuse me. Sometimes, some others stand around I get interested in talking and.... And, everyone here knows that I've been, for the last few minutes, trying ... stalling around for something. That is, I'm waiting for His presence. For without His presence, I just.... And you realize, it's a little handicap tonight.

If you'll notice, there's spirit there, there's spirit there, there's spirit here, there's spirit there. Everywhere around me, spirits. Every person has a spirit. And now, watch. Here's someone praying, there's someone praying, here's someone praying, there's someone praying. And then, when the anointing comes down, here's pulling this way and this way and this way, see. And, you have to bring one person to you and get to a place to where you get your own spirit moving to where you can see here, and then you can see it single out in other places, see.

But now, I never seen this man before. I suppose we're strangers. Are we, sir? I never seen you. I don't think I'd ever seen you.

59 Well, I just come in town a few minutes ago. Just as long as to get my clothes changed and get over here. And so, you was just a man that they give a prayer card down here and you was just called up here to the platform. That's all there is to it. But now, do you believe that the things that you've heard about in the Bible, about Jesus raising from the dead, do you believe that's the truth? You do. And do you believe that if He was here tonight, standing in here where I'm standing, and we were standing together, and He was visible ... see. The only hands that Christ has tonight is our hands. Only lips He has.... He's sitting by the Father. He sent the Holy Spirit back, the third person of the Trinity, to bear record of His being, which is God. That's God in us.

And the Bible said that we become ... Jesus said we become gods in a form. Scriptures say so, see. We are gods. Because why? We are sons of God. In that way, we are. Because, it's like, I'm a Branham because I come out of that Branham branch. And we're in that way because we're sons of God, offsprings of God. Do you believe that?

I want everyone to be just as reverent as you can, now. I want you to rejoice and be happy. But now, if you hear me say, "Keep your children near you," you be sure do that, mother, because there's two or three cases of epilepsy sitting out here tonight. And that's a very dangerous thing. It'll go from one to another just.... That's the worst thing we have to contend with, epilepsy.

Now, sir, just to talk to you a minute like Jesus did that woman at the well. And in order to talk to her.... You know, I have my own conception of that. That was: He sent the disciples away; and when He sent the disciples away to get something to eat, I believe He knew that woman was going to be there. And then, when she come, that was as much as the Father had showed Him, that He'd have contact with a woman. And so, the woman come out and that was the woman He had saw in the vision.

He said, "Come here." And He said, "Bring me a drink."

And she said, "It's not customary for you Jews to ask Samaritans such."

He said, "But if you knew who you were talking to, you'd ask Me for a drink." Then after He talked to her a while, He went right straight and told her her trouble. Is that right?

63 Now, you're conscious that something's going on, see. That's His presence. You just look to me just a minute, as His servant as representing Him. You are.... Now, that won't hurt you, see. That won't hurt you. You've had a.... I see something, it's an accident. You've been hurt. It's in a place like a mine or something. It's in a mine, you've been hurt. And you got something wrong with the side of your face. It's paralyzed, and your ear. Is that true? If that is, raise up your hand.

Now, just a moment. There was something. Ever what it said was right. Now, that was my voice, but it wasn't me speaking, see. Do you believe me? Do you want to be healed? Do you believe if I'll ask Him, you'll get well? Then, come here.

O God, have mercy upon my brother, who I bless in Thy name. And I pray, God, that You'll heal him and make him well. Oh, eternal One, author of life, and giver of every good gift, while this man is standing in Your presence, forgive every sin, take away the trespasses and may this affliction leave his body, and may he go home to his loved ones and be well and healthy all of his life. Will You grant it, Lord?

Now, Satan, upon the authority of God's Word and upon the blessed presence of the Holy Spirit, and a gift that was ministered by an Angel, I charge thee by Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, come from the man. Come out of him.

Just a moment. That was the side of your face? Can you hear me all right out of your ear over there? You hear me all right? You hear me? Hands feel all right, your side and everything? Take ahold of my hand now. Squeeze it.

Now, you believe me to be His prophet, don't you? You want to serve Him? If I'll tell you something that's ruining those nerves, will you stop it now? You have a habit you got to give up. You smoke cigarettes. You use tobacco. Will you give it up? Will you stop it now? Will you give your life totally to Christ, then? Seek the baptism of the Holy Ghost? Come here again.

Oh God, upon the confession of his sin, oh, I pray Thee to be merciful.

Now, Satan, you can't hold him any longer. In the name of Jesus Christ, come out of him. I charge thee to leave the man. Upon his confession and his expectations in Jesus Christ, he cannot be disappointed. Leave him. Come out of him in the name of Jesus Christ.

Now, that's different, isn't it? Now raise your hand up. Both of them up in the air. Now clap them together. There you are. Now, it's all over. Now you can go off the platform rejoicing. Receive the Holy Ghost. Go to some good full Gospel church and receive the baptism. Amen.

Let's say, "Praise the Lord." Let's give God praise.

It's different now, isn't it, sir? It is. Amen. What say? Yes, sir. You're all right. Now, you go back to your home and be rejoicing.

Let's say, "Praise the Lord." Everybody say, "Praise the Lord." You Methodists, you Baptists, you Catholics, everyone say, "Praise the Lord."

68 See the man come up there in his condition? See him walking away straight? See the difference? One of them was praying for him and his sin was still on him and I wondered why he didn't get that reaction. That arm still holding down and things. I wondered what taken place. What was the matter? And, I looked back again. I seen a man standing on a street corner smoking a cigarette and I knowed that's not right in the sight of God. That's right. And when the thing's on, I knowed it could be. And there God healed him then and made him well.

69 We all ought to praise the Lord and be thankful. You all ought to believe Jesus Christ, right now, every one of you. You Baptists ought to be thankful. You Methodists ought to be thankful. You Catholics. You Pentecostals. All of you ought to be thankful to God. And say, "Thanks, Jesus Christ." For in the days when communism is sweeping the land, and atheism is sweeping the land.... Just think, thirteen million infidels hatched out last year in the world, thirteen million infidels. And the power of God here showing visible signs and things, that we are correct by believing on the Lord Jesus Christ. That He's here. It ought to make us so happy, we'd spread it everywhere tomorrow. Tell the whole world about it.

All right now. Yes, sir. All right, sir. Do you believe with all your heart? Do you believe that God is God. I see, of course, you're paralyzed or your arm's bad. Now, if I could heal you, I would do it. I'd be glad to do it. But I can't do it. God can do it. Do you believe it? Do you believe He will do it? Do you believe if I ask Him to do it that He'll let you get well? You do? He'll help you to get well. All right. If you believe that, that's the way you'll receive it. Now, let's just look to Him just for a moment; see what caused your trouble.

Do you believe me to be His prophet? It's a ... you've had a brain operation for a tumor. And the tumor's been removed and it's caused your paralyzed condition. That right? Now, if I ask Him, then you'll get well, will you? Come here.

Our Heavenly Father, the man has said he'd believe he'd get well if I'd lay hands on him. And I do that in the name of Jesus Christ. I ask You to heal him. Amen.

Go believing. Go believe with all your heart. Now, I don't.... Now, when he gets down there, when he gets to sit down just a minute, I want to see him again just in a few minutes. I want you to go on, son, believing with all your heart. You said he believed if I laid hands on you, you'd get well. I believe He'll do it. I believe He'll do it yet tonight if you'll just believe it, don't you? I believe He'll do it right now.

All right. How do you do, lady? Do you believe with all your heart? Do you believe everything that you see comes from God, that you see here in these meetings? Do you believe this is the Spirit of God moving? I'm just your brother, you know that. But God is your Savior. You don't believe I'd be reading your mind, do you, lady? You don't believe that. But you believe that God could help me to know what your trouble is. I trust that He does. I don't say that He will. I believe He will.

74 Your trouble is a nervous condition. You're very, very nervous. There's a lot of that in this room tonight. Much nervousness. Is that true? Nervous condition. Now if you.... I believe that that was just a common thing of nervousness. Let's ask Him something else. That's what you're wanting me to do. You want.... There's something else you got on your mind.

75 Now, I'm not reading your mind. God knows. There's my hand before God and my Bible here, see. You're concerned about a child. Is that right? And that little child has some kind of gland trouble or something. Isn't that true? And you're not from Indiana. You come from Illinois. Isn't that right? You crossed the river getting here. Is that true?

Now, go put your hand on your child. Both.... The baby's not here, you left it home. But I want you to go home, put your hand on the child. You're both going to get well. God bless you. God bless you.

Now, be just as reverent as you can now. Be thankful and grateful. It's begin to get to a place now to where.... If you'll just be reverent a few minutes then we'll.... We won't hold you long.

My face gets real numb. My lips get big. My nose, my whole face; look like that I can't see too well and I....

Was that the lady that just.... Was you just up here, lady? I seen that light's out there.

76 Thank you, just.... Here it is. It's this lady right here. Do you believe me to be His servant, lady? There's some kind of a kidney and bladder condition. Isn't that right? Stand up then; accept your healing. Say, "Jesus Christ, I accept my healing now." See, you don't need no card. Just need to be healed. God bless you now. Lord Jesus, I pray that You'll make her well. May she go home and be perfectly normal. I pray in Jesus' name. Amen. God bless you, sister.

77 There's something that's in a great torture or something, and.... There was something about.... 'Course, I seen something about eyes, but she was wearing.... Oh, there it is again. No, it's this lady sitting here that's got the eye trouble. Sitting right there. That lady there with the black-looking dress on. Your eyes are going out, going bad, aren't they, lady? 78 Do you believe God's going to heal you now? You need ... don't have glasses on. I was wondering. I seen the vision with a lady ... looked like a blind spirit around her. But I couldn't get them separated. You both looked ... dressed a whole lot alike. All right. You want to accept your healing, believe that God heals you? You do? God bless you.

Lord Jesus, I pray that You'll make her well and may she go home now and be perfectly whole. I pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

<sup>79</sup> How do you do? Do you believe with all your heart? You do? [The brother speaks.] Thank you, brother. That's a good attitude. But now, I want to correct for you. Now, from henceforth, don't have that negative. Let it be positive from this on. For you believe you're in His presence? It's in your throat. Have a very bad throat trouble. You also ... you got a growth ... your neck. Isn't that right? You believe He's going to heal you now? Come here.

Lord, You made heavens and earth. This demon's hid visibly from the eyes, but it's not hid from You. You know right where he is. And now he's exposed. And in the name of Jesus Christ, I charge this choking spirit to leave this boy. May it come out of him and may he get well. In the name of Jesus, the Son of God. Amen.

God bless you, young man. Go now and be well. Let's say, "Thanks be to God." Amen. All right.

I see a thin woman standing here. She's very thin. She wears glasses. She's suffering with something; she's stiffened. It's arthritis. And she has, also, liver trouble in her liver, and bladder trouble. Now, just a moment. I seen the lady; she's praying somewhere. Somebody in distress. Just till I find the lady where....

82 It keeps leaving me. Oh, here she is. She's got a purplelooking hat on with a feather in it there. Was that your conditions, lady? Was you sitting there praying to be healed? All right. You're healed now. God bless you. You can go home. He revealed to me what you were doing. Wasn't you asking to be healed, or something you're having in prayer? You go home now and be made well. God bless you. Just have faith in God.

There it is there. You want to get rid of that sinus, sitting there, lady? You was looking this way so sincerely, praying. God bless you.

83 What do you think, sister? Kind of laughing. You want to be healed, too? Uh-huh, yes. Do you believe me to be God's prophet? You do? God bless you. You're from out of town. No, you're from another state. You come from where there's a lot of lakes. It's a ... it's pines. It's Michigan. You come from Michigan. You have heart trouble and you have high blood pressure. I see a young lady standing by you with high blood pressure. A doctor's putting a thing around her arm. She's in her teenage ... must be your daughter or something. Isn't that true? God bless you.

All right. Put your hands in one another's.... There she is. All right. Put your hands in one another's hands. Let's pray.

Father, may they go home and get well. I ask for Your glory. In the name of Your Son, Jesus. Amen. Grant it, Lord. Amen.

God bless you, now. You can both go home and be well.

Let's say, "Thanks be to God." Have faith in God; only have faith. That's all I ask you to do.

How do you do, sister? Do you believe me to be His servant? You're on a mercy mission. There's someone who lives near you, or in.... It's your neighbor. And you're standing for this woman, and she's dying. She has cancer. Give me your handkerchief.

Lord of life, let death go from the woman. And, in commemoration of Your Bible, I bless this handkerchief to be laid upon the dying person and may death go away from her bed and spare her for Your glory. I ask in the name of Your Son, Jesus. Amen.

Lay it on her and let no one else bother it 'til you put it on her. God bless you ... [Sister speaks to Brother Branham.] Yes. God bless you. That's all right. God bless you.

Believest thou this? Be reverent. Have faith in God. Don't doubt. Believe all things are possible to them that believe. Don't you believe that?

That intestinal trouble has left you, lady. Colon ... intestine ... sitting right back there. Just believe with all your heart. You shall have just exactly that. God bless you.

<sup>84</sup> Do you believe, lady? The lady in the ... [unclear word] woods, just above.... You know, it's an elderly lady that's got a sinus, sitting down there on the end with that little checkered dress on. All right, sister. Accept your healing. Yes, that's right. You had sinus. God bless you.

Sister, I thought it was you in the chair. Keep on believing now. It was near you there. You know it was on you. It's standing by you there. You felt It. Don't be discouraged.

<sup>85</sup> Do you believe with all your heart? Do you believe me to be His prophet ... or, servant? Prophet: just His preacher? Do you believe that? Do you believe that God is here to make well? I couldn't heal you, lady. I don't have no way of healing you. But God can make you well, can't He?

We're strangers, aren't we? I want to know the people in this audience.... If God will heal this woman, reveal to her, do something in the supernatural, will every one of you accept your healing, then? Will every one ... How many will do it? Just say, "I'm sick, I'll...." (I'm getting so weak, I can hardly stand here, you see?) All right. I just want to talk to you a minute.

Was there two of them women? You've got ... your trouble is your ear. You've had an operation in the ear, and it's still running. It isn't doing well. And you've had a struggle, haven't you?

You used to go to a different church than what you do now. You used to go to a Christian church. Is that right? And you were sitting near something square. It's a radio. And you was listening at a minister preaching the gospel. And in there you went from the Christian church to a full Gospel church and got saved and filled. And that minister that you was listening to is Brother Vibert. He's got a piece broke out the side of his tooth. I see.... Is that right? Was those things the truth? ["Yes."] Come here.

O God, who made heavens and earth, and made all things good and well and You were pleased with it. But Satan marred those things. But Thou has sent Thy Son to correct all those things that Satan did mar. Help our sister tonight. And, Lord, hear my prayer. As Thou has taught us in the Word, if they lay hands on the sick, they shall recover. So, I ask the evil to come out of this woman, that's hindering her. In the name of Jesus Christ, may it leave her and may she get well. For God's glory I ask it. Amen.

God bless you, sister. Be on your road and you're going to be all right.

(On the handkerchiefs, we ... come bring the ... have I prayed for the handkerchiefs? ["Yes, sir."] The handkerchiefs has been prayed for.)

Do you believe? You believe God's going to make you well? Then go eat your supper. Your stomach trouble has gone from you. You go and be made well. God bless you.

Let's say, "Thanks be to God." Have faith, now. All of you.

All right. Come, bring the little lady.

Believe the asthma will leave the child? Believe it'll be all right? God bless it in Jesus Christ's name. May it go be made well. Amen.

God, likewise to her. Through Jesus' name, may they both be healed. Amen.

God bless you, sister. Go believing with all your heart. I believe it shall leave the child ... both of you [unclear words].

All right, come, lady. Look this way. You got a kidney trouble. Would you like to get over it? You believe you have? All right. God bless you. Just keep [unclear words], believing with all your heart. You shall have what you've asked for.

Do you believe with all your heart, lady? Just come. Do you want to dodge that operation? You believe God can take the tumors without an operation? [The sister speaks to Brother Branham.] God bless you. Go in the name of the Lord Jesus.

89 All right. Come, lady. Stop where you are. Raise up your hands. Say, "I accept Jesus. My arthritis is gone." Now, stomp your feet and come across the platform, walking like a young lady. Come on. Come on. You can do it. Come on. God has made you well. There you are. Amen. God bless you. That's the way to go. And go and be made well in Jesus Christ's name.

Let's say, "Praise be to God."

90 All right. Here's a deaf man. Everybody bow your heads, please. O God, author of life, giver of every good gift, send Thy blessing upon this man. Now, he's unable to hear the Gospel, may be this deaf spirit on him. But, Lord, faith cometh by hearing and he can't hear. So, Lord, give me power now to overcome this demon.

Thou demon, leave him in the name of Jesus Christ. Come out of him.

Can you hear me? Do you love the Lord? With all your heart? Isn't He wonderful? Praise the Lord. Say, "I love Him." Do you love Him with all your heart? You do? You'll always love Him? You're well now. God bless you. Go on [unclear words].

Let's say, "Thanks be to God."

The worst disease in the world. Kills more people than anything else. But Jesus Christ is here to cure your heart trouble. You accept it? In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, may you be made well. God bless you.

91 As you come, believe. You do believe. Second greatest killer in the world, cancer. You accept? You believe that He heals you? Satan, you have bound the woman. I adjure thee by the Son of God, Jesus Christ, that you leave her. Come out of her. Go in the name of Jesus Christ, leave the woman. Amen.

God bless you, sister. I love.... You must die according to doctors, but according to Christ, you live. Who do you believe? [The sister says, "Jesus Christ."] All right. God bless you. You can have your healing now, and you're going to be well and live a normal life.

Let's say, "Praise the Lord." How many wants to be healed? Stand up.

Come here, brother.

You didn't get in did you, sister? Come here. Do you believe? All right, your back trouble's left you. You can go off the platform well.

Come here, Brother Bosworth.

92 Heavenly Father, be merciful just now. Thou knowest all things. You know the great need. You know the people here. I don't

know what more You could do, but I pray that You be merciful. I thank You for forgiveness. I thank You for all these things. And I pray, now, that You'll heal every person here. May the power of God be upon them. And may the same Holy Spirit that's been here on the platform move across this audience just now, blessing each one and healing them. And with your heads bowed, your hearts towards God....

Continue the prayer, will you, Brother Bosworth, if you will.