## Look Away To Jesus

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1 ... All is changed when Jesus comes. He just shuts out the darkness and scatters the light. We are thankful for that.

Now, that is Becky's first time to play in church here, so it was a very appropriate song--"When Jesus Came."

2 So, we are grateful to be here again tonight, and so thankful for your fine attendance this morning. And now tonight.... I got a little subject I want to talk on in a few moments; but just before that, I have got some announcements to make and things and, I am just a teeny bit hoarse. I think it is just the over speaking. I preach a long time, but when I take these hour or two tapes, and when I come back here, it is because that I am taping that for around the world. And so I thank you for being so patient with us this morning.

Now, there are a few things I would like to make mention of right here. That is, that I would like to ask the church, the first thing, something that I have done, and I want to ask if I can change that tonight. I don't make New Year's vows; and we've got to go home tomorrow, so we won't be here for New Years, but we will be remembering you. I believe there will be a meeting here New Year's night. Yeah, that is right—a watch service, as they always have on New Year's night. We would like to stay, but we just can't get back in time then to get the kiddies in school. And my wife has got to wash up their clothes. (You know how it is.)

4 So, I want to thank each one of you for your fine things that you did for us through Christmas. And you women who went up there and put food in the house, and things for us, that when we got there, stuff was already cooked and ready to eat: I certainly thank you for that. May God ever bless you. And the church, for their little ticket that I could go over here and get some clothes, if I wanted them, for a suit. They give me a suit each year. And some kind friends of mine just got me a suit; so I think, if it is all right, I need some other things like shirts and undershirts and things. I would like to take the money up in that if it is all right with the church. I need that worse than I do the suit right at the time.

5 Now, this young fellow that just sang for us, Brother George Smith, from down in Tucson, we have been going up to their church up there—The New Testament Baptist Church. His father is a missionary. I think he has about seven churches down in Old Mexico. And they are certainly some fine people there. His father and mother, and all of them are fine people, and George is a very fine young man. I was just sorry that he didn't give us a word of testimony before he sat down, of the saving grace of Christ in his life.

And now, the messages—I promised here not long ago, that the messages (before I went out in the meetings) I'd come here and tape them first and then go out. That was because of getting the tapes to the people, then I'd come here and tape a message and then go out and preach it. That would give the people a chance to ... the tape makers to make the tape and take it with us as we went.

Now, I am fixing to leave on a great string of evangelistic 7 tours, so I won't be able to do that from now on, see. And the one who takes the tapes will just have to get them as we go along. And I think after all.... Aren't they having a meeting on tapes this week or something or other about it ... something about the tapes this week, Anyhow I think Brother Sothmann is here, and he represents Brother Maguire. I don't know whether he is here or not. I think Brother Fred is here. Somebody said he was here. I think they are having a meeting this week (maybe tomorrow night, or some time) about the tapes. We was talking about it the other night in the room there. I think the time is up for something. They take and make arrangements about it. So from now on, I will probably just speak messages that I haven't touched, here at the Tabernacle, out in the meetings.

And now, I want to be grateful to God for that testimony of Brother Blair. Happens to be that Brother and Sister Blair are sitting right here tonight--sitting right here before us--the one that had the little boy.... Now remember, when the Lord told me when he was ... Brother Blair all tore up, weeping. His little boy had got crushed in the face like this of a turned-over car, and he was very bad. But while I was praying, I saw the little fellow all right. And Brother Blair, 'course, asked me, said, "Brother Branham, is this 'Thus saith the Lord?' "

I said, "Brother Blair, it's 'Thus saith the Lord.' "

And Brother Blair is here tonight, and we are certainly thankful to have Brother Blair with us. And he has been suffering with a little trouble of nervousness, and Satan gave him a great rap, here not long ago, to try to get him to disbelieve me. And while Satan was doing that, the Lord came right around and revealed it to him, and told him about it; just to cut it off before the time come for this. And Brother Blair is a fine man. And I want you to remember him. He is kind of halt between opinions on what to do. He doesn't know just how to turn, and I trust, Brother Blair, that God ... you are a great servant of Christ, and He has got plenty for you to do, because the lights are getting dim. Were you here this morning? Well, that is very fine.

10 Now, I suppose the next time I get to see you, maybe up in the spring a little bit, and by that time maybe we will know whether we are going to hold the meetings or not here at Jeffersonville, during the time that I should have been in Norway and in the Scandinavian countries.

11 Now, just before we take a text ... because we've got a prayer line coming up, and many are standing in the rooms, and around the walls, and so forth, and I know it is very hard on you. And I stood a many time myself and I passed by awhile ago, bringing the wife down, I noticed the people around the doors, and I thought, "Who says the gospel still isn't the most attractive thing there is in the world?" Sure is. It attracts those who are interested in it. Those who are not interested, of course they don't ... it won't be. But Jesus said, "If I be lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men unto me." How true that is.

12 And when I get here, there is just so much to say, and I have to kind of jot down what I am going to say here for a while, or I.... There is so much to say, you just forget what you are going to say.

13 Now, I understand that Brother Ungren's father was baptized this morning in the name of Jesus Christ. If Sister Ungren and them are here, I am sure that is a great thing to them, because that has been their constant prayer for many years. And Brother Ungren, wherever you are, God richly bless you, my brother. And if that isn't correct, God make me answer for it at the day of the judgment. I know it is correct. I take the blame for that. That is exactly right, because it is the truth.

14 You say, "Does it make any difference?" It did to Paul. They asked how they had been baptized. They said they had already been baptized by John--the man that baptized Jesus. Paul said they had to come and be rebaptized again in the name of Jesus Christ. And not one person in the Bible was ever baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. No people were ever baptized like that till the organizing of the Catholic church at the Laodicea Council, Laodicea Rome. That is where the first person was ever baptized using the titles.

A fellow said to me the other day.... I said, "Well, if the Lord Jesus...." That is His name.

He said, "Well...."

I said, "If a fellow come to you...."

He said, "I don't think it makes any difference."

(I just caught him in his own doctrine.) I said, "If a man come to you and said, 'I am baptized in the name of the rose of Sharon, lily of the valley, and the morning star,' would you say 'Amen' to that?"

He said, "No, sir."

I said, "Would you rebaptize Him?"

He said, "Yes, sir."

I said, "How would you baptize him."

He said, "I would baptize him in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

And I said, "That is the way I would baptize him--in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." I said, "Now rose of Sharon, lily of the valley and morning star is no name."

He said, "That is right. It's a title."

I said, "So is Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

15 Now, I'd baptize them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; and the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost is the Lord Jesus Christ. Exactly. So I say--and he saw it. It was Brother Joseph Mattsson-Boze of Chicago, the hardest fellow I have ever had to break through. I suppose I have got around three or four thousand natives to baptize now when I get over in Africa, with him, to be baptized over again.

16 Now, so we are grateful for the gospel light. And so now, Jesus said, when He was here on earth, "What I hear, that I speak." And now, I am going to say just for the next about ten minutes, or fifteen, just before I take my text, a very short text, and then we will have the prayer line.

17 I have come to a place in my ministry to where I have got to say something. Jesus said that what He heard, that was what He spoke. And He said, "I've called you my friends, and a friend tells his friends all things.

18 Paul said in Acts 20:27, "I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God." And may I join in tonight and say the same thing with that great saint of old—to the best of my knowledge, I have not shunned, but declared to you the whole counsel of God.

19 Someone was playing one of the tapes the other day, just because it made somebody angry, they shot at them through the window and a woman--wounded. So perhaps some day I will seal my testimony but when that time comes, then I am ready to go. Until my time comes, there is nothing going to hurt me until that time.

Now, we believe in the same gospel, just the way the Bible is written. It is zeroed. And if the gun is exactly zeroed and in tune, if it strikes the target the first time, it will strike it the second time and every time.

If a tree, or a limb (vine) puts out a branch and that branch bears a certain fruit, the next time the vine puts out a branch, it will bear the same kind of fruit. And if Jesus is the vine, and we are the branches, and the first branch (church) that that vine put out--they wrote a book of Acts behind it. That first branch baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. They had the living God among them that did the same things among them that He did when He was on earth; therefore, the people taken notice to them--though ignorant and unlearned--that they had been with Jesus, because His life was through them.

As I have said, "If I had the spirit of Beethoven in me, I would write songs. If Beethoven lived in me, I would be Beethoven, see. If Shakespeare lived in me, I would be Shakespeare. I would write poems and plays, and so forth--if Shakespeare lived in me. And if Christ lives in me, the works of Christ you will do. It has got to be. And what is Christ? The Word. He said, "If ye abide in me, my Word in you, then ask what you will, it will be done," because the Word's there, just needs the light; and the light makes it live.

So, now, I am going to say something to you, now, that I haven't said all along. That is the thing that we have looked forward to for so long, for at least many years—four or five years or maybe longer—the third pull has now been vindicated, and I am sure you all know what it is.

Now remember, there will never be an impersonation of that, because it can't be, it cannot be. Now, it is in existence, and I am warned of this ... that soon--right at this time now--it's just happened, so it could identify its presence among you, see. But it will not be used in a great way, until this council begins to tighten up. And when it does, when that does.... The Pentecostals and so forth can almost impersonate anything that can be done, but when that time comes (when the squeeze comes down), then you will see what you have seen temporarily, be manifested in the fullness of its power.

26 Now, I must continue in evangelism, just as I was commissioned first, I must continue on. Therefore, you have had the Word, and you know what to look for, how to stand. I must continue on in evangelism; and friends of mine, keep still and just keep moving on, for the hour is approaching, swiftly when something is going to be done.

Now, you might see some little odd things happen--nothing sinful, I don't mean that--but I mean something odd to what the regular trend, because what I have reached to now in the ministry, I am dropping back here, watching that spot and waiting for the time to use it. But it is going to be used! And everyone knows that for as certain as the first was identified, so has the second been identified; and if you will think real closely, you who are spiritual (as the Bible said, here is to him who has wisdom), the third is properly identified. We know where it is. So the third pull is here.

It is so sacred that I mustn't say much about it, as He told me in the beginning. He said, "This ... say nothing of it." You remember that, years ago? It speaks for itself. I've tried to explain the others, and I made a mistake. This will be the thing that, to my opinion, (I don't say the Lord tells me this) this will be the thing that will start the rapturing faith for the going away, see. And I must lay quiet for just a little while.

29 Now remember, (and who's listening to this tape) you might see such a change in my ministry right away, dropping back.... Not going up; dropping back. We are right at the age now, and it can't go any further. We have to wait just a minute until this happens over here to catch up, then the time comes. But it is thoroughly identified.

30 There is coming a time in this nation, to where this nation is going to exercise all the power that the beast had before, (which was pagan Rome, when it become papal Rome) that this nation will do that. Revelation 13 plainly explains it. The lamb came up out of the earth. The other beast came up out of water, thickness and multitudes of people. This lamb came up where there were no people.

A lamb represents religion--the Lamb of God. And remember, it spoke like a lamb; it was a lamb, and then after awhile it received power and spoke like a dragon, and exercised all the power the dragon had before him; and the dragon is Rome always. So don't you see: Roman denomination, a marked Protestant denomination, an image unto the beast, making a power that will force all Protestants like a union. You will have to be into this council of churches, or you won't be able to have fellowship or to.... Well, it is practically that way now. You can't go to a church and preach, unless you have a fellowship card or some identification.

And now on, persons like ourselves, we are going to be cut out of all that altogether. That is exactly, because they won't be able to do it. It is tightening; and then when that time comes, and the press comes to a place to where you're pressed out, then watch what I am fixing to tell you in a few minutes. Watch the third pull then. It will be absolutely to the total lost. But it will be for the bride and the church.

33 Now, we are closer than it seems to be. I don't know when, but it is real, real, close. I may be building a platform for somebody else to step on. I may be taken before that time. I don't know. And that time may be this coming week that the Holy Spirit will come and bring Christ Jesus. He may come this next week. He may come yet tonight. I don't know when He will come. He doesn't tell us that. But I do believe that we are so close, that I would never die with old age. Yet at fifty-four years old, I'll never die with old age until He is here. Unless I am shot, killed, or something, or other, some way killed--just old age wouldn't kill me, until He's come. And I believe that.... I want to say this; I have never said it before, but according to Scripture, according to what He said thirty years ago, thirty-three years ago on the river down there, (in 1933, rather) what He said--everything has happened just exactly. I may not do it, but this message will introduce Jesus Christ to the world. "For as John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming, so is the message to forerun the second coming." And John said, "Behold the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world." So it paralleled it in every way, and I know it will. The message will go on.

Now, there's been some great things take place along the road. This morning I was having interviews in the room here, and a young fellow by the name of Autry—he is probably still in here tonight. He is from San Antonio, Texas. He came and asked when we was going to Dallas (coming in from California), if we could drop in one night at their tabernacle, just for one night; and they are looking it up the next day or two, to see if we can do that. And he was telling me about—I had never been to San Antonio since that first meeting. 35 Now, the first meeting, when I come to San Antonio, I was there, I think, with Brother Coots and the International Bible School, and I forget the auditorium we had the service in. It was either my first night, or second night (I think the first night) when I was walking to the platform, someone raised up in the building way back in the back and spoke with tongues like a machine gun firing. And he had no more than sat down, just a moment or two, till one raised on the platform and gave the interpretation. I stopped at what he said, and I said to the man, "Do you know this man?"

He said, "No, sir."

I said, "How did you come here?"

He said, "The people that I work for was here tonight, and they brought me." (He was a cowboy.)

And I said, "What do you do? Do you know him?"

He said, "No sir, I never seen him."

And I said, "What are you?" And he was a merchant in the city. And what they said in the.... Now I was always.... Before I learned better, I was a little skeptic of speaking in tongues. I thought a lot of it was flesh, and it might be; but when this was said, that interpretation was exactly what the angel of the Lord said down on the river eleven years before that: "As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming of Christ, you are sent to forerun the second." There it was. When that angel, that light--that has been thoroughly identified both by the church, by the Word, by science, and everything has identified it--that light for its first time to appear in public, standing right over where I was, about two o'clock in the afternoon at the foot of the bridge, right down here at the foot of Spring Street in the water. Now, that has been many, many years ago. And exactly what it said has come to pass to the dot.

This brother here was telling me this morning he married a girl out of the church here, Sister Noid's daughter. Now I don't know, I guess the young man... Are you here, Brother Autry? I don't know, he was from San Antonio. I don't know whether he is here or not. He was here this morning. And he was telling me, I believe it was his grandfather, during that meeting had been an epileptic all of his life, and was brought there. That was the first beginning of the ministry, when it said that if ... the discernment was putting their hands upon mine, and what would be said, would be what it was. And I told you (and many are witnesses tonight) that it would come to pass that I would know the very secret of their hearts. You remember that before it ever happened? About five or six years later, that taken place up in Canada for its first time. And that happened. Then He said, "If you will keep being sincere it will just keep going"; and now the third thing has taken place. Just constantly moving on.

And he said his father was brought in the line, and told of this epilepsy and so forth, and a prayer prayed for him; and that has been sixteen years ago (I think it is--about sixteen or seventeen years ago), and he says he never has had a seizure of it since, and he is pretty near eighty-five years old; never had a seizure since. What is it? Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Is Margie Morgan in the building? Sister Margie Morgan--a lady that was eaten up with cancer; a nurse. How many remembers Sister Morgan? If she is here, she can't get in. She was nursing, you see ... on the cancer list in Louisville, the woman has been dead for about sixteen, seventeen years--on the cancer list in Louisville. When Jim Tom Robinson, the attorney (Christian attorney) heard about it, he went to the Baptist Hospital to check and see if it was right, because his father was on the board (trustee at the Baptist Hospital); and they looked up the case, and the woman was supposed to have been dead years ago, and she is nursing here at Jeffersonville, in the hospital. When she stood right here, when they had to told her up, not even in her own mind--but it was "Thus saith the Lord," and she is living.

40 She went to nursing in Louisville and a fellow down here---Schimpf's Candy place.... Is Mr. Schimpf here tonight? I would like for him to tell it if he is here--Sonny Schimpf; great healthy man. Many times when I used to.... I hate to say this, but it is the truth. Pop used to give me a dime, if I worked all week, and I came to town and parked my bicycle around at Brother Mike Eagan's place (one of the trustees here) with Jimmy Pool (I think his son is here tonight)--Jim, and I, and Earnest Fisher; and we would go down town, and go to the picture show for a nickel. We used to see the old still pictures. We was little kids about eight, ten years old; they had that William S. Hart, (many of you guys don't remember him) the old actor, (still pictures) and I couldn't read; I just had to watch what was going on. And I had to spell it all out, and I couldn't make it, but I watched what he was doing; and I would have an extra nickel. How many remembers getting a penny ice cream cone? All right, I could get three ice cream cones and two pennies worth of red hots. I couldn't hold the ice cream cones, so I'd eat them, and get me two pennies worth of red hots, and it would be almost a half of a pound of them things, and Schimpf's made them and I would go in there, and sit back, and watch William S. Hart.

And this young fellow (a little older than I) stricken down with a disease that five noted specialists of Louisville passed him by, weighing about forty-five pounds, and was dying. Miss Morgan was nursing him, and he was in such a condition.... He had so many things—his lungs was gone, his throat was gone, his little arms was just about that big around, and he was laying there, dying. And Miss Morgan was hired to come on the job, so she said to him, "I was once the cancer patient," and began to tell him.

He said, "Who did you say, Billy Branham? Why," he said, "I have sold him a many bunch of red hots and ice cream cones." He said, "Wonder if he'd come pray for me."

42 And I went over to pray for Junie Schimpf—and now if you would like to talk to him, it's Schimpf's Candy, down here right next door, or second door from Leo's Theater, down the street— Schimpf's Candy. All of you here know where that is at. My, it is one of the oldest establishments in Jeffersonville. And while laying there dying, with five specialists giving him just hours to live, it was: "Thus saith the Lord, 'You will not die, but you will sell me again red hots over the counter.""

43 Long.... I knowed he got well, but long had I forgotten that; and wife and I was going down to buy some candy when we got here at Christmas, and how I don't know, that we ever thought of Schimpf's; because usually we go over here to some of these drug stores and pick it up, but we stopped in front of Schimpf's.

When I went in, his sister looked and she said, "Well, Brother Branham." She said, "You remember Junie?"

I said, "Yes," and there a great big strong healthy looking fellow. And I walked over to the counter, looked at it, looked down like this, I said, "I will take a pound of those red hots."

And he said, "Yes, sir." So his sister was waiting on my wife, and so he got them out and I said, "I used to eat them a long time ago over here in the picture show, (keep my head down).

And he said, "Yeah, many of the kids buy that; they still buy it. He said, "My father made that; fixed up that for them. I said, "I really like them." After he got them all fixed up and handed to me, he said, "Is there anything else?"

And I said, "I don't know," and raised up ... oh, my.

He said, "Brother Branham!"

I said, "Here is the red hots that I told you 'Thus saith the Lord' about five years ago."

He said, "Brother Branham, I am so completely healed, there is not even one effect. I am a teeny bit hard hearing in one ear." (I guess he is in his fifties). He said, "I am a teeny bit hard hearing in one ear, because they give me so much antibiotics when I was in there."

44 Amazing grace of Jesus Christ. I haven't got much time now to say something else, but I want to make this statement. How many remembers about the squirrels? All right, that was a puzzling scripture in my life that I never could understand. That, and there was another one that puzzled me. That was when Moses could tell God a better way than God knowed how to do anything. When Moses said, "The people will say 'Your God was able to bring you out, but not able to keep you." And Moses threw himself in the breach, then later I found out that Moses ... that was Christ in Moses standing for the people. So then on this scripture: (I never would preach on it) "If you say to this mountain 'Be moved' ..." and you know the story, so I will bypass that.

45 Now little did I know what that was leading to. And I think that Brother Wood and Brother Fred, and them are here in the building which was present when that happened, or right after it happened there. Brother Rodney and Brother Charlie, from down in Kentucky, Sister Wood's brother, and them, was present when it happened down in Kentucky which was the second time it happened. Just simply speaking into existence things that wasn't. Speaking all the time, and backing up the Scriptures encouraging.

46 The third time it happened was Hattie Wright. Is Hattie here tonight? That is Edith's.... How many knows Hattie Wright? Brother Wood and I were sitting there when it happened. And when the Holy Spirit said, "Give her what she wants," and we was talking about that, how them squirrels come into existence. And I said, "Only thing it is, He is Jehovah-jireh."

Just when Abraham needed a ram, God provided that ram. 47 And He provided the squirrels. He could speak a squirrel into existence, because He is creator, just the same as He could speak the ram. Abraham never asked for it. He was just simply going on to do it, but it showed that Jehovah-jireh was there. When I said that, a humble little woman, for the first time this ever happened (the third pull) upon a human being was a little humble woman that making about two hundred dollars a year for a living; all she got out of her little farm, (her husband dead, two children that had turned kind of wild) and come and donated twenty dollars of that to the building of this tabernacle. And Meda had give me some money that morning for groceries, (twenty dollars) and I was going to give it back to her that day, while I was down there, so she wouldn't have to pay it, but she wouldn't take it. And when.... She was sitting back in the corner, and when I said, "Only thing I know that He is still Jehovahjireh," and little Hattie said the right word.

48 She said, "That's nothing but the truth." And when she said that, (Brother Banks Wood here is one that was present) that room felt like it was coming apart. And the Holy Spirit said, (the same voice that spoke about the squirrels) said, "Give her what she asks for."

49 I said, "Sister Hattie, as a witness before God, this is it. Now, if there is any doubt in your mind, you ask what you want to and if it ain't laid in your lap, then I am a false prophet." She said, "Brother Branham ... everybody was crying. Said, "What shall I ask?"

50 I said, "You are poor, and you live on the hill over there, with no money--you might ask for that. You have got a little crippled sister sitting here, Edith, that we have prayed for for years--you might ask for her healing." I said, "Your father and mother is old and broke down--you might ask for them. Whatever you ask for, Sister Hattie, see now, if it happens or not, right now." And I said, "He has just told me, the same voice, said, 'Give her what she asks for."

And she looked around and said, "What shall I say, Brother Branham?"

I said, "Say what your desire is. Think of your greatest desire, and say it." (And her boys was even snickering and laughing.) She said, "The greatest desire I have is the salvation of my two sons."

I said, "I give them to you in the name of Jesus Christ, and there they went, and they have been faithful in this church with communion; them little fellows sitting there washing feet with the men, and things like that. We all are a witness of that. She had a real choice. Her mother has to die, so does she; all of them, but what she asked will be eternal. The salvation of her children. That was the third time it happened.

The fourth time it happened (I just explained it here the last 52 time I was here) was up on the mountain where that storm raging ... how many heard it? All of you. All right. Where the storm raging, and God being my judge standing here, going down the mountain with David Wood (he is here somewhere I guess) that made me a sandwich, and it was quite a one. I think he was trying to get even with me for the one I made for his daddy a few years ago. He had bologna and meat and everything mixed together, and I put it in my shirt, and it rained and got just a big wad of dough. And I was coming down the mountain, it was so stormy, I couldn't even see my hand before me, hardly. And I know just one thing, you are turned around because that wind is just whirling. Now, there are witnesses here to that. One of them is one of our faithful deacons, which is Brother Wheeler. Are you here Brother Wheeler? Where is he at? Right here --Brother Wheeler.

53 Brother Mann, a Methodist preacher from New Albany. Is he ... Brother Mann in tonight? I don't know whether he is or not.

54 Brother Banks Wood–are you here Brother Banks? He is in the recording room. All right, and David Wood, and Brother Evans was there, I believe. Is that right Brother Evans? Brother Evans, standing against the wall, was there. And how they broadcast for days, two days before that a mighty blizzard was sweeping the land.

<sup>55</sup>Brother Tom Simpson is here tonight, when coming down out of Canada, they asked him to bypass there because he couldn't get through; a blizzard was coming. Brother Tom, are you here? Where are you? Here he is sitting right here. And there the clouds come up, and I said, "Brethren...." Everybody rushed out there was nobody back there out of a hundred and something men back there, there was nobody back there but our little group and the cowboy, the rider.

And we were going to stay. I called Sister Evans and had her to call the wife, and tell her to tell Tony if I didn't get out, get somebody else to hold the breakfast for the Businessmen. And up on the mountain that day, I said, "Now, when the first little rain starts or anything take for the camp, I said within ten or fifteen minutes you can't see your hands before you in them blizzards; and it will dump twenty foot of snow just in a little bit over the mountain.

57 That is how people ... you read it in the paper how they are back there and perish and everything, but we knew how to get out and they knew where we were at; and so we felt led to stay. So upon the mountain, when that blizzard started, I started going down, and I was just about half a mile from where it started and the voice of God said, "Turn and go back." And I went back, as He told me.

After waiting for a while and eating that sandwich that David gave me, and went back up there and sat down. While I was sitting there and that wind twisting and blowing the tree tops, leaning way over and the sleet and snow a-flying like that, a voice said, "I am the God of creation!" I looked up, I thought, where was that. That was the wind maybe. He said, "I created the heavens and earth. I stilled the mighty winds upon the seas"—and went on talking. I jumped up and took off my hat. He said, "Just speak to the storm, and it will cease. Whatever you say, that is what will happen."

I said, "Storm, you cease; and sun, you shine normally for four days till we are out of here."

59 And I no more than said it until the sleet, snow, and everything stopped, in a moment or two, the hot sun was shining on my back. I seen the winds blowing like this; come back from the north coming

down ... I mean from the east coming, coming from the east it was; coming from the west. The winds changed and came back this way, and the clouds like a mystic thing lifting up into the air, and the sun was shining in a few minutes.

60 Then, the Lord Jesus spoke to me a little later on about my wife down there as you know. About where I went up there.... I have never been home on an anniversary yet. We have been married twenty-two years. The first anniversary (the first, our wedding) I took her on a hunting trip, because I couldn't afford to take the hunting trip and go on a honeymoon too, so I kind of put it together. So then, I have been hunting ever since. I felt ... the way I treated her.

61 Now, that was the fourth time it happened. Now, here is something I want to say. I must tell exactly the truth. About sixteen years ago I was in California with Brother John Sharrit, and I was having a meeting and Meda and I and Brother Sharrit and Sister Sharrit and them were staying in a hotel, and a man named Paul Malicki, who stood right here in this tabernacle many times—he is a wealthy Arminian, and his wife had given birth to a child up at Fresno, California, where they lived; and was ... come down, brought his wife down and called me at the hotel, and said, "Can I bring my wife up, Brother Branham? I said, "Yes you may." (Next day I was going to Catalina.)

62 So, he brought his wife up, and the little lady was so sick and she.... I said, "Put your hand on mine, Sister Malicki." And I said, "We will see if the Lord will tell us." And as soon as she laid her hand upon me, I said, "Oh, it is milk leg."

She said, "I don't seem to have any symptoms."

I said, "You watch." And in two days, there were doctoring her for milk leg.

63 Like little Jimmy Pool here, his little baby, the other day, came in with that heart attack, they thought it was an asthmatic attack, and I put my hand on him. I said, "Watch him for a couple of days. He has got measles, it is coming through. It is the fever. I met him last night. He said. "He is broke out all over in measles." 64 Now, I was talking to Sister Malicki with the hand. She said, "That is amazing thing to watch that, Brother Branham." She said, "Does that work on every hand?"

I said, "Well, if there is something wrong with the patient." I said, "Now here, I put my hand on ... (many of you stood and watched it) and it didn't do it." I said, "Here, there is nothing wrong with my wife, put her hand ... look here Honey, put your hand on mine. (She's sitting there, my wife.) She put her hand on mine; as soon as she did, I said, "You have a cyst on the left ovary. You do have female trouble."

And she said. "I don't feel any different."

66 I said, "But you have it." Becky was two years old--my daughter that just played a while ago--she was two years old. Two more years, Sarah came on the scene. And when.... She was a caesarean, and I asked Dr. Dillman (our doctor down in Cordon) to ... when you have her open, look at that left ovary. He did; He said, "There was nothing wrong that I saw." I put my hand--it was still there.

67 Four years later came Joseph. I asked him to look again. "Nothing wrong as I seen." Put my hand--it was still there, so we just forgot about it.

Now this is something that I have to say, I don't like to say it, but it just has to make the truth. See, and that is what you want. Always tell the truth no matter what takes place.

69 Years had passed, we'd never noticed it. And I say this, not because she is sitting there, because I say it when she is not there. You know that. I don't believe there could be a better wife in the world than my wife, and I hope she always remains that way. And I want to be a loyal husband, and I hope that every young man in this building, when he gets married, gets a wife like my wife. I don't know how long we will live that way, but I hope the rest of our days on earth. We have been very happy together.

70 God was the one who told me to marry her, at the same time (her not knowing) I was trying not to marry her. Not because I didn't love her, but because I didn't think I was able to make a living for her, and she's a fine woman; I just didn't deserve that. And she went out to pray and opened up the Bible.... She said, "Lord, I have never did this before, but give me a scripture that will help me. If I have got to forget him, I have got to forget it." Opened the Bible, and she went out in a little shed and prayed, and when she opened the Bible up: Malachi 4---"Behold I send unto you Elijah the prophet." That was twenty something years ago, knowing nothing about the ministry of this day.

And I was laying down on the river there, and He woke me up one night; I heard Him standing there by the door. He said, "Go get her, and your wedding shall be this coming October the twenty-third, and that is just exactly what I did. And we've lived happy; by the grace of God we have never had one word. She's been a sweetheart.

72 One day I came in, and she has had to raise these children by herself--me gone in the ministry. Not many women would put up with that. You know that ... it would be hard, and then.... I come in and she said something or other. We got Joseph back there, and he sure is a boy! And he helped put some of the gray hair in his mother's head, as well as I did. So, he was really all boy, and he had done something real bad and I said to her.... She said to me, "Bill, give him a lickin" I said, "I just ain't got the nerve."

And she said, "Yes, if you had to put up with it!" and she slammed the door right in my face.

73 Well, I thought that is all right. Poor little fellow didn't mean that. I just went on out to wash my car. When I got out there, the Holy Spirit didn't like it. He said, "Go tell her...," I believe it is II Chronicles, 22nd chapter. I thought at first, I just imagined that. I just kept on washing, and it said it again, "Go tell her to read this." And I went in, got the Bible, and read it. It was where Miriam, the prophetess, made fun of her brother, Moses, for marrying an Ethiopian girl, and God didn't like it. He said, "It would be better that her father spit in her face, than to have done that."

54 So, Miriam broke out with leprosy all over. So Aaron came, told his sister, said, ... came told his brother, said, "She is dying with leprosy." And so Moses ran in to intercede for her at the altar; and when he did, the pillar of fire come down--God. He said, "Go call

her and Aaron and bring them here." Aaron was in it too. So He said, "Call them to come here."

<sup>75</sup> He said, "If there be one among you [God speaking now to them] that is spiritual or a prophet, I, the Lord, will make myself known to him. I'll speak to him in visions and reveal myself to him by dreams, and reveal dreams, and so forth." He said, "But my servant Moses--there is none in the land like him." He said, "I speak with him from lip to ear." He said, "Didn't you fear God?" See, God didn't like it.

Well when I seen that, I run in, and she was in the other room. I knocked on the door, (she had shut herself up) and I told her I wanted to speak to her. I went in there and talked to her, tried to tell her what it was. I said, "Sweetheart, you know how I love you, but God didn't like that. You oughtn't to have said that." Immediately after that, she took a trouble in her side.

77 We took her over to the doctor here in Louisville (Dr. Arthur Schoen) and he found a tumor on the left ovary, that I had found fifteen, or sixteen years before--tumor on the left ovary about the size of a walnut. I said, "What about it, Doctor?"

He said, "Let's see what happens. Bring her back again in a few months," (about two months or something).

We took her back. It had growed from a walnut to about the size of a lemon. He said, "Better come out. It will get soft, and turn malignant."

I said, "Well, my!" I said, "We are going to Tucson. The Lord has sent me out to Tucson."

He sent her up to a female specialist, (he didn't want it on his hands). So he must have told him about my ministry, because he (the female specialist) said, "It will have to come out." So he said ... we told him we were going to Tucson. He said, "Well I have got a specialist there, a dear friend of mine, I used to live in Tucson." He said, "I am going to send you to him." So he wrote a note and sent it to him and said, "Mrs. Branham is a nice lady," and went on like that. Sent him the diagram of how big the tumor was, and so forth, (it had turned tumor then) and said how big it was, and said, "I know...." I think he called me a "divine healer" (that is all he

knowed how to put it) but said, "I have agreed if it has to be taken out, take it out." But, it was testing our faith.

79 Constantly we prayed, and the more we prayed, the bigger the tumor growed, till it got to a place till it was sticking out on her side. We kept it quiet; (a few of the people here knew it) trying to see what would happen. On and on it went.

Finally, when I came down from Canada from where the Lord let me lead that tribe of Indians to Christ (I'm going back to baptize them in the name of the Lord Jesus this spring, the Lord willing). Now, came down, and it was time for her to go--when I was in New York, or down here to have another opera ... to have the operation, or be examined for the last time. I went on to New York, and when I came back, I stopped in here and went up ... after I had the meeting here, the last meeting. I went up there and called her from Brother Wood; and she said, "Bill, I can't even stand my clothes to touch it." It was just way out like this on her side then. And her leg on that side she could just hobble along. The worst week she had ever had, now she's sitting there listening at me--worst week she had ever had.

And she said, "I have got to go day after tomorrow for that examination."

I thought, "Oh, God, if they cut it out, that will keep us from going home at Christmas, and I done told the people I would be there." And I said, "What a time.... Oh, my." I thought, "Tell him if he is going to operate, 'Let it go a little longer, till after Christmas."" Then I got thinking: It might be malignant, and back over here, you know, that is a bad thing. Run back into the kidneys, if it goes malignant, it'd kill you. So then, I thought, "What can I do?"

And Meda said, "Well now you call me," said.... The day that I got in Shreveport ... (which would be the day after that) when I got in Shreveport, she had to go for the examination. And so she went to the ... Mrs. Norman was going, Sister Norman--all of you know her; the people that come here to the Tabernacle, she was going with her to this specialist. And so she said, "Wait till you have your first night and then come back, because there is a difference (two hours) in time, then call me when you come back after the meeting, I'll tell you what I have got to do." And I said, "All right."

83 So I went on, the next morning before I left I was going to get Billy and Loyce (they are both sitting present) and always ... we got an old stool there that Brother Palmer covered for us here not long ago, and we always get around that stool and pray whenever we're ... old ottoman like you know (footstool), whenever we get around there and pray when I'm going on a meeting; we ask God to help us.

And I had been up there a couple of days, and I was lonesome. The house ... the kids gone, and her gone. You know, many of you know I had to go through that one time-go back to an empty house. Only I buried that wife--Hope. And I ... it all over again. I got down, I thought, "Well, I'll pray and then go pick up Billy and Loyce and go on."

85 So as I got down to pray, I said, "Lord, I miss them this morning around here." I said, "I pray that You will help them and bless them, may we come back to this place again. And now.... I said, "They are out there because You sent me there on a vision, and you fulfilled it; now, I am going to wait to see what You are going to tell me to do next." I said, "I pray, be merciful to her." And I said, "Help me in the meeting down there. "Then I kept...." I said, "Lord, don't let it be malignant. Let that doctor wait till after the first of the year to take it out. I just hate to see her...." I said, "Lord, she didn't mean what she did that morning. She didn't mean that." I said, "Lord, not one time has she ever said one word about me going in the meetings, staying months, or whatever it was--not one time has she ever opened her mouth about it. She has always sent my clothes to the cleaners and washed my shirts, and had everything ready to go in the meetings. And then, she wonders how she can serve God." You women, as you serve your husband, you serve God. Oh course. And now ... and then when I come in all tired, and wore out; people coming from everywhere, I'd have to go out somewhere on a fishing trip, or hunting trip. Why, many women would have blowed up at that. What did she do? Got my hunting clothes ready for me to go--let me go." I said, "Lord she didn't mean that." And I said, "She has had to be cut open three times on account of she was caesarean," and I said, "Lord, I hate to see her have to do it again."

<sup>86</sup> Just then I heard something in the room. I looked up, and a voice said, "Stand up." Said, "Now whatever you say, that is the way it will be."

I waited just a minute, I said, "Before the doctor's hand shall touch her, the hand of God shall take the tumor away, and it won't even be found."

88 That settled it to me. I never called her. We went right on; went and got Billy and Loyce and went to Shreveport.

89 The next night I called her. She was happy, she said, "Bill, I want to tell you…" (Now here she is, and she can verify this.) Had to hobble her way over there. Went in the room with the nurse and Mrs. Norman, and put her clothes on (the gown) for the examination. The doctor came out, and she could hardly get on the table; the tumor hanging up there so big. And when she…. The doctor came in was talking to her, and he came over to raise back the sheet to touch her, and just before he touched her, it left; and the doctor didn't know which side it was on.

90 He said, "Wait a minute!" With the drawn diagrams and all the pictures and everything else, he couldn't find one trace of it. He examined her over and over. He said, "I might not be able to explain it, but Mrs. Branham, that tumor isn't there." And she has never had one symptom of it since.

91 What was it? Notice, just exactly the way it said: "Before the doctor's hand can touch it." One split second and his hand would have touched it. How perfect is the Word of the Lord!

92 Now, there is my wife, and we are both before God. But before the doctor's hand could even touch her body, on the road coming to her like that, something happened. The tumor left. And they couldn't.... He said--I believe it was, wasn't it sweetheart? "I want to reassure you, Mrs. Branham--is that right the way he said it? That's right--that that tumor isn't there. You don't have any tumor." What was it? Just exactly according to the Word of the Lord that was spoke. Amen.

93 That is the fifth time. Five is the number of grace. A number of f-a-i-t-h too. There is no more doubt in my mind. I know what the third pull is, and I know what it does. Now be reverent; just keep

quiet. The hour will soon arrive, where God is going to do some great things for us.

Now, let us bow our heads for a word of prayer. Lord Jesus, I'd seen it upon other people, but when it came to my own precious wife--it was in my home then, Lord. I looked at it with my own eyes, felt it with my own hands, and sixteen years before that it was also, Lord, known and revealed by You. When anything is spoken, it must be done. You were showing me, Lord, then that my confidence in what You had done for the people, and would let me know, so I could help them. You brought it to pass in my own home. That was the first pull. And now the third pull confirmed the first pull.

95 We are thankful, Father. Forgive us of our shortcomings. We are a small people. We are uneducated—more or less an illiterate people—but we are so thankful that we have a great omnipotent God, who watches over and cares for us, for we don't know how to care for ourselves. We commit ourselves to You.

Now Father, I pray that You will help me, and in this third pull, may, oh Lord, as You have been speaking for the last couple of years about it, showing it on markings, on mountains, and so forth, and bringing it on up. Now, I was watching to see what it was until it was completely confirmed. Now, I pray, Father, that You will help me to be more reverent with this than it was before. And may You get glory, as right over this same pulpit, where the first was said, the second, and now the third. And what You have said has come to pass; exactly what You said. We believe You, Lord God.

97 Help every one of us to throw away our disbelief, and our superstitions, that we might stand in the presence of the living God; knowing that the same God that took that tumor from my wife, that is sitting present now--verified by some of the highest medical science we got in the country who examined it, then looked, and pictured it; and now it is gone.

You are God, and there is none other beside You. And we love You, because that You have let us become Your servants. May we serve You with reverence and honor all the days of our life. Grant it, Lord. May I be able, and my family, and all these people be able to be shining lights, salty salt, that will create a thirst in others to love this Jesus, that has done so much for us. Now, as I open the Word to read it for a little text and then pray for the sick, help me, Lord. Speak to us, and heal the sick, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen. Would you ... have I got time? If I hurry real quick on some text here—I want you to read now, (or mark down, or whatever you wish to do). The first one is found in the book of Numbers 21:5-19. And we want to read this:

And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread [angel's food].

And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.

Therefore the people came to Moses, and said [Confession. Watch.], We have sinned, ... [That is the first thing for healing, confession first.] We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD, and against thee; pray unto the LORD, that he may take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.

And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.

And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

Now, also I wish to read a Scripture out of Zechariah the 12th chapter, the 10th verse.

And I will pour out upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.

100 Now for a text, I am going to take this: "Look Away To Jesus"; look away from the world to Jesus. Moses made the serpent, and here the prophet later was speaking of it—what would happen; looking away to Jesus.

101 The Bible said in Isaiah 45:22—we find that God said, "Look unto me ... all the ends of the earth." And now, when the earth has come to its end or the system of the earth has come to its end, let the people look unto Him.

102 Now you might say, "We have heard this generation after generation. We have heard this for a long time." That is true. And it has been preached for a long time.... Many ministers has took this same text—thousands of them. But here is the thing I want to ask you tonight for these next few minutes: But when you look.... The question is: What do you see when you look? What do you see when you do look? That only depends on what you are looking for.

103 Now He said, "Look unto me ... all the ends of the earth." Moses lifted the serpent up, and ever who looked got healed. Now, it depends on what you are looking for.

104 I have seen people come into the meetings in this last day, could only be able to sit in the meeting for just about one or two minutes. That's all they could stand. They couldn't stand it.

105 I never forget.... I hope this don't reflect on anybody from Iowa. When I had the meeting at Waterloo.... Brother Lee Vayle--he was here this morning, I don't know whether he is here tonight or not. Are you here, Lee? He was here this morning. Yes, back over in the recording..., back there. All right.

106 Brother Lee and I done everything we could, and gave the ministerial association a breakfast free, just to come down and speak to them. Brother Lee Vayle, of course, is a scholar and a Doctor of Divinity. He really earned his degree. And so I tried to get him to speak before these Lutherans, Presbyterians, and so forth; but he said, "No, they are looking to you to do it."

107 Well, I went down and took my text, before these ministers, after they had all got through eating. I took my text: "I Was Not Disobedient to the Heavenly Vision." No more than I had read the scripture, about two looked—out the door they went. So as I started to say, as Paul in his day, with an odd ministry—and now he stands before Agrippa and said that he wasn't disobedient to it—about two or three more got up. And by the time I got to where I could say

something about the text, there was just about three, or four sitting there. They had all got up and gone.

108 The reason of it is, is this: Some come to a meeting when they hear of an evangelist--the way he dresses has something to do with the people. If he don't wear the right kind of clothes, some of them--I heard a psychologist say the other day--Dr. Narramore, a fine man, Christian man, his program is on KAIR there all the time--he said, "The way to tell that a man was losing his mind is when he didn't dress according to his disposition." (You know, how he has to appear before the public.) That was a sign that he was losing his mind.

109 Well, then I have been crazy all my life then, because I wear overalls and everything, see. So--fitting to my position. I must dress like a clergyman, in other words, to be a clergyman. I don't think Jesus dressed like a clergyman. He dressed like an ordinary man. He went in among men, it wasn't nothing in dressing.

110 But that's just ... see how that ... the ideas of men, it does. How about if this man, or I wonder what the doctor would think of this: when a prophet in the Bible was commanded to strip off his clothes and walk naked before the people. He really would have been crazy, wouldn't he now? But God told him to do it.

111 Another one had to lay on his side for 340 months (I believe it was) laying on his side—one side; then turned over to the other side and eat a pot of lentils that he'd had made there; had to go and see the this stuff, to make it up together and eat it all that time—reach over and get a handful and eat, laying on his side for a sign.

112 Oh, how far people can get from really the Word of God. They just get so educated, till they educate themselves away from God. When a man talks about he has got an education, I know that is just how far he is from God. A doctor's degree (not saying this against Dr. Vayle, because he isn't that type) but usually, when a man gets a doctor's degree; that just means to me he's that much farther from God—unless he can hold himself to the Word, and to God.

113 Now, we find out that some come to hear the way you speak. When they come to look--you talk about divine healing and the Lord. If a man isn't typical, an educated genius, the people just can't stand to hear him use words as his and hain't, and words like that. They just ... they don't ... they just think that that is way away from God. And when Jesus spoke such simple language, until today, it has got the professors confused, for they try to interpret it according to the scholarships, and the language of that day, and it was street language. Therefore.... Why, there is so much difference even here in our United States. I called from Florida to New York and had to get a woman over here at St. Louis to translate between this southern girl and the northern girl. That is how much difference there was. Certainly.

114 Now the thing of it is, that people look for those things--speeches instead of the Word. The Word being manifested is the evidence that it is right--the Word being manifested. They will never look at that. You have got to have an intellectual conception--to know. Go to the seminary and learn how to bow, how to stand in one place, and all--that would choke a minister to death that was really filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, that is intellectual.

115 That is the way this whole nation has got. It's got an intellectual conception of Christ. That is what they look for. And if Christ is in you, you have got to be a scholar; you have got to be an intellectual, because that is what they think Christ is.

116 And another thing, they form their own opinions what He ought to be--their own idea--instead of taking what the Word said. That is the way ... when they look and even see Jesus Himself, they fail to recognize Him. They did it on the day of Pentecost. They did it when He was in flesh. They did it when He was in the manger. They did it when He was on the streets of Jerusalem. They did it when He was on the cross, and He was the fulfillment of that Word, and yet they had the Messiah coming down on a corridor out of heaven, and everything else, and was wrong, because it was their intellectual conception and they failed to see Him--and looking right at Him.

117 So is it today. What do you see when you look? Some look to see--when they look at Him, they look to see some great intellectual church founder, somebody who can really produce a creed that will cause all the people to fall for this creed, something or other--that is what they look when they see Him. 118 Some look to see a myth, like Santa Claus when they look. They read the Bible and say, "Oh, that's a mythical thing. It's just something that man wrote." That is what they ... because what opinion you take of the Bible, is what you take of Him, see.

119 Some look to see a baby. Some look and see a rabbit, or a Santa Claus. Some look to see some historical book that was yesterday, and not today. But the question is: what do you see when you look?

120 So many of you, that claim to have the Holy Ghost, look and see the second person of a trinity, when it is not even mentioned in the Bible. There's no such a thing. The word trinity is not even in the lids of the Bible. But yet when you look at Jesus, you regard Him as the third person, or the second person of a trinity. And that is the reason you don't get nowhere. You know what He said?---"I am God, and there is none other besides me."

121 Depends on what you are looking at. If you want to put some little mascot boy, an old man with a beard, and so forth—if that is the way you look at Jesus as being some different person from God, you are looking wrong. You don't see it.

122 Here not long ago, I had a pair of field glasses. I was trying to watch some antelope, or an antelope over in the field, and my son was trying to show me. He is quite a bit younger. So he said, "Take them glasses, Daddy, there stands an antelope right out there."

I said, "I can see him with my natural eye."

123 He said, "Take these glasses." When I looked I seen about ten antelopes--but the glasses were out of focus. And when I went to focus them in, all ten of them become one. And if you will focus your mind to God's Word, the three will be one. But your ecclesiastical glasses get out of focus when you try to make Him three. He is one.

124 But it depends on what you are looking at. What do you see when you do look? Remember, you can only see Him as you look at Him through the Word. You can't look at Him through a textbook. You can't look at Him through a creed. You'll see two or three gods, and everything else in them creeds. But look at Him through the Word, and you'll see that He is Emmanuel–God made flesh among us. He said, "I am God and besides me, there is none other." He is God.

125 Isaiah looked one time, (the prophet) and when he seen Jesus (my subject is: "Looking To Jesus"—-"Look Away To Jesus") when Isaiah looked away from the world to see Him he said, "I see a Counsellor, a Prince of Peace, the mighty God, the everlasting Father." That is what Isaiah looked away and saw.

126 Daniel one time was standing when he saw the ending of the Gentile kingdoms. He saw the image that Nebuchadnezzar had dreamed. He saw how each one would succeed the other as they come down. And when he looked to see what was all going to happen at the end--when he saw Jesus--He was a stone, hewn out of the mountain without hands, that crushed the Gentile kingdoms.

127 Nebuchadnezzar threw three Hebrew children in the fiery furnace, that believed in God and stood on His Word. If they had to die for it, they were going to stand anyhow—just a little thing of bowing their knee some other way. But when he looked away and saw Jesus, He was the fourth man that was in the fiery furnace, and it kept all the heat off of His obedient servants. That is what Nebuchadnezzar saw.

128 Ezekiel looked away to see Him one day, and He was a wheel in the middle of a wheel, way up in the middle of the air. He was the hub to the wheel, where every spoke is fastened to. Amen! The big wheel ran by faith, but the little wheel turned by the power of the Lord. That is who Ezekiel saw when he looked away.

129 John the Baptist looked away one day and when he did he saw a dove, and a voice saying, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am pleased to dwell in." That is what he saw. Then he saw Jesus and God being the same person, because the Spirit come down from heaven like a dove saying, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am pleased to dwell." That is what he saw. Notice, He identifies Himself in that way. 130 Noah, when he looked away to see Him, Noah saw the just judgments of God coming upon a people of this world who had rejected His Word. That is what Noah saw when he looked away.

131 Moses, when he looked away, he saw a bush on fire. A pillar of fire had brought itself back into a bush, and when Moses drawed close to it, He said, "Take off your shoes for I Am."

132 Now if you would weigh that word, I am. It is past tense, present tense, and future tense. I Am–-eternal, see. I Am; he saw the I Am. That is what he saw in the burning bush.

133 Israel looked at the brass serpent that Moses made and saw the suffering of Christ for the judgment for the sick, for we know that the serpent spoke of the atonement. Jesus was that atonement. "As Moses lifted up the brass serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up"--for the same purpose. Why? They had sinned, and had got sick. That was for taking away their sins and for their sickness, and that's what Jesus was wounded for our transgressions; with His stripes we were healed. Take divine healing away from Christ--you cut half the atonement in two.

134 What do you see in Him when you look? Do you see that? Do you see that He was wounded for our transgressions. With His stripes we were healed. When you look away can you see that, or can you just see one side of the atonement? Can you see both sides of it when you look?

135 If you look at it through the creed, they'll tell you, "The days of healing is passed." But if you look at it through the Word, you will see He is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

136 The disciples looked to Him when they were in a troubled sea, and they saw the only help that could help them, coming.

137 Martha looked to Him in a time of death, and she saw that He was the resurrection and the life. Amen! In time of death, Martha saw when she looked at Him–-He had been rejected by her people; He had been turned down. Even, she had sent for Him, and He did

not come to her brother; but when finally He came, and she went and fell down so she could look at Him, she found out that He was both resurrection and life. Amen!

138 Jairus did the same thing—a secret believer: a little Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist that really believed, but couldn't get around on the account of his denomination wouldn't let him, because he would be excommunicated. But his only little daughter lay at the point of death, and he had to go. But when he found Him, he found out that He was the resurrection and life. When he sent for Him, a runner came and said, "Don't trouble the Master, for the girl is already dead." And his little heart almost failed, but he said, "Did not I say, 'If you will only believe you will see the glory of God.'?" Jairus found out that He could raise up the dead, when he looked at Jesus.

The hungry looked to Him and found sustaining food for life. That was natural. The hungry spiritual can look to Him and find out He is the bread of life. The dying thief looked to see what he could see, and he found in Jesus his pardon. "Remember me, Lord, when thou comest into thy kingdom," Jesus said, "Today shalt thou be with me in paradise." That is what he saw in the hour of his death.

139 The sick looked to Him, and saw the healer. The blind looked, and could see.

140 Depends on what you are looking at, now. What are you looking at? Peter and Nathanael looked and seen the promised Word of their prophet, Moses, made manifest. "The Lord your God shall raise up a prophet likened unto me, and to him the people shall cling; and all that don't believe him, and hear that prophet, will be cut off from the people."

141 And when Peter walked up into His presence Jesus said, "Your name is Simon, and you are the son of Jonas." He knew right then, when he looked the first time on Jesus, that there was the fulfillment of what the Word of God said He would be. Amen

142 I wonder if you found the same thing when you looked at Him for the first time? I wonder if the promised Word manifested itself to you when you looked at Him?

143 Nathanael, as soon as he came into the presence of Jesus, a little bit in doubt; we find out that Philip had went and told him, "Come see who we've found."

And Nathanael came and he said, "Which one is He?"

He said, "Probably it's the one up there praying for the sick." He pressed his way through till he could get a look at Him.

And when he looked Jesus said, "Behold an Israelite in whom there is no guile."

He said, "Rabbi, when did you ever know me?"

He said, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the tree, I saw you."

144 Then what did Nathanael find? He found out that there was the King of Israel. He said, "Thou art the Son of God. You are the King of Israel. That is what he saw when he looked. He got the interpretation of the Scripture brought to light before him. He saw it; the same Scripture that the anointed prophet Moses had said, "He will be a prophet likened unto me."

145 The woman at the well, she got a look one time, and what did she see? She expressed it in the city. She said, "Come see a man who told me the things I've done. Isn't this the very Messiah?" When she took her first look at Jesus Christ, she saw the Messiah.

146 People can look at the same thing today and call it mental telepathy. They will call it spiritualism; they will call it any kind of a devil name they can call it, because they don't know what they are looking for. Amen. They don't understand. They are looking for a creed. They are looking for a genius to set the church in order. They

are looking for more members, and fail to see the blessed Lord Jesus Christ in His identified Word. Right.

147 Depends on what you are looking for. If you are looking for the fulfillment of the promise of today, you will see it; but if you are looking for some intellectual, or something that they have always looked for--some great founder, some historian, some other person, something else--you will fail to see it. But when you look at Him through the Word, the Word declares who He is!

148 He challenged the people of His day to do the same. They couldn't see Him. He said, "You blind leaders of the blind. You claim Moses to be your prophet. If you would have known Moses, you'd know me. Moses wrote about me." And they were too blind to see it. Looking right at it, and too blind to see it.

149 I am dove-tailing that glare this morning for a few minutes you see. They are looking, and don't know what they are looking for, because they have got the wrong conception of what they are trying to find. How would you know what you wanted to find, if you didn't know what you were looking for?

How would you go hunt for a pumpkin, and you had never 150 seen one and never heard of one? How would you go find a watermelon, if you never knowed there was such a thing, and how it looked? Why you could find a tub, and think it was a watermelon. You could find something else. You could find a block and think it was a watermelon. But you have got to know what you are looking for. And the only way that you will ever know what you are looking for.... If you are looking for Jesus you will look to the Word, for He is the Word. [Blank space on tape.] ... fathers who claim when God sent the prophets to them, he put them in the grave. They killed the prophets. "Every one that came," Jesus said, "Which one of them your fathers didn't stone? And the works of your father you will do." Amen! righteous men, holy men, a man that you couldn't put a finger on, and yet He called them serpents and devils. What are you looking for? If you are looking for some pious person.... Some people think that because the Holy Spirit would work through you, you'd have to be some long..., pious fellow that walked around and not even.... That is not the Holy Spirit. God don't deal through

angels like that, or supposed to be; God deals through men. The Bible said, "Elijah was a man, subject to like passions as we are." But you couldn't be with him till you seen Jesus.

151 Peter and John at the gate called Beautiful, and when they pulled them up there about healing that man, they perceived that they were ignorant, unlearned, but they also perceived that they had been with Jesus, because His life was reflecting through them.

152 Now, depends on what you are looking for. The woman had read the Bible. She knew there was a coming Messiah, and she knew what that Messiah would do. And as soon as Jesus said to her, "Bring me a drink." She said, "It is not customary." He was just an ordinary man. Now, if He had been sitting there with a great big turban on, and all kinds of ornaments over Him of some holy person, well the woman would have said, "Well, there is a priest," and went on, or "There is some kind of a rabbi," and went on.

153 Minister, something or other–-I seen a man come to eat today (where I went to eat), and that fellow come in; he had enough crosses and things on him–-it is a good thing sometimes them fellows have that. I think you ought to live a life. You don't have to have a lot of clergy clothes to prove what you are. Sometimes they drink, and carry on so much, and smoke cigarettes, and everything, they have to wear clergy clothes to even know whether they are a minister or not. That is right. I tell you the clergy clothes for a man to wear is the baptism of the Holy Spirit. That will identify you as being with Jesus.

154 Now, we find out that it depends on what you are looking for: A well dressed, well groomed, some kind of a turban. You will never see Him because He was just an ordinary man. God deals with man. Jesus was a man. God was in the man, and He was God.

155 Now, we find out that this woman, when she saw this mysterious sign, that He could tell her what she had done that was wrong, or what was on her heart, she knew right then that was the Messiah. So, when she looked at Jesus, she saw the Messiah—the Messiah.

156 What was the works of the Messiah? Would know the secrets of the heart. Did that catch you right? I wonder if you will understand. If you'd look for Him tonight, what would you look for? He would be the same. The Messiah is the Word—the Word. And the Bible said in Hebrews the 4th chapter that, "The Word of God is quicker more powerful than a two-edged sword, cutting even asunder of the bone, and a discerner of the thoughts that's in the heart. And when she knew that Messiah was to be that Word made manifest, and could tell her what was wrong with her, she knowed that was Messiah—not how He's dressed; not how much education He had; but by the sign that He showed her—He was Messiah. When she saw Jesus, she saw the Messiah.

157 God in a man as promised for that anointed age. But you know what? Many of them same ages that I have spoke of never seen that thing. Many of them didn't see it. Same today.

158 Many didn't recognize Moses—many didn't recognize Elijah. Many didn't.... They never recognize them, till they are gone. Then, they recognize it. The unbeliever seen in the days of Noah only—what did the unbelief look at? I've told you what the believer saw; now let's see what the unbelievers saw.

159 In the days of Noah what did the unbeliever see back there when they looked? They saw a fanatic blundering around on a so-called boat. That is all they saw—some crazy old man with long white whiskers that had lost his mind, and against scientific research and proof, said, "There is water up there."

160 Well, the poor old fellow, they felt sorry for him. Passed him by. "He will be declared insane soon. He's lost his mind." But he had the Word of the Lord. He was building away on it, and God was showing evidence that the flood was coming. It was a sign to them.

161 Them who did not believe Noah's story wandered on into darkness, and ended up in death in the water and a grave of hell.

162 Pharaoh—he looked one time. What did he see? What saw Pharaoh? He seen a fanatic, so-called prophet, with many so-called claims of deliverance. That is all he saw—a mud dauber, a slave standing up amongst the people, and saying himself was sent of God to perform miracles. Why, they thought the fellow had lost.... Said, "Go let him rave on. He will be declared insane after while." But he had 'Thus saith the Lord.' The believers: Aaron, Joshua, and many of them seen God in Moses. And the works of God, Moses done. That is the reason they knew God was in him. They looked and saw God in Moses.

163 The rich man looked and seen exactly who He was, but he refused to follow him, because he loved the things of the world too much to follow Jesus. How many rich men will listen to this tape of that type. Don't have to be always rich in money; no, you can be rich in lusts, rich in pleasures of this life.

164 How many men... How many young girls, how many young boys will not sell out their popularity of some sex queen or some Ricky with a banjo or a guitar, going out and entertaining some rock 'n' roll, or some dance that he is able to do? How many of them will claim the riches of popularity, and refuse, when they sit right in the meetings and watch the hand of God move and declare His Word? How many will do it?

165 He chose his denomination, he could live by it. Jesus was a fanatic to his denomination, so he had to either take what Jesus said, or either he had to take—why didn't he go to his priest and say, "What can I do to have eternal life?" He knowed the priest knew nothing about it. So he come to Jesus and said, "What can I do?"

Jesus said, "Keep the commandments," (throwed it right back in his lap).

He said, "I have done this."

He said, "Keep the commandments."

166 Then he still didn't have eternal life, and he knowed he didn't. You can keep all the commandments and you haven't got eternal life yet.

So Jesus said, "Now if you want to do what is right, go sell what you have got, and give it to the poor; come follow me." That was too much for him.
167 We find out that he looked and seen who He was, but yet refused to take it, and his next look was in hell, looking away up and seeing Lazarus in the bosom of Abraham.

168 Pilate looked one time when they brought Him. He never seen Him before—-His hands tied; blood running out of His back, a crown of thorns on His head. Pilate looked and was convinced; because a horse come galloping down the street, and a rider jumped off and run over, and said, "Here's the wife has sent you a letter."

169 And he looked at it and she said, "Pilate, my beloved husband, have nothing to do with that just man. For today I have suffered many things in a dream because of Him."

He trembled, his knees beat together, and he said, "If you are the Son of God, if you are the King, why don't you speak out. Are you the King of Israel?"

He said, "You have said it." Said, "Tell us the truth."

He said, "To this end I was born." And Pilate marveled. He'd ... everybody, was begging and crying at His feet. He said, "I have power to kill you, or I have power to release you."

He said, "You have power of nothing, unless it be given to you of my Father."

170 Yes, sir, he was convinced that that was more than a man. He was thoroughly convinced that it was more than a man. Certainly he was. But what? His politics and popularity was too great. He turned Him down. His popularity was too great. The politics—his position in life, was too great to accept this fanatic

171 Wonder how many Pilates will be listening to this? That your position in some denomination will be too great to accept the real Lord Jesus. Standing in the position that He is today.

172 The Roman soldier at the cross looked on Jesus. After the earth had had a nervous prostration—shook till the rocks rung out of the mountains; and the sun went down in the middle of the day and turned dark—the stars didn't come out to give it's light. And the earth burst forth with rocks and an earthquake. The zigzag lightning swept the skies, and ripped the temple veil from the top to the bottom. And the people running and screaming—they didn't know what had taken place. That Roman soldier that helped nail Him there, had punched the sword through His heart, then he looked, but it was too late. He looked and believed, but it was too late for him to believe. What he had done had sealed his doom. He had run the spear through the Saviour's heart. It was too late.

173 I wonder how many Romans today have done the same thing, and will do the same thing. You might look some day, but it might look too late.

174 Many of today will come in that day and be the same way. They have known.

175 Brother Wood, here yesterday (saying this, just because it is in this message), down here at Slider Company. A Roman Catholic sitting there. He went down to get some concrete for the church here, and when he did, he told him where he wanted it for, and the Roman Catholic said, "Is that Brother Branham?"

"Yes."

He said, "I say one thing--when he prays, God answers."

176 Wonder then, knowing it; seeing the vindication, that it is truly the gospel--not me, any man representing Christ--it is the Word we are talking about--not man.

177 What am I trying to say is this: That they see the clearly vindicated Word like Pilate and the rest of them did, like the Roman soldier, but are you going to wait too late to do anything about it? He should have used the spear the other way. The doors will be closed, like it was in the days of Noah; and then it is too late.

178 You might wake up some morning and say, "I intend to get out of this mess." Don't wait too long. You had better look and live now. 179 Luther looked away from the Catholic denomination. What did he see? a pillar of fire. He saw an independent church. Wesley looked away from the Anglican denomination He saw the same thing. The Pentecost looked away from all the denominations. What did it become? a great mighty people.

180 What did each one of them do? When the founders, Luther, and Wesley and them, and when they looked away and saw what they did and started out, their children coming behind them; looked back to where they come from out of the denomination—and took that group of people right back into the same mess that they came out of!

181 What are you looking at? The founders looked right, but the people following them looked back to what the founders came out of, and done exactly what the founders was against—the anointed one of God.

182 You know, I have got to hurry because I have got a prayer line coming, and I know many of you has to travel.

183 One day I took a look. I saw the Word made flesh. I saw the Alpha and Omega. I never seen any three, four, or five; I saw one. I saw Him as my Saviour. I saw Him--the Word. I saw Him--the life. I saw Him--the mighty God. I saw God in Him. I saw the pillar of fire. I saw in Him exactly what the Bible said He was. I saw that He was the Alpha and Omega; that He was the pillar of fire; He was the same yesterday, today, and forever. I saw that the pillar of fire said to John, "His never failing presence .... [as he said in John over there], His never failing presence will never leave you."

Brother, my opinion tonight ... sing that song:

Look and live, my brother, live.

Look to Jesus now and live;

For it is recorded in His Word, Hallelujah!

It is only that you look and live."

184 Look! What do you see? Do you see deliverance? Do you see what He is? Look to the Word and see what He was, then you look to the same Word and see He's the same today as He was then. He is the antetype of the brass serpent in the wilderness. For the same cause--sin and sickness.

185 Judas took a look one day, and when he looked, (after he had took a real look at Him)--he had only been looking at the treasury before that, (the pot of money they had)--but one day when he looked and seen Jesus, you know what he seen? He seen he was guilty. He seen that he wasn't fit to live, and he hung himself.

186 One morning, one of the greatest mornings in all the history of time, (in closing, I am saying this) there was something happening in Jerusalem; and all at once a bunch of soldiers came down to the jail. I can hear the jingle of the chains; hear the dragging of the spear on the street.

187 "Who's back in there?" "Barabbas–-he's ready to die; he's a thief; he's no good, he's a robber, he's a murderer; he's going to die."

First thing you know he said, "Well, this is all of it for me. I will be executed this morning."

The first thing you know the guard opened the door, "Step out, Barabbas."

He stepped out and said, "Well, I guess this is the end."

He said, "Barabbas, you are absolutely free." "What? I am what? I am absolutely free?"

"You are free," I said.

Said, "How can I be free?"

He said, "Come here, Barabbas, look up there. You see that man dying up there? He took your place."

188 I wonder if we all tonight could look and see what Barabbas saw? Someone taking our place. He was wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquities: The chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and with His stripes I was healed; you were healed. Wonder if we, the guilty ones, who should be sick, can see in Him our deliverance? You who should go to hell; see in Him your freedom—your pass to heaven. Wonder if you can see what Barabbas saw that day? He said, "A little while and the world won't see me no more, yet ye shall see me." 189 Oh, church, then if He said, "You shall see me," it is proof that you can look again. "You will see me, for I will be with you, even in you, to the end of the world."

190 How do you see Him? At the Word. He is the Word. Look at the Word, and see what the promise is, for He is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

191 What He was when He walked in Galilee, is the same thing He is tonight in Jeffersonville, the same thing He is at the Branham Tabernacle.

192 What do you look to see? A founder? A denominational man? You will never see it in Jesus. Do you look to see some great priestly...? You will never see it in Jesus. No. How do you see Jesus? By the Word of God being made manifest, because He was the manifested Word of God. What He was then, He is tonight and will be forever. Let's bow our heads just a moment. I've cut this off kind of short.

193 Lord Jesus, is my prayer, let me look away from the cares of life. Lord, I know we are just a common people, uneducated. We have not much of this world's goods, but we love You, Lord. And I speak for this people. They would not sit in a place like this and squeeze and mash around in the crowds, and sit, burning up in the heat, or freezing in the cold, and stand and bringing their children, and them sick and the afflicted, coming around, if they come here to see anything else besides You.

194 Those people, Lord, would never come to see a man. There is plenty of men on the street; they all look alike; but they come to see that man--that man of God, that Jesus of Nazareth of flesh being God.

195 Now, Father, You have told us that, "A little while and the world would not see You no more." No matter how much they look, they will never see it. But you said, "Ye shall see me [the true believer], because I will be with you, even in you, to the end of the world." You have promised us, if we look, we would see. And I pray tonight that You will fulfill that scripture to us again tonight—

that we might look and see Jesus making Himself known to us in the same way that He always has--fulfilling His Word.

196 From henceforth, Lord--and I made a statement before this, and I've truly said these things from my heart about the pulls and You told me; and now, as mysterious as it may seem, if we could only pinch our inner conscience, and see that those things could not be foretold perfectly as they are, unless it did come from God.

197 How could we see that first thing take place? How could the second take place? How could the third take place? How could we stand here, months before it happened, and tell what would take place in Tucson, that would open up the seven seals, and bring back the mysteries, and reveal the hidden things of God that has been hid since the beginning of time; and to see it both testified, witnessed, scientifically proven.

198 Lord, You are our refuge and strength. You are all that we have. And I thank You for, Lord, being a part of this great economy of Yours. I thank You for being a member of Your body, along with many here who are members of that body--many, all out through the world in different churches, that are members of that mystical body of Christ.

199 Every time we look, we see Him; see Him when the birds sing; see Him when the sun rises, or when it sets; hear Him in the songs; watch Him in His people; see Him vindicating His Word. Oh, Lord, You are our God. Early will we call upon Thee. Thou art our merciful Father. Forgive us of our wrongs.

Lord, we are at the end-time. I see the doors will soon be closed—the doors of opportunity—and while it is daylight, and I can still get into some of these places, Lord, help me to go.

201 I am getting old; give me strength; renew my youth, Lord. Help me that I might do something out there now that I am waiting for this great time to come, that will be here. Help me, Lord, as I go out that I might be able under some way to catch that last predestinated seed that will bring back the Lord Jesus. Help, oh God.

202 And if I am laying a foundation that another shall stand upon, grant, Lord, that soon it will happen. That the Word might be

fulfilled. Our hearts desire is to see Your Word fulfilled. We love You. We believe You. In the midst of an unbelieving, doubting people, a generation of what we got today, Lord God, we still believe that Your Word will never fail. We believe that heavens and earth will pass away, but it shall never fail. We stand gallantly for that.

203 Now, Father, to this little group that have waited: There are many sick in here, and there may be an unsaved in here—people that have been saved, and yet haven't been filled with the Holy Ghost. Lord God, may You come so on the scene by Your Word of promise that the people will look and see Jesus, and then bow down and give their hearts to Him. May the sick look and see that it is impossible for anything else to be doing it, only God; because it is His Word promised. What we have said today, both messages, may it be confirmed now.

204 It's all in Your hands, Lord, and I am in Your hands, and the congregation is in Your hands. Work through us, Lord, to honor Your great name. Oh, eternal one, grant this for the glory of God. Amen.

I know it's hot, and I want to try to pray for the sick, now; and if you will just give me about fifteen, twenty minutes—I don't know how many cards they've got given out but we are just going to start to pray for the sick. Now, Billy told me that he'd give out ... what was it? All right. Well, let's start. He said he give out from one to a hundred. How many has prayer cards here raise up your hands, prayer cards. There's quite a number. We'll try to get to everything that we possibly can, if we can. Now we can't have discernment on all them, you know so we'll just pray and everybody ... how many here doesn't have a prayer card and yet you're sick raise up your hand. Many.

206 Now, look. What is it? Now, I know, we may be a teeny bit late off of schedule--about fifteen minutes--but I want to say this one thing. It might be the difference between here spending eternity in heaven or hell, see. Look; be reverent; watch a minute; listen at the Word, and see if He still remains Christ. Now, every person here probably knows me, and many of you that I don't know, because I don't get here long enough to know you. And many of you are out of town. How many is out-of-town people? Raise your hands. See. Now, I asked somebody down town the other day, I said, "Do you ever come up?"

Said, "There's no need of us coming." Said, "There's so many from out of town that gets there, we can't get in."

But that's okay. We'll fix a way for them to get it. You come anyhow. Notice: They had a chance before you did.

207 Now, remember. Now, I am just your brother. I am sure you understand that. I am a man; He is God. But God only can work, and always has worked and only worked through man. Now look tonight—not to me, or to any other person—but look to Jesus Christ. Now look tonight at the Scripture—what it promised. How many of you...? I can just give all kinds of scriptures—but how many will just believe Hebrews 13:8? that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday...." And how many believe John 14:12? "The works that I do shall you also." How many believe that He promised that the very things that He did in the way of discerning of thoughts in the heart would return again in the last days, just before His coming? You all know it. All right. Oh, how many more—hundreds and hundreds of scriptures; but we know it.

208 Now look, don't look to see a minister; don't look to see a pastor; look to see Jesus. Don't see the man; see Jesus. When you look, see Him. If I could help you, I would do it; but I can't. I can't help you; I'm just your brother, but He is your Lord. Look to Him and believe. [Brother Branham calls prayer line.]

Now, let's bow our heads.

209 Oh, friends, now what? Now where are we at?--now we're at the end. We're at the time where something has to be done. Said, "Yes," or "No." God's got to be found right or wrong.

210 Now, today I've preached two sermons, hard, trying to tell you what He is; tell you time is closing--what He is; what He was. And now, when we look tonight, let's look at Him.

211 Now, every person, in the name of the Lord Jesus, keep your seat now; don't stir around. Sit real still until you're called. Let the little children.... Now, if I happen to say, "Bow your head," do it right quick, Honey, because evil things leave—such as cancer and

diseases—and it goes out amongst the people, and gets into others. All that believe that and know it's the Scriptures, say, "Amen!"

212 We find in the Bible, that evil spirits went from one to the other when they were cast out, and they try to find a place. And how many times have we seen it in the meeting.... People come to the meeting perfectly healthy and well; sit there and criticize, and a day or two after that, be found totally blind, or stricken with a cancer, paralyzed (see), because they were unbelievers. I'm not responsible for them, only for the believers.

213 Many of them went in the institutions many years ago, and still there. Some went to their grave. Just because of being arrogant, unbelieving. There's no place for an unbeliever now. It's a place for believers. Have faith in God!

214 Heavenly Father, now, the meeting is Yours. It's been Yours all the time. Now, I can speak on Your Word, but now, from now on, I can't speak; You're the one who speaks now, Lord. Let it be known that Your servant has told them the truth. May people here—maybe many are here sick that won't even be in the line, but You're still here, Lord. You can heal out there, just as You can heal anywhere. Let Thy Word be made known; in Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

215 Now, if I can get your undivided attention for just a moment. I want to look down this prayer line—I don't really believe I know one person! Are you in this prayer line all strangers to me, you know that I don't you? Raise up your hands if you are. They are! How many out there knows that I don't know nothing about you? Raise up your hand—out there. Sure! Ninety-five percent of the people here, I don't.... That's true.

216 Now, here's a little woman--I've never seen her in my life. She's a total stranger to me. Now, she may be here for sickness; she may be here--maybe she's done something. Maybe she's here for finances; maybe it's domestic trouble; maybe she's here for someone else; I don't know. I have no idea, but here is exactly a picture that's in St. John, the 4th chapter: A man and a woman meet for the first time. And no doubt, that the young woman that met Jesus, He was much older than her, because they said He looked to be fifty or over fifty, and probably just a young beautiful woman that was out there at the well, was just a young girl. 217 And here again tonight, two people meet, young and old, without knowing one another. And now she stands there. There's some reason she's there. I don't know, she might be standing there as a deceiver. She might be standing there saying something what it is ... and just see what will happen. If it is, you just watch what happens.

218 Now, I don't know the lady; I've never seen her. She just held her hand a while ago, that I was a stranger to her, and I hold my hand she's a stranger to me; I've never seen her. Well now, if I--just as a man, I'd have to say, "Lady, what is the matter with you. What are you doing here, what do you want?"

219 She'd say, "Mr. Branham, I'm here because I suffer with a cancer; I suffer with TB, I suffer with a tumor; or I'm out of money, my husband left me; or I'm not married, and my boyfriend did so...."

220 She'd have to tell me. "Well," I'd say, "all right, I'll pray for you, lay my hands upon you, and say, 'Lord God, give this woman what she wants. Amen. Jesus do it." Let her go away. Well, I guess if she believed that, she'd get well. That's all right, that's been a ministry for many, many years.

221 But it was promised in the last days, that as the angel--God was dwelling in a human body, that came up just before Sodom burned, and He sat with His back turned to the tent, where Sarah was, and told Abraham what she was thinking in the tent--God, in a human flesh, wearing human clothes. And that's the only way God can do it today, is when He gets in your flesh. Showing that God would be manifested in human flesh.

Jesus said, "As it was at the days of Sodom, so would it be at the coming of the Son of man."

222 We have the messenger, Billy Graham, and them down there in Sodom, but the elected church received the message and a messenger. Now, if this little lady—if the Holy Spirit, (don't say He will do it,) but if He would come and tell me what you're standing here for—or what you want, or something you've done, or something you're about to do. Well you'd know it would have to come from some supernatural source, because we're just standing here. That would be right, wouldn't it?

223 Then you'd know it had to come from a supernatural force if the Bible said that Jesus did that same thing and promised to do it again in the last days, then you'd believe it was Him. How many would believe the same thing? Then you'd see Jesus. You'd see His Word. Now, you say, "Is He the Word"--the Bible says He is the Word. And the Bible said that the Word discerns the thoughts that are in the heart. Is that right? Then it will be the Word spoken through human lips, discerning the thoughts--now, I can't. I have no way of doing it, see; because I don't know her, but He does, and He is the Word.

224 And He is the One that can take our two spirits, like the woman at the well, and Him, and blend it, then go away and show me just what she's here for, what she's done, or what she wants or something. Then I can speak it and say it—then it's up to her.

225 Now you say, "Brother Branham, can you heal her?" No, no. I can't do that; He's already done it. By His stripes we were healed, but that's just to raise her faith to let her know that if He knows what she has been, and what she is wanting; He knows how to give it and what she will be afterwards. Is that right? Now, everybody believes that.

226 Now, be real reverent and you people out there now without prayer cards, you pray. Now, remember, Jesus passed through a group one day, and a little woman touched His garment. And He turned around and said, "Who touched me?" And He looked all over the congregation till He found her and told her she had a blood issue and her blood stopped at that time, see.

227 Now, the Bible said that He, now, is a high priest that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities. Is that right? I'm looking out here at Brother Way sitting here by his wife. Just recently that man was standing here while I was preaching, (just like Paul was preaching all night one night) and this man dropped dead right in the audience, and the Holy Spirit brought him right back to life again. He is a witness, see, that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

228 How many never did see Brother Way; would like to see him? Raise up your hands. Never did see him–-Brother Way, would you stand up? Here's the man–-dropped dead about where he's sitting right now. Here's his wife, a registered nurse, standing right there. He had no pulse gone his eyes turned back, and he was black in his face–-heart attack.

229 Doctor told him he had heart trouble. Before that, I found it on discernment, not long ago I told him that he had heart trouble. And then, all at once, his heart stopped and down he went and there he was laying there--perfectly gone. That's about six or eight times that I've seen the Lord Jesus bring back the dead.

230 I've seen Him do it, and He can do it tonight. Now, I take every spirit in here under my control, for the glory of God, in the name of Jesus Christ. Be reverent, watch. I want to talk to you, lady, I've been preaching, you see. Just to catch your spirit, that's exactly what I'm doing, see.

231 There's something in you--a life or you wouldn't be standing there. You'd be just a form laying dead, and you'd have no life in you. But being that there is a life in that flesh, it controls you. And now, even your thoughts and what you think, the words you say and everything is what you live by. That's what you are, is your words, your thoughts and whatever you are.

232 Now, we are here believing—now, the Holy Spirit, like Jesus told the woman, "Bring me a drink." And when she brought—she said, "Why, you shouldn't ask me that. I'm a Samaritan. You are a Jew. We don't have no customs with each other; no words with each other. Now, but of course, we are both Gentile. And we're standing here just believing on God. Now, if His Spirit comes by me for a gift, and can tell you what—that you know whether it's right or not, because you've lived that part of the life, then you have a gift to believe it. And if you will believe it, and He will tell you about it, then it's all over, and it will work on everyone here.

233 Now, everybody real reverent. And the lady suffers with something wrong in her throat—a throat condition. If that's right,

raise up your hand. Now, I've never seen her in my life. That's right. That's what she's here for, for me to pray for her throat. Now, right then, as soon as I said that, (or just before) she was ... she knew that there was something near. Something come near right then. You could see the emotion upon her, a real sweet feeling like....

234 That light that you seen in the picture.... Where are you at, George? That light that was in the picture is hanging right over the woman, right now. It's another dimension. She is a believer—not a make-believer; she's a believer. Now, being that you are a believer, you believe me to be His servant a prophet? Have to be to know that. You believe He could tell you other things that's on your heart? All right. Here's something that's on your heart, is somebody you're praying for a child. You believe he can tell me what's wrong with it?

235 It's got a virus. Is that right? You believe God can tell me who you are? You're Mrs. Walker. You're not from here; you're from the South--Georgia. You're going home well. Jesus Christ has healed you. Your child, don't worry about it, it's over. God bless you, sister.

236 How do you do? Now, here's another woman. I don't know her, never seen her. She's just a woman standing there. Now look, I've been preaching altogether since about eight o'clock, and it's ten now. That's two hours I've been here. That one discernment weakened me more than two hours of preaching. See, that's ... see. You say, "You mean to say that...." Oh, yes. That woman that touched the hem of His garment, He said, "I perceive that virtue has gone out of me"--strength. Is that right? That's what it does.

237 Now, here's a woman that I've never seen. Billy went over there, (if you noticed something) and picked up that boy that we have here with us, George. He's a Baptist boy. I want him to see that what we are talking about is God. His father, his family, is nice people. They're in Mexico--missionary. A fine man. And his father is sick, too. I'm just waiting for him to come. Now, just watch close George. Now, this lady, I don't know her. I never seen her. I suppose we're strangers to one another. We don't know each other. But now, the Holy Spirit, the sweetness of Jesus, being present; we're all witnessing that. 238 Now, if the Lord Jesus will reveal to me something about you.... Now, if I could heal you, I'd do it, but I can't do what He's already done. The only thing, if He was standing here tonight with this suit on that He gave me--well now, He couldn't heal you because He's already done it. By His stripes we were healed. But the only thing He would declare Himself by the Word that He promised and make you see that He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. And He promised to do it.

239 Now, if He will use me to tell you what you're here for, will you use the faith that you have in Him to believe that you receive what you have ... are here for? With all your heart.... All right. May the Lord grant it. I see the lady has something wrong--an examination showed it is a ruptured stomach. That's right; it's true-a ruptured stomach.

240 Do you believe that God can heal that rupture? God bless you. Now, you're not from here--been quite a sacrifice to get here. It was! You're from Tennessee. That's right. Mrs. Harness, return back; don't doubt. You'll be healed, if thou canst believe.

241 How do you do, lady? We're strangers to one another. I've never seen you in my life as I would know of, I might have somewhere in a meeting and you might have seen me, but I don't know you, God knows you. Do you believe in me to be his servant and the Word that I have preached is the truth? Well, being that I am strange to you and the word that I have preached, you have believed on. The only thing that some of them give you a card, either one of the ushers or my son, or somebody gave you a card. Your number was called and here you are, that's all I know. But you're here suffering from a nervous condition it bothers you bad. You have someone with you. Yes, someone you're praying for it's your husband. And he has a spiritual problem that he just can't get over ... and you have a child that's sick too. You're not from here but you come from the North. You're from Canada, from Alberta, that is right. Do you believe me as being God's prophet and believe that what I tell you is the truth? Go home and you'll receive what you've gotten. Believe. God bless you lady.

I am a stranger to you, you're a stranger to me. I don't know you but God does know you. Do you believe me to be his servant, with all your heart? Now I don't know you nothing of you. If I could heal you I'd do so but I can't. I'm not a healer I am just a man but He's God. I'm just a bit confused because there's an older woman standing between me and you. It's somebody you're praying for. Yes, it's your mother, and she suffers with a high blood pressure. And you have a kidney infection, that is right. Do you believe that? Your mother isn't here, but when you go to her take that scarf that's around your neck and put it on your mother, and don't doubt and the high blood pressure will leave and she'll be well. Go believing.

243 Do you believe now with all your heart. Now you see I look out across the audience and just looks like it's just beginning to get kind of misty like out there. These things that I do shall you do also. He's done more right here tonight of that type than He did in the entire journey on life. That's right.

244 Now this one lady here. Young woman, I don't know her, she's a stranger to me, but do you believe me to be his servant? Now just a moment. A man come before me somebody in the audience. Now just a moment. Somebody in the audience that left here just then that light left here and there was a man standing by it. Now, somewhere in the audience. Just don't worry. Just be of a good courage. Let's go back again and see to the woman.

245 Now if the Lord God ... this is six or seven or something another that's passed through the line under discernment. And if the Lord Jesus will reveal to me to this woman, whatever is wrong with her, would it make the rest of you believe with all your heart? Could you accept Christ upon them basis? One time ought to prove it. Three times is a confirmation, and this is tens of thousands of times, without one time being wrong. You're not here for yourself. You're here for a man and I see him sitting with his head down. He's smoking a cigarette and you're praying that the cigarettes will leave him. May the Lord God give you your request, sister. Go believing with all your heart and may that devil of habit leave your husband in the name of the Lord Jesus.

246 Your trouble's in your back. Do you believe God will make it well? All right, go say, "Thank you Lord." I know this woman I believe it's Mrs. Neese's daughter. Isn't that right? I thought it was. God bless you. The old back trouble will leave you now and you can go and be well.

247 Do you believe God can heal that arthritis and make you well? Go tell Him you believe Him. Just believe with all your heart.

248 How do you do, sir? Do you believe God can heal that stomach trouble and make you well? All right then go say "Thank the Lord, I'm going to be well," and you'll be well.

249 Another arthritis case and age do you believe that God will make you well if I lay hands upon you? Do you hear that? The Lord bless my sister and give her deliverance again tonight. Amen. Just believe.

250 Heart trouble, stomach trouble, do you believe God can heal it? All right go in the name of the Lord Jesus and He'll make you well. How do you do young fellow? Asthmatic condition. Do you that God can heal asthma. Go believe it, He'll do it. It's all over.

251 Diabetic condition. Do you believe that God can heal your blood and make you well? Go believe Him and He'll do it.

252 Do you believe it with all your heart what if I didn't say nothing to you and just laid my hands on you do you believe the Holy Ghost is here to make you well? That's the way to do it, come here. In the name of Jesus Christ may he go and be healed.

253 Come lady. If I didn't say nothing to you do you believe God will heal you of that female trouble? Excuse me I already said it. Go ahead God bless you. Go believing, be made well.

254 Do you believe Sir with all your heart? God heals heart trouble doesn't He makes men well I assure you. He's God do you believe that? Do you believe with all your heart? Have faith in God.

255 Some man out here did something just a few minutes ago, I want to find that. His blood; somebody ... like an accident or something that happened--it was bleeding. It was somewhere, the man was standing here. Now just pray. Yes it is. It's a man set ... why it's J. T. Parnell. I know the boy. You're bleeding inside J. T. Do you believe God will make you well? All right it'll stop. Believe with all your heart.

256 The little lady sitting right here, looking right across sitting there by Brother Grimsley. There's a light by you, with the white collar. Mary, I don't know you but that's your name. You're bothered with a spiritual trouble, and also you're real nervous. Forget it, it's all going to be all right. Believe with all your heart. Have faith in God. If thou can only believe.

257 Little lady sitting right back up there in the back row, over on the side, over there, she's from Michigan—suffering with a female trouble. Do you believe God will make you well? You can have what you ask for then. Do you believe it? Amen. Raise up your hand say, "I accept it." All right, you can go home and get well. I don't know the lady but God does know her.

258 What about you here on this cot? You're the only crippled man or man on a cot. I'm a stranger to you, I don't know you, God knows you. But I say now you're shadowed to death. You have cancer. You've come from a long ways, you've come from Cincinnati here. Your name is Mr. Hock. Believe with all your heart. If you sit there you die. Accept Jesus Christ and be healed. Do you believe Him? Then stand up on your feet and accept it, accept Jesus Christ.

259 How many in here believes Him at this minute? Do you believe with all your heart? Then let's every one of you stand up right now, stand up. Now in your own way the way you pray. You lay your hand on somebody next to you. Where is Sister Brown? She's been sitting here suffering with that ... the other day she called me on the phone, and she couldn't raise her hands up. I seen it was something wrong in her blood when I met her the other day she's got diabetes. Where is she? She was here with Mrs. Dauch a while ago. All right, Sister Brown, tonight I want you to believe with all your heart. I know, you know what's wrong with you, but I want you to believe. You've come out of the hospital to come here to be prayed for. I'm praying for you now. Believe, you're going to be well.

260 Margie have faith in God. It's going to quit right now it's going to end. He can heal diabetes He can heal you, of that sickness in your stomach. Now each one lay your hands on one another and just hold your hands there just for a minute. Just lay your hands on one another, hold.

261 Say it's going on eleven o'clock and many of these people's got to drive to Tennessee and different places. Surely the Lord God has proved. What did you see tonight? Did you see a man or did you see Jesus? Jesus confirming his Word. These handkerchiefs laying here, while this anointing is upon me, I have my hands laid upon these handkerchiefs praying, that God Almighty.... They said they took from the body of Paul handkerchiefs or aprons. Here's those who were dead and has been raised up. There's those here who were in accidents, smashed up, are healed.

262 I see Mrs. Wilson standing here, that not long ago she was hemorrhaging to death with T.B. years ago. Here she is tonight. The doctors didn't give her but just hours to live. Here she stands tonight. All around through here lame, blind, crippled, in wheel chairs and everything, they're standing tonight as living trophies How is it? Jesus Christ lives, the same yesterday, today, and forever.

263 That man that just testified a while ago I believe, down there that had epilepsy that had it all them years and everything. And just one time in the meeting, and that's been around, almost twenty years ago, he's never had a seizure since. That's one of the ten thousands. He's a healer. Amen. He heals. Now don't be excited, just with child-like faith, look away to Calvary. Close your eyes and forget you're in this tabernacle. Close your eyes and forget there's anybody around you and look to Jesus and see.

Look to Jesus now and live. It's recorded in the Word. Hallelujah! It's only that we look and live.

Oh, look and live, my brother, live. Look to Jesus now and live. It's recorded in the Word. Hallelujah! It's only that you look and live.

264 Close your eyes to man. Close your eyes to the things around you and look to your faith to Jesus Christ, and know that He was wounded for your transgressions, by his stripes you were healed.

Lord Jesus, as these people are praying and they have their hands upon each other, and we realize that we're standing in the

presence of the living, resurrected Jesus Christ in the form of the Holy Spirit. Revealing to us the secrets of our hearts, making known to us our desires and promising us that He would give us our desires if we would only believe.

266 Men and women have their hands on one another they are praying because we are fellow citizens of the kingdom of God. We are fellow brethren and sisters of Jesus Christ.

267 And Satan we come to you in the challenge of the name of the Lord Jesus. He is the sword, He is the one who cuts away the sickness, He is the one who cuts away the doubt, He is the conqueror. Now we challenge you in the name of Jesus Christ that you come out of this people, Satan. The Word of God is made manifest. It circumcises, takes away doubt, takes away sickness, and brings perfect deliverance. We pray that the Holy Ghost will fall upon this people and give to them the power of faith to believe that the presence of the omnipotent Christ is here now. Grant it, Lord.

<sup>268</sup> I condemn every sickness, I condemn all diseases, I condemn all unbelief in the name of Jesus Christ. May the Holy Ghost honor what I've said, and sweep through this building and deliver every person in divine presence. Raise up your hands now and praise Him. I pronounce you well, and healed, in the name of Jesus Christ.