

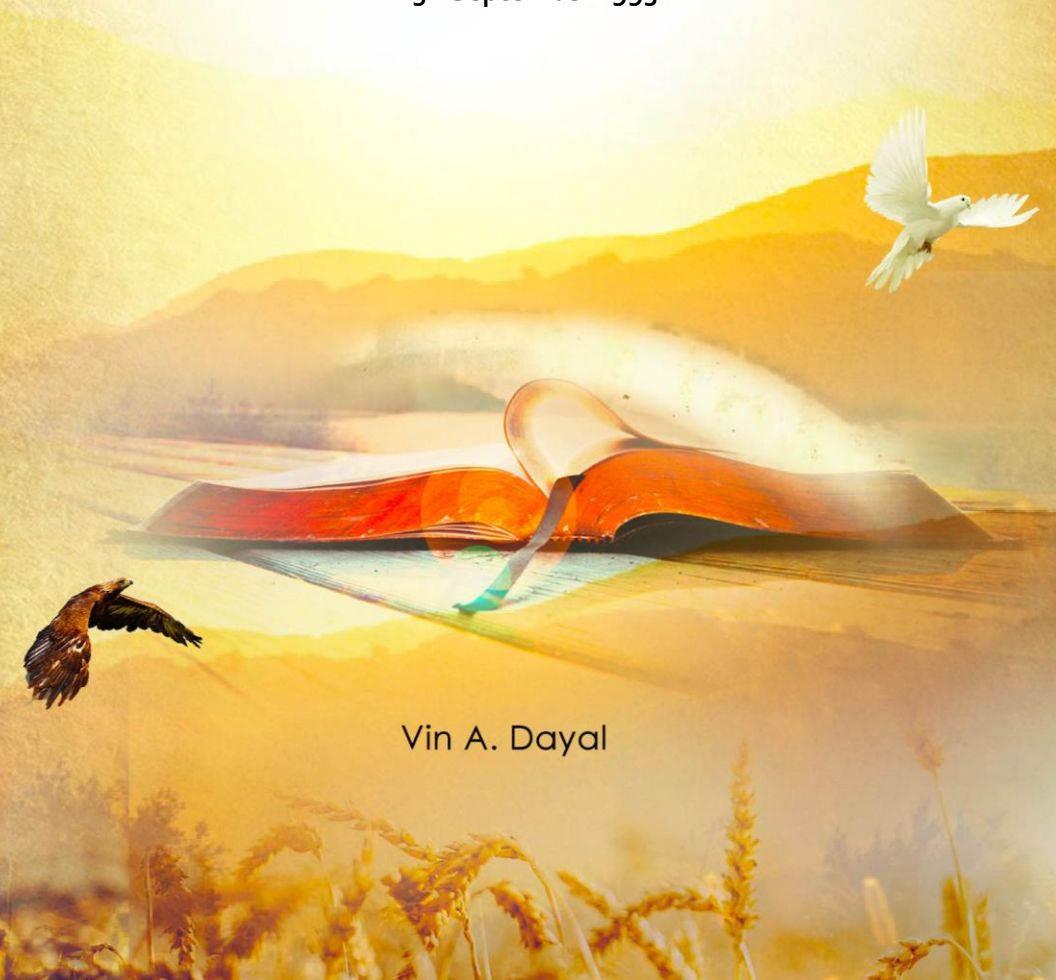
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*Trust in the Lord  
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And lean not to thine own understanding;  
But in all thy ways  
Acknowledge Him and  
He shall direct thy path.  
Amen. Once more, everyone, singing it now.*

*Trust in the Lord  
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Oh, blessed be His wonderful Name. Thank You, Jesus. We praise You. We magnify Your Name tonight. How great is our God and greatly to be praised!

Father, we gather around Thy great Presence tonight, Lord, with anticipations in our hearts. We were glad when they said unto us, "Let us go into the house of the Lord." And as we have come tonight, dear God, making our prayers and supplication known unto Thee, dear God, with great anticipations for the Word You will speak to us this evening, knowing dear God, that is why we've gathered, Father.

Lord Jesus, this great Message of preparation that You have sent by a mighty Prophet that has gathered us from all walks of life, has called us out of

blasphemous names into the only provided Place of worship, this Place where You have placed Your Name, Father, dear God, where You put that commanded blessing. Oh God, You said, "Hurt not the Oil and the Wine; the Father seeketh such to worship Him. They that worship Him, will worship Him in Spirit and in Truth."

And so, we come, dear God, into the secret Place this evening, oh God, into this provided Place, Father, to offer our sacrifices of praise unto You. May as it come up unto You, dear God, it be a sweet-smelling savor unto Thee. And I pray, dear God, that Thy great Holy Spirit, Lord, will quicken each and every one that is gathered in this place. And Lord, may the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Jesus Christ, oh God, so quicken and make alive the Word of God within our hearts. Break the Bread of Life unto us, Lord; feed us, we pray, and Lord, may You make Yourself known in the breaking of the Bread.

May the Word bring such a charge of faith into every heart, It will drive away the fears and the doubts from around Your people, oh God; it will cause them to recognize the Day and the Hour that we are living in, oh God, that we can see the great things that are taking place in this Hour: all these modern events that are being made clear by the vindicated prophecy which Thou has spoken through Your Prophet.

Bless us tonight, oh God, as we wait upon You. Lead and direct our paths in service. And, dear God, I pray You will meet every need among Your people tonight. We believe and we are persuaded that You know every need, Father; You know every heart. I pray, oh God, that if there is a heart where there is insufficient faith, may the Spirit of God give that which is needed, oh God, that they might be brought up to receive what You have already made available unto us that they might be able to go forth rejoicing from this place at the end of this

service. Will You do that for us, Lord? We pray that You will.

And, Father, we commit this service now into Your hands, thanking You in advance, for we love You and appreciate You and we worship You. We exalt Your lovely Name, tonight. We lift You up, Lord Jesus. Just receive our thanks, receive our gratitude tonight; receive our appreciation. Oh, blessed be Your wonderful Name. We thank You for all things in the precious Name of Jesus Christ our Lord, amen. Amen.

Praise His wonderful Name. I would like to invite your attention tonight to the Book of Revelation, Chapter 17.

I want to welcome everyone into His house tonight, and may God richly bless you for the effort you made to be here, and in being here, may He supply your every need and do something special for you. We could never exhaust the abundance of God's supply. Amen.

Revelation Chapter 17. I guess we'll start at the back of the Book and maybe might make our way forward, God help us. We all, I believe, as believers are familiar with this Scripture, and many times it might seem as though it is just maybe a revelation of denomination. I don't know what we conceive it to be, but it is God's Word, and it reveals many things to us about Him Who is revealed in His Own Word.

Revelation Chapter 17, verse 1:

*<sup>1</sup> And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:*

*<sup>2</sup> With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.*

*<sup>3</sup> So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of*

*blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.*

*<sup>4</sup> And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:*

*<sup>5</sup> And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.*

*<sup>6</sup> And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus...*

And from verse 16:

*<sup>16</sup> And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the [harlot], and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.*

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

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

And I want to read from the Book of Nahum, Chapter 1, verse 1.

*<sup>1</sup> The burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.*

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

*<sup>3</sup> The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and*



*in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.*

And we want to go from there to verse 15:

*<sup>15</sup> Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for the wicked shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off.*

And Nahum Chapter 3, verse 1:

*<sup>1</sup> Woe to the bloody city! it is all full of lies and robbery; the prey departeth not;*

*<sup>2</sup> The noise of a whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheels, and of the pransing horses, and of the [abounding] chariots.*

*<sup>3</sup> The horseman lifteth up both the bright sword and the glittering spear: and there is a multitude of slain, and a great number of carcases; and there is none end of their corpses; they stumble upon their corpses:*

*<sup>4</sup> Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her [harlotries], and families through her witchcrafts.*

*<sup>5</sup> Behold, I am against thee, saith the LORD of hosts; and I will [uncover] thy skirts upon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame.*

And from verses 13 to 16:

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

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

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

*16 Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven: the cankerworm spoileth, and flieth away.*

Let us pray.

Almighty God, as we endeavor to open Your Word tonight and read a portion out of It, Lord, that we might study It tonight knowing that It was given by inspiration of the Holy Spirit, seeing, dear God, that It is so relevant to the present Hour that we are living in, Lord, we pray for understanding that we might know Your will revealed in Your Word and we, dear God, might be able to truly walk in this marvelous Light that Thou hast called us out of darkness to walk in. We are so grateful that Your Voice did come in this Day and called us out, saying, "Come out of her, My people, and be not partakers of her sins, for her sins have reached up into Heaven."

Dear God, seeing that the judgment of the great God is fixing to be poured out upon this evil world and this evil system of this world, Lord, we are so grateful to be hidden away in the secret of Your Presence; to realize that by Divine revelation, just like the children of Israel were under the shed blood of that lamb, and just like Rahab was under that scarlet thread. And in the days of, Lord, Ezekiel 9, Lord, how they were marked in their foreheads and when death was commanded, the slaughtering angels could not touch them. And God, so we see You have made provision for Your Elected in this Hour, and Lord, what a security and a peace it has given unto us.

Help us, oh God, and teach us. Give us understanding that there will be no fear or doubt or torment in our minds in any way, or insecurity, and no

uncertainty, but we will be so established and anchored, and Lord, full of faith and confidence that You are a covenant-keeping God Who keeps all of Thy Words, and dear God, that we would praise Thee and worship Thee for the great, marvelous grace that You have freely given unto us.

Bless us tonight we pray, and may You get glory in our midst. We ask it in Jesus' precious Name, amen.

God bless you. You may have your seats.

Amen. We certainly want to welcome you all in His house tonight, you all who are gathered here for service, as we would like to spend a little time and just study the Word a little bit.

I don't know how to really handle these things at this stage because it seems that sometimes we lose the effect when we have to break up between services and come back; go home on Sunday and come back on Wednesday, and when we come back on Wednesday, we try to spend half of the time recapping what is happening and what God is showing us. And then we come back on Sunday morning and then we go all through the week and we kind of break up again. And when the Word is opening to us like this, we think of trying just to come in and get our attention focused, maybe four or five services, and just get right in where we can grasp it and catch it.

But I trust that you, as you have been exhorted to do, you have taken time to take the Word and get quiet with It and put some—take some time off in the day and listen to It and read the Scriptures over and pray over It and catch what is being spoken to you, because we are living in a very prophetic Hour and so many things are happening.

You know, just to see the whole world's attention right now is just focused on exactly what has happened in the last couple of days with Israel and the Palestinians, you know, coming together and they have given up Jericho and those things.

And you know, it is so significant. It is like I was telling you on Sunday there as well, you watch and see Jericho was the first place that was taken when Israel went in the conquest, and Joshua put a curse on that city right there. You find out exactly after the commandment went forth that no man touched Rahab, the harlot; that they were under the covenant. And Joshua was the destroying angel and he swore to them that they were going to have safety and peace. They were going to be able to find security in that hour.

And you know how it was given unto them that they were able to abide under the scarlet thread because Rahab, by faith, had recognized, there was an hour of oncoming judgment. She knew that God was coming in and bringing judgment and she knew that Jericho was in line for judgment. Because they had heard what happened to Egypt, they heard what happened in the wilderness, they heard what happened to the Jordan. They heard how Israel had come over and nothing could stand before them and they saw that everything that stood in their path was judgment.

Now mind you, she was an Elected, but she was like, still in the form of unbelief. But she could have looked there and that representation inside her heart was able to grasp something, was able maybe not fully understanding all what was taking place, but she saw enough to know it was judgment on the road, and she knew that that was God's covenanted people. And she knew even though she lived in that nation, the only way she could be saved or find favor in God's sight, it had to come through those whom God was in covenant with.

And so, when the hour came, she was willing to risk her life. Is that right? She was willing to risk her life that these people might receive kindness from her hands. In other words, she had believed it so much that she was not ashamed to be identified with it. And she identified with it and she pleaded with them, and said, "Give me a sure token."

Now, you might have said, “Well, she is looking at a man. What can a man give her? Look to God.” But you see, she had a revelation that that was the Word there in those men. When Jesus sent His disciples out, He said, “Whosoever receive you, receive Me.” He said, “Go into every city. Where they don’t receive you,” He said, “dust your feet.” Is that right? When God sent Moses into Egypt, He said, “Show the voice of the first sign and the voice of the second sign and if they refuse it,” He said, “take water and pour it out on dry land as a sign it is finished.” Is that right?

In this Day when the Prophet came with that First Pull and Second Pull, it was refused. He said, “Now take that rock and throw it up in the air and judgment will start in the earth.” How many know that is the truth? Amen. He said, “That was a judgment sign,” and he quoted the Scripture and showed exactly what was happening.

How many know when Paul went and the Jews began to turn down the Message... Jesus had warned them, “Don’t go and preach to any Gentiles; go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” Is that right? Because Jesus, knowing the plan that there had to be a remnant according to the election of grace. Amen. The rest were blinded but the Election obtained it. When that Elected Seed was pulled out, then darkness was going to sweep the land, (amen,) and the Gospel would go to the Gentiles.

And we know in this very Hour that, brother, there is an Election of the Gentiles that is receiving it in this Hour. Amen. Just like Elijah had seen an Election, seven thousand wouldn’t bow down their knees, this Elijah saw a little group. Is that right? He thought he was the only one.

He said, “All men have forsaken me” – *Present Stage Of My Ministry*. [[1962-0908 -Ed.](#)]

And God said, “No, Elijah.” He said, “There is a little group there.” He gave him a vision of a Bride from all

nations marching, *Onward Christian Soldiers*. Amen! He thought the Message wasn't producing what he was looking for and the Holy Spirit said, "No, the Bride will come in view." Amen. The Message got home! Hallelujah!

And so, we realize it brought peace to the heart of the Prophet to know that his Ministry was not in vain. For thirty years he was out there standing, (amen,) uncompromising with the Word, faithful to the commission; made many mistakes; catered to the people many times. But every time he received correction, he could have taken correction and come back to the Word. Brother, his line tangled up on all kinds of things, rattling on the job and everything else, and God was able to bring him back; keep him true. Amen.

Because we are human, (amen,) and many times we drift into different things. Bro. Branham said, "This thing is unfolding so fast, I can hardly even keep up with it, much more you." He said, "What do you think I moved back here in the desert again for?" Amen. He said, "I am just trying to see..." He said, "Look at God, took Moses back in the wilderness; God took Paul back in the wilderness." He said, "That is what I am doing out here back in Arizona – I am waiting to see which way He is going to direct me."

Oral Roberts was trying to get more time on TV. Billy Graham was trying to get more nations to go and preach to, overseas. Tommy Osborne and they were trying to build their school a little bigger. And he was having a little service: thirty and forty in a little place. He said, "I just want to stay led by the Holy Spirit." Amen. It needs be that he had to pass this way.

Look at Jesus in the Bible when He had the big crowds and He began to preach the Word and thin them down. Then we saw Him going through Samaria, we saw Him going through Jericho to pick up blind Bartimaeus; pick up Zacchaeus. Is that right? He wasn't interested

in all... He set His face towards Jerusalem. He wasn't interested in all the great, big protractive types of things.

And the Bride today, Her mind is not under that influence. All this big Morris Cerrullo [American evangelist -Ed.], global satellite, all these kinds of different things people are doing and trying to promote themselves, throw their image, making it look so big; brother, all those kinds of things; trying to buy space in the newspaper, time on the TV, God is not interested in that nonsense. It has passed Redemption! Amen. But "Where two or three are gathered in My Name, there I am in their midst!" Hallelujah!

Brother, look at Jericho with all their different things, but a little Rahab, (amen,) the Message went straight to her house. Amen. He said, "Some tape boys got the Message in." They got into that big walled city. Amen. They got the Message in, by God's grace. Hallelujah.

Oh, it is tremendous. And you see, you are walking in line, friends, to see what is happening, see how it is unfolding in this Hour; what it is coming down to. And that is why it is happening so fast.

And you watch right there with this thing I said that is happening there at Jericho, was the first place that they took, and right after the judgment began to move through, Rahab, the harlot, was saved and Joshua put a judgment right there. He said, "Cursed be the man that rebuilds Jericho." Read it in your Bible and see it says, in the time of Ahab when Ahab came on the throne, it says, "And this man rebuilt Jericho in the days of Ahab, when Ahab and Jezebel were in a union."

Oh, I tell you. And you watch the one who signed that. In 1985, I told you back there, I was preaching there and showed you, the man's name was 'Shimon Peres'. He's the man who signed the agreement for Israel. He's the Foreign Minister. And do you remember what I told you his name was? '*Breach of contract*'. I said, "That was the man who had the spirit to sell out the whole thing."

That was the very man who pushed the whole thing right there; catered to the United States, catered to Rome (amen. See?) for economic wealth.

And brother, you watch and see, all these things are to break that power; to break that resistance. Amen. Because God is not dealing with political Israel, mind you! What you are seeing there is political Israel. That is not the Elect, friends. Don't get tied up and confused with that. This is a remnant according to the election of grace. Read Romans 11. Amen. This is 144,000 whose names...

Remember when those names were being given in those tribes, Dan and Ephraim were even left out, to tell you, it's not the nation God was talking about, but specific ones He is dealing with; that that covenant, when Michael will deliver those names found written in the Book, but the nation has to go into that system. Amen. See.

And so, you know, you watch and see so many Scriptures, I say, are being fulfilled, but while that curse is there, brother, you watch and see how God... God's Word doesn't change. It was written and put in the Bible because it is an unchanging God, and all things work together for good. Do you understand what I'm saying?

I want you to come to the place... You know, I was thinking about that today before I came to service, I said, you know, I wonder if the people are really breaking into it, to see from the series of messages that we are in, if they are really grasping the reality. Especially last week Sunday [[1993-0905 -Ed.](#)] and Wednesday [[1993-0908 -Ed.](#)] and Sunday morning, to see if you are really getting it. See?

And Sunday, showing you about *The Jealousy Of God Revealed In Those Seven Vials*, [[1993-0912 -Ed.](#)] how the way God is revealing Himself. Not what you call God and what this one calls God or what this one feels God is; what the Bible in the time, in the season, according to



the Message of the Hour, what part of the Message we are in.

You say, "What do you mean what part of the Message?" Sure. The Message has three Pulls. The Ministry of the Messenger had three Pulls. We are not in the first part going out to attract people's attention. We are not trying there just to rebuke organizations and those things. Amen. We are not here trying to open up the Word; that has happened, for every Mystery has been revealed and is laying in this Message. How many know that?

You see all through 1965, he said, "I'm staying under the Anointing to see which one of these Seals to open." See? He broke those Seals back there, but watch, all through 1963, 1964, and 1965, he was opening it up further, opening it up further. Now, if you want to check that, you check that. *The Seed Is Not Heir With The Shuck*, 1965, Jeffersonville. He said, "Lord, we thank You for breaking to us those Seals this week." You see?

Why? Because I told you, the 'white horse' back there, that's not just the Seal, friend. The Seal goes all the way through. If you can't see the 'white horse' rider today, you are not even seeing the Seal. You make the Seal history. See? If you only see him riding back there, what good is he riding back there doing to you today? You are not living back there. And that's deception. That Seal is religious deception. Amen. See?

Has Rome stopped killing people? Has she stopped gathering the wealth of the world? What is the whole move to bring the covenant with the Jews? To tie up the money.

And if you have a little time, I want you to read Zephaniah. Because I'm trying to get out of Jonah and Nahum to come into Zephaniah, and Zephaniah, you know, in there you are going to see the crash of the stock market and all these things that are prophesied. And we are going to pick it up and show you the whole

financial collapse of the world and these things; those little Books scattered inside of there.

Because remember, when those Seven Thunders open, it will tie the entire Bible together. See? And many of these things have been preached to you. Don't think this has new revelation. Go back in those tapes in 1984, October, go back there and see. I'm just repeating myself. I'm just trying to put you back in remembrance. See? I haven't changed my doctrine. Over these years I'm still saying the same thing, just with more light as it comes from negative to positive. And watch and see where it comes right up to, in this Hour.

And we realize that it is happening so fast. The Prophet himself said he couldn't keep up with it. And I was thinking, I said, you know, we come from one service to the next and between those services, you want to go in so many different directions. Because you start to study these messages, it doesn't come out in a little exhortation; it goes into five or six-hour messages.

Then you come in one service and you keep the people long and then you have to explain this and break this down and refer back to this. And then sometimes you hit some things, so you have to give some history, you have to give some current news, you have to pick up different things that are happening to kind of throw light on it so that we can fully grasp it and understand it, and that makes it—you know, it consumes so much of time. And then if you scatter out too much and then the people cannot grasp it, and then many times you miss—many of the young believers and many of the new believers inside of there, they don't even know what you are talking about.

And I trust that even in the library, when we start to preach these messages, then many of the messages that relate to these things will resurface as well too, so it makes it easier to familiarize the believers with the content and the direction and the emphasis that we are trying to bring. Because now it comes back more in

season to you and it becomes more clear to you, by God's grace.

And like we have had some... If you go and talk to the police people back there in the country, and ask them when was the time they had the most problems maybe in the last thirty or forty years in the country, they will be able to tell you very quickly. Do you understand what I'm saying? Because they are dealing with it every day, friend.

And then if you talk to the economists and ask them when they found that they had some of the biggest pressures on, they are going to pinpoint time frames and tell you. And then you are going to notice in those time frames, the winds that were blowing in the world.

Remember, you don't go at your own pace, you know. You don't go at the pace you want to go. When the current moves, it takes you. Amen! And that is what is happening with these nations here, just as we are trying to catch in the spiritual realm what is happening.

Let me tell you, a lot of these Caribbean leaders now begin to break, to begin to catch, in their political realm, what they must do for their nations to survive. That is why you find unrest and uneasiness so much in the countries, and fear and different things, because they have to go into things that they don't even fully understand. They have to go into things where they are being dictated to or they are going to get left behind.

And way back there when God started to break those Seven Trumpets, and we went into those things, I showed you, I said, "Look what is going to happen." When God broke those things and showed the return of the Global Village and all those things, how they are uniting Europe and they are dividing the land for gain and all those things with the new trade zones coming in, it had to push the people in a certain place.

And all the thinkers, they started to warn the governments, they said, "You better be careful. You all better move. You all should try to get together. You all

should try to change the technology; you wouldn't be able to get into the markets." Then everything is computer classes all around the country, a sweep. Why? Everything has to change and pick up, and move on.

Because in the 80's when they had all those corporate warfares and buying out one another and fighting and different things, then when it got there, then we went in there with *The Traps Of The Mighty Hunter* and all those things, how he was laying those traps, breaking down the Berlin Wall; breaking all those nations and different things. See? And then when you get into the 90's now, it starts to consolidate. Everything became smaller because everything had to merge, had to move in.

And you see these Caribbean leaders there had to go up and they were wondering whether their food should be U.S. food with Caribbean flavor or whether it is Caribbean food. And I was thinking, I said, "Look at these people, okay? They so know that there are things to everything." You know, they go up there and if it's all U.S. food, it will be like a signal, "Boy, we are eating on their table. We don't even have anything of our own to eat. Then maybe if we give them some of our West Indian flavor, then we can make a contribution to the wider thing." So, all of these things are important to the people who are arranging these things.

Because remember, when a table was prepared in a feast in the Bible, those were not easy things, you know. Ahab had a marriage alliance with Jehoshaphat. It was a feast they had. Balaam tried to unite with an illegal union, Moab and Israel, and it was a feast they had.

I mean, go in the Bible, friends. Behind everything is a spirit. You see, that is what happens to religious people. Religious people, you know, all they see is church and God and they fail to realize it's spirits they are dealing with. And that is why many times, they get trapped and don't know what is going on. They know where the church is. They can take a taxi and come up here. But to move in the current that God is moving in,

to catch your wave and move with it, to catch your inspiration, they don't know what Scripture to start to move with. And that is the real thing. Find your channel. Amen.

And it's moving and changing and things are rearranging. Since they had come back, they had 'Perestroika' ['restructuring' in Russian - refers to a series of political and economic reforms meant to kick-start the stagnant 1980's economy -Ed.] and all these different things. Well, do you think that stayed in Russia? That went around the world. Even we, in here, had to have some Perestroika, spiritual Perestroika. We had to do some restructuring ourselves! We had to have a new administration! Why? Because as the challenge rises, you must be in position to deal with the things that come in, otherwise when the enemy comes like a flood, if you don't move with God when God is moving, you don't recognize the standard and how God wants to raise the standard; what Word God wants to anoint... It is not just saying "God is going to raise a standard"; it is certain Words He is anointing in certain seasons. And those Words...

When He anointed Luther's words, do you know what they did? It released an anointing all through Europe. Men were catching, lighting the fire off of the original fire that was lit. Do you know that? And you had men with wisdom to combat that black horse rider. Amen! Because Luther was trained. He knew all the loopholes. Amen. He knew all their strong points and their weak points, and he was able to successfully protest the thing and break the effect of it and light the fires of Reformation. Exactly.

See, when God raises up somebody, they are not going to be guessing. They will have the Mind of God. They will move by the... The Bride has the, what? The Mind of Christ! She knows what He wants done with the Word. Amen.

And how is that coming in? It's coming in by the Word being opened to us, being inspired to us. And as you

take in that revealed Word, as you catch that revelation, as you come under the influence of that revelation, it begins to govern and influence your life. Amen. You begin to see things through God's eyes. The modern events become clear by the vindicated prophecy. Let me tell you, it is going to remain modern events if you don't have the vindicated prophecy, because modern events *are* made clear by the vindicated prophecy. Amen.

That was why he said, "When you look, what do you see?" See? He said, "When you look, what do you see?" You need to focus and watch it. Watch it through the eyes of the Word, watch it through what time we are living in; what is promised in that time.

And that is why we took those things here to deal with our local problems. We showed that look how God was holding different ones right here responsible for the Light that He gave to them. While people are going to rejoice and say, "Oh God, that is revelation, so and so," God was not in that kind of rejoicing. Do you see that? Knowledge puffeth up, but love edifies, love corrects. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. [Revelation 3:19 -Ed.]

And while men became complacent, look what followed: homes began to get shook up, different ones began to get real scoldings from God; problems began to come. But in the midst of it, God came and said, "Don't go 'helter skelter.'" [In a disorderly way -Ed.] Amen. "Take your licks like a man; take your licks like a woman," by the grace of God. The rod is not going to kill you. Let it drive the foolishness away from you, (amen,) bringing discipline into your life. Amen. Because He is bringing you to a position. He is bringing you into a position where He is going to be glorified in you.

And we took David, we took Israel, different ones, how God was bringing them into a position. It was prophesied to them by a prophet. Is that right? They were brought by the Holy Spirit through God adding experiences into it. Amen. But they had to be trained to take up that responsibility. Exactly.

And you know as we see those things coming, then we just went a little octave higher and began to pick up some of the things that were happening on the penal side; judgment to the world too. Judgment to the church and judgment to the world, because it is happening in both realms. See? And we found that right inside of there, judgment to the world, what is happening, we see how it is moving there.

Many people, you know, they have a lot of: "It is going to happen down the road," but it is accumulating, it is accumulating. Because the people don't just get (boom!) sinful down the road. They disbelieve, they disbelieve, they disbelieve, and they sin away their day of grace and then they cross the line. Why? They never took the Word and mixed It with faith and let It profit them. Is that right? Exactly.

God had judged Egypt for a hardened heart, but then the Bible said, "And the children of Israel's hearts were hardened as well." And we find that God judged them the same way. So God is not... It is not if you really are a believer or you say you are in the church or you are in the world; God is dealing with the heart of unbelief. Whether He finds it in the church or whether He finds it in the world, God is going to judge that heart. When Jericho was being judged, Achan was being judged. There were two heaps of stones: the wall of Jericho had fallen down and heaped up there, and the heap of stones that Achan was stoned with. Is that right? Sure!

And you look there in the Scripture and you see and as you watch and you see these things, how it is moving... Then on Sunday we took *The Jealousy Of God* and showed how God revealed Himself as jealous, and here in Nahum, we picked it up again because that is what I was dealing with. I didn't want you to just pass the Word; that is why I went back and picked it up to show you. In Nahum, He was bringing judgment here on that bloody city, that mistress of witchcrafts, (is that

right?) which was Nineveh. And Nineveh was the capital of the Assyrian empire.

And you know tonight maybe for a title of the tape, I just want to take it, **“THE BURDEN OF NINEVEH”**.

Now, I told you that those two Books, Jonah and Nahum, both focus upon Nineveh. And ‘Nineveh’ we found out meant, *‘habitations of Nimrod’*. Nimrod was the one who built Nineveh. If we go back to Genesis 10, we’ll find that: “When he went forth, at the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, then to Erech and Calneh, and Resen and Nineveh, and the same was a great city,” and so it goes on, giving you all the different places that he built. And we find that Nineveh, this city was a Gentile city.

And the Book of Jonah and the Book of Nahum both deal with this Nineveh, and it is the only place in the Bible you will find God actually sending a message directly to a Gentile nation. Because even in Nahum, that prophecy was not spoken to Nineveh; that prophecy was spoken to Judah. Nahum didn’t go to Nineveh to prophesy to Nineveh, but Nahum was preaching to Judah, telling them that Nineveh’s destruction was at hand, so that meant their liberation. Do you understand that?

But Jonah himself with the sign of the Resurrection, (hallelujah!) went to them and produced the sign of the Resurrection and it brought a repentance, but it was only for a season. They never continued in the Word! And a few years after, about one hundred and something years after, it was sunk, it was destroyed, because God came and Nahum caught that revelation of their destruction. And when he spoke it, he spoke it to Judah.

And you know there is something wonderful there because... May God help us. Let me see if I could take some time with that for you.

We had gone through the Book of Nahum briefly so we could give you the overview of what the Book



contains. We took and typed it with Revelation 17 and 18, and we proved by the Scriptures that it was a type of that Babylonian system, the habitations of Nimrod. It was another mystery Nimrod. But in these two Books, Jonah and Nahum, we see Gentile repentance and we see Gentile destruction.

Nahum was repentance—I mean, Jonah was repentance. When the Book of Jonah was finished, Nineveh was not destroyed. They still had time. When the prophecy of Nahum was going forth, time had run out for them; they were finished. It was to the doomed, the same people who had received the ministry of Jonah.

Now, how many know Jonah was a sign of the Resurrection? Now, Jesus typed Himself with Jonah, but Jesus didn't come and reveal Himself to the Gentiles until this Day. How many know that? Son of Man came three times: to Abraham, to Abraham's natural seed and to Abraham's royal seed. It came to Jews and Samaritans and then to Gentiles in the last days! Because during the Seven Church Ages, it was Son of God, not Son of Man. How many know that? Alright.

That is why when the Prophet came, he said... His Ministry was to do what? Show the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, to show He is the same yesterday, today and forever. He raised him up out of history after three days: Luther, Wesley and Pentecost. Amen. There was a rumor in the morning that He was risen, but in the Evening Time, He showed Himself alive: "Handle Me, it is I!" Amen.

And that Ministry that went forth there, it didn't go to the Jews. He tried to go to the Jews. How many know that too? And God stopped him in Cairo; turned him around: "Change your ticket." Amen. Glory! He said, "Go through India and go back through that way and come this way. It is not time yet." Hallelujah. "Moses and Elijah are going to come to them under that Seventh Trumpet, but your Message goes to Gentiles to

show the Resurrection, a Greater than Jonah.” Amen. Glory.

And, friends, he said, “What a Resurrection that was with Jesus, but what a Resurrection this is.” And look at the power of that Message. It went into all those great Gentile capitals, all those great cities of Nimrod, amen; walked right in there. He said, “Catholics want to shoot me with infrared lenses in the night.” He said, “Those men have to put their bodies over me, (amen,) all these loyal men, but they can’t touch me (amen) until my hour comes.” And wherever he walked in there, he displayed the Resurrection sign to show that He is the same yesterday, today and forever, and the Resurrection Message too. Is that right?

So look. So, in Jonah we were picking up remedial chastisement and we saw... We were taking how the Prophet took it in *Man Running From The Presence Of The Lord* [1965-0217 -Ed.], *Warning Then Judgment* [1963-0724 - God Doesn’t Call Man To Judgment Without First Warning Him -Ed.], and how God had to take His runaway Prophet... He tried to run in the woods, all kinds of things, amen; got all kind of moody and torn up and vex with the people. Talked the people into accepting the Message, then called them Rickies and Rickettas. And God said, “Don’t you do that! Many of them are My children.” Amen.

“And he went there,” he said, “and he preached that message going out there.” And we see how in Jonah, God was bringing His servant to recognize what was God’s will concerning those people, that God didn’t just want to judge them; God had loved them.

Let me tell you... And you heard the Prophet say over and over, he said, “I’m not talking about the people.” He said, “It is that system that has those people like that.” He said, “Many of them are fine people.” Amen.

And a lot of people came in the Message and got themselves shut up with hate. I don’t know where... They didn’t get it from the Message. They think that they are obeying the Message when they run out there with

their obnoxious spirits, blasting left and right, trying to put down everybody, because they cannot separate the system from the people many times, and they get themselves in trouble with God.

That is why God doesn't back up half of them who go out there criticizing and all kinds of different things. Because they are trying to think that they are right. Maybe they are right in their doctrine, but they are wrong in their spirit, they are wrong in their attitude, because they surely did not receive it that way. Is that right? They surely did not receive it that way.

But look and see that Jonah had such an attitude. One minute he was praying for God to save him out of the belly of the whale, the belly of the fish, (whatever it was,) then he came out under the tree and then he was praying to God to take his life after he preached and he saw the people being forgiven. In there, it began to show us the mentality of this man.

You see, God chooses servants, not because they have the best spirit or the best attitude; God chooses you because of Election. Many times, God has to take someone He chooses and really beat the foolishness out of them and cultivate His Own character in them, because they are worth nothing until God puts His character inside of them. Because God doesn't expect them to help His people with anything that they have. It has to be God in them helping God's people.

That's why the Prophet said, "It is not a man you are feeding on; it is the unfailing Body Word of the Son of Man." It wasn't him. He said, "Oh friends, don't think it was me. I would have been a quitter, I would have been a murderer, if it wasn't for the grace of God." He said, "But I was only one standing close (amen) that He spoke through." Glory be to God in the highest! Amen. Thank You, Jesus!

Now watch. And the Book of Jonah showed, God prepared the storm, God prepared the fish, God prepared the wild gourd, God prepared the worm; God

prepared the east wind. And read It carefully and study It. Every time a situation came, God moved in there, prepared something to discipline him, to correct his attitude, to correct his vision; to humble him. Amen.

The Prophet said, "Do you think it is easy to bring this Message?" Friends, let me tell you, for the messenger and the message to become one, it is not easy. When you see the Word begins to freely express Itself through people, know that those people passed through a lot. Because you don't get schooled into it; you don't study your way into it. See? It's different. Because it reveals Him. Not just the information here; it reveals Him: how He is, how He thinks, how He operates, how He acts, how He will relate to a situation; what God will say about that, what God will say about this, how God sees that here, what that means to Him; could that impress Him. Amen. Sure. No guessing about it anymore. Why? Because it is uncovered. See?

Now, look. Did you notice in the end, how the Book ended? The Book of Jonah ended and It never even said, "Jonah..." We take it for granted because we know he's an Elect, we know he's a prophet and we know that attitude had to be broken. But the Book of Jonah ended up with God rebuking him and Jonah still didn't humble himself and say, "Lord, I'm sorry." You don't read it in the Book, but we take it for granted that it was so. But whether at the time of the writing of it... God is not interested in anybody's personality; you have to write your bad part and your good part and put it inside of there because God is interested in the truth.

Because God asked him, "Doest thou well to be angry?" He said, "Look at you – taken up with this gourd here." He said, "Had you planted it? Had you worked for it? You are enjoying this blessing of botany life, but yet you are waiting for one hundred and twenty thousand people down there to die and be slaughtered under the wrath of God." See? "To you the comforts of life mean more than human souls. Did you go out there for you

to be vindicated or did you go out there to represent Me and show what kind of Person I am? Did you go out there for them to see that you are a big man of God, a big, fiery preacher, a big preacher that could preach repentance and bring people to their knees, or did you go out there to show that I am a loving God, long-suffering; slow to anger?"

While he was waiting for the people to be judged, the heathen king was saying, "Look, let us put sackcloth on the donkeys and the cows because maybe God might really turn this thing away from us and accept our repentance."

And that's how you find a lot of Christians many times. They are so full of knowledge and they so desire vindication that they are waiting there for people to be judged many times and see the Power of God to show that they are right and the people are wrong, and this time, that is not God's objective at all. That wasn't God's objective.

And God used those simple things, the botany life, and a little worm and different things, to teach Jonah that he had a bad attitude and he needed to humble himself. It opened him up, a door, to bring him in to see the God he served and whose servant he was and worshipped, to see that God in a way he had never seen Him before.

Look at the Prophet many times up in the woods. He said, "I have a long list like that full of spastic children; people crying out." He said, "Why would God use that Power on a little fish?" He said, "So many times we prayed for Edith Wright to come out of that wheelchair and she never came out," he said, "and God used His Power on a fish." He said, "He wanted to show me, He cares about everything." Do you understand what I'm saying?

In an Age when men fill up their heads with Bible school and all kinds of different things, and they weren't receiving a true experience with God, this man was even

getting to understand that God even cared for that little fish up in the woods that nobody sees or knows in that water, because God created it, because God loved it. Because when God created it in Genesis, He was creating it to display Himself.

Because they served God many times in the Bible! He multiplied bread and fish and fed people. Is that right? Out of the fish's mouth, He got money to pay His taxes. He used them. They are His servants. He used the birds to feed Elijah. He used the wind to open up the sea for the children of Israel to go across. God doesn't just create things just for so; God uses what He creates for His glory. So, He cares about it. He designed it knowing that He can use it when He wants to use it for His glory and for the benefit of His Own people.

And unless we can view the things that God made in the way God sees it, and the reason why God created it, and how God thinks about it, and how God uses it, when there are many men to use sometimes, God uses a bird. When everybody held on to what they had and nobody wanted to give up their little food, God made a bird bring food for the prophet. Amen! Glory! Thank You, Jesus. When women were throwing their babies over the bridge, God was healing a possum [opossum -Ed.], and then rebuked His Prophet for not even looking at the possum that way; a 'manicou'. [Local name for an opossum - Ed.] Is that right? And He showed His Prophet, motherhood. Amen!

You see, sometimes we want the revelation of God and we think that it is in books and we get up here and we get all confused. As I said, look how God was teaching him. Look how God taught Jonah. Look at that kind of school. That is Bible school! In that one, you learn 'kneeology'. Amen! "Not theology, 'kneeology,'" he said. That is where righteous men are molded into saints and sages. Amen? Alright.

And in the Book of Jonah, we see God, the strong measures that God had to use to break the

stubbornness and the self-will of His Elect so that His Message could be carried and properly represented. And when that part was finished... As I said, God had to prepare the storm to get him to go where He wanted him, and then even after that part was done, then God started to deal with the attitude afterwards too. And we see the chastisement to get a son in place, because God dealeth with him as a son. And God taught him that he needed to be in subjection in chastisement.

But when it came to Nahum, friends, watch. The Book of Nahum, the same city that Jonah preached to, the same system, that seemed like they repented for a while. But watch something. Look at something here. He said, "When God warns, He doesn't always strike when He warns." [1963-0724 - paras. 93-94 -Ed.]

You know that that's a Bible principle. Elijah told Ahab, he said, "The dogs will lick your blood and eat Jezebel's flesh." And the Bible said, "And Ahab humbled himself before the Lord." And God called Elijah and said, "Elijah, you see? Hear that judgment, that hard message; everybody's on the floor rolling and crying, begging for Los Angeles." He said, "I wouldn't sink it now. I'll leave it for a little later. I know you threw up the rock already but don't be impatient; it is going to come. Let it heap up a little more." He said, "Look at Ahab. I wouldn't judge him now, but I'll judge him afterwards, because he has humbled himself."

What does It say? God lets us see for our own selves if we are sincere in our hearts in what we do. Because, friends, when God's judgment comes, there is no court of appeal. If you are sincere, you will go on with the Word. If you are doing it for a little pretenseful show, just convenient, it is going to happen after.

Look at Hezekiah. God told Hezekiah, "Look, set your house in order; you are going to die."

He said, "Oh God, I want fifteen years. This king will take some time."

God told Isaiah, "Go back." He said, "The man cried. The man pleaded his case."

He said, "The prophet had to humble himself." The prophet saw this man who was sick and ready to die, who knew he had **THUS SAITH THE LORD** when he went to the man, and had to humble himself now and go back and tell the man something else.

Look at Saul. Saul's judgment was spoken. Samuel said, "God has torn the kingdom away from you." But he went on and went on and went on and God didn't strike right away. He cried out, he repented, and God let him go on for a while. When he cried out for a little healing from his oppression, the evil spirit would depart from him. Then he said, "Oh, David, boy, I don't know what comes upon me. It makes me say things I don't want to say. I say this, I do that, I try to kill you; I try to assassinate you," he said, "but forgive me, boy."

He said, "Alright, go ahead."

Then he went again, but it came right back. See? Until Samuel came up with the same warning and told him, he said, "Tomorrow this time, that is it. Your card is going to be taken off the rack."

And here we see God coming now in another season when these people's folly had been made manifest that they were not going on with God. And now Nahum caught a vision. The Bible said, "The Book of the vision of Nahum." And what I'm trying to show you is this vision that he had. I want to capture some of the time when he had this vision.

Nahum was contemporary with Isaiah. Because that invasion he was talking about that was coming to destroy, to bring the fall of Nineveh, the doom of Nineveh, that vision he was talking about, how that city was going to be destroyed and who was going to destroy it, he had seen it in the time when Jerusalem was under a siege and God raised him up.

Now you know Isaiah, Isaiah, the prophet, he wrote sixty-six books. He was a prepared servant. He saw the



vision with the seraphim. He had two wings over his face, two wings over his feet and was flying with two wings. He knew how God prepared a servant. He was catering to Uzziah because God had blessed them. But when he saw the judgment of God upon that very system, upon Uzziah, when he refused to receive correction... Is that right? And the Prophet typed that with the Pentecostal Age – greatly blessed of God but then they refused correction and then God judged the thing; temporary judgment upon it. And he died years after, but with that leprosy upon him, because he was trying to do God a service without it being God's will. He wasn't ordained to do it. Amen?

And then what happened? Then he ran down into the temple and began to pray and the vision broke. And when the vision broke and the Lord said, "Who will go for us?" he said, "Here am I, Lord. Send me." And he came back at the end: "*Who hath believed our report? To whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?*" [Isaiah 53:1 -Ed.] Because he realized the message that he went forth with... He wrote sixty-six books. It was a type of the Bible. He was a type of that Prophet bringing the fullness of the Word.

Maybe we could read some Scriptures; it is going to help you. Because I know if some of you are not acquainted with the background, or maybe when you were reading Nahum, you didn't pick it up... Let's maybe find Isaiah first, Chapter 10 verse 5.

Now remember, the Book of Nahum, its prophecy was upon Nineveh which was the capital of the Assyrian empire. And I was explaining to you how the Assyrians were originally men from Babylon, and then it was like a mixture. They were some of the most brutal and evil people that were ever known. The history says the Assyrian people, that the people gloated that space failed for corpses of the enemy. I was reading some of their history. It was the most evil city, they say, ever known of. All the walls in the city and the big pillars,

many of them, were covered with human skin. They used to skin people alive and do it. They used to build pyramids with heads, dismember people, decapitate them, took their heads off and built pyramids with them to intimidate nations.

And we took it there last week Sunday when I was reading, how they dashed the children in pieces and different things. When God went to Nineveh, the king began to cry out to Him and said, "This is an evil city," because it was known for that. It was a dreadful place. It had to be to type the most evil city of all, Mystery Babylon, that Vatican.

Okay, Chapter 10, verse 5:

*<sup>5</sup> O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, and the staff in their hand is mine indignation.*

See? God was using Assyria as His rod to bring chastisement upon Judah. He said:

*<sup>6</sup> I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath will I [command him], to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets.*

*<sup>7</sup> Howbeit he meaneth not so, neither doth his heart think so...*

See? God was saying, "I'm just permitting them as an agency to bring chastisement upon My people. Go and take the spoil. What they labored for, go and take it, because I already told them, when they were coming into this land, if they went and they joined themselves to any nations, worship any idols, I will take them out of the land. The locusts will eat their fruits off the trees. I will make the heaven brass, I will make the ground iron, if they commit any whoredom against Me."

So when Israel would go against God's Word, God was faithful to bring that chastisement to correct them. God will not let His children do something without that correction coming, because He said, "You spare the rod and you'll spoil the child." Right? So He is not going to

spare His. As we took Sunday, the spirit of jealousy was on Paul and look, he told the Corinthians, he said, "Should I come with a rod or in meekness? Answer quickly." Why? Because of that spirit of jealousy upon him, he was getting ready now, to use the rod of correction, when he saw them going away from their covenant.

Look. So God was saying, "They don't think so but that is what is happening." They were being used of God for that purpose.

Verse 8:

*<sup>8</sup> For he saith, Are not my princes altogether kings?*

See? Exaltation!

*<sup>9</sup> Is not Calno as Carchemish? is not Hamath as Arpad? is not Samaria as Damascus?*

*<sup>10</sup> As my hand hath found the kingdoms of the idols, and whose [carved] images did excel them of Jerusalem and of Samaria;*

*<sup>11</sup> Shall I not, as I have done unto Samaria and her idols, so do to Jerusalem and her idols?*

*<sup>12</sup> Wherefore it shall come to pass...*

Remember, Samaria and her idols, that was back in the time of Ahab, you know. Remember, Ahab was the one who married Jezebel. He had his palace in Samaria. He built the pagan shrines all over the land and so on; then the judgment God brought, God chastised him. He shut up the heaven. He made the heaven brass and made the ground iron; no dew nor rain could fall, and that was the chastisement promised for that kind of disobedience.

So, Isaiah was quoting back these things to them. You see? So He was saying, "If I did that back there, shouldn't I do it here too?" Samaria was the capital of Israel. Jerusalem was the capital of Judah. Remember, the kingdom was divided.

*12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, that when the Lord hath performed his whole work upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks.*

God said, "I'm using them to accomplish My purpose but when I am finished getting My people chastised, lined back up with the Word, I'll deal with them." They don't escape, you know.

Because as I said on Sunday, people have a vent in their hearts to do things many times: "If I get a chance, I will do for them."

God said, "Ooh! I have a chance for you. You are getting your chance."

But you don't get your chance until God is ready to give you your chance. And then God sees that this person needs a good slap in the face, and you are a good slapper who likes to slap. You like to slap people's jaw in, and God says, "Alright, slap their jaw in. My son is misbehaving himself. He needs a slap on the jaw."

And you are like, "Take a backhand." Whap!

See? You carry on, too. You exalt yourself. See?

Then God says, "Alright, good."

That son of God gets shaken to his senses: "Hey, boy, that never happened to me before. Let me line back up myself with God, okay. Let me search myself out. Let me check myself out."

He lines back up with God.

And God says, "Alright, you backhand slapper, come here now. I'm ready for you. Touch not My anointed. Do My prophets no harm."

See? Why? Now, you see, they are people who God before had tried to let them see, "Don't exalt yourself that way. Get a meek spirit." But they like that self, so they resist the will of God until God can't touch them anymore. So they remain with that desire, they remain with that kind of attitude. They remain with that kind

of spirit. It's incarnated in them. So God used them, and then they have to give an account for the deeds done in that body.

But look what kind of deeds they do in that body. The hands God gave them to work honestly, look at what they used them to do. The eyes God gave them to read His Word, look what they look at with it. Do you understand what I am saying? Sure. See, when the Word comes speaking to your heart telling you to get away from those things that you have, you want to surrender it quickly. Because the day you decide to keep it and hold on to it and don't want to rest it down, God realizes, "Time is up with you," and you remain with it.

Sure, He might permit you to do something, but then you become accountable for everything inside of there. You cannot say, "Well, I was possessed," you know, because when God brought deliverance to you by the Word, you did not submit to the Word.

Remember, Legion with all his devils, came out of that cemetery when he saw Jesus coming and threw down himself, you know. And Bro. Branham said, "If you have your devils, come with your devils." Amen. Don't stand up there and grunt. Come with your devils. Fall down with your devils. Amen. Let Him set you free and deliver you from your devils. Watch.

Verse 13:

*13 For he saith, By the strength of my  
hand I have done it, and by my wisdom; for  
I am prudent...*

You see? How many know that when they had the holy alliance, God permitted Rome and Washington, the Vatican and Washington, to break that power in Poland? And they came and put it on the Führer. After the holy alliance said: "Look at our intelligence. By my wisdom we did it. We got all the fax machines, we got so and so. We used this here. We used people. We brought it in through shipping things. We did it." And they

explained all how they did it. God was saying, "After they did those things, they rejoiced in their success, they rejoiced in their achievement, and they thought that it was them who did it." Yes, but they were permitted to do it. Because remember, God has a hedge around His people. Remember, you cannot touch God's people except God permits you. See?

Now watch. He said:

*... I have removed the [boundaries] of the people, and have robbed their treasures, and I have put down the inhabitants like a valiant man:*

*<sup>14</sup> And my hand hath found as a nest the riches of the people: and as one gathereth eggs that are left, have I gathered all the earth; and there was none that moved the wing, or opened the mouth, or peeped.*

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... treasures. This one here who was a wicked counsellor, this one who plundered and used political power to kill the Christians; used dictatorships as the military arm while they kept themselves in the background and saying, "Look how prudent I was, look how wise I was; look how I did all these things and the whole earth could not even move while I was doing it, God was telling them now, He said:

*<sup>15</sup> Shall the axe boast itself against him that heweth [with it]?*

Like I told you the other day, the rod cannot beat you of itself. When God is using the rod of correction and He is using somebody as His rod, and He says, "I will put five stripes on you," He is the Beater Who holds the rod. The rod doesn't beat of itself; (see?) of its own will then. See?

So, God was saying:

*<sup>15</sup> Shall the axe boast itself against him that heweth [with it]? or shall the saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it?*

[and] *if the rod should shake itself against [those who] lift it up, or as if the staff should lift up [him that is not wood?]*

*<sup>16</sup> Therefore shall the Lord, the Lord of hosts, send among his fat ones leanness; and under his glory he shall kindle a burning like the burning of a fire.*

*<sup>17</sup> And the light of Israel shall be for a fire, and his Holy One for a flame: and it shall burn and devour his thorns and his briers in one day;*

*<sup>18</sup> And [it] shall consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field, both soul and body: and they shall be as when a standardbearer fainteth.*

*<sup>19</sup> And [as] the rest of the trees of his forest shall be few, that a child may write them [down].*

And God went on to show, look, the very one that He used to bring chastisement themselves, in one day, He was going to bring them down to naught.

Now, watch. So, Isaiah had prophesied judgment. Get the little picture I want to present to you before we close here. Nahum was contemporary with Isaiah. Now, I am typing these things, that is why I want to get to some of the background. Nahum was contemporary with Isaiah, because Isaiah's message saw that Assyrian empire, what they were doing; how they were being used of God to bring chastisement.

Let us turn to 2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 16, quickly. I am giving you some of the background, you see, otherwise, it wouldn't mean anything to you if I say it. And then some of you who, many times, you know, you need convincing that it is the Bible. I don't want to read a whole lot, but I want to pick out the places that... Okay. Let us read from verse 1 quickly.

<sup>1</sup> *In the seventeenth year of Pekah the son of Remaliah Ahaz the son of Jotham king of Judah began to reign.*

<sup>2</sup> *Twenty years old was Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem, and did not that which was right in the sight of the LORD his God, like David his father.*

<sup>3</sup> *But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel...*

That means idolatry. See?

*... yea, and made his son to pass through the fire, according to the abominations of the [nations], whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel.*

<sup>4</sup> *And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.*

<sup>5</sup> *Then Rezin king of Syria and Pekah son of Remaliah king of Israel came up to Jerusalem to war: and they besieged Ahaz, but could not overcome him.*

<sup>6</sup> *At that [very] time Rezin king of Syria recovered Elath [from] Syria, and [drove] the Jews from Elath: and the Syrians came to Elath, and dwelt there unto this day.*

<sup>7</sup> *So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglathpileser king of Assyria, saying, I am thy servant and thy son: come up, and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, which rise up against me.*

Now, watch something. Are you getting the picture? This man was supposed to be representing the King of Judah; the real King of Judah, I am talking about. Because he was king of Judah, and the real King of Judah is Jesus Christ.



The kingdom was divided. That was David's lineage; that had the promise of the King and the Throne in the last days, and all these things. And this man was so backslidden, that in those days when there was all this warfare, here the children of Israel, the ten nations that Ahab and they were king over, those ten nations, they went and they joined up with Syria in an alliance, and they came against Judah. And instead of this man looking to the Lord for deliverance, he went to the king of Assyria and told him, "I am your son. I am your servant."

In other words, he abandoned God completely. He was not God's servant in God's kingdom because of fear. And the reason he could not have faith was because he was an idolater; he was not walking in the Word.

And he said:

*... save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, [who] rise up against me.*

*<sup>8</sup> And Ahaz took the silver...*

Now, Ahaz was Hezekiah's father.

*... and [the] gold that [were] found in the house of the LORD, and in the [treasuries] of the king's house, and sent [them] for a present to the king of Assyria.*

*<sup>9</sup> And the king of Assyria hearkened unto him: for the king of Assyria went up against Damascus, and took it, and carried the people of it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin.*

You see? He was so powerful. This man knew this king here could have destroyed these fellows, so he looked to human strength for help. In other words, he hired a mercenary. He hired him to fight his battles, and he took the money from the treasury to make this man go and fight... And the man went up and destroyed the enemy.

Do you know what God did? Do you know what that will do? That will make him trust more in the flesh,

because it seemed like the thing worked. He could have said, "Well, maybe I was really inspired by God to do that."

*10 And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglathpileser king of Assyria, and saw an altar...*

Now, watch false union here. That is a false union, you know.

*... and saw an altar that was at Damascus: and king Ahaz sent to Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar, and the pattern of it, according to all [its] workmanship thereof.*

*11 And Urijah the priest built an altar according to all that king Ahaz had sent from Damascus: so Urijah the priest made it [before] king Ahaz came from Damascus.*

*12 And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the altar: and the king approached to the altar, and offered [on it].*

He said, "Well, if this man is so powerful, he destroyed the enemy that I thought was powerful, (I could not destroy,) maybe God is really with this man, boy, so let me get influenced by this man and take a pattern from this man."

So, he saw the kind of altar the man had, (you know what 'altar' means – '*sacrifice and worship*',) so he picked up some of the man's worship. He telephoned his priest. He said, "I want that kind of worship in my church. I want that kind of altar." By the time he came back, the thing was already in the church, in the temple. And he came now...

Now remember, Moses, the prophet, had been caught up into Heaven and saw what was in Heaven, and represented that on the earth. And this man now, who was a priest—supposed to be a priest, was offering sacrifice on the true altar that Moses, the prophet,

revealed. They changed up that and they got one from Damascus, and then he came and he offered on it.

And look at verse 13:

*13 And he burnt his burnt offering and his [meal] offering, and [he] poured his drink offering, and [he] sprinkled the blood of his peace offerings, upon the altar.*

Do you see hybrid religion right there? He was still offering the sacrifice God ordained, but look at the altar he was offering it on now.

*14 And he brought also the [brass] altar, which was before the LORD, from the forefront of the house, from between the altar and the house of the LORD, and put it on the north side of the altar.*

In other words, he started to mislocate and misplace and rearrange the Divine Order that was revealed by the Exodus prophet.

*15 And king Ahaz commanded Urijah the priest, saying, Upon the great altar burn the morning burnt offering, and the evening [meal] offering, and the king's burnt sacrifice, and his [meal] offering, with the burnt offering of all the people of the land, and their [meal] offering, and their drink offerings; and sprinkle upon it all the blood of the burnt offering, and all the blood of the sacrifice: and the [bronze] altar shall be for me to enquire by.*

*16 Thus did Urijah the priest, according to all that king Ahaz commanded.*

*17 And king Ahaz cut off [all] the borders of the bases...*

He started to take away now.

*... and removed the laver from off them; and took down the sea from off the [brass] oxen that were under it, and put it upon a pavement of stones.*

So, everything that was given by the prophet was now rearranged, and it was a total reflection of what was in Damascus, where this king had captured.

And you watch how much denominationalism came in the Message. Let me tell you, people are rearranging everything that the Prophet laid out. People are getting impressed with the power, or ‘seemingly power’ of denomination, only because they are backslidden, only because they are joined up to their idols, only because their spirit became hybrid; only because they have lost their way.

And you watch and see, the worship got polluted, the dress of the people got polluted, the books they read got polluted, their speech got polluted, their attitude got polluted; everything, because he was now under the influence of the king of Assyria.

*18 And the covert [place] for the sabbath that they had built in [its] house, and the king's [entrance outside], turned he from the house of the LORD [to] the king of Assyria.*

Let us pick up a little part from verse 18—Chapter 18, rather.

*1 Now it came to pass in the third [chapter] of Hoshea [the] son of Elah king of Israel, that Hezekiah the son of Ahaz king of Judah began to reign.*

*2 Twenty and five years old was he...*

His father had died. You see?

*... [and] he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Abi, the daughter of Zachariah.*

Do you see how the Holy Spirit put in the mother's name there? To tell you his influence didn't come from his father at all, because he saw the kind of man his father was. And the mother, a godly woman in the back there, sometimes she had a miserable man for a husband, like Abigail had. She said, “Son, look, I can't

control your father anymore. Do you see how the man is misleading people; doing all kinds of strange things inside here?" She said, "But the thing is, you know the words of the prophet Moses. You know what God blessed in the days of David and Solomon." See?

*<sup>3</sup> And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that David his father did.*

*<sup>4</sup> He removed the high places, and [broke] the images, and cut down the [idols], and [broke] in pieces the [brass] serpent that Moses had made: for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense to it: and he called it Nehushtan.*

*<sup>5</sup> He trusted in the LORD God of Israel; so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor any that were before him.*

Do you see the endorsement the Holy Spirit gave to this man? Watch.

*<sup>6</sup> For he [cleaved unto] the LORD, and departed not from following him, but kept [the] commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses.*

He wasn't looking to his father; he was looking to what Moses said.

*<sup>7</sup> And the LORD was with him; and he prospered [wherever] he went forth: and he rebelled against the king of Assyria, and served him not.*

You see, because Israel had come under the jurisdiction of Assyria and they had to pay to them, taxes and everything else, and support them, because of the allegiance and because of the alliance that they had come into because of the help that they had rendered to them.

And let me tell you something: when you join up with wrong things, and you get pressured into associations,

and you come under the influence of things, you have to go on supporting those things, standing behind it...

Sometimes you realize you get into the wrong relationship, you want to come out, you don't know how to come out, and the enemy is holding you to your word, holding you to your alliance, reproaching you and reminding you of the days when you couldn't stand for yourself and they fought the battle for you, and they helped you, and they stood by you when nobody was to stand by you. But you are so backslidden, you can't say, "Well, in those days I wasn't serving God. In those days God was chastising me. I wouldn't even have had to do that if I was walking right with God."

I trust if any is like that tonight, any kind of relationship or influence or association that is making you compromise on this Word, that is making you live a halfway life, that is making your spirit hybrid, tonight you'll get the same anointing that Hezekiah got. He rose up there and he started to break down every altar. Even the writing, which was an atonement in the days of the prophet, they had taken it into idol worship, and he broke up that too. Amen! You know my message on that. Amen. Broke it up. Why? Because he was removing not just the object, but the spirit of idolatry; he cast it away from the people, because those people had...

Hezekiah repaired the altar, repaired the breach, repaired the temple, everything; reinstituted the Feast. You read it in 2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles. He brought back the songs of David, he put back in the instruments that David ordained should be played in the house of God, (amen!) and he had a revival in the land, because he saw where they drifted away.

Let me tell you, that is why when you raise up, you watch what was before you. You watch how it came in in that way; you watch it in its original condition. You don't watch what some man did or this one did; you

watch the original like God vindicated in the Prophet. Amen!

Brother, they watched and saw down through the years, where it wiggled and where people went up to this city, and went up to that city, and went up to this city, and saw this man did that, and saw this man did this, and brought this man's spirit, and brought this man's altar, and brought this man's doctrine, and brought this man's idea, and brought this man's dressing, and brought this man's theology. And then you watch and see when God raises up a true anointed one or something with a true revelation, it slays those things! Amen! It cuts it away from the people and brings them to the Word; brings them back to the original. Amen. Yes, sir.

Sometimes people don't understand it. Sometimes people don't understand the line a man is watching, and the way he is watching it, and how he applies the Word. Sometimes they go along and they think, "Well, somebody..." Could you imagine Hezekiah? What about Jehoshaphat? He broke up his own mother's idol, who was the queen. Is that right? Sure.

Look at verse 9; 18:9.

*<sup>9</sup> And it came to pass in the fourth year of king Hezekiah, which was the seventh year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel...*

You see? Hezekiah and Hoshea were contemporary. Hezekiah was king of Judah; Hoshea was king of Israel. Just like Jehoshaphat and Ahab were contemporary.

*... that Shalmaneser king of Assyria came up against Samaria, and besieged it.*

*<sup>10</sup> And at the end of three years they took it: even in the sixth year of Hezekiah, that is the ninth year of Hoshea king of Israel, Samaria was taken.*

*<sup>11</sup> And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria, and put them in Halah*

*and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes:*

*<sup>12</sup> Because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD their God, but transgressed his covenant, and all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded, and would not hear them, nor do them.*

Are those good words of instruction, tonight? Are those good words of warning, tonight? Look at the chastisement again – God was sending that king. He took them out of their land.

Now watch. That was a lesson for Hezekiah because he had rebelled against the king. His father had made a truce with this same king, and when he came into the throne, he rebelled and broke that thing. He said, “That was my father, because my father was backslidden!” Amen. “I’m not paying you a cent! Do what you want!” Amen. Brother, what a stand there.

And then look at something. Then the man came up and he went at Israel, and he laid a siege for three years, and took them – ten tribes. Here Judah was two. And he looked at it and said, “My goodness.”

They were all scattered – no flag, no nation, no government ministers, no army; everything was gone, and Hezekiah looked and saw it. Do you know what kind of intimidation that was? But watch something. He knew that was happening, why? They didn’t obey the voice of the Lord. And:

*<sup>13</sup> Now in the fourteenth year...*

Eight years after, watch it.

*... of king Hezekiah did Sennacherib king of Assyria...*

See, the king changed already. That was Shalmaneser before; he didn’t remain as king. In the fourteenth year they had a new king – Sennacherib. First was Tiglath-pileser, who was the king of Assyria in the days of Ahaz. Watch how it was changing, but it was the same system; it was coming along. See? And



Hezekiah was a little boy, because he came on the throne when he was twenty-five years; he was watching those things growing up. See?

I started to preach in the days when Eric Williams was Prime Minister. I preached in the days of George Chambers. I preached in the days when the three parties came together and A. N. R. Robinson came in. [1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Prime Ministers of Trinidad and Tobago respectively -Ed.] I preached in the days when they took that 'king' [A. N. R. Robinson -Ed.] captive and tied him up; the Muslims and them. [Bro. Vin makes reference to the coup attempt in Trinidad in July 1990 - Ed.] Amen! I preached in the days when I saw the same power that ruled for thirty-something years came right back in, and now they have gone to the White House, the king of the North here, up here on this side, North America up there.

And in those days, did God open the Seven Trumpets and the Seven Vials? In those days when the oil boom disappeared and the economic pressure came on, did God open the Book of Esther?

I know it is sounding dramatic to some of you all. You see it in a different way and you are kind of laughing, or it enthused some of you all. But you see, sometimes... That is why I say, many of you all don't even listen closely many times. You see, because a lot of you all just come to church and think it is guessing, what goes on here. It is not guessing, friend. This isn't guessing. You realize what kind of Christianity has come forth here and passed right through the midst of many of you all. When you open this Word and you begin to read this Word, it always comes out of this Word.

Because, friends, let me tell you, in those days when Jeremiah and they were there, they had their Hananiah. In those days when Micaiah had a Seventh Seal vision, there were the Zedekiahs and all their big uniting Pentecostals and all their different things, and their radio programs and everything. Sure! But way in the back, with the little group called out by Elijah's message

or something, there was a people, brother, ripening under that Word.

And I am preaching, and when I look beyond this horizon and I am seeing what Prime Minister Begin and Prime Minister Shamir and they fought for, and I am seeing Naboth's vineyard now, brother, they want to take it over. [Menachem Begin and Yitzhak Shamir, former Prime Ministers of Israel -Ed.]

I see all these things coming in, in the days of the Prophet's prophecy, when his prophecy is to become history, when God begins to move among you and begins to tell you, "Set your house in order, straighten up yourself, line up with the Word, throw away your foolishness." Amen! When the rod of chastisement begins to move through many homes, when many begin to shake and they realize God is not playing church with them. They might have sat down being slothful playing church, and they begin to realize, "No, it is something else that is happening." Amen.

Understand the vision, friend. Consider the matter. May you receive skill and understanding from the Holy Spirit tonight. See?

Verse 13:

*<sup>13</sup> Now in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah did Sennacherib king of Assyria come up against all the [fortified] cities of Judah, and took them.*

And now, here is Hezekiah, boy, he withstood them, but Sennacherib was a different kind of man to Shalmaneser. Brother, if Judah was taken, he wanted—if Israel was taken, he wanted Judah as well. So, he came up against Judah and he took all those southern cities; he took them.

*<sup>14</sup> And Hezekiah king of Judah sent to the king of Assyria to Lachish, saying, I have offended; [withdraw] from me: that which thou puttest on me will I bear.*

Oh my! He still had a streak of his daddy inside of him. Look at how that man was walking. Look at the kind of report the Holy Spirit gave of the man. Look how he looked at the face of that Assyrian power and challenged them and wouldn't bow down to them, and from the time they took a few of his territories, he threw up his hand and surrendered, and weakened. Watch.

*... And the king of Assyria appointed unto Hezekiah king of Judah three hundred talents of silver and thirty talents of gold.*

*<sup>15</sup> And Hezekiah gave him all the silver that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the [treasuries] of the king's house.*

*<sup>16</sup> At that time did Hezekiah [strip] the gold from the doors of the temple of the LORD...*

All the glory, the physical glory of the temple, the natural glory, started to be taken away to pay a heathen king.

*... and from the pillars which Hezekiah king of Judah had overlaid, and gave it to the king of Assyria.*

He, himself, had overlaid all those things, and then he was the one who had to go and take it back down. Humiliating, isn't that so? Very humiliating. When you think of it, sometimes you stand up and make stands, and then you have to back down on your stand when pressure comes upon you. See? Because sometimes you are making those stands and you are not touched as yet, so you are talking bravely. But when you start to get weakened, you find you start to get a change of opinion.

You say, "Well, maybe, I can't be so strong-headed; I need to be a little more flexible. Maybe I need to kind of compromise a little bit, because no matter how thin you cut a slice, there are two sides." See? And you kind of change your attitude. But he wasn't changing his

attitude, but it was God; was the enemy. His first attitude was the right attitude towards the enemy.

<sup>17</sup> *And the king of Assyria sent [the]*

*Tartan and Rabsaris and Rabshakeh...*

Now, I am just reading this... I am going to close. I am just reading it because it is interesting. Because I want you to see it was in that Day, Hezekiah was the one Isaiah prophesied to. Because we are going to see right here, he went to Isaiah and asked Isaiah to come and help him pray that God will turn away the enemy. And Isaiah was the one who had already prophesied the doom of the Assyrians, but when the Assyrians were coming in, how God moved and afflicted them, but in the days of Nahum, God told Judah, "You don't have to fear them anymore." That is why He was telling Judah, "Judah, your liberation is at hand. You don't have to fear them anymore, that bloody city," he said, "because they are doomed."

Nahum began to catch that vision, and Nahum gave his prophecy in the days when they had the siege. When everything was closing in and tightening up on them, Nahum came in there and stood up in the midst of Judah, and began to prophesy a vision of the wrath of God, when the clouds are the dust of His feet.

I didn't get to go to that Scripture, but I will get it maybe on Sunday, and if not, another day. He was coming in the Cloud. And just as the cloud gives an indication that the traveler is on the road, He is approaching; He is coming. It is not a fake coming; it is a real coming, because we are seeing the dust of the clouds, the dust of His feet as He is coming.

And then verse 15 said, "And behold, the feet of Him. He is bringing glad tidings." He said, "He is proclaiming peace to you." [Nahum 1:15 -Ed.] And Revelation 10, there is One coming in the Cloud, friend, (hallelujah!) and His feet are upon the mountains – one foot on land and one foot on the sea. He is coming!

And when that Cloud turned, He was the Supreme Judge. Is that right? Because that Angel who revealed He is Judge, and His judgment is going to come upon the great whore, upon the bloody city, that Angel revealed to John, the bloody city, the mistress of witchcraft, is going to be judged. "Do you know how I know it? Look, the sign revealing the wrath of God in Heaven, that the Supreme Judge is here. But He is proclaiming peace to you because their destruction has come."

And in that hour, Nahum was catching... You say, "You are putting yourself as Nahum." Sure. The spirit of Nahum is here. Nahum had a prophecy – He saw the wrath of God. I am seeing the wrath of God. I don't see any blessing and prosperity coming for the world; I see that it is lies they are talking, blinding people. I don't see any great denominational revival coming; brother, I am seeing that God will destroy the church that rejected the Messiahic Message. Why could I say that? Because a Prophet who came with the fullness of the Word, a Prophet who had the sign of the resurrection like Jonah, a runaway Prophet, (amen!) brother, showed God's wrath coming upon them. And in his Message, was laying a revelation of the wrath of God.

There isn't a man on the face of the earth that could tell me that those Seven Vials were not revealed in the Message. He could say it, but he will have to deny it when it is preached out of the Bible to him.

Now watch. Listen, friend. The real Ministry is only saying over what has already been said. The real Ministry is only showing light on the part of the Message that is to happen in this Hour. It doesn't have any more one-man Scripture. Don't get tied up with that nonsense. Amen.

Every man who catches a vision of the wrath of God is a Nahum! What can he speak but this vision? If he doesn't see it, he can't preach it! You have to see it to preach it. And you can't see it except God shows it to

you! You could study day and night, you can't see it! Amen. But if God gives you a vision of it, if God gives you a Seventh Seal vision, you could say what Elijah said, because the Spirit in the Bride will say the same thing that the Spirit said in the Prophet, and what the Spirit said in the Prophet, was already said in the Word.

Could somebody say that is the truth? Did the Prophet say that? [Congregation responds, "Amen!" -Ed.] Exactly right. If I am not saying what Nahum said in the days after Jonah, I would know I am false. Did you catch that? I would know I am false. If I am coming to preach something different to what Nahum preached, I would know I am false. If I am coming to say something different to what Micaiah said, I would know I am false, because that was the ministry in the days after the prophet. That is what the Bride must say to prove She is saying the same thing.

And the only way you could know the Truth, you have to know what they were saying. Amen. And when you are hearing it being said, you see one who is willing to be faithful and true to say what already has been said; not to inject anything, regardless of who is so big, or who walked with the Prophet, or who found the cave and who did what. That has nothing to do with it. It is who found the Word here. Amen. He said, "Shepherds, ignorant herdsmen, will find the Messiah exactly where He is laying"; find Him where He is laying.

Look. I'm trying to show you what comfort that must have brought. Here was Judah under a siege, most of their city was taken already, and they were trying to hold on with the last that they had, and Sennacherib was coming with a great siege. And a little nobody – a man who had no genealogy, a man who had no history where he came from... The historians can't even find out where Elkosh is. Everybody is saying, "Maybe Nahum meant that he was from Capernaum," and they have all kinds of different things.

Like the Jews have a tradition. The Jews believe that Jonah was the little boy who rose from the dead, the Shunammite woman's son, because Jonah prophesied after Elisha, and Elisha carried on the Spirit of Elijah, and Jonah was the prophet directly after Elisha. And they believe he was that little boy who was raised from the dead, sat around there, raised by that prophet. He had come into that home. Amen. He heard those things. Glory! He saw that Spirit come upon Elisha, he saw those things, and he grew up there. They believe that was Jonah.

And Nahum here, they don't even know where this man came from. They have nothing about the man. All they say is, "The man has a prophecy showing where the wrath of God is going to come upon the bloody city." But you know in the Bible who saw that? John. Where did John get it from? One of those angels who had those Seven Vials said, "I will show you the judgment of the great whore." [Revelation 17:1 -Ed.]

How many ever heard me say, "I have heard the voice of the fourth living creature?"

He said, "*Come and see.*" [Revelation 6:7 -Ed.]

John said, "I have heard the voice. I have seen the judgment. I have seen the Lamb's Wife."

Woe is me if I don't see it! If I don't see it, I'm still in Laodicea. But if I see it, I know who the Bride is, I know what She is to be clothed with, I know what that Message is, I know what is going to keep Her in step, I know what She is looking for, I know what is promised Her, (amen!) I know where She is going! How could you preach to Her if you don't know who She is; if you don't know where She came from? Glory!

Oh my, the time is up. You read it when you go home. Okay? Read the end of Chapter 18, and you are going to find there, that Sennacherib had come, Isaiah had gone out and prayed for them in Chapter 19 when Hezekiah went into the temple, and Isaiah told him, "Don't be afraid. God is going to deliver you." The Angel

of the Lord came and smote one hundred and eighty-five thousand in one night; broke the power of the army and sent them back. And when he went back there according to Isaiah's prophecy in Isaiah 37 and 38, his own sons killed him in the temple while he was worshipping his heathen god. Take the history and follow it through and you will see.

But it was in those days, when fear was all upon the people, when they saw the Squeeze coming and everything was being cut off, when they saw what was happening, that prophet raised up and said, "Don't you fear them. Behold, the feet of Him Who comes in the Cloud. Behold, the feet of Him upon the mountains. Hear what His Message is publishing: peace to you." He said, "Because their doom is come."

And, friends, if you can catch that, you can see, when God opened up those Seven Vials to you, it was that you will have comfort. Because in Revelation 19, they were all rejoicing when that city... Because they know that brings the Millennium, friend. When the wrath of God is poured out upon Satan's Adam, Satan's Eve, and Satan's Eden, it brings in the Second Adam and His Bride going back to the restored Eden. And when that was being revealed, it was years after Nahum's vision and prophecy that Nineveh perished.

But watch something. In what we are studying, it is showing remedial judgment for sons, but penal judgment for bastards. Gentile repentance and Gentile destruction. Nahum is not dealing with repentance; Nahum is dealing with destruction to the same people at the end of the Gentile dispensation when the wrath of God is being poured out upon Gentiles.

This Message, by a Gentile Prophet, went to the Gentile world; this revealing of the Son of Man, this Resurrection Sign, and they have turned it down. And the same thing that the Jews... Jesus said, "This generation, there is no other sign that is going to be given to you than the sign of Jonah." Is that right? And



when they turned down that sign, the next thing they were going to get was, Titus was going to come and destroy that nation.

And so it was in this generation, the same way they united to crucify the Messaiahic Message, they were given the sign again, and the same way the wrath of God is going to come in. But when you look and see the burden, the burden of Nineveh... Because Isaiah had said, "God used them to chastise them." They did chasten them. They took their cities. They took them into captivity. They carried their children into another land.

Could you imagine Hezekiah stood up there and was seeing all those little ones going and taken into captivity; all those men being taken over by that power, being taken out from the house of God, being taken away from the worship of God, being taken away from association with their people, going to learn a new language outside, going to dress in different clothes outside, by the enemy who took them into captivity? He began to call upon that prophet, Isaiah.

But in those very days, when they thought of coming again, God said, "Shall affliction arise the second time?" Because the first affliction was, He killed one hundred and eighty-five thousand soldiers in one night, and He ran them back into their land. And when they tried to come back again, God said, "Do you think I am going to afflict you this time? I'm not going to afflict you this time. This time it is your destruction." And that is what is happening, friend.

Look at the messages that have gone forth. Try to understand; try to catch. I know many times it is difficult for many, but I believe I'm saying it sanely, I believe I'm saying it scripturally, I believe I'm placing it right; I believe that we can get focused by the Word.

Do you think you are going to wait until you see... Because remember, when Israel and Rome come into a covenant... Remember, all of this is heading up to the

Pope going to visit Jerusalem just now again, you know. It is going to make a whole cycle back around from when the moon was blacked out. And it is coming.

Go back there in the Book of Joshua 6 and see, when Rahab was under that Token, Joshua put the curse on Jericho. He said, "No man rebuilds this." And go to 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 16 and see, in the days when Ahab and Jezebel came into a union...

Why do you think Ahab and Jezebel are coming into a union? Do you think that is just the Vatican and this? That is also Israel and Rome. It is the same thing. Because an Elijah is going to come there too. It is going to have a literal famine there as well. He is going to shut the heavens for three and a half years there as well. Fire is going to proceed out of their mouths and burn up Jezebel's troops as well. It is going to come back there.

That is the history in the Book of Kings going to repeat. Not in America this time; it is going to repeat over there this time, under the Sixth Seal. And the same way there were seven thousand, it will be 144,000 who wouldn't bow down their knees this time. You watch and see. Because remember, the woman was given two wings to fly into the wilderness where she was fed.

You watch and see how when that is going to start to come in, friends... We see they want to rebuild that place. And all this what they are trying to bring about peace, (see?) trying to bring about peace, but remember, Jezebel was the one writing things in Ahab's name. She was the one sealing it with Ahab's seal. Remember, "Ahab was only a figurehead," thus saith the Prophet, thus saith his vision; thus saith the Word.

Oh my, I tell you. It really should bring comfort to your heart tonight, because we have been called out of that. We are walking in this Hour, as dark as it is becoming...

And while denominations want to have their little 'singspiration' [An evangelistic religious service involving the singing of hymns -Ed.], their... Look where their minds are -

preaching their little prosperity gospel and all different things. They don't know the Hour, they don't know their prophecy; they cannot read the handwriting on the wall. They are like them who are drunk, and the Book is opened and handed to them and they can't read It. A spirit of deep slumber has been poured out upon them. They don't even know what is happening. But blessed are your eyes that you see and you hear, and that you can recognize, friends, what is moving, is moving us up.

And that is why when the Word comes, It may come straight, It may come stern, but It is not to unchristianize you, but just to let you see the Hour. Because remember, He has changed! He has changed His office. John was transported into the Lord's Day; the Day of the Lord. The Day of the Lord is when the wrath of the Lord...

When you take Zephaniah, you are going to see Zephaniah's prophecy is about the Day of the Lord. And that is when the stock market and all these things are going to crash; all what is going to happen on the seacoasts and these things. In type back there, in a little miniature environment, God was giving a type of something global that is going to happen in the Day of the Lord. In the Day of the Lord, is where John was transported into and saw Him as Judge. Not Priest or King; Judge – One like the Son of Man, in the Lord's Day. Is that right?

And remember, when He was Judge, Abraham said, "Shall the Judge of all the earth do right?" He had come to judge the quick and the dead. The investigation has gone on; all these things have taken place. Look how far advanced we are.

Tonight, you heard His Word; take It into your heart. Get down to a place where you say, "Lord, I want to take the foolishness out of my life. If I don't see it clearly, I want to see it clearly."

When Daniel realized he wasn't seeing it clearly and he saw the Hour was coming up, he set himself to pray,

he set himself to consecration, and the Angel Gabriel came to give him skill and understanding to consider the matter and understand the vision, because he began to see in Jeremiah, his prophet's writings, that the time was at hand.

Can you see the time at hand? Remember, Israel is your timepiece. If you want to know what Hour you are living in, look at the Jews. If you want to know what day of the week it is, look at the calendar. But if you want to know what Hour you are living in according to God's Bible and prophecy, look to the Jews.

My! Let us bow our heads for prayer.

Almighty God, again we have come to the end of another service, searching the Scriptures. You said in Them you think you have Eternal Life, but They testify of You. Lord, as we have turned the pages tonight, as we have tried to expound from within these pages, as we look at the shadows and the types, as we look at the prophecy in the Book of Revelation, the judgment of the great whore, before it could take place, we saw John coming in contact with one of those angels who had one of the Seven Vials, and he was so interested in teaching and showing John the judgment of the great whore that was to take place.

We realize Nahum had such a vision, Lord. He had seen the judgment of that great harlot, the mistress of witchcraft; that bloody city. He had seen the Supreme Judge coming with clouds; the clouds are the dust of His feet. He had seen Him come preaching peace. Oh God, as he beheld His feet on the mountains, Lord, in that Hour when the wrath of God was fixing to be poured out, he had seen all these things happening. The people were under a great siege. It was such a hard, terrible time. Difficult times had set in upon them; economic pressures. Oh God, so many had already been taken into captivity; many hearts were fainting.

We believe that was a perfect parallel, Father. We look and we see what has happened. Dear God, we turn our

eyes to You tonight, and we pray, dear God, that You will be gracious unto us. Anoint our eyes with Eyesalve. Open our understanding. May the Spirit of wisdom and revelation move in our hearts, Lord; cause us to read the Word, to meditate on It day and night, as Paul told Timothy, "To give ourselves wholly unto this doctrine"; as God told Joshua not to turn to the right or to the left.

Oh, gracious God, as Daniel was studying the writings of Jeremiah, so, as we look into the writings, into the messages spoken by Your Prophet, God, we realize that we too are in a similar Hour. Only You, dear God, can take the message and drive it down into the hearts of the people and let it have its right effect upon them, that they, dear God, can come into a place where they know they have searched their hearts out; they know, dear God, that they have laid aside every hindrance, every obstacle; they know that they have come to the place where they are satisfied, and the Blood has been applied, that the Spirit abides; that the Covenant is in effect in their lives, Lord. As they look and see the flashing red lights everywhere, God, they will throw away their bag of peanuts, they will throw away all the little foolishness, because they know the train is in the block.

I pray tonight, Lord, this little church here, these, oh God, who have come down through these years, they have watched closely; they have had years to examine. It is not somebody just rising up in their midst to bring some interpretation or idea; they have sat here for years and years. They were able to examine, they were able to scrutinize, they were able to check back and forth, within and without, yet they stayed, yet they continued, Lord, to walk in this Light.

Yet some of them, dear God, are still not mixing that Word with faith even when they hear It. Yet some, Lord, are still haphazard and lackadaisical. Some are still like wondering stars, wondering, "Could it be?" But I pray tonight, Lord, as You will impress upon their hearts, the

lateness of the Hour; not trying to scare them into anything and work them up in the flesh, God forbid. I would be ruining everything I have tried to build all these years. But I want them, oh God, to realize the lateness, the urgency of the Message, the seriousness of the Hour, that we can walk sanely, intelligently, and right in the Word.

Speak to the hearts of Your children. Confirm these words within their hearts and lives. Dear God, let them search the Scriptures and see whether these things be so. May Your great Holy Spirit grant deliverance. Those who are crying out, oh God, for more of Your Holy Spirit, those who desire to be strengthened in areas in their lives where they are weak, those, dear God who find themselves in circumstances, struggling, being frustrated, oh God, trying to lift up that log as it were, show them how to ride on it, tonight. Show them how to let go and let God have His wonderful way. Show them, dear God, how to take Your Word and apply It and exercise in It, that they can truly be doers, not just hearers.

They who want to step out tonight as they feel the courage coming into their hearts, God, may the Holy Spirit just take them out of the miry clay, set their feet on a rock, where they can stand on Christ, that solid Rock, knowing all other ground is sinking sand, tonight, in this Hour when everything is being shaken. You said, "I will shake not only the earth, but the heavens also. Everything that could be shaken will be shaken off, but we have a Kingdom that cannot be removed."

Lord, let them be tied to the Absolute in this dark Hour. Let their compass be pointed to that North Star, Lord. Let the Holy Spirit keep them zeroed to the promised Word. Jesus, may You grant it. May they know how absolutely sure that Word is. That is our guarantee. Oh God, Heaven and earth will pass away, but It will never pass away. May You grant it tonight, Lord.

Give them courage. Let them not be faint-hearted. Dear God, as so many are trying to compromise, and who may have lost territory, who may not be standing upon all that You have given unto them, and now it seems like they are regressing instead of progressing, Lord, I pray that You will let them know that they don't have to bow down to the enemy and compromise, and try to live some halfway life. What a miserable thing that is for somebody to try to live between two desires! "No man can serve two masters," You said. If God be for us, who can be against us?

I'm not Nahum, Lord, but I'm just trying to be faithful to what has already been said. Just trying to say it and put the people in remembrance, and their pure minds can be stirred up. You know my heart, Father. We see too many people build on man and hold on to man's flesh and those things fall apart. God forbid that our hearts could be that foolish to try to establish our persons, as miserable as we are, in the hearts of someone.

But, Lord, it is You, the lovely One, we point to. You are the One we speak of, Lord. Paul said, "They glorify God in me." If there is anything to see, oh God, let it not be my flesh, but let it be Your Word. You are the One I'm pointing to.

As we leave this place tonight to go to our homes, go with us. Would You, Lord? May the Holy Spirit bring back to our remembrance. So many things were said, such a wide cross-section, but Lord, I spoke that way because I see the need, that I tried to put in as much as I can, seeing we have to break up these services. I trust that You will take it and make sense to the people; that they would be interested enough to sit and listen it over, where they could hear it at their own speed and they could examine the Scriptures, and they could study it out and catch what the Spirit is saying to the church; they could see it from the right angle, it could have the right effect upon them, and we can see this church rise

higher in the Spirit, get deeper in the faith, oh God. Grant it, Lord.

Go with each and every one of us. We thank You for all that was here tonight. We praise Your lovely Name. We worship You. We so appreciate You for Your care and Your goodness, and Your love towards us. You let us see the things that we see. May we value it, Lord, and realize how privileged we are to be recipients of Your grace, even the measure of the grace of God that You have given unto us.

We commit everyone into Your hands now, in the precious Name of Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

Amen. We want to... Amen. I was preaching and looking at those brothers there from Bro. Sham's. We are really glad to have them with us tonight. God bless you all brothers, that you could be with us tonight, by God's grace. Amen. We certainly want to know we are in the faith, walking on in the Word. It does something to your heart.

You know, when the message comes hard sometimes, it clinches things down, it scours you out, it breaks you up sometimes, it drives you to a place. That isn't bad, friend; that is good. That is good. Amen. You find you become stronger. The Prophet said, "When the storm comes and shakes the tree, do you know what happens? It only sends the roots a little deeper down, by God's grace."

But nothing gives you faith like when you see the Word of God, when you see the plan of God, when you see the Message slides into the Bible, when you see the Scripture come to life and become personalized, when you see It comes right there before you; nothing gives you faith like that. Amen. It brings such a reality and awareness of God's Divine Presence to you. That is where my hope is built tonight. I want to worship with you in that song. You worship our Lord.

Bro. Neville wants to give thanks. His mother, you know, was in the hospital and prayer was offered for



her. And so, all tests were proven negative; she is resting comfortably at home. So, God be praised. We know God has been faithful to him, his prayer, the saints' prayer, and where she fellowships, all the saints prayed there for her, and God was gracious to her and her prayer, that He can do something like that for her, by God's grace.

*Bro. Ellis requests prayer for his baby boy who is experiencing stomach discomfort since Monday.*

Let us just offer a word of prayer for this little boy. Such a faithful servant, Bro. Ellis.

And if you have a request and you want it to be prayed for, while we have our heads bowed, you want to slip up your hand and say, "I have prayed, I'm praying, and I'm still holding that request. But as you mentioned it, I take it as a little confirmation, because in my heart, I am looking to the Lord for certain things. Just remember me in prayer tonight," as we would ask the Lord, His favor. Amen. God bless you. God sees your hand. Just believe as we look to Him now.

Gracious God, we love Your Word. It gives us faith. We love the revelation of the Scriptures when It opens up and we can apply It and see It in a real way that It can affect our lives, that we can step into the pages of the Bible, into the scene, the scene that speaks of a certain season; the scene that brings to light the events of a certain Hour. When it ties us in and we look at the setting around us through those eyes, and our faith becomes anointed and we see the unchanging God, what it does to us, Lord! It gives us such faith. But then that faith can take us to the Power of God that can produce whatever we have need of in our lives.

And so, as we feel faith anointing our hearts tonight, faith that came by hearing and hearing by your Word, knowing dear God, You already made these things available on Calvary, we ask that You touch Bro. Ellis' little son with that stomach disorder since Monday, Lord. My little boy, David, as well. I'm thinking about

him now. I prayed for him, but now, here under the anointing of Your Spirit in the midst of Your people, that strained muscle in his foot, he cannot walk or go to school, touch them, Lord, with Your precious Holy hand. May they be made well for Your glory, and be delivered. We glorify You tonight because we are persuaded You have done these things for us on Calvary, and we confess that here in Your Presence tonight, by Your stripes we were healed.

All these who lifted their hands, whatever their needs might be, Lord, touch them; give them their hearts desire tonight. Let them leave this place, Lord, comforted, anchored, strengthened; determined to go on forward in the faith. Some might have come in weak tonight, and just barely holding on, struggling; some fainting as it were, but let them walk with a spring in their step as they go out tonight, with a charge of faith in their souls. Oh God, may You grant it. We love You, Lord. We thank You for all these things, in Jesus' precious Name, amen.

Oh, let us sing that before we go: *My hope is built on nothing less. On Christ, the solid Rock, the anointed Word, friends. All other ground is sinking sand. Oh my! All other ground is sinking sand.*

Can we lift our hands and say, "Praise the Lord"? [Congregation says, "Praise the Lord!" -Ed.] Can we say, "Thank You, Jesus"? [Congregation says, "Thank You, Jesus!" -Ed.] Amen. Let us just worship Him now.

[[#126 - Songs That Live -Ed.](#)]

*My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' Blood and righteousness;  
Oh, I dare not trust the sweetest frame.  
... dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly lean on Jesus' Name.*

CHORUS:

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
Oh, what a confession tonight!*

*All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness seems to hide His face.  
*... darkness seems to hide His face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale,  
Oh my, that Anchor holds, friend.  
My Anchor holds within the veil.*

CHORUS:

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
That is the revealed Word now.  
All...*

He set me upon a rock, I shall not be moved! Amen!  
Hallelujah! "Upon this rock I will build My Church; the  
gates of Hell shall not prevail against it."

His sworn oath; His oath, His covenant.  
*His oath, His covenant...*  
Oh, and that Blood that speaketh better things.  
*Support me in that whelming flood;*  
When the enemy comes in. Amen. Oh, my!  
When all around my soul gives way.  
*... all around my soul gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay.*  
Oh, He is faithful. Isn't He tonight?

CHORUS:

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
That's where I am taking my stand tonight.  
All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground, tonight.  
All other ground is sinking sand.*

Oh, when He shall come with Trumpet sound.  
Hallelujah!  
*... with Trumpet sound,*

*Oh, may I then in Him be found;*

Thank You, Jesus. Get into Him tonight, friends. Flee into Christ.

*Dressed in His righteousness alone,*

Lay aside those fig leaves. Amen. Hallelujah! Get in the Robe.

*Faultless to stand before the Throne.*

CHORUS:

Oh, on Christ, now.

*... the solid...*

What a revealed Word tonight – the solid Rock. Oh my!

*All other ground is sinking sand,*

Thank You, Jesus. Thank You, Lord. Amen. Thank You, Lord. My Absolute.

*All other ground is sinking sand.*

Oh, it is becoming so dark.

*When darkness seems to hide His face,*

I trust the lightning flashed and pierced the darkness and you got a glimpse of Him tonight.

*... rest on His unchanging grace;*

Oh, it is a stormy time.

*In every high and stormy gale,*

*Oh, my Anchor holds within the veil.*

Oh, in that inner veil; that inside life.

CHORUS:

On Christ...

*... Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;*

*All other ground is sinking sand,*

Oh my, yes, it is.

*All other ground is sinking sand.*

Oh, I just love this verse: His oath, His covenant, His Blood. Amen.

*His oath, His covenant...*

He is the covenant-keeping God. He will never take back His Word. Oh, my.

*... me in the whelming flood;*

*When all around my soul gives way,*

Oh, don't be afraid; that is the time to stand. That is the time to confess His Name. That is the time to see how great He is.

*He then is all my hope and stay.*

CHORUS:

On Christ...

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;*

Oh my, all other ground!

*... other ground is sinking sand,*

Oh, believe it tonight and confess it: All other ground. The Devil doesn't like it, but it is the truth. Say it anyhow.

*... is sinking sand.*

Oh my! While they will play it softly, Bro. Branham said, "When I came to my greatest trial, it was that time Hope was dying." He said, "Billy was sick so bad; Sharon was dying." He said, "And I began to pray to God," he said, "and like, there was a big, black sheet. I couldn't get through." He said, "I know what I had done wrong, and God was chastising me; He was whipping me for it." He had disobeyed the Voice of God. He had failed to carry out the will of God.

He said, "And, friends, the Devil began to tell me, 'Look at you. You got so thin from fasting and praying. What is the use of serving Him? Look, you need Him now, He should stand for Him. Look how He left you. Your wife there is already dead. Your daughter is dying.'" He said, "And something deep down said, 'Yes, that is the truth, best you just give up everything.'" He said, "But in that Hour, something held. When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and

stay!" He said, "Something said, 'Though He slays me, yet I'll trust Him.'"

He said, "Some months after, I was still so heartbroken, I would go out there where they were buried and I'll sit there and cry, and me and Billy would go and carry and put flowers on the grave." He said, "And one day, I went to carry flowers and... Mr. Isler was the Mayor." He said, "He had stood by us; he had tried to help us. He knew how I tried to preach the Gospel. He felt so sorry for me. The whole city was, you know, ravaged by the flood and everything else."

He said, "And he saw me one day, and he stopped his car and he came and said, 'Billy, after so hard you preached and everything else, and God did all of this to you. Here is your wife lying dead; here is your daughter lying dead.'" He said, "Billy, let me ask you a question: What does Christ still mean to you?"

He said, "Mr. Isler," (amen) he said, "Thou the Spring of all my comfort, more than life to me! Whom have I on earth besides Thee? Whom in Heaven but Thee?" Amen! Oh my!

Friends, His oath, His covenant tonight, His Blood; if you have a revelation of It... Jehoshaphat, when the invasion was coming, he went into the temple, he gathered the people together, and he said, "God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob." He opened the title deed to the land; he found the place where God made the promise. He put his finger on the clause, he said, "Lord, You gave us this land, and this enemy wants to come and take us out of it! Lord, they are coming against Your Word!" He had a place he could have identified with.

Friends, let me tell you something. When the flood comes and all around your soul gives way, and you are feeling so weak and you want to almost backslide, and the Word seems so hard, and you say, "Oh God, I can't live that. I thought I would have gotten encouragement tonight, but it seems like he shook me down even further, and it seems like I'm not even a Christian

anymore.” But if way behind that, there is something that says, “You know God’s Word is true. Oh yeah, He is breaking you up, but could He not remold you over?” Amen. “Could He not make you a vessel prepared unto every good work?”

He said, “Jeremiah, go down to the potter’s house.”

He said, “When I walked down there, the man wasn’t in his bed sleeping, or out in his garden, or taking his wife for a walk.” He said, “The man was by the potter’s wheel.” He said, “And the man was breaking up a vessel which he had made because it was marred, and he was remolding it over on his wheel because that vessel had a certain place. Because in every great house, there are many vessels.” Amen! It was being prepared for a service, fit for the master’s use.

And God said, “Jeremiah, so is this nation to Me. I’m going to break them up. I’m going to take them out of their land.” Amen. “But I’m going to bring them back.”

When the Church fell, look what happened to them – they were slaughtered; God chastised them. The Corn of Wheat had to fall. They went into captivity into Babylon, just like Israel did into Egypt. God brought them back through Luther, Wesley and Pentecost, just like he brought Israel through Exodus, Leviticus and Numbers, and then He brought them right back in their land again.

Will you hold on tonight? Will you press through? Will you say, “Lord, regardless of how weak I feel maybe, if you have to remold me, I’m taking You at Your Word tonight. Lord, I realize my will is so stubborn. I realize that I am my own problem. Because when I see the reality of Your Word, and I see the lateness of the Hour, I realize I know it, I believe it, I accept it, but why do I just go along with the crowd after? Why do I just drift back into the same thing? Lord, tonight I’m driving my stake down in a certain place – though You slay me, yet I’ll trust You. Maybe there is nothing good in me, Lord. Maybe I can’t even see it. But maybe it is something You

see that You keep coming after me. Lord, I just want to let go, tonight.” Amen. “Help me to anchor in tonight. Will You, Jesus? Help me. Let the Anchor take a grip on the Rock.” Amen.

Because in times like these, we need that Anchor, friend; that Anchor that can hold. His Anchor held; His Absolute; a Christ-centered life. Amen. “My honest expectation is that Christ will be glorified in me,” Paul said, “in life or in death. For me to die is gain, and for me to live is Christ.” He said, “And it is needful for me, maybe for me to go with the Lord now, but nevertheless, for your sake;” he said, “I want to stay on a little longer.”

And I feel that way tonight. Sometimes I feel, “Oh God, you know, if I have to go...” But then I say, “Lord, I don’t want to go. Can’t You let me stay a little longer? I see people I love here; I preach to them. I see people here, if I want to leave, let me leave knowing that they are on their road to making it; knowing that they caught the vision. But until then, if I have to stay here and battle day and night, and fight and keep hitting at that thing, and driving that unbelief out with the Word, and seeing that faith become anointed, seeing that person get a hold of the Word, where they could be anchored in, where this church could be raised up into such a place, friend, where God could be the all in all, oh, that will be so wonderful.” I believe He will give me the desire of my heart. I believe it. Amen.

Moses went and said, “Lord, blot out my name!”

He could have caught something for the people. He wasn’t...

God said, “Let Me destroy them and I’ll make a mightier nation than them, and I’ll make you the leader.”

He didn’t say, “Boy, I really want to lead a powerful people, yes; more powerful than them. Yeah, Lord, take them.” Uh, uh! [Meaning “No, no.” –Ed.] The dignity of becoming a leader of a mightier nation than Israel, Moses turned it down. All he wanted was God’s Glory and God’s



people's deliverance; that God's people would love God and serve God.

He said, "I don't want to be a leader of a great nation, a new nation, a mightier nation. Just take these people, these stiff-necked people, Lord, who was rebellious since the day I've known them." He said, "But wouldn't a gracious God like You be able to help such a people?"

And God said, "I have pardoned them at thy word."

Friends, to me, that is mightier than opening the Red Sea. I would rather have that than to open the Red Sea; rather have that than to speak frogs into existence; have a heart like that. A heart that will love God and love God's people, and want the best for Him.

Because God, if you know Him... Like a friend who loves his wife, you know the affection, you understand the relationship, and you see what they mean to each other, you will never want to see them part, you will never want to see them have a breach in their relationship; you will never want to see any hurt come to them.

That was what the Prophet had – like an Eliezer. May God give us that kind of heart. May we have that feeling one for another where God can do something for us, because it is nearing that time, friends. That is why we have to catch it, and catch it right. And watch and see how God is going to bring you out, (oh, my,) with joy unspeakable and full of glory, because He is faithful to His Word.

God bless you, tonight. We'll sing: *We'll walk in the Light, beautiful Light. Shine roundabout us by day and by night.* Oh, my.

God bless you. See you on Friday night. Let us come and pray. Come out and let us pray. Let us get in the Presence of God. Let us get between the porch and the altar. Let us come in that channel of expectation. What a wonderful time we had last prayer meeting night. Let God just pour out a little more again. Amen.

Let us look for those in our midst who can't seem to break through, and let us pray for them that God will cause them to break through. Let us come with something on our heart to pray for the benefit of the Assembly, that we can see the Assembly be so unified, and rise up in this Hour, and be where God wants us to be.

Let us not just come selfish for ourselves, but when we come, let us come with something in our hearts that will make God's church a stronger church in this Hour; advance on forward to where we ought to be. Amen.

[#300 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

CHORUS:

Oh, we'll walk in the Light.

*We'll walk in the light...*

God richly bless you. You are dismissed.



