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...You're the heart of my contentment, Hope for all I do; Jesus, You're the centre of my joy.

1 Hallelujah! Thank You, Lord. The Bible says, "The joy of the Lord is our strength." Let's just bow our hearts as we approach Him in prayer this evening. Once again, we are thankful to be in His house. I trust that we have come into His house with purpose. We stand in His Presence with understanding. We are sensitized to the Day and the Hour that we are living in, the very place where the Holy Spirit has placed us in this great plan of God for this Age.

2 The things that we can be under expectation for now in this Hour, the things that the Holy Spirit has focused our attention to from the Scriptures, this is the place we want to stand. This is the place where God can answer prayer. This is the place we can pray the prayer of faith, knowing that we are standing in harmony with the Holy Spirit Who is revealing Himself and His will to us from His Word, this great symphony of God, this great drama of God that is unfolding.

3 Lord Jesus, we consider it such a blessed privilege tonight to stand in Your great Divine Presence. Keeping in remembrance dear God, the things that You have spoken unto us in these last few days. The places where the Holy Spirit has drawn our soul into the Scripture that You might anoint us, and fellowship with us, and continue to unveil Your will and purpose, and make Your will more clear unto us dear God. This is our desire as we draw near unto You this evening, Father.

4 We are just not thinking that today is Friday, and dear God, tonight is a prayer service night, or that gives it less importance than Sunday. But Lord, we are coming consciously, Father. We are coming in the attitude of the Holy Spirit. Oh God, knowing that where two or three are gathered together in Your Name, there You are in the midst.

5 And dear God, You, the great God of Heaven; the God Who has called us to walk in this marvelous Light; the God Who has quickened us, dear God, and has broken the shackles of sin from around our lives, and brought us to the knowledge of this great Truth; to the knowledge of this Hour that we are living in; to the things that You have prophesied concerning us and that the things that You are desiring to bring to pass in this Hour, and dear God, as we come tonight with bowed hearts, we confess our sins, we confess our shortcomings; our mistakes and our failures. Oh God, may You blot out all of our transgressions, Father.

6 And dear God, as we draw near unto You with our petitions in our hearts, the things, oh God, that we see so needful Lord, that we would have in our lives in this Hour; things that we know as You discern our hearts and You reveal to us out of the Word, Lord God, where our faith should be focused and what we can ask for; the things that You desire to fulfill, the things that You desire to release unto us, Lord, that we could be in condition to receive Thy blessings, oh God, and that we might be equipped and fortified to carry out Your will, dear God, in this Hour.

7 Knowing that we are born for a purpose. We are called for a purpose. We are gathered for a purpose. You sent this very Message, Lord God, to show us how to prepare for this great Rapturing faith, Lord Jesus, in this Hour of restoration, oh God, when all that the palmerworm, the cankerworm, the caterpillar and the locust have eaten, You said, "I will restore." And how we see Your great Holy Spirit restoring these things Lord, that Your Church might come back into condition like it was in the beginning, Father, and even oh God, to take us all the way back to the very Garden of Eden.

8 We know that there is nothing, oh God, in this world that can stop that, Father, for that is Your Word allotted for this Hour. And You have come down to interpret that and bring that to pass that Your Name might be glorified and be admired in all of them that believe and that You will fulfill the work of faith with power.

9 And Lord God, we come tonight Father, praying that Your Holy Spirit will just move upon this audience and You might lift us up into that place where we can be Lord, receptive Father, to the thoughts of the Holy Spirit, that You could draw our souls a little deeper. *Oh*, *deeper yet we pray, and higher every day, and wiser, blessed Lord in Thy precious Holy Word*, tonight. Have Your blessed way in the service. Get honor and glory to Your great Name.

10 Lord, hasten the footsteps of them that might be on their way. Remember Your children out in the region, Father. Take full control over each and every one. You said, "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled." Oh God, cause us to hunger, cause us to thirst dear God, that we might receive Thy bountiful blessings, and Thy Church truly might be the Church, dear God, that You have spoken of in these last days – a glorious Church without spot and without wrinkle. Have Your blessed way tonight. Lead and direct us dear God, and may You get honor and glory. In the precious and wonderful Name of Jesus Christ our Lord we pray and we ask these mercies, amen and amen.

11 Praise His mighty Name. God bless you tonight. I would like to invite your attention over in the Book of Ezra. I would like to read chapter 4. Amen. Praise God. Ezra 4, and we are going to read from verse 1. I'm just picking some places for prayer service but some of these things I certainly desire to spend a little time and teach it. I would have to wait in the week for that but just so that we wouldn't be too long and we would be able to focus in prayer, knowing tonight is prayer service and we are desiring to give attention to prayer; to the reading of the Word and prayer.

12 Ezra 4, verse 1. And this is when Zerubbabel and Joshua and all the saints of God were coming back to their homeland to rebuild the house of God. After the prophecy of Jeremiah, seventy years had been fulfilled. And then they came and began to meet adversaries.

13 And verse 1 says:

¹ Now when the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that the children of the captivity builded the temple unto the LORD God of Israel;

² Then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the fathers...

14 The adversaries. He is calling them, *the adversaries*. The Holy Spirit wants us not to make any mistake about these who are coming. This is a move of the enemy. And this move of the enemy is a shadow of the move of the enemy in the last days. The Seven Sealed Book is open and the Mysteries are revealed. The mystery was given in shadow and type, showing what was going to happen in the last days.

¹ ...[they] heard that the children of the captivity builded the temple unto the LORD...

15 And we are not talking about a physical structure in this Hour. All of that which was physical there is spiritual here. You know that. And we know that that temple: "Know ye not that you are the temple of the Living God." And this is a move of the enemy when God—Because the reason the temple was to be built, God is not just going to have a gathering of people. God is going to have a Spirit-filled Church. And so the temple is being built for the indwelling of the Spirit. That's why the temple is being built, because God is to do His work in and through His people.

16 And if you are called in the Message without the Holy Ghost, then you know that you have missed the purpose why you are being called in the Message. If you are trying to live the Message without becoming Spiritfilled, then it means that you have been blinded from your real focus and your real objective of being in the Message. The Evening Message is the Holy Spirit. The Evening Message is the loosing of the Holy Spirit.

17 The day of church joining was over when the Lord descended from Heaven. Then now, you have to be born in the family of God. There was no more church to join and no book to put your name on. You could only come in here by the call of God, the foreknowledge of God, and the plan of God; the Word of God. That's the only way you can come here. Those He foreknew, it is those He predestinated. Those He predestinated it is those He called. And those He called He justified all the way to glorification. So that's the purpose of the calling. We are called according to that purpose.

18 They came out of Babylon with a purpose, with a commission. They didn't just come out and say, "Well, let me see what church we are going to join. Let me, you

know—yes, the Prophet came. Oh yes, I want to go to Jeffersonville one of these days." No, no, no, no. They were called out and came back to their homeland with a definite objective and purpose – to build the house of God. When that stopped, God raised up men to say, "You are stopping short. Press on and finish what you came back for."

19 That's why we are here, friends. And that's the Voice of the Holy Spirit in the Church now. Amen? And if anything is holding you back, this is to help sensitize you and enlighten you that there is a battle to finish the house. And the house is not finished until perfect love comes. The house is not finished with virtue, friends, or temperance. The house is finished when the Desire of all nations, the Capstone, comes to cap the pyramid of your lives. That's the Church. That's what the Message is for.

> ¹ Now when the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that the children of the captivity builded the temple unto the LORD God of Israel;

> ² Then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the fathers, and said unto them, Let us build with you: for we seek your God, as ye do; and we do sacrifice unto him since the days of Esarhaddon king of Assur, which brought us up hither.

20 May the Lord bless the reading of His Word! Keep your Bibles open. You may have your seat. Let's just drop back quickly. Hold that place right there, I am coming back there. But I want to throw some light on verse 2. These people are saying:

> ...we do sacrifice unto him since the days of Esarhaddon king of Assur, which brought us up hither.

21 And just hold there so I could drop this Scripture in 2^{nd} Kings 17, so you would get a better understanding of the people who wanted to join with them. Notice, it was people who said they sacrificed to the same God. They said, "We seek your God and we do sacrifice to Him." In other words, "We are just like you all." And that's why there must be a need for real spiritual discernment. 2^{nd} Kings 17, verse 24. Drop back from about verse 22.

²² For the children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam which he did; they departed not from them;

²³ Until the LORD removed Israel out of his sight, as he had said by all his servants the prophets. So was Israel carried away out of their own land to Assyria unto this day.

22 Now if you have—We went through some of these things back in the past. You know that there were ten tribes called Israel, and Judah and Benjamin were the other two tribes. And the ten tribes were taken into Assyria. In the Book of Jeremiah It said, "Israel went a whoring, and now her treacherous sister, Judah, did the same." And God scattered the children of Israel among the Assyrians, and God took Judah into Babylon for seventy years. Both went into captivity. So here we are seeing the children of Israel was carried into Assyria.

> ²⁴ And the king of Assyria brought men from Babylon, and from Cuthah, and from Ava, and from Hamath, and from Sepharvaim, and placed them in the cities of Samaria instead of the children of Israel: and they possessed Samaria, and dwelt in the cities thereof.

> ²⁵ And so it was at the beginning of their dwelling there, that they feared not the

LORD: therefore the LORD sent lions among them, which slew some of them.

23 Now man took the children of Israel out of their land, and then they repopulated the land with other people from Babylon and different places, just like they are doing today. People, they divided a nation and then they began to remove and relocate people. And that's the politics of the Day. And when they put them there now, It says:

...they feared not the LORD...

24 The people who they brought.

...therefore the LORD sent lions among them, which slew some of them.

²⁶ Wherefore they spake to the king of Assyria, saying, The nations which thou hast removed, and placed in the cities of Samaria, know not the manner of the God of the land: therefore he hath sent lions among them, and, behold, they slay them, because they know not the manner of the God of the land.

25 Now remember God has strange ways with His land, with His tabernacle and with His people. Remember when the Philistines took the ark and they carried it and put it in Dagon's house, they had trouble. They took people who are not for the land and they brought them in the land, they had trouble. Why? Because these things are thoughts of God with a design of God. This is not geography. The same way God's Church, you take people and try to stick them in God's Church and put them in places to do things, the Church will have trouble and God cannot bless it. Because God's Church is a thought in God's mind, it's a mystery in God's mind that when God sees it, it is a Body of which He is the Head. And His attributes are what make up the Body. So the Church is really a family. Do you understand?

26 That's why God cannot dwell in denomination. And that's why God cannot work in denomination. And though they have the Bible, and they are talking about God, and they are worshipping, and they are doing everything, and they are trying to follow what they see in the Bible, if they don't come in there by the New Birth, it is just a society, an organization of man.

27 When you understand that, you become very zealous to make sure what you are in does not become like one of that. And you make sure that you are not influenced by people who don't have a concept of what God's plan, and what God's Word is, and that their thoughts don't become predominant to compromise the Word of God.

28 And it is always a detriment to the True Church to have unconscious people in the Church who are spreading their unconsciousness as an influence to make people think like them. Do you understand? And they find, "I don't like what is going on there." You don't like what is going on there? If that is the Word, you better like it or you are in the wrong place. Make sure what you don't like, you don't like Scripturally. Not because It corrects you, and have to put you in place or something, you know. Do you understand?

29 You see sometimes people are zealous for the plan of God, the Word of God, what God desired to achieve in this day; and a lot of people, their minds are not on that. So when they are talking, and they are thinking, they are talking about their own person, or how they see it, or what they find, or what a family in a next church told them goes on in that church. That is not God's Church, you know. God's Church is chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world. It is a mystery. So much seed is allotted for a certain Age. Certain men are put as the messengers for the Age and nobody can take their

places. Do you understand what I am saying? Because natural Israel is a type of spiritual Israel.

30 So when we look here, what I am trying to bring to you... I'm not on anybody's case here. I am just, you know, trying to get things fixed in the church, because I want to see the Spirit in the church. Because without the Spirit you cannot do anything. You could pack the church with executives, you could pack the church with Bible school students, but the church will still be as dead, like if there were just a bunch of Arabians inside of here; because God's Church is designed to operate by God. He is the Dynamics and His attributes are the mechanics. Do you understand?

31 Now I realize what happens is a lot of people inside here, they don't think Scriptural. Not that they don't want to, but they don't have revelation. Not that the Word is not here, the Word is being spoken here. But a lot of people aren't taking time to really get the Word and get a hold of the Word and become the reflection of the very same Word.

32 Watch! So God sent lions because the people in the land... In that land God used to say-There were laws concerning that land, you know. After you reaped that land, you left things in the corners for the unbeliever. There were things in that land, you let the land rest and have her Sabbaths. Do you understand? That land is not a normal land. God's people are not normal people. God's economy is set up a certain way. That land used to be cleansed by atonement. "I will heal your land," God said. That land was designed, was chosen in the thoughts of God. Mount Zion was chosen to be His habitation forever. That place where they built that temple, it was by revelation they discovered that place, where the Angel sheathed the sword. And when they looked back at their history, that is where Abraham offered Isaac. And God said, "I will show you the place." And then God told them, "I cause the rain to come down here, the former and the latter rain in this land. It is not like Egypt."

33 And all of that was typing the spiritual economy of God. The Bride is not like denomination. The Bride in every Age was different. Because in the Bride in every Age, there was a mouthpiece from God predestinated. And the Bride in every Age had a receiving set to hear what the mouthpiece was saying to the Church, because the Spirit was speaking to the Church. And so it has been even to this very Hour. For two thousand years, God didn't fail that. Amen?

34 When we get there, this is not 'Third Exodus', and 'Longdenville'; and you bring the Message down into 'Trinidad's Message people' you know. This is leaving It where God has It, and this is coming up to live in It where God left It up there. And this is not you trying to bring It down here so we have a Third Exodus design, and somebody else has a next design, and everybody has a design in the Message. No, no, no. It is *the* Message, how It came from God. When It came, the Angels came in the form of a Pyramid. That is how It came. Do you get what I am saying? Verse 27:

> ²⁷ Then the king of Assyria commanded, saying, Carry thither one of the priests whom ye brought from thence; and let them go and dwell there, and let him teach them the manner of the God of the land.

> ²⁸ Then one of the priests whom they had carried away from Samaria came and dwelt in Bethel, and taught them how they should fear the LORD.

35 This is trying to teach people who are not really supposed to be in the land and of the land, the ways of the land, and the God of the land. This is schooling people into a thought that they are not really ordained to. This is bringing man-made religion among people. 36 That is why if there are people who are not for this, you can't school them into It. They will hear It a thousand times and don't get any faith. And the Elect, from the time they hear It, they start to catch faith. Faith comes by hearing, because they have something for that Word to fall into. They start to come into obedience to the Word. They don't fight up with anything. Once they see It in the Bible, they see the Prophet said It, they see It reiterated, that's good enough for them. Because if you fight up with the reiteration, you are fighting with the Prophet. If you are fighting with the Prophet, you are fighting with God. Because It is just flesh changing, but the Word was God's Own to begin with in the Bible.

37 It is strange how people could go for twenty-five years and can't even think that thought yet. That stubbornness could be so strong sometimes towards the Word of God. It's written in the Bible, revealed by the Prophet, reiterated by the five-fold ministry and still they have their way and they would not let go of their way.

> ²⁸ Then one of the priests whom they had carried away from Samaria came and dwelt in Bethel, and taught them how they should fear the LORD.

> ²⁹ Howbeit every nation made gods of their own, and put them in the houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, every nation in their cities wherein they dwelt.

> ³⁰ And the men of Babylon made Succothbenoth, and the men of Cuth made Nergal, and the men of Hamath made Ashima,

> ³¹ And the Avites made Nibhaz and Tartak, and the Sepharvites burnt their children in

fire to Adrammelech and Anammelech, the gods of Sepharvaim.

38 They are teaching these same people the fear of the Lord, but that teaching is not taking out the old custom, you know. That is just education from the new God, from the real God, added on to their old concept. So they would keep a feast on a certain day, they would obey that too, but they are not giving up these old things. These are the people who when they came in the land was in the land in Samaria, who said, "Let's us build because we worship your God too." They now, started to watch and see, "You are really in the land, you really know about a restoration, you really know about building, but you are not really separated from anything, and we believe in separation. We don't believe in mixing, but you are mixing and are comfortable. And you want to influence others to mix too because you mix." These are the people who they met.

39 So they looked at the people and realized, "You really have knowledge about that sacrifice. You really have..." Because a priest who used to be in the land taught you, but that priest was for hire by the Babylonians. He is casting the pearl to swines. Do you understand? And they said, "We don't care how much you talk about Jeffersonville, and Tucson, Arizona and the Sword on the mountain, and the Cloud, your dress is short; your dress is tight. And we don't care how you said, "Well, you all are baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ too." Do you understand? "But we are seeing the company you keep and the music you listen to."

40 There are too much of friendly, friendly people and they are becoming friendly with the world, and they are becoming an enmity to God. Just like the prophet told Jehoshaphat, "You love what God hates." You are making the things of God into detriment because you don't realize your association and your ties with those unbelievers are too strong. You can't keep your balance that that's not friendship. That's an acquaintance. That's a casual association with you on the job or something but that has its boundary. That doesn't get close to become an influence, where their opinion becomes valued. That's walking in the counsel of the ungodly. Do you understand?

41 Maybe I should be saying it softer. When you say this hard like this, people think that you are bringing a law on them. If I say it softer, you might see the wisdom in the thought and understand why I said 'you can't let that'. Because you see how those influences become corrupting and how it is a weakening thing in your spirit, and after a while you can't stand for anything. Your convictions do not go deep because you don't have any revelation of why your conviction should be deep. And you feel because they are talking things of God too, that means well it is a brother and sister. You have to know who is justified. You have to know who is sanctified. You have to know who has the Spirit. And you have to know who is not even justified, is a raw heathen, a reprobate.

42 When you don't know that, you'll have problems. You are just watching church clothes afterwards. By speech you should know, "This person was baptized and made a stand and I really see them going on to sanctification. This person, I see they carry themselves and they possess their vessel in sanctification and honor, and I see today where they are standing, they aren't just a good moral person. I could see there is a Power, there is an Influence, there is an Anointing in that life. When that person speaks, virtue comes forth and strengthens me. I could tell the Spirit operates in that life."

43 And then you can see, "That person is coming to church, they dress like us, they sing out of the same hymn book like us, but they are still the same. If you hear the kind of conversation they will carry on. If you see the kind of desires they have. And then when you watch and see, they talk for two hours or an hour and three-quarter and it's with natural worldly things." And then you know that too. You have discernment. You cannot survive without that understanding. It means you are walking and you cannot tell right from wrong. That is the ability to tell right from wrong. Because when are you going to get to knowing ninety-nine and ninety-nine percent of the truth, it's still error when you can't know those basic things. Do you understand what I am talking about? Verse 32:

> ³² So they feared the LORD, and made unto themselves of the lowest of them priests of the high places, which sacrificed for them in the houses of the high places.

> ³³ They feared the LORD, and served their own gods...

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44 That is what the Bible is saying. Capital L-O-R-D:

³³ They feared the LORD, and (conjunction) [they] served their own gods, after the manner of the nations whom they carried away from thence.

³⁴ Unto this day they do after the former manners: they fear not the LORD, neither do they after their statutes, or after their ordinances, or after the law and commandment which the LORD commanded the children of Jacob, whom he named Israel;

³⁵ With whom the LORD had made a covenant, and charged them, saying, Ye shall not fear other gods, nor bow yourselves to them, nor serve them, nor sacrifice to them:

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³⁶But the LORD, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt with great power and a stretched out arm, him shall ye fear, and him shall ye worship, and to him shall ye do sacrifice.

³⁷ And the statutes, and the ordinances, and the law, and the commandment, which he wrote for you, ye shall observe to do for evermore; and ye shall not fear other gods.

³⁸ And the covenant that I have made with you ye shall not forget; neither shall ye fear other gods.

³⁹ But the LORD your God ye shall fear; and he shall deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies.

⁴⁰ Howbeit they did not hearken, but they did after their former manner.

45 There was no place for that Word to fall into.

⁴¹ So these nations feared the LORD, and served their graven images...

46 Hybrid religion. Hybrid religion. Because they themselves were hybrid in their own spirit. A mixed tree – a tree of good and evil.

...both their children, and their children's children: as did their fathers, so do they unto this day.

47 So you see where this places us now. It says... They said,

...Let us build with you:

48 Now we're back to Ezra chapter 4, verse 2.

...Let us build with you: for we seek your God, as ye do; and we do sacrifice unto him since the days of Esarhaddon king of Assur, 49 The king of Assyria, who brought them there.

...which brought us up hither.

50 They are in the land, among the people of the land in the hour of restoration but when you trace their pedigree, their pedigree goes back to heathen nations. And when you trace the pedigree of the ones who came out of Babylon at the end of the seventh Age, their pedigree goes all the way back to Abraham, who God gave the land to. Do you understand? But they are together in the same land and they want to be united together in the same purpose. And that purpose is the plan of God for the Age – to rebuild the temple so God could dwell among them in the hour of restoration, after seven decades ran out and they came back in the land.

51 This here is a mystery for the Hour of restoration, the time at the end of the seventh Age, the seventh decade, when they are coming out of Babylon and being restored to their homeland, which we are fulfilling in this hour. And the objective was to rebuild the temple, because there was a promise, "With the rebuilding of the temple, *the* Desire of all nations shall come and the Glory of this latter house will be greater than the Glory of the former house; and do not despise the day of small things; that this house which was started when that foundation was laid, this work wouldn't come to its completion until the Glory fills this house."

52 And here in the course of that, they encountered a hybrid people – a people mixed with denomination, because they were from the nations; because of all their concepts of God and their different ways that they used to approach God in worship. But then, they became more enlightened with knowledge about the land and the God of this land, and then in the hour of restoration, they are there together and they are consulting them. But watch the people who came out, watch the kind of people they were. ³ But Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of the chief of the fathers of Israel, said unto them, Ye have nothing to do with us to build an house unto our God; but we ourselves together will build unto the LORD God of Israel, as king Cyrus the king of Persia hath commanded us.

53 Because Cyrus was the one who released them and caused them to return to the land, and it was spoken in prophecy in Isaiah 44:28, and Isaiah 45:1-6, that God said, "Cyrus will send them back to rebuild the house of God."

54 Maybe Wednesday, if the Lord will, I could speak that for you to show you how even before the temple was destroyed, over two hundred years almost, Isaiah gave that prophecy, and the temple, the original temple was not destroyed yet. And God was saying, "There is a man named Cyrus who is going to come, and he will release them to go back in their homeland," and Jeremiah wasn't even born yet, much more to prophesy, "They would be down there for seventy years."

55 Did you catch that? So what does that tell you? It's all settled in the thoughts of God. Us being in this Message, it was settled in the thoughts of God even before our great-great-great-great-great grandfather was born! You say, "Give me a Scripture for that." Malachi 4:5: "Behold, I will send you Elijah, and he shall turn the hearts of the fathers back to the children, and the children back to the fathers." Four hundred years before Jesus came and even died; before the Church even fell in the ground in the Dark Ages (is that right?) it was in the thoughts of God, settled.

56 And that's why the generation that sees Israel become a nation will not pass away. The Rapture has to go, friends. We are in the Hour, the last sign before the change of body, all of that had to come. That didn't come

by chance, and a man needs to get a gift in his life. That was preplanned before the foundation of the world, that that gift will be here; that Scripture will make up part of the Bible in a day like Sodom; that when that man comes he will go to that Bible. That man will take up the same position with his back to the tent, to the congregation where the doubting church is, and do a sign to the doubting church – the Elected Church that had the Promise.

57 Then that means if we are here walking this evening by revelation in a second cycle that was promised also in the Bible: "I would return according to the time of life." That was to follow that one man Scripture after he discerned the heart. There is to be an understanding where that woman is going to catch faith and judge Him faithful and receive strength to conceive Seed. That also is the Bible.

58 So we are talking about a God Who lets you speak His Word, His creative will left His mouth and He has the people raised up on the earth. And He knows the mechanics in those people, that Gene of God, and He comes with the revelation and causes them to step out and recognize that's the Truth, recognize that's their time and they go to anointing that Word and bring that Word to life. And that Word is made history in their own lives and they have the testimony of Jesus. And they will be oddballs to people because they will be talking about, "God could do that now." And they will be walking in that, and their faith is, "And they that know their God shall do great exploits."

59 They are the kind who don't watch what is going on and who wonder what is going on. They are the kind who do great exploits. They are the kind who step out and have faith in their Anointing. Like David said, "Today I will cut your head off." They said, "Here is a bragger already. He doesn't even have a sword. Do you see how man talks things in the flesh?" When he was dragging that head back, they couldn't even visualize he was cutting off his [Goliath's -Ed.] head with his own sword. Amen!

60 Faith goes into a realm where theologians and human understanding can't even think and don't even know it exists, because faith is a super sense beyond reasoning and imagination and these things. And that's why people need the Holy Ghost. That's why people need the Holy Ghost. Without the Holy Ghost, you will just tremble at people who talk there and step out there, and you will just be sitting there wondering if that could be.

61 When all those denominations... Doctor Davis said, "Billy, you had a nightmare." He said, "You have a seventh-grade education and you will pray for kings? Get next to yourself."

62 He said, "Doctor Davis, if you can't see that, I can see that because He referred to me Scriptures in the Bible."

63 See? This is where faith moves. This is where faith moves. Verse 4:

⁴ Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building,

64 They were resisted but they were not overcome. They resisted those spirits and those spirits used another method. Those spirits didn't speak and say, "Well, let us go and cry because they rejected us." No, no, no. They said, "We are not joining you all? We are going to make it difficult for you all. We are going to find a next way." And they found a next way, and they weakened their hands.

⁵ And they hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose...

65 What is God putting in the Bible here? An enemy who is determined to stop you from building the house that God wants to fill. If there is no house built, there can't be any filling. Do you understand? If there is no house built, there can't be any filling. If there is no filling, there can't be any Rapture.

66 So we can't be Calvinists. I can't sit and say, "Well, there must be a Rapture and I am going. And I am not filled and I am not built up into the Stature of Perfect Man? Where am I going? Maybe it is really having one but I am not part of it. That is the conclusion I have to come to. But if I am being built up into the Headstone, and every time I get tested to see if my faith is there or my virtue or my knowledge, or my temperance, and it is proving it is there." And not, "Saints, I fell in the flesh." And, "Saints, I fell in the flesh." And then I am going down this way and somebody has to pull me back, that is not building the house. That is idling on the job. That's idling on the job.

67 Because there is a Mountain where there are the Materials to build this house. Is that right? God didn't tell us to build a house without material. No, you have to *get* faith. You have to *get* virtue. You have to *get* knowledge. Where do you get knowledge to know your time and season? Does it come just like that? Go in the Mountain and start to hew the stones. And get the Rock of revelation and start to get understanding of what part of the Word you are, and then lay it there. And know what time you are in by the Bible, and your shadow and the Scriptures, and the prophecies.

68 And when temperance comes see where man fell who didn't have temperance. See where Samson, the Elect, was trying to build the house. See where David was trying to build the house. See where Joseph, tested, but he got the material. He got the material! And you know the rest of the story because I spoke on it two weeks ago. [Wednesday May 16th. 2007 -Ed.] They caused the building

to cease. They caused the building to cease. Who? The people who were right among them in the same land. They were there with them, not building with them but became a hindrance to them.

69 Ezra 9, quickly. We are getting ready to pray. Ezra 9. Before we get to Ezra 9... Yes, let's go straight to Ezra 9. I took that also last Wednesday. This is the restoration people. Now remember I went through with you and I showed you Revelation 18 is them coming out of Babylon. So there is a direct prophecy for the last days that a people is to be called out of Babylon at the end of the seventh Age. And Revelation 22, the Lamb's Wife, the City of the Living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, there is a direct prophecy that she would be returned to all her splendor and glory. There is a direct prophecy there. That's the glorification of the Church.

70 And the ones who are called out, they come into Marriage, they come into union. Revelation 19 Revelation 20, they have part in the first Resurrection. They will not be hurt in the second death. You know that! So Revelation 18 to 22 is direct prophecy of Ezra, Nehemiah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi, direct prophecy. One is shadow, one is prophecy in symbol form, and under this Message it's happening. Because the Angel who called us out of Babylon, one of the angels who had the Seven Vials, and the Angel who revealed the Lamb's Wife, Heavenly Jerusalem, was the same Angel. And the same Messenger that showed us and announced, "Babylon is fallen," is the same one who brings the restoration Message to bring Jerusalem, City of the Living God, the Lamb's Wife, the one that introduced Her to the Bridegroom. Amen?

71 So this is not made up. These are mysteries in the Bible under the Seventh Seal. This is where the Church is filled, returned to all Her glory that God had in His Mind for Her.

72 Ezra 9:

¹ Now when these things were...

73 No, I need read Ezra 7 to get something for you. Hold Ezra 9, and let me read Ezra 7. Now watch how I am typing this here. There were two returnings. The first group came out of Babylon under Zerubbabel and Joshua. The second one, they came out under Ezra. The first group came in Ezra 1, you heard where they came back and Ezra wasn't there. A lot of people got called out when the Prophet was here and came out of Babylon, but there were many in Babylon that was going to come out in years afterwards. Do you understand?

74 Ezra 7:

¹ Now after these things, in the reign of Artaxerxes king of Persia,

75 Right away there it's revealed.

...Ezra the son of Seraiah, the son of Azariah, the son of Hilkiah,

76 Who was king there? Artaxerxes, king of Persia. When Zerubbabel came out, who was king? Cyrus. Cyrus and then Darius and they. See? Now watch. But this is in the reign of Artaxerxes.

...Ezra the son of Seraiah, the son of Azariah, the son of Hilkiah,

² The son of Shallum, the son of Zadok, the son of Ahitub,

³ The son of Amariah, the son of Azariah, the son of Meraioth,

⁴ The son of Zerahiah, the son of Uzzi, the son of Bukki,

⁵ The son of Abishua, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the chief [high] priest...

77 This man, his genealogy is traced all the way back in the seventh chapter—He appears in the seventh chapter and his genealogy is traced all the way back to the original high priest. This was a man who knew his pedigree. The man's name means *helper*. He is a helper. You say, "Is that sounding like you?" Yes, that is sounding like me. That is me right there. I am sure that is me. And that is anybody who has that same spirit too, who is a helper to the Messenger of the Age. And that is anybody who knows their name is in the Lamb's Book of Life; because there were those kinds of people in the restoration hour who are coming up in the second coming out.

78 When the Prophet was down in the tomb, we were still in denomination. We came out as a next group. We weren't all there when he was calling from in 1956, calling out. We weren't there. We came out after he was already in the tomb and gone. Years ago I preached on this right here, Ezra, *A Helper In The Time Of Restoration*. [1993-1128-Ed.]

⁶ This Ezra...

79 Maybe he had known one or two others named Ezra too, so he said, "*This Ezra*," the one who is from the lineage of Phinehas. In that lineage there are men who take the javelin. They know about the javelin and the sword. They know about Aaron who could run to the altar and get incense and stand between the living and the dead, stand in the gap for the people. He came from that kind of lineage.

> ⁶ This Ezra went up from Babylon; and he was a ready scribe in the law of Moses, which the LORD God of Israel had given: and the king granted him all his request,

according to the hand of the LORD his God upon him.

⁷ And there went up some of the children of Israel, and of the priests, and the Levites, and the singers, and the porters,

80 So you are watching those ushers and those singers and things, he moves with them, this Ezra. He has priests and Levites with him.

...and the Nethinims, unto Jerusalem, in the seventh year of Artaxerxes the king.

81 Because in the first year of Cyrus, Zerubbabel and they went up. Then in the seventh year of Artaxerxes, Ezra is going up now. In other words, he is coming in the program later than the ones who were at the end of the seventh decade. He is kind of coming in a second ride here, a second move.

⁸ And he came to Jerusalem in the fifth month, which was in the seventh year of the king.

⁹ For upon the first day of the first month began he to go up from Babylon, and on the first day of the fifth month came he to Jerusalem, according to the good hand of his God upon him.

¹⁰ For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the LORD, and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments.

82 He was going up to teach. He was going up to Jerusalem to establish the people who had been called out at the end of the seventh decade in the land, and who were there long before him. He was going up to teach them and establish them. He was taught in the Law. He knew the Law of Moses. His heart was prepared to seek the Law of the Lord. He gave his life for seeking the Lord, and the Law of the Lord. And when he went up into Jerusalem... Do you know Paul went up into Jerusalem, and he met them who were before him too, who had come out of Judaism before him when Elijah and the Son of Man were revealed?

...and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments.

83 We will cut off there and drop over into chapter 9. So the purpose for reading there is to let you see in that second move... The first one they had problems. In the second move going up, you are going to find out how people are in the Message really long, but the condition that they come into, who made stands before, watch the same people now he met here. Chapter 9.

> ¹ Now when these things were done, the princes came to me, saying, The people of Israel, and the priests, and the Levites, have not separated themselves from the people of the lands...

84 We just read where the people of the lands had come from. We just read where they withstood the people of the lands. But years passed, years passed, and the same thing that they once destroyed, they were now rebuilding. The same people who withstood the people of the lands, now they are marrying to them. Do you understand?

85 A little time works a lot on the mind. You get a little formal after your first zeal dies out. You know the Word says, "You lost your first love," and God said, "Get back to your first love." Why? Because then He said, "I have not found your works perfect." They came out of Babylon under Luther, but they didn't go all the way to becoming Spirit-filled. They reached justification and stopped. They had the foundational Truth, "The just shall live by faith," but they stopped. And when they stopped, God said, "I have not found your works perfect." In other words, fulfilled.

86 You left Babylon for a purpose. You left mystery Babylon, because *Sardis* means *escaped ones*. Notice in this Book they called them, "The escaped." In Nehemiah 2 they called them, "The escaped." Though God delivered them, they were escaped. Though God delivered them by Luther, He called them, "Escaped ones." He said, "I have not found your works perfect." It means fulfilled. You didn't hold the beginning of your confidence steadfast to the end. You didn't go on to achieve the objective you were called unto. That is why Paul said, "Let us go on to perfection. There is a promise left us of entering in. Let us not stop short. Let us go on." Let us go on. Let us press in. Let the musicians come for me.

> ...The people of Israel, and the priests, and the Levites, have not separated themselves from the people of the lands, doing according to their abominations...

87 We read their abominations just now.

...even of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites.

² For they have taken of their daughters for themselves, and for their sons: so that the holy seed have mingled themselves with the people of those lands...

88 God called them, "Holy seed." Because the reason He couldn't leave them in Babylon, there was a Messiahic promise. Messiah had to come through Judah. And Judah was down there for seventy years, and God brought Judah back out. And the temple was in Jerusalem, which was the portion for Judah, where

they had control there. Because the king of Judah, that was the city of the king.

...yea, the hand of the princes and rulers hath been chief in this trespass.

89 Watch this man now.

³ And when I heard this thing,

90 He came in the Message and met all kinds of false union. He said, "Oh God, people don't understand. What did we come out of Babylon for? How do we expect to see the house built and the Glory fill it? So?" Old men and old ideas became predominant. People were respecting, "They were there first in the Message. What are you trying to change?" Remember Josiah?

91 They said, "Solomon had all this place left here. All those kings who followed Solomon left it."

92 He said, "Well, I don't care. Inside the Word that is wrong and that has to come down. If my father and my grandfather compromised, I surely want to please God."

93 Where is your zeal, tonight? What kind of Christian are you? Do you have convictions? Do you stand for something or are you one that has the theology, "That is the pastor's job and the deacon's job"? So you don't stand for anything. You don't tell anybody they are wrong. You are in a church where that job is assigned to other people. Your Christianity is just to go along and you have no witness and you don't testify against anything. You don't even have a little wisdom, or a little love to call somebody and say, "You are doing the wrong thing, my brother. Come. Don't do that. If you do that, the results are this, this, this, this, this. Watch it in the Bible. Sister, don't do that. Have patience. Wait upon God. Don't be influenced into crossing bridges you haven't reached. God is more than able. If you go in there you are going to get hybrid and you are going to bring a shame to the Name of the Lord. Don't you love

the Lord Who saved you from your sins? Is that all the value you have for the Blood of Jesus Christ?"

94 You say, "That is not my business." But it is your business to talk about it with somebody else. Your business is to gossip. You could get and say, "You didn't hear what is going on with them? You didn't hear about that one over there? Girl, I heard about so and so, and they talk about God and different things." Yes, and you were right there too, and you didn't say anything. But your conscience doesn't bother you when you sit to talk and gossip. And your mind is so darkened you don't realize that's a worse sin. That's a worse sin.

95 But in your self-righteousness, you see, "Well, look what that one did, I didn't do that." You are a sinner just like that one. Because if you are Light, whatever is Light doth reprove and make manifest. Light exposes. And when you have Light, Light can show somebody where they are in the dark, where they are in error. And when God gives you Light, it is not to decorate you like a Christmas tree. God gave you Light so that you can help somebody, you can have a Godly influence so somebody could know the way of the Lord by being in association with you.

96 But you see, you are claiming to be a Christian and you didn't learn responsibility yet. You are claiming to be an ambassador for Christ and you don't know how to represent Him yet. You are claiming you are in the Message, and you don't realize that the Message is that original Christianity that has come back to us, and what It has called us unto. You may not want to accept it if you have a spirit of popularity, but you are trying to preserve an image so nobody can say anything wrong about you. You say, "I never offended anybody in my life." Yes, you never even stepped on an ant either.

97 Remember love is corrective. If you have love for somebody, you would tell them that they are wrong. And

if you can't tell somebody that they are wrong, then that wrong is going to take them to their death, and you stand up there... And the Prophet said, "That is what I was doing when I wanted to go off the field and then God showed me my condition; and then God showed me where I was going to end up with that." Because he was teachable and he could repent, he threw up his hand in the air, humbled himself, came back to the church and confessed to the world.

98 And some of you get trouble to come and confess. You like private interviews. You like backdoor fix-ups. You say, "Not me! I would rather die." Well, you made your choice. Your choice came out of your own mouth, because you will end up dead, which is separated from God. No, you want to be real. You want to be real. Because the bottom line is to get the Spirit and the Spirit comes in and dwells on His terms. Before He comes into a life, He says, "Take that out. Remove this. Fix over that." In other words, He is going to give you the pattern for the house that He is going to dwell in. Man doesn't build a house for Him and invite Him in, you know. No, when He is going to dwell in a house, He gives you the pattern for the house. He says, "Build it according to here and I will come in." Find it in the Bible.

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

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

99 The word there means stunned, awestruck, appalled. He was like a shattered man. It also means devastated. "I was devastated. I was just blown away." Oh my God, how could that man in that house sit with his wife, and be in the church, and find that that relationship is okay, and is endorsing it, and is letting the person come home, and not coming to the elders of the city? Because they are not conscious that Babylon and Jerusalem have a difference. As far as they are concerned, this is church. As far as they are concerned, this is God's love.

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

100 Do you see who came to him? He said, "*Then were assembled unto me...*" The ones who came to him were the ones that trembled at the Word.

101 If we don't have a heart to tremble at the Word... Remember Josiah? When the words were read to Josiah, he didn't judge the Word, you know, he let the Word judge him. People hear the Word of God and they don't tremble. But in the restoration hour, there are those who tremble at the Word, because they know, "Heaven and earth will pass away but the Word cannot pass away." They know, "Not one jot or one tittle shall in any wise fail." And when the Pillar of Fire came in this Day to vindicate the Word, they know that is the proven Word of God. That's the more sure Word of prophecy; the Word made more sure. They know that's the endorsement because that's His Word. And to trample over that Word is to die. They know that. Because they know that's why it was vindicated, so we will not be confused as to what is true.

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

102 And remember, we are not just talking about in this spiritual sense, but anything that is of false union. Pergamos was friendship with the world – church and State. The sons of God saw daughters of men and took unto them wives. Ahab and Jezebel – Light and error mixing. Anything that is of light and error mixing, it's that same thing.

...and I sat astonied...

103 Devastated. Stunned. Appalled.

... until the evening sacrifice.

⁵ And at the evening sacrifice I arose up from my heaviness; and having rent my garment and my mantle...

104 And this is one of the evidences in the life of a people who could trace their genealogy all the way back to the great High Priest, Jesus Christ. This is one of the evidence in the lives of people who are in that second move, whose hearts are prepared to seek God. When a heart is prepared to seek God, and a heart abides in the Word, this is the condition the heart gets in to the things of God. Do you understand? This is the hour to know your heart's condition. This is just part two of what I was speaking there last week.

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

> ⁶ And said, O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God: for our iniquities are increased over our head, and our trespass is grown up unto the heavens.

> ⁷ Since the days of our fathers have we been in a great trespass unto this day...

105 I want to save a little time. I'm going to pick that up later in the week, but I want to drop over just quickly into a Scripture while you stand to your feet, in Deuteronomy 7. That was the Word that was being transgressed, Deuteronomy 7. That was the Word that he understood. And the knowledge of that Word is why it affected him so. It wasn't just because a man had a wife from one of those nations. And he said, "What is wrong with her? She is a nice girl. She is so quiet. I saw believers who have more temper than her." Wow, what a comparison! Do you know people find a way to justify things? "Well, she is not so bad after all. She is dressing better than many believers." That is not a justification.

106 God has a purpose. The problem was they did not themselves, but rather they mingled separate themselves. The holy seed mingled themselves with the nations, instead of separating themselves. It had to do with their Nazarite calling. They were to be Nazarites separated and consecrated unto God for a purpose. They were called out to be a holy nation, a peculiar people. We were called out of darkness to walk in this marvelous Light, to be a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a peculiar people, a holy nation; lively stones to build up a spiritual house. That is what we are called out for. And if we understand that thought in God's mind, and that calling, and that purpose God wants to fulfill in giving us that calling, then we will understand why it is such a great breach to go into false union. We will understand that.

107 Deuteronomy 7:

¹ When the LORD thy God shall bring thee into...

108 This is Moses, the Exodus prophet here.

¹ ...into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites...

109 And these were the same names in Ezra 1. These were the same names in Ezra 1 that they had joined themselves to.

...seven nations greater and mightier than thou;

² And when the LORD thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them:

³ Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son.

110 But hear God now:

⁴ For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you...

111 God said, "I love you right now. I am bringing you out under My prophet. You see My Pillar of Fire. You see My Pillar of Cloud. I am bringing you into the land to live where the fathers, Abraham and they lived, and I am giving you this for an inheritance. But, I brought you there for a purpose that I will dwell among you. But if you go now into this kind of union, and you do these kinds of things, then you are destroying all what I did to bring you here, and the purpose I have to fulfill. And if you do that, and you violate this thing:

...so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.

112 He is talking that with the same people he is bringing into the land. And this is Deuteronomy, and that means they were already coming out of Egypt, and they were on the verge of the Promised Land, about to enter in. Because after Deuteronomy is Joshua. *Deuteronomy* means *two laws* – they came out of, and they were coming into. And this is what God was speaking to them before they went in.

113 And Ezra who had sought the Law of the Lord with all his heart, this was the faith of the fathers. This was the faith of the fathers. And in the restoration Hour, they were coming back into the land to fulfill the original purpose God brought them into the land to begin with. And when he saw the condition of the people, that is why he acted they way he acted. Because he saw how God's purpose was hindered from being fulfilled, and he saw the people, the danger they were in, by a violation of the Word of God. Showing that the people had become insensitive to things written in the Word that they were supposed to know.

114 They were supposed to know these things in the Message of the prophet, because this was in Moses' Message. Moses got that from the Pillar of Fire up on the mountain. *Marriage And Divorce*, [1965-0221m -Ed.] he got that from the Pillar of Fire on the mountain. He taught us how that threw the whole world into chaos.

115 But we have come to an Age of boyfriend and girlfriend. We have come into an Age of fancy betrothals. And matching pink, and blue, and green, and yellow, and it has just become a matching Age, until nobody's experience is matching the Word anymore. It has become pageantry. This brother wants to go along with this sister for a while like a girlfriend, then he cuts that off because he already found another one. He switched channels. 116 Please don't come and tell me these things. You are telling it to the wrong man. Get a contract taken out on me, take me off the scene and put me in a box. But while I am alive, I will fight those things down to the end. My zeal is to see a church filled with the Spirit of God. It is to warn a people, "Stay with what the Prophet said!" This is the way of Life, this is the way of death. Hearken unto me, let me teach you the Word of God.

117 If you cannot submit to what I am teaching you, you are in the wrong church. Find your Minister. The ones that I am ordained to take in, already before the foundation of the world, they have something to recognize me and submit to me. When I am bringing mine, I am bringing mine from the Bible and the Message. When you are bringing yours, get yours from the same place. We will dovetail. If we are clashing, you are getting yours from a next source. God has a purpose. Hear what God told them:

...so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.

⁵ But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire.

118 God said, "I am sending you in the land not to compromise, not to support, not to build up that thing, but to get rid of that thing from around you." He said:

⁶ For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.

119 Do you see what the Bride is? Do you see what the people are that Moses called out of the exodus? Do you see the people that God came down on the mountain, and vindicated the Word of a prophet to take a people

in? It is a special—Tell me another people on the earth who have a prophet with a Pillar of Fire and a Pillar of Cloud? Tell me another people on the earth that you know? Do the Hindus have it? Do the Muslims have it? Do the Baptists or Pentecostals have it? Nobody has it. The Bride has that. And the reason the Bride has that, He said:

> ...thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.

120 That's why He talked about, 'Spoken Word', and 'greater works', and 'Rapture', and these things, because this is what He wants – to bless you above all the people that are upon the face of the earth.

⁷ The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people:

121 Catholics have one billion. Anglicans and they are in the millions and millions. We are the fewest. You are the fewest.

> ⁸ But because the LORD loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

> ⁹ Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations;

122 We want to go to pray. God's people were to be a separated people. In Exodus 19, He said, "You shall be

unto me a kingdom of priests." And in the New Testament it is the same way. When the greater than Moses came and called them out, he said, "You are a royal priesthood. You are a holy nation. You are a chosen generation. You are a peculiar people. Lively stones building up a spiritual house; a habitation for the Spirit." [1st Peter 2 –Ed.]

123 God has a vision for the people He calls. God has a standard for the people He calls. God has a purpose for the people He calls. Know if God really called you, friends. Because if God called you, this is what He called you unto.

124 That's why Ezra when he saw the Word—In other words, "What did we come out of Babylon for then? What did we come back in the land of the fathers for, if we have to join up with it? If we have to compromise, and we have to kind of blend in, then—We didn't come out of Babylon to be in the ecumenical move." The rest of the religious world is uniting together in the ecumenical move. But God separated the Bride from the system. Satan is pushing all of them to unite together. But God separated the Bride to be different from all. The head over that is the Antichrist spirit. The head over this is the Holy Spirit. And that's why we have to be built up to fit into the Holy Spirit, to take the Headship over us. That's what we are here for.

125 I implore you tonight, I beseech you tonight, I beg of you tonight, you are here in this church in this Hour, seek God with all of your heart. Get that wishy-washy compromising 'grey' spirit, where they can't tell you are different from the world. You have to be a written epistle read of all men. And if something inside of you find, "That is a hard life," you are not of God. Because the Bride has the Deep. In other words, the reason She can't fit in the world and is searching for something is because She already knows, "I am not part of this." 126 As a sinner I left the world. When I got so sick with the world, I knew that was not it, and I wanted something other than the world. And when I found that, I never had not one thought for thirty-four years, (I say this before God, that He would smite me dead,) that I wanted to go back. I never got that thought. Go back to what, to be a slave? To smoke a cigarette? To drink some whiskey? To go and commit fornication? To go in a party and behave like I am crazy, and wave a flag with some idiot up there full of the devil trying to get me to do what he's doing? Go back to what? A world that I know the atomic bomb is going to cremate? Go back and believe there is no Pillar of Fire, it didn't have any Prophet; no Angels came, no Seven Seals opened, no Rapture? Go back to what?

127 Conviction – look for it in your life, tonight. When you go on your knees, take a look at yourself in the mirror of the Word. We are here, we are here to build. We are here to finish the house. We are expecting the filling, that's why we are building. It is the end of the seventh decade.

128 We saw the Glory in one temple already, "Let there be," and there was. We saw what was in that temple was temporary. The fullness is going to come in the collective Body, the same thing. He drew it, the Stature of a Perfect Man, revealed by vision from the Word, and showed us how to build the temple to be filled with the Glory, to teach us to become the living tabernacle of the Living God. The real Heavenly Jerusalem, the Lamb's Wife – faith of His faith, Life of His Life, Spirit of His Spirit, Word of His Word, works of His works to become that. Do you believe that, tonight? Let God give us conviction. "*Empty me, dear Lord.*"

> [Song #266 - Songs That Live –Ed.] ...dear Lord, Of all myself and pride;

129 I preached to myself too, tonight.

...dear Lord,

130 Because I know where we are at and what we have, can't finish this work. I don't want to live twenty years again on this earth. I want to get out of here, friends. My best years are gone. I want to go.

...loving Lord,

Until I am just like a little child,

So your will could be done in my life.

131 Oh, sing it again, "*Empty me, dear Lord*." Every hand raised to Him as a sign of surrender.

Empty me, dear Lord,

132 Of unbelief inside

Of unbelief inside,

Let me never pretend,

133 Take that away from us, Lord. That is for Hollywood actors. We don't want that.

...pretend

134 Remove fears and doubts within;

135 Bring in love, bring in faith.

... and doubts within;

136 Empty me,

Empty me,

Oh my loving God,

Until I am just like a little child,

So Your will could be done in my life.

137 As we go to pray, keep this before you: God called us out for a purpose – to become a holy nation, to dwell in us, and to be with us. He made us a people above all

the peoples of the earth, a peculiar people, a holy nation, a kingdom of priests, Nazarites. A people separated and consecrated for a purpose, not to be mingled, not to destroy the holy seed. A people through whom the Messiah is to come through and show Himself, and show His Glory, and His power and His fullness.

138 That's why Ezra was so moved. He understood the purpose that that people was called out at the end of the seventh decade and brought back in the land. He knew what God's thoughts were for that people. And he saw the people losing sight of it, and he desired to keep them in the continuity of their original objective, of their first purpose why God called them out.

139 And that's all that we are trying to do, today. You have been called out for a purpose in this Hour. It's been foreshadowed in the Book of Ezra. The same things that are happening to you, he, the enemy is trying to weaken your hands, is trying to frustrate your purpose and trying to get you to stop. And when he gets you to stop, then he hybrids you. He mingles you with the world. If no temple is being built, and God cannot come through, the Messiah cannot come through a hybrid, polluted people. He wins both ways. Do not be robbed, tonight. Catch the vision.

[Song #61 - Songs That Live –Ed.]
Search me, O God,
And know my heart today;
Try me, O Saviour,
And know my thoughts, I pray;
See if there be some wicked way in me;
Cleanse me from every sin, and set me free.

140 Let us build this house. Let us become His living tabernacle. Let us be filled with this Glory. He said, "Be

ye separate; touch not the unclean thing. What communion could Light have with darkness? What fellowship could Christ and Belial? What concord, what agreement could the temple of God and idols? Be ye separate. Touch not the unclean thing and I will receive you, and I will dwell in you, and I will walk in you," saith the Almighty God. "I will be your God, and you shall be My people."

141 This is God's desire, for us. This is what we want to desire. The enemy has a plan to hybridize our spirit, to weaken us, to blind us from our original objective, to take away our convictions, and our principles and make us wishy-washy, to frustrate the purpose of God.

142 God, give us strength, tonight that we could fight a conscious fight; we could wage a strategic warfare. Oh God, our God, tonight, we draw near to You. Let us not fall into the trap like those who came back in that land. Let us be the Ezra's of today. Let us be the Nehemiah's of today.

143 Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

[The church goes into prayer. –Ed.]

144 Thank You, Lord. Blessed be His wonderful Name. Thank You, Jesus. I want to read something here out of this Message, *A Blushing Prophet* [1956-1125e, para. E-5 to E-8 – Ed.] where the Prophet spoke on this because this is where we are taking this inspiration from. He said:

145 Now, Israel was a chosen, elected, selected people. That God had chose Israel for one specific purpose, that the blood of Israel should be the cleanest bloodstream. For out of that lineage was going to come the Messiah Himself.

146 Now, we find that Israel was not to mix marriage. Their marriage was to be among one another, not no Israelite to ever marry a Gentile, but was to keep their bloodstream clean. And even till this day I believe the Jewish bloodstream is the cleanest blood--bloodstream on the face of the earth today, is the Jew. [They are] still looking for that Messiah. ... We know that He [has] already come; and their eyes were blinded that we could have a chance of repentance through Christ.

147 Now, during the time of the reign of Ezra, the children of Israel had become backslid. They had went out and got the Moabite women. And they had got the women of the Amorite, the Perizzite, and many of the other nations, and had not only had married them, but was committing fornications among them, uncleanliness, and polluting the very bloodstream which is the life stream.

148 And what a picture that is today of our churches, the way they're falling away from the old fashion hewing line that God laid down for the church, the precepts that we were to live by.

149 Think, friends. You say, "Well Bro. Vin, I think, you know, that should be for the people who are doing that, not us." It was Ezra who was praying like that. It was Nehemiah who was praying like that – men who were not in that condition. It was the Spirit of Christ in the people praying that way, when they saw the ones around them and connected to them who came out of Babylon in the land; those who they knew, who they shook hands with, who they hugged; who they went up in the house of God with.

150 Remember in a church like this you could never be without excuse. God lays down that too straight every betrothal, over and over, scripturally. God sits and counsels you. God teaches you. A Prophet taught you, *Choosing A Bride*, [1965-0429e -Ed.]; how to choose. The same Eliezer in this Day, "Put your hand on My thigh and sware that you wouldn't go among the Canaanites."

151 That is the evidence of a people who amnesia is setting in, in them. They are forgetting who they are.

They are forgetting where they came from. They are forgetting what they came into the land for. They are forgetting why God had made them His people. They are forgetting that the purposes of God have not yet come to its completion. We have not yet arrived. We are striving to become so full. We are not a sin-free church. The apostles in Acts were a sin-free Church, where Ananias and Sapphira fell down dead. We are coming back there. We are striving for that. If we had that here, we wouldn't have needed all these chairs. We would not have needed such a big building. Notice:

152 And what a picture that is today of our churches...

153 What I am preaching here is to say, "God, I want the heart like Ezra. Because if I am seeing that I am not really wanting to step aside and cry out, then I, myself, who is my type? If I look at Nehemiah, where is the type? If I keep quiet, how could I be like them? They didn't keep quiet. If I say, 'It is okay', I am not like them."

154 What makes us Bride? Our lives and the Word has to match together. You tell me those people when they saw it, they came and said, "We will separate. We must do what the Word says." They were seeing a man there. It wasn't the Pillar of Fire on Mount Sinai. They were seeing a man saying that. They could have said, "That is your interpretation." Instead, they knew that *that* was the Word and they came and said, "We will do what you said, and we will put away these things."

155 Then if I am among those people and preaching this, what am I looking for? If we are really those people, ought I not supposed to see that follow? You ask me. Are we a Bible people or not? Do we believe these things or not? And if for any other reason other than the Word of God that you can't line up, then do you know what that means? You have drifted off the Word. That means you no longer hold the Word with great earnestness like when you started. That means somehow your spirit has come down to become adaptable. That means that you are not overcoming. That means you have stopped fighting.

156 And why should you stop fighting when there remaineth very much land yet to be possessed. Because if we can do that, Jesus can marry a denomination. If we can do that, Jesus can marry a denomination. Because if we are saying that we have His Life and we can do that, then His Life can do the same; and we know that is not so.

157 The Hour has come for people not just to believe the Word but to become the Word. Not just to believe the Word but to become the Word. And the only way you could become the Word is if you are a thought. And if you are a thought, a word is a thought expressed. And if you can't become the Word, then you were not in the thinking. Then you were in another loins, not the loins of the Good Sower. Because the children of the Kingdom were sown by the Good Sower. That is the Seed He sowed.

158 Those are the ones who are being threshed. The rest are not being threshed. And if these are fleshly things around us, ought it not to be threshed off? And is it not the oxen who thresh? How will it get threshed if the hooves of the oxen don't tread it? Are we to start back over the Book of Ruth, or have we forgotten? Do you see?

159 Then if you know it have those in that, have you gone to them? Have you spoken to them? Have you reported it to the elders of the church? Then do you love the church? Then are you supporting this what is going on here or are you supporting sin? Did you all see the stand that I took? If you want to go on with God, you can't play church. That is why we have too many people, they don't know God means this Word. They are finding out. They are finding out God means what He says. People think God is like them – say a thing and don't mean it. After a while, they bring down God to their level.

160 Sometimes people see things going wrong and before they come to the elders, say, "Maybe my influence is not strong enough, would you talk to this person for me? Would you talk to my son? Would you talk to my daughter? Would you try to help them? Am I doing something wrong? Am I approaching it wrong? Why can't I win them back? Am I allowing things to go too far?"

161 You should be interested. Don't be church members and get, you know, scared every time you hear a hard Word. Sit, examine yourself, take inventory, where things are identified that it is going wrong, start to purpose in your heart, "You see this, I am changing that. You see this, my attitude about that would be different. You see this, I need to study that a little more because I never realized that was so important." All that is going to do is build you up to be a more mature Christian. It is going to make you a little more solid in the Word that you would be able to help others.

162 I alone cannot do this work. I need your help; you need my help. We need each other's help. This is not about pointing fingers at anybody. This is us... When they were building back that temple, and that wall, every man was involved. Everybody who came back, came back with one objective. God spoke collectively. Israel, He saw them as one. All twelve tribes, He saw them as one. The hearts of the children will be turned back. He saw them as one. Every individual will make up that Body.

163 God spoke, that Word is on tape and it is going to every land and picking up the ones. But as far as God spoke, He spoke there through the Prophet to everybody who are part of the Bride, regardless of where they were in the world. Whether he stood in Jeffersonville, in Arizona, in Dallas, when he spoke, he spoke to an Age. He spoke to a people around the world.

164 And what a picture that is today of our churches, the way [they are] falling away from the old fashion hewing line that God laid down for the church, the precepts that we were to live by. The church is committing fornication with the world. It's got out into the world...

165 Do you see how he brought it spiritually?

166 *The church is committing fornication with the world.*

167 The church is becoming hybridized, going into false union with the world. That's a marriage, a mixed marriage.

168 It's got out into the world, and begin to dally in the world.

169 Now, this had embarrassed the prophet so much till when he come before God he blushed in His face. The first [when] he heard about [it]... [He seen] ... the moral decay of his people, it hurt him so bad until he [sit] down and anointed himself, plucked his hair out and his beard out, and was heavy hearted before the Lord in prayer. Then when the evening sacrifice was offered, he went into the temple and fell on his knees and blushed before God for the sins of [his] people.

170 Now, he didn't blush for the scarlet streak of the red light district. He didn't blush for the booze drinkers in the hell hole, although as bad as it may be. But he blushed because [of] the sin of the elect.

171 "He blushed because of the sin of the Elect." Because God set His affection on this people above all the peoples of the earth.

172 And what we need today is some more prophets with enough God in their hearts to blush in the Presence

of God for the sins of the people who call themselves the people of God and doing the way they're doing.

173 He said, "That is the need today." Don't you want to be one of those Ezras? Don't you want to have one of those spirits inside of you? We don't have it, but God could give it to us. If we see what it will do if we get it, then shouldn't we seek it? It wouldn't make us worse, it will make us better. Isn't that right? It will make us a better people. It will make us a more powerful people. It will make us a stronger people. It will make us a more fortified people. It will make us a brighter light, a greater witness.

174 Let us just sing this little song as we close, "*There's a Voice calling me*." Not my voice, the Voice of His Word. I gave you a pattern to look at, at the end of the seventh decade in the Hour of restoration, when they came back in the land of their fathers, even in the second move in the time of that restoration. "*There's a Voice calling me*."

Song #267 - Songs That Live –Ed.

There's a Voice calling me

- 175 From an old Rugged Tree From an old Rugged Tree
- 176 And It whispers, "Draw closer to Me,
- 177 Oh, leave this world far behind, *... far behind*,
- 178 There are new heights to climb,
- 179 Let us climb it, tonight.

...to climb,

180 And a new place in Christ

...in Me you will find"

181 How many are willing to pay that price, tonight?

182 And whatever it takes

And whatever it takes To draw closer to You, Lord,

183 That's a holy man's taste. That's a thinking man.

That's what I'll be willing to do, Oh my, "And whatever it takes." ...it takes

184 For my will to break,

...to break,

185 That's what I'll be willing to do,

186 What a conviction! What a conviction!

...I'll be willing to do.

187 I'll trade sunshine for rain,

I'll trade sunshine...

188 Let's confess it with faith, not to be afraid. God will give us the strength to do it. We can do all things through Christ Who strengthens us. It will be a work of Christ, not you. Christ in you is doing it. Oh my!

189 That's what I'll be willing to do.

190 You make yourself available, you open your heart, you let the Holy Spirit come in, He will do it through you. "Not by might or by power, but by My Spirit," saith the Lord.

...and whatever it takes, For my will to break,

191 That's what...

That's what I'll be willing to do.

192 Oh my, it is going to cost us, friends.

Take the dearest thing to me,

193 Can we do that? Are we desiring this so much that we will give up everything to see this Word fulfilled in us?

194 If that's how it must be,

...it must be,

Oh, to draw me closer...

195 What a privilege to come closer to Him, where greater power, greater love could work through us!

196 Let the disappointments come,

Let the disappointments come, Lonely days without the sun,

197 That is not too bad. We have gone through some of that already in our lives.

198 If in sorrow, more like You I'll become

...more like You I'll become

199 And whatever it takes,

And whatever...

200 Oh God, we mean that tonight, Father. Drive it down in our hearts. Give us the strength and the conviction, and oh God, we would go deeper than just singing here now, from the bottom of our souls.

That's what I'll be willing to do, Jesus.

201 Hold our hand, and take us into the deep, Lord. Let us not be fearful of walking there. Oh my God, we want You to work Your work in us and through us.

... for my will to break,

202 That's what, that's what,

I'll be willing to do, I'll trade sunshine for rain,

203 Hallelujah!

204 Rain is not too bad. Rain washes away defilement. Rain makes clean, friends.

...for pain,

205 That has some lightning and thunder in it, yes, but Rain is going to bring Life. Rain will nourish and sustain.

...willing to do

206 Oh, whatever it takes

...whatever...

207 We are not going to be afraid. Jesus will walk in us. Jesus will strengthen us. He will do a greater work in us than He has ever done before. Just let go and let Him have His wonderful way.

That's what I'll be willing...

208 The people took sides against their own selves to see the Word fulfilled.

Take my houses, take my lands,

209 Take sides against yourself as you sing it, and take your side with Jesus Christ, even against your own self. They said, "We must do what that Word says."

210 Take my dreams and my plans,

...and my plans,

211 Oh my, for I'm placing my whole life in Your hands,

212 Do it, tonight, without reservation.

And if You'll call me today

213 He could call us any time, even before we get home tonight.

214 To a land far away,

...far away,

215 Then I'll go and Your will obey

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...and Your will obey

216 Every hand raised to Him.

217 And whatever it takes, tonight!

…it takes,

218 To draw closer to You, Lord,

219 Conscious, sincere, with conviction, while we stand here singing.

220 That's what...

221 Search in your own heart.

222 ...I'll be willing to do,

...to do,

223 Transparent before Him.

And whatever it takes, Father,

224 We lay down our head, our feet, our fat, our inwards.

... for my will to break,

225 That's the only thing that keeps us from fulfilling that.

That's what...

226 Be willing, tonight, a willingness to pay the price.

I'll trade sunshine for rain,

227 Hallelujah!

Comfort for pain,

228 Let us get out of that comfort zone, tonight. Let Him place us where He wants.

That's what I'll be willing to do;

Oh, and whatever it takes, tonight.

229 Hallelujah!

For my will to break That's what I'll be willing...

230 Every head bowed, every eye closed, every heart sincere, looking at what is required. If we could have a church full of Ezras... When he preached on Samson, he said, "May the Samsons of God rise in this Hour and pay that price." When he preached on Daniel, he said, "May those end time Daniels rise." When he preached on Ezra, he said, "We need a church full of Ezras in this Hour."

231 Oh my! We could be touched by what is going on in the midst of the Elect; not just here, but in the economy of God. Let us purpose in our hearts, we want to walk in sincerity. We want to be a real Christian, not 'churchianity'. We get too adapted to church, and group, and we become so desensitized, and we pick up little spirits, and we get in our own little religious cloak, and our little religious ideas, and our own self-styled ways.

232 But think as a representative of Jesus Christ. Think of you being a representative of the Lord, a Spiritfilled believer. Christ walking in your feet, speaking through your lips, thinking with your mind. That wherever you are, you are the salt of the earth, and the Light of the world. His Light could shine through you. You know that you are the standard that He has raised in this Hour when the enemy has come like a flood. You have eaten the Book.

233 Ezra ate the Book. Ezra was the priest. He ate the Book. He set himself to seek the Lord. That's why he could act that way. He knew what Israel was. He knew God's thoughts for Israel. He knew how God had forewarned what was going to happen through false union. This is the Hour, "As it was in the days of Noah," the time of the exodus before they entered into the full promises, the time of Balaam. Ezra knew these things in the Word in the hour at the end of the seventh decade, in the hour of restoration; false union.

234 That's why we see so much of it today, because we have been forewarned. The sons of God failed to make it into the Ark, those that failed to make it into the promise; those that came back into the land, and again was failing.

235 Let us finish this work, friends. Let us build this house. Let us be separated. Let us maintain our Nazarite calling that we are a kingdom of priests, a people who have access to God through the opening of the Seven Seals. The veil is being rent, giving us access into the Word for the full inheritance, for the full blessings of God. Let us stand there by the grace of God. We want to ask Bro. Neville to come and pray and ask God's blessings and dismal, tonight.

[Bro. Neville prays. –Ed.]

236 Amen. Praise His wonderful Name. You may have your seat. God bless you. Praise His mighty Name.

237 You know I was telling you the other night, saints, we went out to Guyana there doing kinsman work, trying to redeem the fallen and the broken, but we have that same thing in our own midst to do too. See, many times people sit in church, and they say, "Oh yes, we are doing that", and they think that the whole church is caught up in that. But we have those things right in our midst. We have fallen, broken people just like that over there, and if nobody goes there, they will die. And if nobody goes to the ones right in the midst here, they will die too.

238 And that's why this is what the Spirit of God in people is for. The Spirit of God is not just to make you feel like charged. The Spirit of God comes in you to finish the work. What is the Holy Ghost given for? To continue the same work and finish it, making you a coworker to go and help redeem your lost fallen brother. That's what the Holy Ghost is given in you for.

239 Sometimes it makes you think that the reason people don't dash out in the forefront, the Holy Ghost is not there. So that's why they stand and they look at it, and they wonder, and they draw back. But if the Holy Ghost is there, the Holy Ghost pushes you to go after that person. And say, "How could you do that, brother? How could you do that, sister?" If somebody wants to follow that same example, and somebody is drifting out, say, "No, no, no. Come back here and sit. Let me talk to you all a little bit here. Let me rehearse before you where we have come, where we are. We came out from among those things and we have to make sure it doesn't come back in among us. You are losing your first love when you start to look on those things. You are losing your first love."

240 When your heart is burning with the love for the Lord, you are taken up with one objective – to please Him. You want to please Him. And I think these things are missing in lives many times. Because we get serving God so long, nobody is trying to please the Lord anymore, because they take for granted that they are pleasing Him.

241 What are they doing? Coming to church. It is far beyond that. Far beyond coming to church, is pleasing God. And Jesus in you is the same yesterday, today and forever. The same Jesus doing the same things in you, friends. That's what.

242 May God strengthen us. You see, sometimes, we tell ourselves, "Well, we can't do... We can't do... And we can't do..." But you say, "I can do all things through Christ. It is God's desire for that. I make myself available. If You can use anything, Lord, You can use me." That's where the desire is. And sometimes God has

things that He says, "Let Me see what you are going to do about it."

243 That's the parable of the Good Samaritan. You pass and you watch the person, "I don't have the time today." You pass, "Well, I sure am not going to go out of my way for all of that because he never did anything good for me. I know him and he always used to feel," or "she used to always think, and," you know, "let their family or somebody help them." The Good Samaritan, he got off of his beast, he took off his own clothes, he began to rip it and tear it, and started to pour oil and wine on that man's wounds, and bandaged him. He put him on his beast, and he started to walk. He let him ride and took him to the inn.

244 God lets things happen many times. Because how can He fulfill the Word? Greater love hath no man than this than a man who laid down his life for his friend. As I have loved you, so you should love one another. Well, others have to be in that kind of condition where we were in when He came to us. And where they are there, He lets you pass by, and He says, "Didn't I do that for you some years ago? But didn't I do that for you? Weren't you there somewhere?" But afterwards we get holy and high, and we become judges, not redeemers. Do you see? Let our lives be lived for Him. Let it be a sweet-smelling savor unto Him.

245 As Bro. Branham said, "And if you talk to them and they keep going, you want the love to run down the bank for them." He said, "It will take that to see the Third Pull go into action." And the Third Pull will start the Rapturing faith. So that means the Church has to be in that condition for the Third Pull. That's the heart condition that foreruns the manifestation of the Third Pull, the Spoken Word, and these things.

246 Then when we see the Word, look at a man's heart condition, we look at our heart condition, we look at

Nehemiah's heart condition. They sat for days and wept, and mourned, and began to pray, and then they were repenting like if they did it themselves. And let's be honest we don't pray that way. We pray for, "Me, and what I want, and what I want on the job, and what I want God to do." But how come these are the kinds of prayers mentioned in the Bible, and the kind we pray are not written in the Bible? And the one written in the Bible is where the Spirit was praying. Do you understand?

247 I am trying to bring a Word to you to say, "Won't you come higher up in God?" Do you want to live here in this church life? That doesn't even count before God. Let's come up here. Let's take this kind of example. Let's take this kind of pattern. Let's step back in the examples in the Bible. Let's try to identify, let's try to operate through there. It will amount to something. Because if God accepted Nehemiah's prayer and God accepted Ezra's prayer, He has to accept that same prayer when it comes back through you and me. But if we pray one of our own that we fashioned out that doesn't have these elements in it, God can't smell it. It wouldn't go up before Him.

248 This is going to bring the thing that we are seeking. We are all looking to rise. We all are looking for the power and the charge, and the greater works, and the revival, and the move of God. Have you ever seen one without prayer? Have you ever seen one without repentance and confession? Have you ever seen one without love? See? We have to make it. We have to make it happen. We have to show God that we are hungry for that. And if that is promised, then we could have that.

249 What a time! What a time! "Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true." I tried so hard years ago when I saw what was going on in the Message, to pull this little church away from that, tried to get this church into the Word to see what the standard was. I don't want that kind of thing to come here, friends. If these are the last few species that are endangered, you want to keep it that way. Because if we all just say, "We are in the Message," we come to church and we have no fight, and we have no victory, and we don't know what is going on, and we are not sure if we have the Holy Ghost; we are waiting for a man in the States to come, and we are going in a prayer line, and somebody will put their hand on our heads, and... I am trying to lead you above that.

250 Do you know what struck me in that chapter 9? I didn't read the part with it. Those people came, they started to come from everywhere, and they said, "We will do this thing." And they said, "This is a big work because there are a lot of us who are in that condition." And they set up judges, and they set up places in the cities of Judah, and people were going to their elders, and they were sitting there, and they were going through matter by matter by matter. And they were bringing everything to a place in the condition that Jerusalem had to be in before the Glory came.

251 That is why in the Book of Revelation 21 and 22, there is an Angel with a measuring Reed, measuring the City, measuring the temple, measuring the wall. Don't think that this is like, "Bro. Vin is preaching hard." No, no, no. They were measuring it. Zerubbabel, when they were building back the temple, had the plummet in his hand, and was measuring it, and was making sure the Headstone could come down on it.

252 What was our Old Year's Night prayer? "Put on the Capstone. Cap the pyramid of our lives. Open the Rock beneath the Rock. Give us the Hidden Manna. Raise up the mighty warriors of the faith. May Your great magnificent holy blessings rest upon us." If we play back that same tape, you would see yourself coming to the altar, the table. You would see yourself taking the bread. You would see yourself with your hand up in the

air when that was going forth. It is on DVD in the library. You watch your own self going through that, and then you watch yourself five months after. And see if in five months, when you are walking in that place and these things coming to pass, if you are standing there. You would see your own self there. The camera would be on you. You will go through the service and you would see that you were there. "I was there Old Year's Night. I made the prayer. I took the Lord's Supper. I went back in my seat. I sat there and I was praying." And you would see yourself praying right there in your seat.

253 Five months after you should be stronger, moving forward, more threshed, more coming into garnering condition. Or five months after, you are realizing, "I thought I was threshed grain, but the kind of things that came up in me after five months from that, I realized, I said, 'Lord, thresh me. Thresh me, Jesus. Get me in garnering condition."

254 But friends, you take it from me, the hour is late. Remember one of those days when that door swings shut, people will go along thinking that they are being saved, and it will be over. Don't play with this, friends. Our time is becoming shorter and shorter while we could gather together like this. The time is going to come you can't have any books and DVDs, you know. They are taking away all of that from you. The only thing that you would have is the Word in your heart that no man can take from you. That is the place It has to go. And when the temple is built, and the Glory is in the temple, then you know the temple is not to be destroyed anymore. When the Glory comes in the temple this time, it is to take it out. It was broken down before but when it comes back in the latter days, it will not be broken down. It will be the living tabernacle of the Living God.

255 You read, *The Stature Of A Perfect Man* [1962-1014m – Ed.] and you will see what he is teaching there. He said,

"I am going to teach you how we are building the house of God now, and you are that house. And I am going to show you what you have to have in you to be the living tabernacle for the Living God." And here is the Prophet at the end of the seventh Age teaching us to rebuild the house of God so the Glory could come back.

256 Take, *The Blushing Prophet*, here he is at the evening time, at the evening sacrifice, he comes out and he watches the church that is supposed to be going in the Rapture, the ones he had around him at that time, and he couldn't even get them to dress right.

257 Then we came in, and we started off in zeal; but our hands got weak, our purpose became frustrated and we dropped everything. And then God had to raise up new men now: Haggai, Zechariah, and them. And watch the kind of Message they brought to the people. He stirred them to rise up and do. What they saw like a big mountain, he said, "That will become a plain before you." All the hindrances, with faith in God, it disappeared like that, and the work was finished.

258 We see plenty excuses when your faith drops. You have a reason and an excuse for everything. But when you are walking in faith in the Presence of God, you don't care what mountain is before you, what Red Sea, you know, "God will make a way where there seems to be no way." You confess that and go forward. But when your faith is down, you reason, you complain, you murmur, "If...," "But...," "Suppose...," "And you don't know." You talk all of that. And as soon as faith comes, that disappears. And without faith, it is impossible to please God.

259 Press in. Hang on. Because it is in times like these, it is important, important times in the church. When these times come, you don't miss these times. You don't miss these times. 260 And a lot of my time now, you know, is out there with those little ones that we are trying to get them built up, and places where God will send you is where some never heard it yet. And when you are preaching to people for thirty-four years who are hearing it from your mouth for thirty-four years, well they heard it many, many times, over and over. Then there are some who never heard it. Then there are some who only heard it, when you add up the number of visits, it comes down to less than a week in the hours that you spent talking with them, preaching to them. And you realize, to whom much is given, much is required.

261 Let us be mature. Let us be adults in Christ. Let us not be babies, whimpering babies on the baby's bottle but let's be trained soldiers, not fresh recruits. Let us be people who have the Word in us and we can help this weak one, and help this weak one. And out of your faith, you can give virtue and strengthen them. You could have knowledge to know what God's will is, what you should do, what you should not do, what is acceptable to God, and what is not acceptable to God. You could have temperance, that when you stand there, you are not getting influenced, and no pressure is making you do this, and, "The devil made me do that," and "this one made me do that." No, no, no. You have self-control. The Holy Ghost in you, the Control Tower is controlling that self to the Word. And you are being a real son and daughter of God, matured.

[A sister makes a confession. –Ed.]

262 God bless her heart for that. See, in her heart now she is free. That is one of the things the devil will bring up many times to give mind battles. But she is free now. Satan cannot bring that anymore. She doesn't have to fear, she doesn't have to doubt, and wonder anymore. Praise His wonderful Name. "Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary pure and holy." Song #306 - Songs That Live –Ed.

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, Oh, Pure and holy tried and true With thanksgiving, I'll be a living, A living sanctuary of the Living God. ...sanctuary for you. It is You Lord Who came and saved The heart and soul of every man; It is You Lord Who knows my weakness, Oh, Give me strength which I don't have. Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,

Pure and holy, tried and true; With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.



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