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[#319 - Songs That Live -Ed.]
To prove my love for You,
Deeper, deeper to the place where You are;
Draw me deeper, and deeper,
That I may know Your heart.

Oh my, let's sing the chorus once more. Let's all lift our hands. Let it be a prayer in our hearts.

...deeper
Into Your Word of Truth,
Deeper and deeper
To prove my love for You,
Deeper and deeper to the place where You are;
Draw me deeper, and deeper,
That I may know Your heart.

How many desire to know His heart? How many know that the Bible says, God had a great Secret when He existed by Himself before the foundation of the world? There was not even an atom, a molecule; anything – a great three-fold Secret. And in this Day, through the opening of the Seven Seals, He is putting that Secret in the back part of His Mind, into the heart of the Bride; that we can know as we were known, that we can have fellowship with Him.

Didn't Jesus pray, "Father, that they may be one as You and I are one"? "And in that Day you will know, as the Father is in Me and I am in the Father, so I am in you and you in Me." Is that just a quotation in the Bible or is that something, by the operation of the Holy Spirit in your life, teaching you, drawing you deeper into the Word of Truth? He is unveiling Himself to you, bringing you to know Him, to know His Will; to know His purpose in your life. You are coming to know God's heart. "That I may know Your heart." And when you see God's heart, you see His great Elective Love: "You have not chosen me, but I have chosen you and ordained you, that you should bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain." [John 15:16-Ed.] And that all things, this morning, are working together for good to them that love Him.

You say, "I can't see how it is working for good for me. I'm going through the hardest time in my life. I feel so weak. I'm on the verge of giving up." Does that mean that because you think that way... You might be thinking it strange concerning the fiery trials. You might be thinking that maybe God is trying to kill you. The Mama Eagle bursts up your nest, destroys your comfort zone, throws you out of the nest; it seems like you are plunging straight to the ground, and you are going to burst into pieces. And then, you begin to realize, He could fly faster than you could fall. You begin to understand, He is not trying to kill you; He is teaching you to fly. He wants to bring you to a higher level than where you have been. He wants to bring you to know Him in His power; in His grace. He wants you to discover the potential that He has put inside of you. Could it be? And you are thinking it strange.

You begin to see His heart. He truly works all things. He has an objective this morning. He has a goal. He has a purpose – the great Master Sculptor. He has an invisible vision in His Mind. He saw you in a way you could never see or envision yourself, or never believe that you could become that. "As clay in the hands of the Potter, are you not in My hands?" [Jeremiah 18:6 -Ed.] Then He is fashioning something that He might show forth the riches of His mercy unto you, this morning.

That is why the Bible says, "Count it all joy when you fall into divers temptations, knowing the testing of your faith worketh patience. And let patience have its perfect work that you might be entire, you might be complete, you might be made perfect, wanting nothing," [James 1:2-4-Ed.] so that God could say, "This is My beloved son, My beloved daughter in whom I'm pleased to dwell in."

How many desires that today? We are living in a great time. We are not trying to survive. God is perfecting His work. God is finishing up His great sculpting. God is getting ready to show forth the victory and the reason of His death. We are His workmanship created unto good works. That is why He called you. That is why you are going through the very things you are going through. It is the tender Hand of Jehovah leading you. It is Him perfecting what is lacking in your faith, bringing His work that it can be truly a Masterpiece, to show the Glory in the Potter, the Glory and Power of this Great Potter; to know, only Him could have taken a life that was ruined and marred by the first birth, bringing you born in sin, shaped in iniquity, coming in the world speaking lies, dead in sins and trespasses, in enmity with God, and then bring you out, bring that same work out - He who could break you and mold you over; make a New Creation. Old things are passed away; all things become new.

It is a paradox. As the songwriter says, "It took a miracle to hang the world in space. It took a miracle to put the stars in place. But when He saved my soul, cleansed and made me whole..." That, that is the greatest miracle, friends. "...that took a miracle of love and grace." Let's just sing a verse tonight. Could we? It Took A Miracle.

[#87- Songs That Live -Ed.]

It took a miracle...

To put the stars in place
...to put the stars in place,
It took a miracle

...a miracle...

Just think about it. Six and a half billion people are on planet Earth this morning. How did it get there, in space?

But when He saved...

When He reached down His hand for me that time, (amen!) picked up the shattered pieces of a ruined life and put them back together. Oh my! A vessel of honour prepared unto a good work in this Hour – His greater works.

It took a miracle of love and grace.

[#352 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

Mercy rewrote my life,

Oh my, a God who is rich in mercy. Not just in money; rich in mercy, this morning; rich in grace. Hallelujah.

...rewrote my life,

Oh, I should have fallen, my soul condemned.

I should have fallen, my soul condemned,

But mercy...

Oh, that I may know the riches of His grace today.

...rewrote my life.

Let's just bow our hearts in His Presence. Lord Jesus, we stand here today Father, with gratitude and we express our thanksgiving because we recognize the favour, the unmerited favour, the riches of grace and mercy that was extended to us. A people so undeserving, that You should even look in our direction, You should even consider us; God, something that was fit for the dunghill, the rubbish heap, but yet, oh God, because You knew Your great power that You possessed, because of the love that moved You to show forth the riches of Your grace, You looked beyond our faults and You saw our needs.

When You thought it was going to cost You to give Your very own Life, You took our judgment upon Yourself knowing You just could not tell us, go on; You forget all about it. But because Your judgment is as Divine as Your salvation, You are Divine Judge same as You are Divine Saviour, that penalty had to be paid. And since there was no man who could pay that penalty, God, You paid the very penalty that Your very own Word required. How could we fathom that love?

To think that on the very walls of an insane institution it was written, "Oh love of God, so rich and pure; so measureless and strong." The man went insane trying to figure out the love of God.

We are thankful today, Father, that as we walk in this great Light and the Blood cleanses us and Your great transforming power changes us, and this Mystery continues to unfold and be revealed and made plain before us, what a fellowship that It has brought us into. Now Lord, we just desire to live for You with all of our heart, all our soul, all our mind and all our strength.

If there are hearts that cannot conceptualize this, it seems beyond the grasp, God, we pray that the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, the grace of God, the love of God would be shed abroad in their hearts today; that would bring surrender, because we know in surrender, in letting go and letting God, in laying aside every weight and every sin, and casting down all our reasonings and imaginations, and saying, "Open my eyes, Lord. Let me see Jesus. Open my heart; let Him come in and dwell within," God, people can leave this place changed today. They don't have to go back the same, for You always give respect to the right attitude of approach, when people would approach You with faith and in humility.

Oh God, like Naomi instructed Ruth on how to wash herself and anoint herself, and go down by the threshing floor and take the low place, and mark the spot where he laid and lay down there, she came into her blessing. She didn't have to be a beggar any more. Something happened that she became a recipient. She was raised to live in another place, in a new relationship, under a Divine promise.

Lord Jesus, may You grant that today for all of us, because surely, in some measure, we all have need of that, Father. God, not just us who stand here, but Your children even out in the Islands, those who have been here with us. We were so blessed and happy to have them. So glad to see their faces and to hear their testimonies, and to have them in the homes and everything else, and be gathered in one place, in one mind and one accord around Your precious Word.

Today they are standing in their own places, Lord. Bless them. Meet every need and take them under Your Divine consideration, from the greatest to the least. Whatever they are going through at this time, that they are in need of and are looking to You believing, expecting to receive, I pray that You would grant it.

Lord, for us here, may You so direct me this morning. I would so want to be under Your Divine influence, Your Divine direction, and want to be yielded, out of the way so the Holy Spirit could put the right emphasis in the right places. So many things we know can be said when someone stands at the desk, studying and praying and looking at the Scriptures, but God, we want Your Mind, Your Will; for You to have pre-eminences. This is what You desire. This is what we desire that You would have, Father.

Lead and direct us now, and may every need be met: those that are in need of deliverance, those that are going through a rough time, those that need a new burst of faith, those that need to be reminded of Your love, those that need Your Holy Spirit Lord, to bring such a charge within them, those that need revelation, those that have spiritual needs, physical needs, material needs, whatever it is, Lord; things in their homes, in their personal lives, things that they are believing for, for their loved ones. Jesus, you know all about it. We have this privilege and we stand before You to ask. We just pray that You'll take full control and You'll give to us the things as You see fit, in the order that we should

receive, according to Your Will.

Give us faith to believe You and trust You, knowing that You are working all things for Your glory and for our good. Let us not retaliate or resist. Let us not faint and fall apart under pressure, but let us be able to move up with wings of faith, Lord, into that secret Place of the Most High, where we can be instructed; we could hear the Voice of the Holy Spirit speaking to the inner man, setting us upon a Rock that we shall not be moved, that we can cooperate with You and Your Word could have It's full and true effect that You desire It to have, that It might accomplish the things in our lives that You have ordained at this time.

Grant it, Lord. We commit all things into Your hands. We commit everyone into Your hands now, in the Name of Jesus Christ. We thank You in advance for all that You will do, for we believe that we have received what we asked for even as we pray, in the precious, lovely Name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, amen. Praise His Mighty Name.

Let's turn to the Book of Acts, Chapter 7. I trust that you have been trying to stay in meditation, in prayer, in fellowship with the Word; the things that are being ministered. What a beautiful week we had. Since Sunday, the Holy Spirit—and especially there Wednesday night, it was such a heartfelt place. I believe the Spirit took us aside to help build our faith and take away our fears. What can we say?

Friday night was so tremendous. I believe that the last few times I was able to sit and listen to Bro. Sammy, he always seemed to be right in the rhythm of the Holy Spirit. And it is such a blessing when one can yield themselves to the Holy Spirit, wait before God and be sincere; that when they come to the desk, they can say the right things that would help the Church. Because the very things I was studying, all there, Friday, I came in and heard him speaking and emphasizing, reiterating those things that the Holy Spirit has been looking at,

and finding the points and the places where the help and the deliverance can come to the Church.

I would like to read out of Acts 7, verses 9 to 14. Just taking this, so I wouldn't be—I would be short, and keep you standing for a short while. It is about Joseph here, in the Book of Acts, when Stephen was expressing this great revelation. Verse 9 reads on this wise. [Acts 7:9-14 – Ed.]

⁹ And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him,

"...moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him."

It seems that most times people talk about God is with them and the power of God, it is like when they were on the mountain top being blessed. That is when they say that God is with them. And then, when they are going through the valley, they say, God is not with them. But isn't it strange how the Bible's testimony is always different to human beings?

He was rejected, he was a victim of a conspiracy, he was suffering innocently, and here he was saying that God was with him. Why? He was right in the Will of God. He was right in the place where God wanted him. He was going in the very direction that God had set his course. He didn't know it, but that was God's plan. He was heading to glory. His glory was going to be in Egypt, and he was heading to Egypt. Amen! Glory! He was on his course.

¹⁰ And delivered him out of all his afflictions,

From his brethren, from Portiphar's wife, from the prison, God delivered him from all his afflictions.

...and gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh...

What if the gift didn't operate that day? What if God decided not to inspire him when he stood before Pharaoh? What if, before this great man, he was kind of

intimidated and couldn't find his speech? What if he was only bold in the father's house, and bold among the brethren, and bold against Portiphar's wife standing there, and maybe bold with the butler and the baker in the prison and then he became terrified and couldn't really hit the target that day?

From the first time the dream came in the father's house, it was working to that day. The bullet left the chamber in the father's house that day, and now it was zeroed, it was going to hit the target there; it had arrived to the mark. It was designed for that moment. He builded and builded and builded in inspiration, and he exploded into a supernova that day, in Pharaoh's sight. That is right, friends! That was the day of his showing. That was what he had dreamt, amen. That was the day.

Do you think we are going to fail in the Squeeze, friends? The day you dropped from your mother's womb, your life was being built up as a masterpiece, guided down through life's journey, bringing you under the Message, coming through some hard times, amen. You are between a rock and a hard place this morning, but you are heading (amen) to a place where you'll shine with such brightness of Glory and Power that you have never known.

Satan might try to tell you, you are diminishing, because he doesn't even understand what God is doing in your life. He has no revelation. God kept it to His own self. Angels, nobody knows that; only God and the Bride knows that. Amen! The great Secret that angels don't know is put in your heart. And His very own Spirit in you is revealing It and teaching you It. Nobody else can teach you It. And you are living by His faith, the very faith that He lives by. You live by the faith of the Son of God. My!

... [God] gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt;

This great man watched a man who had come out of a dungeon, standing in his presence. Brother, these big businessmen don't even watch you when you walk in their presence sometimes. They watch you... Their head is on the desk like that; they spot your shoe. They wouldn't even raise their head to look at you. If that is the kind of shoe you are wearing, some two hundred dollar shoe from some store, and then you come in there, you have some coat that isn't even matching the pants or something. You don't even have on a business suit – a six hundred, eight hundred-dollar business suit, you know. They don't even look at you. You are a wimp. You are unfit to stand in their presence. "How did the secretary let you inside of here," they may be wondering.

Here, this man comes out of a dungeon on a rape charge, and was in the presence of the king, of the super-power in the earth. And brother, he had this man eating out of his hands. He had him so awed. He had all his senators there. They never heard wisdom like that, amen. The man was flowing. Amen. The River was flowing out of the man and they knew it was something they had never known in their Egyptian courts. Is that right? My!

Brother, that very moment, the king did something that baffled people until this day. "How did you walk in there and get that position, and he put you in charge of everything, just like that?" What is it? It shows... Now, catch this now. Don't read over those things. This is where all the secrets are. This is where all the secrets are. See.

How could that happen? Think about it. You can't even do that with one another, your own brother and sister, sometimes. How could you walk into the Oval Office [The office of the President of the United States -Ed.] and stand there, and the next thing you know, you are the right-hand man of the President of the United States, over everybody. How could that happen? And your word is law throughout the land. From New York to California, from Canada to Mexico, your word is law.

How could that happen? God rules in the affairs of all things. Not a blade of grass moves except He permits it. And He has a purpose for you. And when He brings you there, He Himself is there with you and standing, moving on that man's heart because that man must do that to fulfill what God shows you about His Word for the Age. Do you get that? Because Joseph was coming to his place, and that was the place revealed to him.

If that little place, friends, that he was coming to... And we are coming back to what was in Eden. Joseph didn't come back to what it was in the Garden of Eden. That wasn't the plan in that Age. That was a shadow. A greater than Joseph is here, this morning.

Brother, Joseph didn't reveal one tenth of the things revealed here, in this Church. Do you get what I am saying? A far greater Age, friends! Because in this Age, the Glory that this Bride is coming to, Joseph didn't even get half of that Glory. Do you understand what I am saying? She is His Victory. The whole Bible, from Genesis 1, is to reflect Her. She is His achievement.

I want you to think. I'm pausing with you in those places, purposely. I want you to feel it. I don't just want you to hear it. I think, sometimes the Word has no effect when you just hear it; you just hear thoughts. But when you get into the feeling, you start to catch it. You are not just hearing the Word; you are catching the feeling, the inspiration; you are catching where the Spirit is directing our thoughts and minds, bringing us into the fellowship where the strength goes to the place in our lives, where we have need of that Strength.

...and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.

¹¹ Now there came a dearth over all the land of Egypt and Canaan, and great affliction:

It was a great famine.

...and our fathers found no sustenance.

12 But when Jacob heard that there was

corn in Egypt, he sent out our fathers first.

¹³ And at the second time Joseph was made known to his brethren; and Joseph's kindred was made known unto Pharaoh.

¹⁴ Then sent Joseph, and called his father Jacob to him, and all his kindred, threescore and fifteen souls.

May the Lord bless the reading of His Word; you may have your seats.

In four or five verses right there, Stephen puts together Genesis 37 to 45. The same Holy Spirit Who was so particular to write word by word, comma, semicolon, full stop for all those Chapters, the same Holy Spirit divides it for you in Stephen's speech, and links them. So, if you watch how the Holy Spirit links it in Stephen's speech, you have a key to go in and study Genesis 37 to 45. Because it is the same Spirit that wrote through Moses Who spoke through Stephen. All Scriptures are given by inspiration and is unfolding one revelation: the revelation of Jesus Christ – here a little and there a little, line upon line, precept upon precept, slowly, gradually unfolding it, making it plain that we can see it.

I want to speak this morning, on a subject: "JOSEPH, AN EXAMPLE OF SUFFERING, AFFLICTION AND PATIENCE." I want to drop over now, into James, Chapter 5.

I was speaking on *The Age of Adoption* [2004-0829 -Ed.] last week and I'm trying to... As I go from stage to stage unfolding these things, to weave in one inspiration with the other.

Before he came to that place, he had to have patience. He had to suffer affliction. He had to go through hardship. He was tried and tested because every son, before he is placed, must be tried and tested. He must be proven. You cannot come into power except you prove that you are worthy to receive it. Character is not a gift. Power without character is satanic. Character is

something that has to be molded into you. Character is never made without suffering. It is a victory; not a gift.

We've got a lot of gifts. Speaking in tongues, that is a good gift. To sing, that is a good gift. To play music, that is a good gift. But Elvis Presley used to play music and sing, Michael Jackson plays music and sings, so we don't just want gifts of singing and playing music without character. But David used to sing and play music, and David had character. He was a man after God's own heart. Is that right?

So when the character is with the gift, the gift with the virtues, it is something. The gift without the virtues is a stumbling block. That is a crow with peacock feathers stuck in him; looking pretty on the outside. Because, gifts and calling are without repentance, but when there is character, you can't sell out by your gift.

How many know that Balaam had a good gift? Prophecy – a nice gift. But how many know that he made a market for his gift? And he went after money, because he didn't have character. He wanted the permissive will of God instead of the Perfect Will of God (is that right?) because he had the wrong desire. His thinking wasn't filtered. He didn't have a holy man's taste. You are what you are in your heart. But when character is molded into you, you can leave this whole world with that.

Houses and land are gifts of fathers and mothers. Is that right? Family can give you things, but when you die you can't take that with you. You can take the character of Jesus Christ by a New Birth. Is that right? That can be molded into you. God can develop that within you. That is what we are trusting today – that your understanding, as you grow in knowledge and in grace in the Lord Jesus Christ, you are glad.

The same way a young boy, you know, if he is twenty years old and he is only four feet five, you know, he doesn't even have a little speck of a mustache coming out and the voice is still the baby voice; the parents

would be perturbed; worried. They'll say, "What is the matter with this boy?" The boy himself is looking in front of the glass there, and is trying to do everything to get a little taller. He goes in school there; all the girls his age are up here and he is down here. They see him as a little freak or something. He does not like that. See? He is worried about it.

Well, if a life that is associated with sin and death, you desire to see growth, you desire to see development, you desire to see it become refined, you desire to see maturity in it; a life that is associated with sin and death, came by sex, perverted, how much more should we desire to see a life with growth and development, and the glory and the beauty of Jesus Christ come into maturity – a life that comes by the New Birth. Is that right? So as you grow in this, you want to grow with this understanding.

You desire to see God's faith and God's virtue and God's knowledge and God's temperance in you; see God's life, see God's wisdom, see God's power, see God's sensitiveness to the Holy Spirit, see God's sensitiveness to the leading of God in your life, see God's conviction, see the depth of conviction, the depth of principles, where you stand for something, you believe in something, and you understand life is principles, you live for something.

You don't just live for carnality, and the flesh and sin and vain things that, in the end, are going to perish and you are going to perish with it. No, you want to live for something of value. Store up your treasures in Heaven where thieves can't break through and steal [Matthew 6:20 – Ed.]. Is that right? Don't store up your treasures on earth, amen! You are looking beyond this life. You are catching a glimpse of the Eternal.

Be not conformed to this world, this cosmos, it is going to pass away, Satan's Eden, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. [Romans 12:2 -Ed.] Begin to see God's Eden, the breaking of a new Day, the

Millennium, being ushered in. This world is again falling apart – things that are to be. Quickening power, gathering the Elect from all organizations, taking her up in the Mystery of the Seven Seals, bringing them from the earthly to the Heavenly. You are catching that this is happening in your life. It is something real. Amen.

So, watch now. Quickly. James 5, verse 7.

⁷ Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord...

James is teaching here. What a great teacher he was. In Chapter 1, he started off: "Count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing the testing of your faith worketh patience." [James 1:2-3 -Ed.]

In Chapter 5, he was finishing up the Book. The last Chapter, at the end of the Chapter, he was still talking about patience.

⁷ Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

What was James talking about here? Who is that Husbandman? It is the Lord Himself. He is that Husbandman. He is the Good Sower who went forth and sowed the Seeds. He is the One Who planted for a Church. He is the One Who went forth in the First Age. The Good Sower sowed the Seeds at Harvest Time; will be what? A gathering of the children of the Kingdom. They will shine in righteousness like the Son. Watch.

But the Lord is waiting. He is waiting. He couldn't come in Luther's Age; it was not Harvest Time. He couldn't come in Wesley's Age. He couldn't come in the Pentecostal Age, in the shuck Age. He had patience. He waited. He waited for the first Rain in the Alpha and He waited for the latter Rain in the Omega. Is that right? Paul, bringing the Word; Malachi 4 restoring and bringing It to Its fullness in this Day, and then, God waved one over us – the Coming of the Lord. The Grain

is here; the Rains have been poured out. So James was teaching that first Age.

7... Behold, the husbandman waiteth...

What was he saying? "You, be patient because the Husbandman waiteth. He is patient, too".

Many of you are not catching the Scripture. Many of you are not catching the Scripture. James was not talking about agriculture. Jesus had taught them about the Sower and the Seed. Jesus told them what the Seed was. Jesus told them what the Husbandman was. Jesus told them what the children of the Kingdom were, what the fruit was that He planted for. Jesus told them what the rain was that falls on the just and the unjust. It is a Mystery of His Church.

Do you think the Son of Man would come and open up the Scriptures, Mighty Angel came down and broke the Seal, He opened the Word, planted His Church and then the ministers, and James, brother, the head of the Church there back in Jerusalem, was going to stand up and preach something different to what the Messenger of the Age preached – the Son of Man preached? That was the Message.

Do you think I could come this morning, and preach a Baptist message after the Mighty Angel came down, after the Seven Seals were opened, after Malachi 4 planted for a super-race in the last days? Do you think I could come here and just talk about something different to what the Messenger of the Age has spoken? It cannot happen. James could not do it; I couldn't do it.

He was teaching. He was teaching patience. Patient unto what? The Coming of the Lord. The Coming of the Lord. That is what? Seventh Seal – your Seventh Seal. Revelation 10—1st Thessalonians 4, be patient unto Revelation 10. Why? That is when the Rains are going to come – both Rains in the same month. That is when you are going to see the maturing; you are going to see the earth bringing forth its precious fruit. You see the

first one that comes up matured in the last days, to show it is Harvest Time – one who could say, the Seed is not heir with the shuck; one who could say, it is Harvest Time.

Nobody for two thousand years could preach 'Harvest Time'. Nobody could preach, 'The Wave Sheaf.' Nobody could preach, 'The Rising of the Sun', until one became in the formed Image of the Word, the Masterpiece; until one became a Ripened Grain to reveal the Son of Man again, to bring back the original faith, to wave the same life for the acceptance that the others in the year 2004 so they'll be ripening, they'll be maturing in the last days. A Church getting ready to go, amen!

Seven Thunders opened amongst them, showed them who they are; took their fears, and doubts out, showed them their place, and set them out in order. You see a people that the devil cannot shake. Upon this Rock He'll build His Church, and when hell is on the earth, the gates of hell can't shake the Church. "To him that over cometh will inherit all things." That is right! "I'll be your God and you shall be My son." My!

So James was preaching here.

⁷ Be patient... unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth,

Why is He waiting for that? Because He planted for a crop and He can't go and reap His field... Mark 4, He says, it comes from a blade, to a stalk, to the ear. And then, He does what? He puts the sickle in. He can't put the sickle in while it is a stalk.

When you plant corn in your garden, two leaves come up; you don't go and reap that. You have to wait. You go and you check. You pull the husk back; the grains aren't formed yet. You say, "Oh God, I'm feeling to eat corn, you know." Yeah, you are feeling to eat corn but it still needs a few days in the sun. In a couple days, you'll go back over; you'll see all the leaves getting yellow. You know, the reason they are getting yellow is because all

the life that had it green is now in the grain. You are expecting, when you pull the husk back and you look in that Church you'll see a few grains clustered together, but they are ripe, they are mature, they are formed.

I wonder when He walks in this Church and He pulls things back here, pulls the song ministry back, pulls the deacon board back, and pulls the trustee board back, pulls the ministry back, what does He see when He looks in there? He planted for something. Amen! He made His son get strong. Who could deny that He didn't make His Sunlight get strong here, over these years? It gets so strong, you can't sit on those seats without squirming under the heat of that Word. Amen! It dries up all your unbelief, all your weaknesses and your fears and your doubts. Amen! It bakes those things away from you, and brings your faith into reality, into substance. That is what It Is – Husbandman waiteth.

...[and] hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

It takes two Rains to mature the grain, and it is going to take the outpouring of the Word and the Spirit in the last days, to do what? Restore the Church back to its original condition.

Without the coming of that great Cloud, the opening of the Seven Seals, the outpouring of Rain and His Word, His doctrine coming like the Rain, and the Holy Spirit, Evening Message, letting loose the Holy Spirit, there was going to be no restoration of the Bride Tree.

But in the vision, he saw the first Church come back, and the churches in between never came back a second time, showing the carriers only came once but the grain, the Seed that started, came back to Seed. Alpha became Omega. It was in the Bible, then God showed it in vision to the man who planted it for the Age, showing that it was coming – 1964, forty years ago. Forty years ago.

Here, in this church this morning... Over the convention, these days, I'm preaching on Joseph,

perfection, ripened sheaf, harvest time, placed son, mature, about the Father's business, the secret of the Message: to fulfill the Word. That is the Father's business. The meat that He said, you don't know of, to do the Will of the Father and to finish His Work. Rise up and finish the job. My meat is to finish this job. What has been happening. What is all of that? What is all of that?

How long do we stay in meditation over these things? Lord, who are we? What are we? What Hour are we in? What are You saying to us? What are we to gather? What conclusion are we to bring? What effect was this designed to have upon our lives? How will It make us behave? How do I know I am under the effects of the Vision? How do I know the Word is having Its desired results in my life?

What a terror, to live unconscious of that Realm, that your mind doesn't even think there. Your mind thinks, "I come to church. I have to see that sister, so and so and so, and the brother. And they don't want me to sing, and so and so over here. And the deacon and they think they are going to manhandle me." What a realm that that is and This Is.

He said, the Bride Spirit is on the Bride people, and the church spirit is on the church people: Esau and Jacob in the same womb, the dove and the crow in the same ark; Ishmael and Isaac in the same house.

Where are you living? One is a natural church; one is a spiritual Church. Jacob, from the womb, desired the spiritual things. What is your desire? What drives you? What are you really looking for? What is the thing that you are zeroed to, that you must have, that you are striving for right now, that you are obsessed with, that you are pressing towards right now. What is it? If you don't know, then your life has no direction. If you see where you are going and it is not zeroed to the Word and the Promise, then you see where you are living, then you know if you have the Holy Ghost or not; then you know

if you are overcoming or not.

Overcoming doesn't mean, 'I don't drink and smoke,' friends. Overcoming doesn't mean, 'I don't wear paint and cut my hair.' That is not overcoming, friends. Not in this Age. That is the First Pull. That is the first court out here. Inside of here, you could have a temper like a buzzsaw, you could be lustful, you could be envious, you could be competitive, you could have strife and be contentious; you could be dishonest. And if, when you go inside of there, you have fear and doubt and unbelief and you don't know who you are really, when you get deeper than that.

But as believers, we are striving to enter in. We are labouring to enter into rest. Why! There is a promise left us. We see it typed out in Joseph. Amen! There is a promise left us, of entering into that place where we are placed positionally, where we come into that Glory. And we are striving to enter in; to lay a hold on that hope that is set before us; that Christ in you, is what? The hope of glory!

After he talked about the patience Husbandman waiting for the precious fruit, he said, "Be ye also, patient." Who are you? He was talking about patience. The Husbandman's patience can't come until the wheat gets ripe. And you are the wheat that has to get ripe. Because if you don't get ripe, you are no good for Him; He can't do anything with you: can't plant you back to bring more life neither can He make you bread on His table. And if wheat has to become bread, it has to be broken and be grounded into powder and baked in a heated oven to give life, like the lily has to be crushed to get the opium out, to bring peace to someone in pain and torment; like the Rose of Sharon has to be crushed to get the perfume out, to anoint a priest to go in the Presence of God. It will have to come through a process to fulfill its real purpose.

Where we miss out is because we take church too lightly. We come in, we get among friends, and we get

among people. Church, after a while, becomes places of ambition: "I want to be this; I want to be that. These are controlling this area, these are controlling that area; they don't want me to get in." And it becomes a striving for recognition. It becomes a striving for vindication. It becomes a striving to be esteemed by people. And then, people's lives are no longer living to please God; they are going after ambition and human desire. And the Church becomes a ground like an Olympic-it becomes a stadium where they compete for fleshly prizes and fleshly glory. "Girl, you are the best-dressed. You are the best-dressed person in church. Girl, you have more clothes than anybody else in church. Girl, when you sing, you get the most applause. Boy, when you preach, brother, everybody is taking notes." Stupidness. Foolishness. Esau, Ishmael, Pharisees. God is not there at all. That is what the religious world is condemned for. That is why they are dead and empty.

But the people that God is calling out, He has to take you into His hands. He wants to draw you close to His heart. He wants to whisper in your ear. He wants to tell you He loves you. But you will have to suffer certain things. But that is not going to make Him lose you. And don't have any fear; it is not going to destroy you. You are going to come out stronger. He is going to use you greater. You are willing to pay the price. And He says, "I want you to be obedient. And I want you to be in submission. And I want You to stay close to Me and I want you to keep looking to Me. I'm the source of your life and your strength." Amen!

He says, "I'll have to strip you of things, because the only way I can teach you and get you to rely and depend upon Me, and have faith in the God inside of you, it is designed that these methods be employed. I'll have to put you on the wheel. I'll have to put pressure here."

Have you ever been to the dentist and he says, "Now, now, this drilling might upset you and hurt you a little bit here, but if you are getting any more pain, tell me

and I could give you a little more of this thing here to calm your nerves"? It deadens the place and he can work properly. He is trying to help you. And he kind of sees... You, kind of, start to flinch with the pain, and he sees the expression on your face and that you want to faint in the chair. And he has a whole line of people to deal with and he can't waste all day because he didn't come here to babysit you. He came here to do a job, and you are not paying him to get on a lounge chair and relax every five minutes and walk around and come back. You can't waste the man's time like that. He has a specific time to get his job done on you.

He looks at you; he knows that is a half hour job. He is going to hold you in that chair for half an hour, and when he is done, you are going to come out fixed. That is how God is, friends. Hallelujah!

He allots you a time in this life. And He allots you a time from when He called you to when He is going to finish His Work with you. When He begins the Work, He'll perform it even until that Day. He'll bring you out. You have no doubt, no fear, and you want to walk there; you want to fellowship there. And the only way in this busy hustle, bustle world for you to stay there, you have to find time in the day.

You have to turn off your phones and talk to God. And when God rings in your heart, you can hear when He wants to talk to you. Get in God's cell phone, because if you don't get in God's cell phone, you'll get in God's cell. You'll get in God's cell and God locks you up in His cell, like He locked up Joseph in his cell. And when he was trying to get to man and he wanted to talk

to more man, God shut away all man and forgot him in prison there. That is right.

You have to find time; you have to have discipline to prioritize the events of your day. You can't pay God for salvation. God doesn't need your tithing and your offering in that sense, to save you. God needs you to get quiet. God needs you to give Him a tenth of your day sometimes. God needs you to give Him a tenth of your pastime. God needs you to give Him a tenth of the hours you put into sleep. Do you understand what I am saying?

When you could get before God, then you are going to find the dew and the rain and the showers and the things that you need start to blossom.

Every time you come out there, somebody says, "He was behind the veil; there is a freshness to what he is saying. It does not be stale, what he is saying. It has a quickening power; it has an unction. He is in a place where you can get an utterance. He doesn't just recycle old stuff."

You start to see what it takes for a life to be shut in with God. "There in the Spirit beholding His face; gaining more power to (do what?) run in this race. I just love to be shut in with God." [#376 - Songs That Live -Ed.] You have to be shut in.

A lot of people forget the hidden Life. The Prophet preached, 'Why are Christians so tossed about.' [Why Are People So Tossed About? - 56-0101 -Ed.] Lack of a hidden Life in Christ. Lack of a hidden Life in Christ, beyond the veil. They have time for everything else; busy themselves with religious works too – helter-skelter. This one is bawling around me; this one... If you don't hit that child a spank sometime, and say, "Sit down here; you have no need to call. You've got your dinner, your snack is there, you can, if you feel like it, take your water; that is it!"

"Mammy!"

She runs outside. She'll be a nervous wreck after a

few days like that. That child will send her crazy.

That is what happens to a lot of Christians. They can't get to a place where they are unplugged from this life, and get into a place with God and wait before God. That is why years pass and they come out showing nothing, like they are not hearing from God; they don't have any direction. And watch those people, they are always easily influenced into all kinds of things. And they are always indecisive and they can't move on the pulsation of the Spirit, because they are not living in any place where they can feel the nudge of the Spirit. "You, get up and go. Do this; do that."

But if you, in your heart this morning, while the Holy Spirit is saying these things, there is a place down inside of you saying, "I want to walk closer to God. I realize that that is what I need in my life. I realize I'm coming to church. When I hear these things defined, I know that is why my life is empty because I'm coming to church, because my mind is not there. And I know I have to think it first before I can get into it. If I can't think it, I can't come into it. I must think it, I must see it and then I'll walk into it, because I'll behold it. What I behold before me I'll be changed into." You beholding the Glory is changed into It. You cannot be changed into anything except you behold it.

The reason people change into the world is because they are beholding the world. It says, "Don't be conformed to the world." The world has hypnotized them. The glitter and the glamour of the world has paralyzed their faith and they've come under the influence of the world, and then they take the shape of the world, and they reflect the world and they become worldly, children of darkness.

But children of Light, they are walking in the Light and the Blood is cleansing. And you are walking and the Blood is cleansing, and you are walking and the Blood is cleansing, until there is nothing more to cleanse. Do you get that? There is not a speck of doubt inside of you, not a speck of condemnation inside of you; not a speck of fear inside of you. And Satan now, is powerless before you. What a place.

When He called you, that is the work He started. But as you come along, not getting under the Word and catching the end, the Lord's end, His objective, His purpose, what He wants to achieve in all this, you couldn't be patient to wait to get it, and you come out of it. And after a while, you are just going along. And, you are existing, you are surviving; you are not overcoming. You are not overcoming. To overcome you have to live with God everyday – to live overcoming, in this Age. Because overcoming is to achieve the objective that you are raised up to fulfill. You are called unto something.

That is why we take Joseph. It was revealed to him before he even started, what his end was going to be. That is what happened in this Age. When He opened that Seventh Seal, He showed that this is not a Pentecostal Age. In this Age, the Bride has to become a Super-race in order to be united with Him.

God is saying, "My objective in this Age is to bring back a stature of a Perfect Man. When I come to you I'm not bringing you to join church." He says, "I'm bringing you to give you a New Birth, and grow you up and then place you positionally, because this is the Adoption Age. It had an Age where I justified the Church, it had an Age where I sanctified the Church, it had an Age where I birthed the Church, and now this is the Age where I'm placing the Church positionally, what She is. This is the Age of the Rapture. I'm going to glorify the Church."

You are called unto glory. Not Luther's glory and Wesley's glory; not Pentecostal glory. That was glorious in its time, but you are called unto Eternal glory – a glory that fadeth not away, when the Chief Shepherd appears in the last days. And the suffering of this present time is not worthy to be compared with the glory that is being revealed in you right now. [Romans 8:18 -Ed.]

Joseph was receiving revelations of future glory. His

revelations were revelations of future glory that he was going to come into in that day. Are you catching that? God wasn't revealing something to him from Moses' time, you know. God wasn't revealing something from Elijah's time. God was revealing something for his Day, his life, his time, his place.

He is not talking about what the Jews are going through here, and the last half of the Seventieth Week, and the Millennium and the New Heaven and Earth. We are not talking about that here. We are not talking about back in the Church Ages somewhere. We are talking about when the Seven Seals opened and God dropped down between the Sixth and Seventh Trumpets, what He has come down for.

What is happening? Why are we gathered here? Why is the preaching this way? Why is this emphasis in the Word? Where is God trying to hold that Church? Where is God trying to move the spirit and the souls of those people? Where is God trying to tie them in this Age, where everything is being tossed about and it is an Age of uncertainty, and nothing seems to be established and settled and grounded and rooted and anchored?

You watch and see nations falling apart, businesses falling apart, people falling apart, doctors, psychiatrists and all are losing their minds and everything else; doctors are becoming alcoholics and drunkards and everything else. Their hands are shaking and they can't operate. And you see a bunch of nobodies, fixed, moving forward, pointing steadfast, cressing every wave, big high waves; moving forward. No earthly pleasures, no worldly goods but you have a joy that money can't buy.

The drug addict is spending two hundred U.S. a day, brother, to get that cocaine and heroin and things into their arms to keep them high and give them a joy, until the drug industry has become a multi-billion dollar industry. In heroin alone, it is over two hundred billion a year – just for heroin alone in the United States. Think! You haven't talked about marijuana. You haven't

talked about LSD [Lysergic acid diethylamide, a hallucinogenic drug -Ed.]. You haven't talked about cocaine. You haven't talked about 'crack'; just heroin alone. People are spending over two hundred dollars a day, U.S., to keep that fix because they are trying to find joy.

They are getting that opium out of the lily. Then, here it is, out of the Lily of the Valley, out of the Rose of Sharon, it has something that is anointing a church – refined. The sunflower, and the poppy... Brother, we have the sunflower here, the S-O-N. Amen! And brother, It is already paid for. I had a good shot of It this morning; you could tell. You could tell where I'm talking from. I had a good shot of It, this morning: A thinking man's filter; a holy man's taste. I hope you have a taste for This (amen!) in your soul. I hope you can draw through Revelation 10:8 - 11, that Mystery, these Things into your soul. It will get you up into Heavenly places. It will put you up on that Supernatural Cloud. Not cloud nine; this is three times that – 27 miles high, 30 miles wide, (amen!) into Heavenly places.

Do you know what happens here? You start to see your position and you walk differently. And when you start to walk so and live here, you don't want to come off of this at all. You want to stay and live on this. And no matter what it costs you to stay addicted to Christ, you want to stay addicted to Christ. I want to be addicted to Jesus. I want to be addicted to the Message. I am a Message addict. I am a Jesus addict, this morning. Oh my, hallelujah!

Satan just messes up people's minds, always with the natural things when God is talking about something far greater. And if they only know that that is only a type of a greater thing. Amen.

Brother, pushing is dangerous business. And we have eleven hundred and sixty-nine tapes and books here, to push, with sixty-six books of the Bible. Amen.

I'm just bringing a point. You have to use the material that you have. That is why Amos didn't talk like Daniel.

That is why Isaiah didn't talk like Solomon. They used what they had. They used what they were familiar with. That is why Jesus talked about sheep and fish. They used what they had; where they passed. Because sometimes, theology wouldn't catch one who is trapped on drugs inside of here.

See, sometimes people come and try to tell him, "And He is El, Ellah, Elohim. And He has come down here and then He changed His Name, and the dispensation of the law and the Atonement..." Sometimes they just need something in a different channel to really help them. Amen. They'll catch it. They'll catch it clear; quick! They say, "That is what it is all about. Praise God. Amen. That is what I want. I know there was something inside of me. I was craving after something. But he had me locked in the physical realm." And that is exactly how I came to the Lord, precisely. That is what was opened to me. I realized Satan was giving me the natural things.

That is why in my whole life I preach in types – natural and spiritual. I used to talk so before I started to preach. The brothers knew that. God made you up to think a certain way.

James 5. Let's just quickly get that. That was some good exhortation there. I want to get a little more teaching now. So, verse 8.

⁸ Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. He emphasized it a second time.

⁹ Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door.

Behold I stand at the door and? The Judge, the Supreme Judge, comes down – the Coming of the Lord; the early and latter Rain when the Husbandman is going to get the precious fruit coming out of the earth – what He planted for.

¹⁰ Take, my brethren, the prophets, who

have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.

He is still talking about being patient. He said, "The Lord is patient." The Lord had to wait two thousand years to get His Church in the condition where He wanted it; to bring the Church from the feet all the way up to the head. Building a Church, like Eve, from the feet up to the head, that was taken out of the side of the second Adam. He had to be patient. And then also, he said, "Take the prophets, as an example..."

...who have spoken [to you] in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.

The prophets were patient. Joseph—we are looking at Joseph. Job was patient. Elijah was patient. Then he began to give some examples.

Behold, we count them happy [who] endure. [Endurance; patience.] Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord;

What does he mean, "Ye have heard of the patience of Job and have seen the end of the Lord"? When the Lord ordained Job's trials, God told Satan, "Touch his flesh and no more." Then God said, "Touch his property and no more." Is that right? God said, "Do not touch his life." God was establishing boundaries, because God has a power that restrains the devil that the devil cannot do what he wants. Are we getting somewhere?

Now, this is the shot in the arm for many of you who the Potter is doing something in your life, and you are thinking something is going wrong. But nothing is going wrong. This here, is not just to give you a little pacifier in your time of trouble, to hold on to this for two days until Wednesday. This is something to change your life here, this morning, and your concept about God. This is to tell you that from the time you were born on this earth, until the time you leave this earth, every second,

every breath of your life has been pre-planned by God. Every hair on your head has been numbered. Everything about you is marked out, previously marked out by a design, that all things in your life are working together for good to God's desired objective and purpose. You are predestinated unto the Adoption. You are predestinated to be conformed into the Image of Jesus Christ. You are His workmanship created unto good works.

This pulpit was a plank of wood. This building here, was brick and stone and wood lying on the ground there. But because people had a plan; they knew we wanted it so [meaning, 'this' -Ed.] big, so wide, so long, so high—and what material we had, they worked that with a tape and they measured out every piece, (amen) to build and bring it into expression to what is here. It didn't end up by chance. Workmen worked everyday. Workmen watching the plan and workmen with the material were working to a desired end.

This here, a pulpit, was a thought. It was a drawing: it was going to be this high, this way, this design, made out of this wood, this colour and everything. And then, the workman went to work. And when he finished, here it was, exactly, precisely, what it was designed to be. It was the object of his focus. He was working to achieve a goal.

That is why he said, "Watch the prophets." Who were the prophets? They were part of the Word. God, in sundry times and diverse manners spoke in the? But these last days, He has spoken to us in His Son.

The prophets were part of the Word, expressing the Mystery in part. Jesus was the fullness of the prophets. All that they expressed in part was gathered up in Him: "Lo, I come in the volume of the Book."

Moses didn't come in the volume of the Book; he came in part of the Book. Isaiah came in part of the Book. Joseph came in part of the Book. David came in part of the Book. Jeremiah came in part of the Book. But, "I come in the volume of the Book." Luther came in part of the Book. Wesley came in part of the Book. Pentecostal came in part of the Book. But this Bride comes in the volume of the Book. Do you get that?

There is an Age that was promised the fullness of the Word, because we have to get every Word to go back to Eden. One Word broken took us out; now we have to get all the Word to go back in. Are you getting that?

Harvest time is the entirety of the Word and the entirety of the Life. It takes all the Life to become Seed. Is that right? That is the Age we are in – the Seed Age; the Wheat Age.

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¹¹ Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord;

In other words, you have seen God's achievement. You see God's aim; God's purpose. You see God's objective that He achieved by taking Job through those trials for so many days, and being tested in so many points, and how those testings were limited to a specific degree, to certain places, and for so [meaning, 'that'-Ed.] long.

It wasn't just wild testing. You think... When you get frantic in your mind and say, "Oh God, I'm going through... I don't know what is going on with my life!" That is just flesh carrying on. That is a person who needs a good slap and put to sit down there, and be shaken back to their senses. Because, it is looking like you are going through all that, but you are not going through all that. Your mind is telling you, you are going through that, but that is the tender hand of God Who has your life in His hands just putting so much pressure here, because He wants that there. And He is only going to hold it for so long until that is done. And He is the all-wise God, and He made you and He keeps

you, and He is the One Who is going to bring you to your very end, and He is the One Who orders your very steps, and He knows exactly what is required to get you there. And you can't think of a better way. "Who hath known the mind of the Lord that they might instruct?" [1st Corinthians 2:16-Ed.] And nobody else can think a better way.

I want to show you, that is what Joseph had. I'm still laying the foundation here. I want to show you, that is what he had. And I want to show you, in our lives, where we fail, where we react, where we talk foolish. Like Job told his wife, "You talk like a foolish woman: 'Curse God and die."

"Oh God, you don't see, it is better if you were dead. Look at you." If she could have seen restoration.

Now, watch something. Watch the example. I'm still on James here. James now, picks up Job. He was still on the thought of what? Patience. The first example he gave us is what? It is the husbandman who plants the seed. The second he gave us is: you have to be patient because you are growing up from a blade, to a stalk, to a tassel, to the grain – justification, sanctification, the New Birth, and then the formed Image of the Word. You are coming into full Adoption. You are growing up.

In the father's house he was the blade. In Portiphar's house he was the tassel. In the prison house he was the husk. In Pharaoh's house he was the ripened sheaf. He was the Grain. He came through the stages. He saw himself as Grain and he held that and he was changed into it. He came from justification all the way into Adoption.

Now, watch here. Now, it is the same way God brings the Church – this same Church. It is the same way God deals with every individual. It is the same way He deals with the Church, dispensationally in a Church. It is the same way He is dealing with the Earth, His redeemable attribute, because the same plan of redemption for a man, is the same plan of redemption for the Church, is the same plan of redemption for the Earth. Is that right?

So all these things are laid out clear in the Word. Then, why do we struggle? Why can't we count it all as joy? We all agree to this. We all know this in the Bible. Faith. Faith. A lot of people know It here [Bro. Vin points to his head -Ed.], but It is revealed here, [Bro. Vin points to his heart -Ed.].

When you know that you know It here but you misbehave in the trial, ask God to bring It from 'here' [Your head -Ed.] to 'here' [Your heart -Ed.]. Pray to get It from 'here' to 'here', because you can't reform yourself. But when It drops from here to here, It can change you. When that Word drops from here to here, It becomes Spirit and changes you; It influences you. When you have It here, you are talking religious talk and you are trying to live with human energy of the flesh here, and you are trying to make the two meet and it could never meet. One is God's Word but you only have It intellectually, and you are trying to use a reformed life to try to manifest It. And a life without the New Birth can't manifest the Word. It is impossible. Because you are still in the old nature, you are still in bondage to the flesh, you are still in the carnal mind; you can't know the things of God. But, watch. He wants to bring you, and if you let Him, He'll bring you to It.

So he said, "Ye have seen the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord." In the end, Job found out it was a trial. Isn't that right? In the end, Job came out and had everything restored to him. Is that right? Double! Think of it! And he stood there!

Job had two Rains. Do you know that? He talked about it himself. Job brought forth the precious fruit – fruit unto perfection. He wasn't just a good son; now he was a tried son, he was a proven son, he was a son that could stand the test; he was a son that pleased the Father.

What kind of son are you? How are you handling yours?

Somebody says, "You took that? You should give her it good. If that was me..." Yeah, you are still in the flesh.

And that is why you can't go anywhere because that is the kind of advice you give, and that is how you react to things. Because your mind hasn't even gotten enlightened; it is still darkened and alienated from the Life of God. It hasn't gotten enlightened yet, to the place to know that God has a purpose.

Abishai drew his sword; said, "I'll cut that dog's head off; you spit on my king."

David said, "Leave the man alone. God told him to do that to me." He said, "He couldn't do me that, except God told him to do me that. God told him to do that. God is watching how I am going to react to this. Relax yourself here." He said, "This is not a flesh and blood affair; you stay out of this." That man was heading back to the throne. That man was heading back to the throne. That man was coming to restoration. That is right!

I want to prove to you, when you have this in you, you'll behave a certain way. And because you are grain and grain is all the Word, you'll be standing in an Hour where you can take this Bible, and this Bible will be identified in you and prove that the life in you is Jesus' Life. Then, as that Life matures in you, every time you open this Bible, it is going to open up that Mystery. Do you know why? Because you and the Word are becoming the same. Because the life in you is the Life of the Bible; that is why It reveals the Bible.

That is why T.D Jakes and they preach five messages for a year, and Benny Hinn and they, because it is a sermon. And they go there, and they preach those sermons and they get the people to behave that way. And those sermons are tailored down to so much time; so many statements. And they rehearse them, and they act them out, and then they sell it as a package.

Here, you are growing up in the Word, and it is a promise, it is a Mystery opening. And it is one Mystery unfolding and personalizing. You and that Mystery are becoming one. When that happens, that is God identifying the Work He has started, He is completing

it. And you'll have to say things that are in the Bible and walk into it. And you'll have to say it before it comes to pass for God to come behind and manifest it; to prove it. You can't get away from it because He has to prove the Word He allots for this Age by believers.

In other words, He allots a Word about Adoption and the manifestation of the sons of God. He has to prove that Word and make that Word manifest in you to prove that you are the Elect in this Age, because here is the Word and the fruit of the Word and the teaching of that Word to show that you are the true anointed one. You open that Mystery and you become that Mystery.

If we are looking at a mystery of Joseph here, we have to become this. The way he talked in his trials, we have to talk in our trials that way. Looking at the mystery of Job, we have to become that, and we have to talk like Job. We can't preach a sermon about Job and then be impatient. We can't preach about the sovereignty of God and then complain and murmur and everything else. That is carnal. A religious life does that, but a spiritual life knows, "I'm beholding Job. That is a shadow, that is a mystery about me in the Restoration Age. That is Joseph; that is a mystery about me in the Adoption Age."

I see God's purpose; how He worked to achieve His purpose in Job. I see how He tried him. I see how He limited the testings. I see how He put boundaries on the devil. I see how He put a span of time on the trials. I see what He did for Joseph. I see that He gave him visions. I see that He revealed a placing. I see how He held him in certain stages of his journey and testing for so long: so long in the father's house, so long in Potiphar's house, so long in the prison house, so long over Pharaoh's house; how He brought him. I see the different trials and different natures of testings in his life. And then, I see the time came when he was placed. And now, he was not looking at the glory as future glory; he was saying, "Go tell my father, you have seen my

glory." [Genesis 45:13 -Ed.] The future glory had become present.

But the sufferings he had to go through wasn't compared with the glory. He knew that was shown to him – that he was coming into. Hallelujah! And this revelation was influencing him because it was being made real in his life. He wasn't just a 'churchman'. He wasn't just a next one like Reuben and Judah and they. No sir! He was marked out differently. The lines fell on him in pleasant places. He was a fruitful bough that grew by the well, whose branches grew great and went over the wall. [Genesis 49:22 -Ed.] Hallelujah!

I have a Message to preach on that. I'll get on that one of the Wednesday nights.

Where are you planted and where are you growing, friends? The Husbandman that prunes that vine; you'll bear much fruit. How God had to prune that vine, and it grew over the wall, his father's house, in Potiphar's house, in the prison house, then out in Egypt and the whole world. They saw such a fruitful vine.

Oh, Jesus. "Jesus I love you so and I want you to know that what you've done for me is not in vain – not in vain."

[James 5:11-Ed.]

¹¹ ... Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen...

Heard and seen. I have heard with the hearing of my ear but now my eyes have seen it.

... Ye have heard of the patience of Job, James was saying,

...and have seen the end of the Lord;

He was exhorting their patience. He said, "So, watch. Watch what happened in the end with Job. You are going to know that the same thing is going to happen at the end with you. You are going to bring forth the precious fruit out of your earth – the seed He planted in you, the children of the Kingdom. You'll come forth in His Image. You'll be wheat at Harvest time. You'll be a

ripened sheaf. He planted you for that."

Verse 16:

¹⁶ Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

Remember, a righteous man is not a man who is self-righteous, okay? A righteous man is one who has faith in the Sacrifice, faith in a finished Work; a man who God imputes His righteousness unto. God testified of Abel's gift, that he was righteous, because Abel had caught a Mystery of a finished Work reflected in a slain lamb that gave him access to God – coming to God through atonement.

Watch. Elias; from Job, he said, "Take for an example the prophets." First, he talked about the patience of the husbandman; the patience of the wheat that is growing up to come to perfection. The patience of the Lord waiteth for you, and the patience of you, growing until you come to maturity; that the Lord could come and reap you. The patience of Job in afflictions and the patience of Elijah. They were examples. The prophets were what? Examples of suffering, affliction and patience.

What am I preaching on? JOSEPH AN EXAMPLE OF SUFFERING, AFFLICTION AND PATIENCE. And when I am saying 'Joseph', that one name characterizes all of our names. Otherwise, I could have said, "Anthony, an example of suffering, affliction and patience. Steve, an example of suffering, affliction and patience. Ellis, an example of suffering, affliction and patience. Maria, an example of suffering, affliction and patience." I could say that, but I say, 'Joseph'. In Joseph, all of us see ourselves right there in that one, because we have to be that Joseph.

From the bosom of the father, he went out and never saw the father again until the father came and saw his glory; his whole life. He said, "Hasten and bring my father quickly, get him down here." [Genesis 45:13 -Ed.] Oh, my.

Why is He holding me here? I have some places but I just want to be obedient. I prayed and I asked for that, so I can't disobey now. I have to stay under the reins right there for the time being. See, maybe, all these things sometimes are needed in places in the Islands.

¹⁷ Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain:

He had an objective. He was praying with an objective in mind. He was praying with something specific that his faith was focused to. It was a certain thing that God wanted done, to fulfill His Word in Deuteronomy 11; that when they go after other gods, He would shut the heavens – in Deuteronomy 28, where He said, a curse would come when they go into false union and go a whoring after other gods. And in Ahab's time he went with Jezebel and they put that Baalim god throughout the land and destroyed the real altar, and God shut up the heavens.

In the last days, in the last half of the Seventieth week, when Rome and the Jews come back in a covenant and they go after that heathen, Catholic god, what is going to happen? Elijah will come and shut the heavens for three and a half years. When they have the World Council of Churches and one world religion, and they rejected the true God revealed by Malachi 4:5, the Lamb that Elijah revealed, to go after false gods, denominational gods, what is going to happen? Shut the heavens for three and a half years. What happens on this side? Spiritual famine – no Holy Spirit.

They died in the ecclesiastical dust playing their music hard, jumping around, trying to get a feeling because it had no Word to bring any revival; no Word to clean a church. They are in a filthy condition out there. But God has a Word that could wash a people by the washing of the water and the Word, cleansing us from

our filthiness and our idols, and giving a new heart and a new Spirit, and putting His Spirit inside of us and making us a new Creation.

Watch. God's end – the end of the Lord. Seeing the end of the Lord. We have seen the patience of Joseph and we have seen the end of the Lord. We have seen the patience of Job and we have seen the end of the Lord. We have seen the patience here, of Elijah and we have seen the end of the Lord.

Elijah had two Rains. Elijah had restoration. Is that right? Job had restoration. Is that right? And the church in this Hour is coming under restoration. Is that right? It takes two Rains for restoration. Samson had two Rains for restoration. Is that right? That is right.

Are you catching that – what I am saying? I'm talking about Joseph. Under his early Rain, he was catching visions, he was teaching; he was catching a seed. It was a revelation of himself being placed. When the father and they met him, he was in his harvest Rain. He was a sheaf, he was mature, he had the glory; he was an Adopted son. Is that right? He was a placed son. He was the chosen vessel that was prepared for the good work, and he was fulfilling the good work. He was saving the world.

The Potter had everything in mind, from the day the Potter revealed, to the clay on His wheel. He said, "Your brothers would bow down to you" That was the vision. And the Potter started with a lump of clay, but the Potter was molding and molding and molding for that work.

From the day He called you, from the day He called you, nothing is going wrong in your life. Can you say that: nothing is going wrong in your life? Speaking to the inner man, "Nothing is going wrong in my life. I'm going to stand. I'm going to be true. (Amen.) I'm going to hold my place here. Nothing is going wrong in my life. I'm going to accept God's will. I'm going to submit myself. I'm not going to fear. I'm not going to fall apart.

I'm going to surrender. God wouldn't have to wrestle me down and beat me and fight me. I'm not going to resist; I'm going to cooperate. I'm going to confess my condition. I am Jacob. Break me, put me on Your wheel; make me Israel. I am Abram; I lied, I brought an Ishmael, but break me, circumcise me and make me Abraham." That is right.

Joseph, he could take his own. He didn't just have dreams, he wasn't just spiritual, he didn't just have revelation, he didn't just have favour with the father; he had patience, he had faith in his revelation, he had knowledge of God's will. He was living in a place where you will understand why he had peace.

In a little while, I want to get you to see the natures he had to grow up around. I want you to see the natures in Jacob's house. And, he knew those natures. Do you know why he knew those natures? He was the subject of the attack from those natures. He was the target for their hate. He was the target for their treachery. He was the subject of their conspiracy. They couldn't even speak a good word to him. He wasn't watching them do that to other people, they were doing that to him. A robed son, robed by the father. A son with a revelation of future glory. A son who was hated because his revelations caused a religious disturbance.

I know you are saying, I'm preaching about myself. But it is yourself, yourself; it is Christ-Self. Because Joseph doesn't reveal me, Joseph reveals Christ. God in sundry times... He was part of the Mystery of Christ. But if Christ comes in me and Christ comes in you, part of that Joseph would be in you and me. Do you get that?

If Moses, the life that was... Moses was Christ. David was Christ. Solomon was Christ. And the Bride is? She is Him revealed. "In that day, you'll know I in you and you in Me." And if they hate the Master of the house how much more will they...? How much more they'll hate you, if they hate the Master of the house. Why? "Because I will be in you."

But the world doesn't hate you yet, He said, because you don't testify against the evil. [John 7:7 -Ed.] You say, "Well, nobody hates me; everybody loves me." And you become friendly and become Miss Popular and Mr. Popular, and you are glad you are popular with everybody. Do you know why? You are like Obadiah. Ahab hated Elijah with everything inside of him but he loved Obadiah.

Have you ever seen people who hate you and love others? Do you know what is the difference between you and them? You are a threat to them; the others are no threat to them. You have something that they want and they can't have. You are a threat to them. You have to go through that – that ridicule and humiliation and persecution. But when you start to react you don't know it yet. When you start to react you don't know it yet.

So that is why, when you are not conscious of that, you can't be thinking about trials and testing and Adoption and being proven worthy. Your mind isn't there. So your Christian life is going to church and trying not to sin, and trying not to drink, and trying not to do this, and trying not to do this. And your whole life is trying not to do the wrong.

Real Christians don't try to not do the wrong; they can't do the wrong. They have nothing in them to do the wrong. Real Christians are obsessed with doing right – what God has called them unto. They are not living an evasive, defensive life; brother, they are moving right into the very challenge to carry out, perseverant in spite of all obstacles and all hindrances to achieve the revealed Will of God, and be about the Father's business.

You are sitting down inside this church this morning, and your life is: "I'm trying not to do that and I'm trying not to do that. I'm going through a real fight because that one wants me to do that and I don't know how to tell them I can't do it. And I'm under pressure. And I'm pushing this one in front of me to ask them to talk to

them instead because I'm under so much of pressure. They want me to do that and I don't want to do that." Your big pressure is when someone wants to get you to do wrong, and you don't have any conviction. But God is trying for years and years and years to get you to rise up and complete the job and finish His Work, and do what He called you to do, and you are not getting any pressure with that.

Isn't it strange how people live in different places? See, a buzzard has to live on the ground and hop around in a manure pile; sit on a telephone post. An eagle, he'll fly and fly and fly, fly, fly hunting for that food.

You don't want to live there, friends. Brothers and sisters, the Hour is too late to live there. Don't let us be that kind of church. Let us be a church that when people walk through these doors, they are coming among spirits of just men made perfect; an innumerable company of saints where the Blood of Jesus speaks better things. Do you know how we know It speaks better things? Because this one is getting healed, this one is being cleansed, this one is making restitution, this one is getting anointed in their life; this one is overcoming. Because the Blood, there's Power, wonderworking Power in the Blood. That Blood is a Bloody Word – a Lamb that was slain; the Word Himself (amen) that redeems. That is what it is.

17 ...and [Elias] prayed earnestly that it might not rain...

¹⁸ And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.

The husbandman waiteth for what? The fruit. And the earth brought forth her? Fruit. But how did the earth bring forth her fruit? The heaven did what? Give rain. And the husbandman waiteth for what? The rain so that the earth could bring forth her precious fruit. Catch the thought. It is one thought.

He was giving examples. He was saying, "But watch, friends, in all of this that you are going through, take the prophets. When you are going through this, get them in your mind."

David, from the sheepcote to the throne was rejected; persecuted. Abraham, called out of Babylon until he was changed. But look at him: rejected, scoffed at, laughed at, ridiculed, but he was believing in hope against hope; staggered not through unbelief. He was living in the realm of vision. He had seen that child. He knew he was going to have that child. Is that right? But he had to come under the knife of circumcision. He had fears he had to overcome with Abimelech and all of them.

Take the prophets as an example. Don't fall apart and break under the pressure. Don't get yourself complaining. Don't live some little church life.

You know, sometimes people in this Adoption Age, their life is on a low level; you want to know, my God, you mean, you are serving God twenty years and every time you talk about God it is like you are a child with a second-year primer or something. You haven't started to serve Him and say, 'Abba Father'. And say, "Father, You know, today so and so and so was happening there and so and so," and talk with the Father and fellowship about the things of God? And things that you don't see in your life, you say, "Lord, You know these things. You know I've been asking to fix this in my life here for the longest while. You know, today a situation came up; I realize I reacted the same way. I mean, it wasn't so embarrassing, but You know, I saw myself and I looked at myself under the microscope, and I realize some of the seeds of that thing are still there. I shouldn't behave so [that way -Ed.], and it embarrassed me."

The Father says, "What?" He says, "Did you hear that?" He says, "Normally I would have to go and root that out of him and investigate him, interrogate him and show him that. You know, he came before Me and he

talked all that out and brought that there and showed Me his condition and everything, and his place. And..." He was interested in working in those places. He believed the Promise. He was starting to accept that it was a price he had to pay. He saw what it was going to cost him, and he was willing to pay that price, to [inaudible -Ed.] ...his restoration came back in his own life. He wasn't just talking about it like a doctrine, he was talking about it like a testimony. Do you get that?

Sometimes, when you hear people talk about the Word it is only a doctrine they are explaining; explaining something they read in the Bible and study. Talk about it like a testimony: it happened to you, it became part of you, that is your experience, it is fulfilled in you, you are the matching piece to that; you are qualified to talk on that now. Out of your faith you can give virtue and strengthen those around you.

To have 'long patience' means, 'to persevere patiently and bravely in enduring misfortunes and troubles. [to persevere, patiently and bravely in enduring misfortunes and troubles]; to be of a long spirit.'

Thirteen years he waited for that vision. Twenty-two years, nine years after, until the brothers came, and now he was in the vision. Abraham, twenty-five years waited for that son – long patience. But he came from justification, Genesis 12, to sanctification, Genesis 15, to El Shaddai, Genesis 17, to the formed Image having the mysteries. Is that right? Just like Joseph, from the father's house, to Potiphar's house, to the prison house, coming through the same stages. Just like David, from elected, called, anointed and placed, coming to the throne.

Can't you see that your life is designed? Can't you see that your life is set out in an order? Can't you see that you are previously marked out by a pattern; that God has a definite thing for your life? Can't you see, brother, everything is measured out by infinite wisdom? He doesn't hold you in a place longer than He needs to hold

you. How many know, everything God does is right on time? How many know, God is never late?

"And when the fullness of time came..." [Galatians 4:4-Ed.] And God did unto Sarah in the set time that He said He would do it. And to every purpose under heaven there is a time and a season. Nothing is going wrong. "Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His Word." Find rest this morning. Just to rest upon His promise – His prophesied promise that has come to you by revelation; to see it coming to pass in your life, showing you of your own future glory. And you behold the glory – the future glory. And you come through the father's house, and you come through the prison house, and you come right through into Pharaoh's house, and you step into the Glory and you become one with the Image that you were beholding.

He said, that is how they get healed too. Is that right? You see a vision of yourself perfectly healed. Well, in *The Stature Of A Perfect Man* [1962-1014M -Ed.], He was showing us ourselves, a vision of ourselves fully restored. It is going to take seven steps from faith, and virtue, and knowledge, and temperance and patience. But what is it? You are seeing an Adopted son; seeing the Pyramid of your life cap off with Divine love. And you are coming step by step from the sheepcote to the throne; from coming out of Babylon into the place where you are changed into immortality and came back young. Hallelujah! Glory be to God in the highest!

You begin to perceive that in this part of the vision, like David, he was anointed a second time and he knew, "I am going to become king now." And you perceive, like Abraham "Next twenty-eight days. I'm in the cycle. It is happening. I'm caught up into it. I'm watching Sarah; she got dunamis – life signs in the body. I'm no longer in the tent door; I'm looking up at the signs. I'm looking in the Heavens and in the body. Everything is confirmed together. I understood what that visitation was about. I

caught it when He said, 'time of life'. Something in my heart said, 'twenty-eight days'. He was breaking it down in numerology, inside of me. I see the sign in the heaven that confirm the revelation that God's mathematics is always right."

Are we not being made ready for the Promise? How could we be hearing a Word like this? Are we not walking in that place? Is there not One Who designed the test and knows exactly what we are going through? Doesn't your school teacher know where you failed the test? Doesn't the school teacher, who lacks knowledge and who is not infinite, who is only finite and will always make mistakes and will always have to learn because he doesn't know everything, he will say, "Oh, gosh! It was in my mind to give you all that test, you know. If I had given you all that test, you all would have been prepared for the exam. But you know, I had a choice and I gave you all the wrong thing. And then, the thing that came was the thing I left out. Oh, gosh, I am sorry. It is my fault."

But, not with God because He is infinite; because He plans the very thing. Because He said, you would be standing there graduating with all passes. Amen! He could predestinate it. He could purpose it. He could make it happen by all wisdom, His omniscience; and all power, His omnipotence. He, being Infinite, knowing the end from the beginning, can bring it to pass. He worketh every day. He is the Author and the Finisher.

Then, watch now. I want to get a little bit into being delivered up. Joseph was delivered up for envy; Jesus was delivered up for envy. Joseph was stripped; Jesus was stripped. Joseph was bound; Jesus was bound. Joseph was sold; Jesus was sold. But Jesus knew He was delivered up, and Jesus knew He was the Joseph, and so, He walked into it consciously.

He said, "Shall I not drink this cup? What shall I say, 'Father let it pass'? No! For this cause came I unto this Hour." Amen, "Father, I'll drink the cup," amen,

"because I remember I preached the other day, 'My meat is to finish the work,' and on the Cross I have to say, 'It is finished."

"And Father, I know how to pray now, because You showed me my season and You showed me my time. At the beginning of this year, Father, You came and You gave me those three words. And then, Father, You came with 'from the earthly to the heavenly.' And Father, You showed me the time in Noah, and the time with Jesus, and the time with Abraham. And Father, You showed me the time with Daniel, and Father, You posted me and You put me in the Tent Door. Then Father, the experiences began to start, and Father, I began to understand what had happened. Then Father, You sent me out, and then I went out into Europe, and I went out into Ukraine and those places. Father, I saw when I waved the mantle over the people and I spoke those things. And Father, when I went out in New Zealand and I saw those things, I had nothing to prove because I am already a proven son. You already proved and tried me. I don't come here hoping You are with me. I know You sent me and You are standing here, and nothing could stand before me because I'm Your servant standing here. You prepared me for this good Work, and You showed me Revelation 10:8-11. And so, Father, I came back and testified: being strong in this grace that is in Christ Jesus, what You have made me in Christ; what, by grace, You have done for me, Father. Then Father, I and then changed the inspiration; back something spoke in my heart out in New Jersey: 'Bring on the Holy Vesture." [Bro Vin laughs -Ed.]

Something spoke in New Jersey! I came back and said, "Okay, change the theme." Sis. Shelly Ann had already had something drawn out there. I said, "You could put all of that. All that is part of it – sower with the seed, and everything, put that in it too." Because look, I'm catching it right here this morning, both of them. I'm still in it. Infinite God. I said, "Victor, you have

to draw over that banner. You have to put this, this, this, this; this."

Waiting upon Him for inspiration to preach the Message; then the Holy Spirit came, said, "You are preaching Sunday night, Communion night." Because He wants a consecration. He wants to preach a consecration Message. "Your message wouldn't be the big Message to fly in the Convention; your message would be the Message to bring consecration, because last year you preached 'One Body and One Bread." [03-0823-Ed.] You have to say it in a certain way.

Then I preached Sunday morning. I don't know what was going to... I told Bro. Mervyn, a couple of nights before, I said, "Get yourself ready. I don't know if I may preach." I said, "These mornings-meetings are killing me. I don't have the strength. I don't know what I am getting myself into here," I said, "so be ready; you may have to preach if I call upon you."

Then Something down in my heart said, "No, you have to preach. Don't think of it as being burdensome; think of it as being necessary." Then, from the night when He showed me where I'm going to be preaching, and what I'm going to be preaching, I left here about two o'clock so you could imagine – Sunday morning. I went home there; by five in the morning I now started to see what He wanted me to preach. And I was watching the clock; I said, by ten o' clock I'd be sleepy standing here, because I didn't get to sleep the night before, and since the Convention started, since the Thursday night, I'd been having meetings Friday morning, Saturday morning, so I was coming in the night and coming back in the morning. I said, "What is this?" But all there, "My grace is sufficient. My grace is sufficient."

I started to think, I said, "Lord, well then, when I think of the sacrifice of how the people have come, what is a few days' sleep." I said, "If I have to fall asleep afterwards, flat on the back, after I leave the pulpit, then that is fine. But at least I'll keep everything focused right

here." And I started to think, it got me now, like it was there in Belarus: wee hours in the morning, when He showed me what to preach. And sometimes He takes you through things like that, because you don't just want to come and sermonize people. You don't just want to come and, kind of, put a few Scriptures and throw out a little frivolous thing there and, you know, kind of trust God lightly. But sometimes you see what is required, what the people need, where are we at, what sacrifice they made to come; where we need to be. Oh brother, I tell you.

Turn with me quickly. My time is up. I shouldn't even be doing this. I'll just précis a little bit. I want to catch a place. There's a little place I want to catch for you. It will be nice and, kind of, lift you up a little bit because right now, the Word kind of put you down. This is the part that hurts. This is the part where we talk straight. This is the part where we talk straight. In other words, this is the inspector inspecting the carriage. He comes there; he shakes that. "What rattled there? Check that." He shakes here, "What rattled there? Take that; pack it over. You can't seal that!"

So, nobody likes to be inspected. When God puts your life under inspection, that is an interrogative thing; you, kind of, feel uncomfortable. Well, the One who is the Inspector, He is also the Sealer; He is the Blesser. He is the same One. The sword has two edges, so this is a next side here, now. This side has honey on the sword. You are getting cut here; you could laugh. See? Next place over here, it makes you cry; over here it makes you laugh. Because, God doesn't want to kill you; God just wants to get you ready. He doesn't want to kill you, He wants to kill the old man, but not in the sense of destroying you, as a believer.

The end of the Lord.' The end of the Lord'. So, are you catching that? The end of the Lord – God's goal and His purpose, His achievement that He has in this Adoption Age. What is God's goal in this Age? The

glorification of the Church – the glorification of the Church. He has come down. We are called unto glory. This is the Age of the Rapture. Seven Thunders have uttered Its Voices, to do what? To open a Mystery, to do what? Bring the Church into rapturing faith and to change us into glorification.

This is the Age, you will sit with Him in His Throne. And if you are going to reign with Him, you have to suffer with Him. We are promised the Throne. We are promised glorification in this Age. And that is why we are seeing these things. It is so clear, it is so perfect, there is no missing with this. This is direct, precise, down to the Hour.

Genesis 37 to 45 unfolds the mystery of suffering and glory in the life of Joseph, because Joseph was the son who came into glorification. He grew up into the mature grain and was placed positionally with full authority. He became the Adopted son; the placed son.

What a beautiful thing there, because in his life we are seeing, look how God worked all these things together for good. Amen. The Adopted son. When was he Adopted? Not in his First Pull, in his father's house. The Father's house to Potiphar's house – First Pull. Potiphar's house to prison house – Second Pull. It was not in the Second Pull but in the Third Pull he was Adopted. In the Third Pull he was in the latter Rain. In the Third Pull, he was the Ripened Sheaf. Is that right? Perfect! Do you see how precise the Word is to the Age?

A chosen vessel prepared for the good Work. What is it? Showing forth the riches of the Potter's mercy. Let's see Him show forth the riches of the mercies here. Look at what he had to go through, but then He showed forth the mercy at the end, the riches of that mercy, that God could have taken a vessel of mercy and show the riches of His mercy.

I wanna save some... I was going to pick up about... We had... Okay. From verses 2 to 4, you know, was the beloved son in the bosom of the father. We went through

that Wednesday night. And from verses 5 to 11 the former Rain, his revelation of the future glory that was opening up to him – God's plan for the Age; God's Will for his life. And then, Genesis 37, let me take, about, verse 16.

His father had sent him to Shechem, you know that, to look for his brothers and he couldn't find them. And then he...We are coming down to the personal side of it now, okay? Quickly, let's just touch one or two places and then I'll close.

I want you to see how this infinite God works so it is going to give you some stability, putting the stabilizers on the ship. You are not going to be tossed to and fro. It'll get you anchored a little bit, get you tied where your soul can be anchored within the veil and you could have a hope steadfast and sure, and know that God's Will is unchangeable – the immutability of His counsel. He will bring that Promise to pass in your life; nothing can stop Him.

He has called you to it, just don't you fight Him; you yield and submit to Him. And it is going to take faith to do that. And this is designed to show you why you could have faith. Even though things look contrary, why you could have faith. Nothing is going wrong. Verse 16.

He went out looking in Shechem; he didn't find them. He was wandering around in the field and a man came and he began to speak to the man. And he said: [Genesis 37:16-Ed.]

¹⁶ And he said, I seek my brethren: tell me, I pray thee, where they feed their flocks. And the man said:

¹⁷ And the man said, They are departed hence; for I heard them say, Let us go to Dothan. And Joseph went after his brethren, and found them in Dothan.

¹⁸ And when they saw him afar off, even before he came near unto them, they conspired against him to slay him.

¹⁹ And they said one to another, Behold, this dreamer cometh.

²⁰ Come now therefore, and let us slay him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say, Some evil beast hath devoured him: and we shall see what will become of his dreams.

Oh my goodness. What if you get to find out, somebody with a next group is sitting down and planning that about you? You say, "He, he is too proud. He is too full of self. He is always boasting and rating-up himself. I don't know why the father blesses him so much, because after all, he is like a little sissy; he is always under the father, under the father. Don't you see the father is partial? All of us are before him." See? And when you have people discontented, four or five, it is easy for them to get together, you know. If you have one smart one in there, who could manipulate, a manipulator, he could set that fire very fast. Because he already knows what they are discontented with, and he stirs it up. How many know the Bible says, "A talebearer stirreth up strife"? [Proverbs 16:28 -Ed.]

That is why sometimes, when you meet in the church sometimes, when people get to talking, they can't control that tongue and that tongue is full of deadly poison. And they don't understand in this Adoption Age, in this Age of unclean lips, God has opened a vision to cleanse them from unclean lips, and there is a seraphim with a coal of fire could purge them from that thing, and now, they could be bearers of good news instead of bearers of tales. Amen.

To see how many times people get out there and they begin to sow strife and sow seeds of discord, and stir up hate and resentment, because they enjoy attention and support, and they don't care at what cost they get it. So they become a little leader of a gang. And that gang is going to thief, or that gang is going to rape, or that gang is going to kill, or that gang is going to put out violence on people. And then, they start to admire, brother, who

could man-handle people; who could intimidate. And they start to glory in one another's flesh and exalt violence and carnality, and who could manipulate and who could seduce, and who has the baby face that the people always fall for but is the cold calculated killer on the inside – the backstabber. You have that kind of thing.

In this Age, people have to have discernment – discernment to discern spirits. We are not dealing with unbelievers here now; we are dealing with believers. We are dealing in Jacob's house. We are dealing in the Message of the Hour. We are dealing with the Prophet who met the Mighty Angel at daybreak, the one who brought grace for all, and whose life produced perfection in his house; and these are the children in his house.

Watch the brothers and them. They said, they conspired to kill him, "He is coming." Now, you know, to kill, how much hate it takes to kill? A certain amount of hate will intimidate, a little greater hate will be violent, more hate will wound with intent to badly damage, and then you have to exceed that to kill, and get rid of. And then you have to get even further than that to kill, and then have the lie already, to cover up to kill.

In the court they call that cold-blooded murder; first-degree murder. It means, 'pre-meditated murder'. You sit down and you plan to kill, and you have the subject, and you have what we are going to do when you finish kill them. And it is so cold, we have to lie to the father and deceive the father. Do you get that? So you hate the son and you hate the father too, though you may call it love. Because if you kill him, it will almost kill the father. And then, to really lie and deceive the father on top of that, that is conspiracy.

This is only the seed form of what the Pharisees and they did to Jesus, and what they did to the last Day Message – what the denominational ministers did to the last Day Message. But isn't it strange, to come to Adoption you have to be tempted at all points, and God chooses the test and sets the test.

Now, I want you to see that the conspiracy to kill, to lie, to cover up is how God was sending him to Egypt. God was sending him to Egypt right on time, right where nothing was going wrong. You say, "Is that so?" Exactly so! Do you know why? Because in the end, He has come back to His brethren, the Jews, in the last days. And if that was how Christ was killed... Wasn't the Lamb slain before the foundation of the world, in the Mind of God? So it had to be done to type out Christ. And isn't the whole plan, all the revelation of God based on Jesus Christ – God's great Mystery in Christ?

But watch this man. Watch what revelation does to you. There is no prevailing power as the revelation of the Word. This morning, you will learn that differently. What does that mean when you say that? I hear it being said many times. There are things that prevail against you in your own life, and for you to prevail against it—because the gates of hell, those five gates in your body and five gates in your spirit that want to prevail against you, you have to have revelation to prevail against that so that it doesn't prevail against you. Right?

Now, the things he was faced with, that were trying to prevail upon him, his revelation was able to give him prevailing power. He said, "No, no. You all thought you were doing me something wrong; you weren't doing me anything wrong." He said, "Don't even feel bad about yourself."

How could a man suffer that... I'm not asking like I don't know, you know. You sat down right in this church and saw where people sit down behind closed doors and send that into all the earth, you know. And the whole plan was to destroy this Church completely and bring it flat to the ground, you know. We are not talking about anything strange here, only because... And they print the book, "They are singing, 'A Rainbow-covenanted one, with a Joshua commission, testifies,

She has turn at the west." [#611 - Songs That Live -Ed.] They said, "Do you see? Do you see what they are on down there?" The Word visions, it got them angry. I'm not talking jokey talk friends; I'm talking things that happened. And I say, the sowing is over because the Seed grew and matured. It opened up the Second Fold – the Sheaf.

They said, "They built a million-dollar building down there, and so and so," and all kinds of different things. Everything is to try and pull down desecrate. What million-dollar building, what? Has anybody built a million dollar building around here? Some little piece of brick and stone we put up there to put the work in the Caribbean, and just over the last couple of weeks here, we had over two hundred and fifty people, out of about three hundred people in all, that... The work went out from here with seven islands here, bringing people in the convention. And all those people, none started off of an existing church; it started from scratch. Out of the dirt God spoke it into existence. Because that was the vision and the commitment holding the vision all those years, persevering in spite of all obstacles.

Don't think it strange. I'm qualified to speak on this. I don't even have to try to fabricate or look for a wild bottle from somewhere and slip it in. I just have to, by memory, look back at the experience and speak.

...we shall see what [shall] become of his dreams.

Oh, I tell you, I loved last Wednesday night: *Behold The Dreamer Cometh; We Shall See What Shall Become Of His Dreams.* [2004-0901 -Ed.]

²¹ And Reuben heard it, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said, Let us not kill him.

Why Reuben? Reuben was the firstborn. Reuben was the firstborn. But, do you know something? Reuben was the one who was supposed to get the birthright, but instead of Reuben getting the double portion, the father gave this boy. Now, catch something here. Catch something here. Don't think that Reuben did any big thing there you know, because Reuben was part of the conspiracy to lie to the father. I want to show you the nature here. Reuben attempted to help him but he still compromised and became part of the plot to deceive the father after they sold him. In other words, he was comfortable with the lesser of two evils.

A lot of times, people choose the lesser of two evils and think it is a virtuous choice they made. They, kind of, feel that, "I am not so bad because I didn't say kill. Remember, I tried to defend, okay?" Yes, but you agreed to sell and then lie to the father and become part of the plot where you all killed the goat and put the blood on the coat, so what is the use?

That is brother, you know. That came out the prophet's loins, you know. He came out the prophet's loins, you know. He was in the house, you know. He was the firstborn, you know. We are stripping down some natures here.

Reuben. If your natural name is Reuben, I'm not taking it personally. If your natural name is Judah, or you are even referred to as Judah, don't take this personally when we get on Judah here, either. I'm just reading the Bible. I can't change the name in the Bible; I can't add to the Word.

²² And Reuben said unto them, Shed no blood...

See?

²¹ Reuben heard it, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said, Let us not kill him.

"I'm against killing."

²² And Reuben said unto them, Shed no blood,...

He was one of those fellows who don't like capital punishment. You know, it has those people who say, "I'm not for the death sentence; life imprisonment." They have their noble ideals in life.

²² And Reuben said unto them, Shed no blood, but cast him into this pit that is in the wilderness, and lay no hand upon him; that he might rid him out of their hands, to deliver him to his father again.

Now, watch Reuben. He had a good intention here. We are seeing that the boy had some virtue in him. He was up against ten of them—nine of them because he made it ten. He was up against nine of them. And one against nine, he said, "No, you all can't kill him. I'm not standing for that today. You all are not touching him as long as I am here." And he had a plan: "As I get my chance, I'm carrying him back for daddy."

²³ And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they [stripped him] out of his coat, his coat of many colours that was on him;

²⁴ And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the pit was empty, there was no water in it.

The mercy of God – it had no water in that pit. The mercy of God. It was between the two rains. It was the dry season and it had no water inside of there. Do you get that? Because out there was sheep country, so that meant they needed water. Dothan means—it was pasture lands, so they had a place that could hold water, because that was where they took the sheep.

When is Reuben now... Apparently, Reuben went somewhere, maybe to tend his part of the flock, his responsibility, and they took him and they cast him into the pit, but the pit was empty. And the Bible wants to tell us that: that the pit was empty and there was no water in the pit. It doesn't want us to lose sight of providence.

Remember, this boy was not ending up there by chance; he was in the bosom of the father. I had it

Wednesday night. He was in Hebron, which means 'love' and 'companion.' And It said that the father sent him out of Hebron to Shechem. And Shechem was the place where the two boys, Simeon and Levi, hamstrung the horses, slew the men, tore up the city, burned down the place to avenge Dinah. Is that right? And Jacob said, "You all make my name to stink in this place." She got defiled down there; those two boys burst up that place down there. Brother, trouble. So he knew those fellows hated this boy. They couldn't speak peaceably to him. He was always in an argument and debate around the house.

He said, "Look, go out there and see how they are doing, because I'm concerned about them. I haven't heard from them for some days." When he went to Shechem, he didn't find them. And instead of the boy going back and saying, "Daddy, I went to Shechem. You told me to go to Shechem and I obeyed you." He knew the father's intent was how the boys were doing. So he asked a man, he said, "Where are they?" The man said, "Down at Dothan." Shechem was already fifty miles from Hebron, so he went a further distance now, to Dothan.

When he went down there, they saw him coming. They said, "Watch. Simeon, Levi, you all, come. Issachar, Zebulon, watch what is going on there. Asher, check him, check him, check him. Watch!" They said, "He is even day dreaming and all. Watch how he is walking, coming there. Do you think this fellow is right in his head?" He said, "Today he is fixed. This goose is cooked today [an expression meaning, he is finished -Ed.] and he doesn't know it." He said, "Today is *the* day for him. I have had too much. I'm getting my opportunity here now. Daddy is not around; there is no protection."

Do you remember when Jesus told the parable? They saw the heir coming and they said, "Let us kill him. We'll take over everything." And He came unto His own and His own received Him not. [John 1:11 -Ed.] And the Light

shone in darkness and the darkness comprehended It not. [John 1:5-Ed.]

When he came now, through envy, they were planning now to kill him. And they said, "Let us kill him." He was already dead in their thoughts, in their counsels.

Now, catch it. I'm coming down to something very deep in the Word. "We are delivered up by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, and given to the heathen that they can do whatsoever Thy hand hath determined," Peter said, in the Bible. Because Jesus was born to die. Do you know that? His death was told how He was going to die, it was told how they were going to strip Him, it told how they were going to gamble for His garments, it told how He was going to thirst, it told how none of His bones were going to be broken; it told us exactly how they were going to hate Him without a cause, and how he that ate bread with Him will lift up his heel against Him. It told what time He was going to die, where He was going to die, what kind of death He was going to suffer; how long He'd stay dead. It is all told in the Bible. It was planned; predestinated.

That is why He was saying, "My Hour is not yet come. What shall I say, save Me from this Hour? I'm born for this Hour."

You too, the Bride is part of the? Bride is not just, "I'm going in the Rapture; I'll escape the tribulation." The Bride is part of the Bridegroom. It means, Bride Life is predestinated, just like Him. It means, Bride Life, every step is ordained just like Him because He is part of the Mystery, She is part of the Mystery. Husband and Wife, they both make one. Old Testament and New Testament, the entire Bible – Christ and the Bride.

Watch something here. The entire Bible was the expression of what? One goal and one purpose God had. What am I talking about? 'The end of the Lord'. What is the end of the Lord in the Bible? To restore Eve back to

her rightful position, to bring the Church back, bring the fallen kingdom back, the preeminence in Christ, preeminence in the Bride and restore the kingdom. To bring everything back, that is the achievement – the end of the Lord.

What is the end in your life, in this Age? Glorification. To have the preeminence in you, the oversight in you, the leading in you, to bring you to Adoption; to bring you to maturity. He put you in this Age – an Age when He is going to do that Work. He called you young, at the age He called you, because He wants some young ones at your age to do this Work in. Little ones like Rhoda – young girls. Amen! Young boys like John, who leaned on His bosom and were around Him. Young men like Stephen who stood there and their faces shone like an angel. My!

Watch. Now, he was being delivered up. Now, if that was you, what would you have said? "All these brothers and they are against me. You see the same thing, I don't know why I became a Christian. Since the day God started to bless me, everybody hated me, yes. You see me, I'm done with this life. I can't take this provocation. I would do for them one day if I wasn't a Christian, yes. If I backslide for five minutes... They don't know what kind of man I was."

How are you going to deal with that? Who is living there? Who is living there? What did God want to teach him? Was it just about character for Him, or was it also to show that God is sovereign – how God tests others? That all down through the Ages from that time to this day, for almost four thousand years and more, there was going to be people who are going to read that story, until the last Day, when a Bride comes in the last Day; who is going to fulfill these things and is going to know, "That is me, and I am being tested," in this Age of brotherly kindness, in this Age when you are going through things with brothers and you could have brotherly love, and you could forgive seventy times

seven in this Age when you are persecuted.

Is this a higher purpose that God has for our lives? Is this something about our life that we really have to spend time in and fellowship with a little deeper, and say, "Father, a big part of my life is gone; I'm fifty-three. And Lord, if I have to fellowship with You in Your purposes, where have I lived?"

In the world, I had a cap marked 'Reach Out' – cosmic consciousness. I used to tell Sammy, "We are going off the earth tonight. We are going into the universe." I was never a ground person. I was never a shallow person. I came in the Message; they called me a 'mission trotter'. I couldn't sit down anywhere. I was all in the countryside with a bag of books trying to plant seed, because that sowing thing wanted to come out; I didn't understand that God had to regulate it. [Bro. Vin laughs –Ed.] See? But deep was calling to deep. Deep was calling to deep.

You see, I am trying to show you that predestination is what I am dealing with here. I'm trying to show the sovereignty of God: election, foreknowledge, determinate counsel, immutability of His counsel. I'm trying to show that when you know these things, God sets a boundary, a restraining power, that you are about to die right there and God says, "You are not going to die today, you know." And they have to cancel that appointment with death right there at the last minute. God has that control over the universe. That is the kind of God you have to see. God has that control over the universe; over everything that moves.

Bear with me. I'm finished. But these are thoughts you don't just... You have to sink it in. You have to plant it. You just can't drop it; you have to plant it. If I could get this planted, we wouldn't have to have one prayer line. If I could get this planted, we wouldn't have one long face in this Church. If I could plant this, we'll have a grave for murmurers, this morning. Every murmurer, and murmuring spirit will be put inside of there, and

you are going to find that people become creators of an Atmosphere and confessors of the Word.

So, we see Reuben. Are you Reuben? Do you like Reuben's spirit?

²³ And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stript Joseph out of his coat, his coat of many colours that was on him;

They hated that coat, they hated those dreams; they hated those things that he spoke.

²⁴ And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the pit was empty, [and] there was no water in it.

²⁵ And they sat down to eat bread:

Do you remember Jehu after he trampled Jezebel? You see those fellows there, they conspired, tied up this boy, threw him in a pit, sat down there and they were eating. "Give me some more of that gravy there. Pass me a piece of bread there." He said, "Come, give me some more of that parched corn. Come, do fast, do fast [move fast -Ed.]. Come on, fellows." He said, "No, you are taking too much. You have to share that equally here."

He said, "But you ate yours already." And they were more taken up with the food you know, and the poor boy was suffering inside of there. They could fill their belly.

Watch human nature. This is where I am trying to hold you. See? People don't seem to see people, and that is why they can't see their own sin.

Let me tell you, when you start to see what is in the Bible, you'll know how to judge yourself. "What kind of person am I? Am I the kind of person who feels good because I choose the lesser evil and feel I am not so bad as the other person who was saying 'kill', but I said, 'don't kill, just sell so we could make a profit; so I could get some change out of it'? I'm seeing through a kind of business eye; I could profit off of him. We don't get anything if we just kill him." Do you understand what I

am saying?

Look at how these men... Tell me, could God reveal things to those men? They had a prophet-father too, but they had no love. They grew up in the same home, they could tell the same story about their father and the Angel, (we are getting somewhere now,) and how they were in the womb of the bride, Rebecca, who was called out, and how by election and different things... But they weren't seeing... These fellows hadn't yet come to see what they were.

Do you know that it was in the end, when he put them to sit down there, and they said, "Who is this man? He knows our birth order"? He said, "Notice, we sit down exactly the way we were born. The man was talking rough to us; he called us spies. Oh, God, I was praying not to see that man again the second time because it is the same man. Like he waited; he knew we were coming. He put pressure on us. He held our brother and sent us back to our father."

He was a judge too, you know. He said, "I'm keeping Simeon; you all go ahead." See? He had to separate Simeon from Levi a little bit you know, because Levi had to get ready for the priesthood. Do you understand what I am saying?

He has to burst up your relationship sometimes, because He has a plan for your life. And you are going along and can't see, and want to live in a rear view mirror, and live in the past, and 'tabanca' [love sick -Ed.], and you are half drunk sinning your soul away, plunging into a dark pit, and lust is blinding you because you got out of the Atmosphere of the Word, and the Word is no longer your Head that governs and controls and influences your life. Church becomes the location of the building that you could drive up to and you know where it is, and you wouldn't end up in the New Testament church on the Chaguanas Main Road [the name of a place in Trinidad -Ed.]

But to walk in the Word... We are talking about a life

that is coming to Adoption. We are talking about trials that God designed. Were these designed trials? Was this predestinated experiences? Was God the Potter? Was Joseph the vessel that had to be sanctified and prepared unto every good work? Was there a good work for him to fulfill in the end? Was he on the Potter's wheel? Did the Potter know how long to hold him there? Wasn't he clay in God's hands? Did he not himself, looked back at it and said, "God sent me before you. You thought evil but God meant it for good You were just an instrument. God didn't let your plan come to pass. God let His Plan come to pass, but He used you to do it, and He needed men with that kind of nature to do it. But He knew you all wanted to kill, so he put a boundary so that you all couldn't kill. Because you all were trying to destroy the vision of the Word. And the Word shall not return unto God void - the Word that comes through God's mouth." He said, "My mouth was God's mouth when I spoke those visions. That was God's Word coming out of my mouth. You saw me," he said, "but that was God's Word. I caught that by revelation. I was only a channel of communication for inspiration."

Can't we in our household, can't we in our household, where we have sons coming to Adoption here, can't we in our household understand our experiences? Why are we into fighting with one another? Why are we to illtreat one another? Why are we to put down one another? Why are we to get envious and jealous against one another? Why are we to side with others, and choose the lesser of two evils, and sit down and judge and adjudicate over the lives of others? Who gave us those rights? I said, we are coming down to a little personal level.

But to you children, let me say this, the seed needs the right environment to grow it. The seed needs the right conditions to develop it. And the ragged, jagged, dark skies, thunderous, is what brings rain. It is born in the fields of thunder. And the eagle in the egg had to pip and pip and pip until it bursted out of the shell; then it could no longer go back in that shell to live.

It was when these fellows who were so obsessed with their own selves, and taken up with their own selves, and so self-centered and so egoistic, and so inconsiderate, and so fleshly with their human wisdom, these fellows, it was only when they were under pressure, they said, "Oh God, you see the same thing. Do you know what is happening to us now? It is what we did to our brother that time, you know." They started to remember their sins. And he didn't reveal himself to them yet, but it started to work on their conscience twenty-two years after. Twenty-two years after, it never left them.

In one day, God went back twenty-two years, and even to when he was saying, "You did me this, and sold me down here." He was talking about twenty-two years ago. Time does not erase sin. You can't bury that and cover that and hide that. You are fooling yourself! You have to get before God and cry out. You have to bow down before God and ask Him to cleanse you; you can't cleanse yourself.

A leopard sees the spot on himself and starts to lick them, and says, "I will lick them away." And every time the leopard licks the spot he shines it more. He thinks it is something getting him spotty so he starts to lick it off, "I will lick it off." And the more he licks the spot, he shines it. And the more man try to cleanse themselves and reform themselves, they only get themselves more in the world and more involved in the world, and more in the flesh, and more depending on their human wisdom. You have to fall upon Him and ask Him to cleanse you and break you and mould you over, and take it out of you, else there is no way you could go on.

Let the musicians come for me. I just can't do it. Instead of reading a little bit, I'll pick up those details, fine details Wednesday night.

But God was right there. The same God Who gave the vision was now working out the vision. Do you get this? The same God Who gave the vision was now working out the vision. All the nice revelation about super-Church, and when the Bride nears the Headstone, and by and through the members of the Bride, you know, She has 'Thus Saith The Lord or keep still', and Jesus Christ, and prisoners of power preeminences, and you know how we know the slogans and we just, kind of, rattle them off, going one after the other. But then, that is standing here and looking at the vision down the road. But when God starts to work it out now, when God starts to work it out, the outworking, the bringing to pass, the making it actual in your life and your experience, the personalizing of the Word, from [blank spot on tape -Ed.] ... and the teaching, to a testimony, to a testimony of 'I know'; from putting you on the ash heap until you come off the ash heap, where you see the end of the Lord.

Can you see the end of the Lord in your life? An example of suffering and affliction. But we are seeing the patience of Joseph and we see the end.

Was God able to achieve His end? Did he fulfill the Work? Did he fulfill the ministry? Was the vessel repaired? Did God get the glory? Did he give God the glory? Was he able to look back? Did he attribute anything to the devil and misfortune, and he was unfortunate, and things happened to him, and he couldn't live his life a second time? Did he talk that way? "God sent me, God planned this; it was all preplanned by God!"

How many know that God pre-planned the earthly kingdoms? Daniel Chapter 2 tells you that. Hitler tried to become a world power. Alexander the Great, he had become a world power; he died. Then you had the next one who came, Mussolini; tried to become a world power – all these people with these ambitions. Napoleon tried to become a world power; God put a boundary, a

restraining influence. Do you get that? God exerts upon the good and also upon the wicked, a restraining influence by which He can prevent them from doing what they are naturally inclined to do.

"We sat down and we planned to kill. We saw the victim. We saw the time, we saw the environment, we saw the pit; we saw the place to hide him. Nobody was around – no witnesses. Nobody is telling outside of this little group, who conspired and had the plot."

Think about it. You are Joseph, this morning. Joseph is not your flesh; Joseph is the Seed, the soul, that has that glory that is changing and growing up inside of you. That is the precious fruit. You bring forth fruit unto? Perfection. Joseph is that perfection. Out of your earth, a mature Sheaf in the Third pull, a placed son who had two Rains to bring him to that maturity.

If God, friends, can restrain man... They were going to kill him, and then, after Reuben went, they said, "Man, Reuben is not here now man; let us go through this thing yes, because we started already and our blood is hot. This fellow has to go. We may not get a chance like this again." And Judah stepped in, and Judah said, "No, no, no, no, no. You all don't kill him. Please, don't kill him." And while they were trying to argue about whether to kill or don't kill, he said, "So, what will we do? We've tied him already. If he goes and tells daddy that we tied him up in a pit, do you know what will happen to us? Do you know what is going on? You know, when this fellow yawns, daddy runs and listens to what he is saying." He said, "Not me. You see this thing here, we are going through with this."

While they were arguing, the Bible says, some Ishmaelites were coming from Gilead with balm and myrrh and spices. Do you know about the balm in Gilead? Gilead was a place that had balm. Jeremiah tells you about that. They were getting their commodities to traffic their business and that was the highway, the merchant's highway, where all the

business was passing through, going to Egypt on that road. And at an unlikely time of the day, those fellows must have gotten a road block; some bad customs officer must have checked every piece of baggage. They said, "We are looking for a kidnapping. We don't know what is going on down here; we know it has people in slavery down there, in Egypt. And all of you, Ishmaelites, we heard about you all, you bunch of Midianites." And brother, those men argued, debated, maybe started to curse; maybe bribed that officer.

They said, "We have a deadline to meet, man. We'll get down there in that market, and if all our commodities don't get a place to be sold, do you know what will happen to us? We would have made that trip in vain. That is the market there. It is a big bazaar in Egypt. You are holding us back, man." Greased the hand a little bit; held them back just long enough, held them back just long enough, that they were getting ready to kill.

Judah said, "What is that dust?"

He said, "Midianites. Those are the fellows going down in Egypt. Let us sell him. Daddy won't see him, he won't hear about him again at all; he is going into Egypt." His plan was a sell plan. He said, "Why should we shed blood? Let us profit. Let us get some money out of this thing." The love for money was more than love and compassion. Friends, all Scriptures are given by inspiration. This is put in the Bible, to do what? To unveil your life.

Remember when I told you Jehu drew the bow at full strength, and the man was right there? Remember when I told you about Isaac meditating by the well? God doesn't write plenty about a man's life in the Bible; He just writes one or two things so you could see the man's nature, you could see the man's nature. You see the man's whole picture.

God shows us... And that is why we argue. Do you know what we argue for? "But it is only twice I did that

in my life. You are getting on like I am the biggest sinner." No, those two times revealed you. All the rest of times, no pressure was on you; nothing. You were waltzing in and waltzing out and going good. But that is you under pressure there, and that is what you are inclined to do every time you go under pressure. And two times are just enough, because everything is established to be the truth in the mouth of two or three witnesses, so God doesn't want more than two, and you see yourself.

That is why a lot of people can't repent. A lot of people can't look deep into themselves to see what they really are. They sit down there in a self-righteous thing trying to justify themselves, because they say, "If they ask me that, if so and so, I wouldn't do so." And they are trying now, to prepare their face, paint their face, to come out to the public and say, "Am I not a good Christian? Don't I love God? Am I not sincere? Am I not a man of God? Don't I love people? How do you see me?" Let us have a poll, a Gallup poll, [an American analytics and advisory company -Ed.] or one of those polls that they have. Is that how you'll find out? No, no, no. God puts you under the Word. God puts you under the Word. It discerns the thoughts and the intents of the heart. It shows you what you are liable to do without even the conditions around you, and tells you that is what you are; you'll do that.

That is why He told Peter, He said, "Before the cock crows you will deny Me."

He said, "Me? Deny You? That is not in me at all. I have no denial in me."

He said, "You are saying that out there; you have no pressure here and nobody is threatening your security right now. When they put you here, one mile down the road, two hours later and in a different circumstance you'll say, 'Oh gosh, I just said that, about seven o'clock; now it is nine." Yeah, that is how man is. What is man? What is man?

But catch this, God holds a man's heart in His hands,

the heart of the unbeliever and the heart of the believer, because God has a purpose, and God lets go this one to act, and God stops it. And God moves upon this one to take that pressure and smile and keep going on. And God has it on the wheel and He is moulding it according to His Own good pleasure; after His Own Will

Remember Abimelech? He saw Sarah and he said, "I haven't had a Jewish girl for a long time." He took this girl who came back young; was a nice young girl. He saw her. He sent her to all the people to wash her, dress her up, comb her up, and dolls her up. He took his bath, laid down on his bed and he was waiting, you know. That is Genesis Chapter 20. It is right there in the Bible. Said, "Tonight is the night." He said, "I checked the thing out. The man told me that was his sister and I was just sensing something, so I asked that question just to make sure that I don't interfere with anyone's wife, because I am a man of integrity before God."

How many know the Bible says, God dropped down in a dream in the night and God said, "You are a deadman. You and your whole kingdom are weighed in the balances. You are finished." Said, "Tonight, if you touch that woman, one touch... If she comes through that door and you touch her," He said, "everything in this kingdom is gone; dead!" Whew! Brother! He said, "Oh God, you know the integrity of my heart. This man said that was his sister; not me, Lord."

What was God doing? God had already told Abraham, "Your seed, you are bringing the Messiah; all the families of the earth." And God had to protect that bloodline. And the girl had already ended up in the palace, and she was being dressed to be brought to him. Do you get that? And in a couple of minutes, she would've been at his disposal, with no way to come out of the situation. And God was watching over His Word, taking a heathen king and turning him around.

Do you see that kind of God having control in your life, that you could have gotten into danger and He

stepped right in and stopped you? Do you see that God, where death was coming to you, as sure as sure can be.

Bro. Neville, do you remember that day with the man with the cutlass? I passed by the house just last night and I looked there. And as I saw the cutlass was coming behind me, I fell. I never even saw the clothesline. I would have hit the clothesline and fallen, and he would have killed me. I fell before I saw the clothesline, because I was looking back to see him and I fell, and saw the cutlass coming. And when I fell, he ran into the clothesline and tangled up in the clothesline. I went under the clothesline and rolled down a hill and was out.

The next day, off the truck, the man was coming on the truck too. They were blocking all the water trucks. I was on the water truck, flying out about sixty miles an hour. In those days, there was no water for four days. People were all on the road throwing things in front of those water trucks. Before you knew it, fifty, sixty people were on the truck emptying out all that water.

Brother, the man diverted when they threw the thing too early. I and a next fellow were the first two on the truck. And he was one of the big bad fellows on the corner. Boy, he got terrified when the man came out with the other two in the front. One came with a big piece of iron, and he came out. When I saw him, I said, "This is a good day for a flight." Brother, I was off that truck at that speed, hit the road and the truck went over this hand. Before you knew it, I had a bunch of people around me saying, "Boy what happened there? Go to the hospital."

I said, "What am I going to the hospital for? I don't need to go to the hospital." This big water truck with two tanks of water passed over this hand, and nothing. The most I got was a little bruise here. What was that?

This man conspired with his own self, to kill himself. He loaded the gun and put it by his head. You can't go much further than that. He pulled the trigger there and

the gun didn't go off. He did so, [held the gun away from him and pulled the trigger -Ed.] 'bang', and the gun went off. He said, "Well, He doesn't want me to kill myself that way; a high tension wire." That was sure death; it would fry him. The next thing you know, he was on the ground.

What is this? What are you murmuring and complaining about in your trials? Hear what I am saying. I am saying, watch a God Who protects, Who is interested in fulfilling His Word. And when He says that is going to happen, everything that comes to stop that, He is right on the spot and He is guiding you to that, through everything, every obstacle, because He rules over all things. They were going to kill him, and at that same time the Ishmaelites passed.

Balaam tried to curse Israel. Got the money, bypassed the angel; everything. He reached there now, saw the people, and stood up on the mountain, and as he was going to open his mouth blessings came out. Because God told him, you can't curse those people. Balak said, "What, you blessed them?"

He said, "Who could curse? I don't have any control over this; it is whatever comes upon me. I don't even know... When I go in these trances, I don't have any control. It is what I yield myself to." And God was watching right over there. That Word couldn't fall to the ground, because if he cursed them, they were cursed and they can't be cursed.

Are people trying to curse you and God is watching over you, and they can't curse you? I had that experience. A man cursed me back and forth from the desk – a big convention. Wife was running down the pew, running out and saying, "Bro. Vin, Bro. Vin, it's my husband you are dealing with," right in Puerto Rico. After the service, I went up; in my mind I said, "Now, let me see." See, I was small but I had something in me, you know. It is not the size of the dog in the fight, you know; it is the size of the fight in the dog.

I stood up there; I said, "Let me hear what he would

pray." He opened that mouth and he started to bless. I walked back out and said, "Sweet water and bitter water comes out of the same spring."

Outside the service, a few minutes after, "If I backslide in five minutes, whose face I would have buss with a cuff," and people were still by the altar praying. I stood up and I watched that. I said, "This, look at the natures. Look at the natures."

He went down in Egypt; Potiphar came to buy slaves. God knew the next test he needed, you know, and God knew whose house he had to end up in for that test. God knew the tester with that kind of tester and that level of testing.

The man came and haggled over that slave. Potiphar said, "No, no, no. I am the chief guard of the executioners here," he said, "and you know, last time I gave you all top sale and paid top price. Don't tell me about how he came first. I want that slave there." He bought him. Do you think that wasn't God? The Bible said, God was with him and God started to bless this man's house. This man saw and this man elevated him. Because God knew, "Though I'm breaking him, I am encouraging him too." So God gave him encouragement.

Thing, misfortune... You are not seeing your father, you are not seeing your little brother, you are rejected, you are despised, you are down here, but, "I'm with you. I'm blessing you. I'm with you. I haven't forsaken you; I haven't abandoned you. You are in trial and testing, you are in a foreign land; you are wondering about your dreams, but I want you to know that the same Presence that brought those visions, is the same Presence with you here. And look, I'm prospering you here, and look at the favour I am giving you." God was moving upon the man's heart to give him favour.

Have you ever needed some assistance at a right time, in a destitute time, in a time, an urgent time, and some of the, maybe, the cruelest... Potiphar was chief of the executioners, you know. That is what is in the Bible.

Look up the words 'captain of the guards' and see what it means. And God moved on that man's heart and gave Joseph favour. He said, "I like that boy." He said, "You see these three slaves I was going to buy, I'm not bothering. I'll just take that one alone. I don't mind paying that price for one. I'll get three here, you know, but I don't mind paying that price for that one. This fellow, something about him; I don't understand. What am I doing this for to begin with? I have money to throw away or what?" God. God was doing that.

Just when you needed that job; just when you needed that certain help. But sometimes it is the same place that blesses you that turns around to be for your testing. The same place that you are testifying, rejoicing in what God is doing for you, turns around and becomes a testing, right there. But nothing is going wrong, friends; everything is going right.

Remember Daniel in the lion's den? God doesn't just move upon man's heart you know. God moved upon His creatures too, (how many knows that?) to bring His Word to pass. This Infinite God I'm talking about. God moved upon those lions and said, "Lions, you fellows have to fast today. You all are going to get a double portion tomorrow evening. Just bear until tomorrow; you are getting all those guards. It has one here; you are getting a load of men coming down here, thrown down here left and right. Just bide your time. Don't bite this man." God has to fulfill His Word, friends. You think that is a joke. You think that is jokey.

"Elijah – " God said, "birds, you all have to feed this man." God employed the birds in His work to train His son, to give him Perfect Faith, to teach him that God provides – birds that would eat up that food, and with God's restraining influence they'll have it in their mouths and they will not bite it, they will not swallow it. They flew faithfully all that distance, and none was dropping it down from the sky, you know. They stooped down with it, and put it down there. They ministered it

to him, flew up on a branch and watched him eat. And then he said, "You all, come and take the crumbs here." And then they came down and ate the crumbs. He gave them the tithes off of it for bringing it – a tip; delivery service. Fellows flying with their little delivery; gave them a little tip at the end.

God guided a fish to swallow Jonah and took him just where God wanted him delivered. He said, "Now, fish, you all know it is at eight in the morning, they'll come out every Saturday morning to do this thing to Dagon, the fish god down here. You have to get down there for that time; you can't run late. I am going to create the storm and get him into the water for you by that time. You, be there to pick him up when he hits the water with his hands tied, and you head to Nineveh. I'm going to use my GPS to guide you to your destination." Is that right? Brother, that fish came up on the land, the Bible says, eight in the morning, (I'm calling the time,) and he vomited. As he opened his mouth, that preacher came blasting forth out of the mouth, a resurrection Ministry of Christ to Gentiles with a message of judgment (hallelujah!) in the fourth day. Is that right? Oh, thank You Lord! Yes! God!

Didn't Jesus come and say, "As Jonah was in the belly of the fish, so shall the Son of Man be in the earth, three days and three nights"? Is that right? That is right!

Didn't God influence the dove for Noah? He said, "My servant needs a confirmation; you have to go and fly by that window, you know." Didn't He send one for Florence Nightingale? Didn't He send one for King George and them there? Didn't He send one for his Prophet up in the mountain too? Would God even get down to a dove and influence His Own creature just to confirm the Word, so minute, to let you know, "I am in charge of everything in the world?"

Jesus was on the cross, they broke the thief's foot; they went for Him in the middle. A man said, "Let us take this one first here, because I never got to break one yet, you know. And since I'm guarding this one here and he was giving me some talks, so hand me the hammer," and broke that one's foot. When they came to Him, they said, "He is dead, already." The Bible says, not a bone shall be broken.

What is going wrong? Is something happening in your life that God doesn't know of? What is happening to bring you to this vision? Something is giving you pressure in your mind and your mind wants to burst and you can't go on this morning. The same God Who works on the creatures heart, Who worked on Portiphar's heart, Who worked on Pharaoh's heart, Who worked on all these other hearts, that He gave Joseph favour before Pharaoh, he wanted him out of the dungeon, and God softened Pharaoh's heart and said, "Give him that position."

Pharaoh's men said, "But how could you do a thing like that, that is unknown in the ancestry, in the dynasty of the Pharaoh's. How could you do that?"

He said, "I have nothing to do with this. What I do is done; forget it. The man wouldn't hurt anybody here. Maybe I have to send a message to some of my men to, kind of, shake them up a little bit too." But that was to fulfill God's dream. Pharaoh didn't know that he was fulfilling a dream like that, with his brothers bowing down to him. He wasn't telling Pharaoh. That didn't concern Pharaoh, you know; that concerned the brothers. Pharaoh was an Egyptian.

Think of it, friends. Pre-arranged. God pre-planned everything. God pre-planned every Age; how long each Age was going to be. God pre-planned how long the Prophet was going to be on the earth. God pre-planned how long the Bride was going to be held back. God pre-planned when this Church was going to start and where it was going to be, here, today. God pre-planned every one of us that are a part of it.

The same way, if God can move there, can't God have influence and move upon His sons and daughters under

severe trial when they want to break almost? Something comes and when they are about to give up they say, "Though He slay me, yet I'll trust Him. The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh, blessed be the Name of the Lord."

He said, "Yes Satan, you let my wife die; you let my daughter die. I prayed and He pulled down the black sheet. Fasting all week; I'm sick and tired. I can't even climb the post and thing any more; I nearly fell off the other day going and praying for His sick children, and now, I asked Him for help and He wouldn't talk to me. Yeah, maybe I should just give up everything and just go back." And God came at that moment, and something brought that Scripture back. He said, "And I didn't even know; something passed reasoning, something on the inside of the inside was saying, Though He slays me, yet I'll trust him. The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away."

Joshua was fighting that battle and he looked at that sun and needed sunlight, and he said, "Oh God, all that we laboured for in this war, we are losing it. I could never get a decisive victory here any more."

Something said, "Who commissioned you? Who called you for this? Who are you doing this for? Is this a denomination just like Moab and Ammon and they? Wasn't I there, Who opened the river? Didn't I show, I'll be with you as I was with Moses? Speak for it."

He said, "Sun, stand still!" And a man looked at the solar sun ninety-three million miles away and didn't get any trouble talking to a piece of thing that can't even hear him. He didn't get any trouble at all.

At that moment, the same God who controlled that bird, controlled that fish to take that man here, controlled that there to fulfill His Word also, can move upon a man and make his mind get into a realm and make him act with faith and act on the pulsation of the Spirit, on the spur of the moment, where he hears these things coming out of himself. He knew he was inspired.

What made Moses stand there with that rod? And He

said, "Why cry? Speak!" After God spoke to him, he was wondering, "Lord, what to do, what to do?"

"What to do? Didn't I tell you to bring them back on this mountain."

He said, "All these Egyptians, you will see them no more today." Something came upon this man at that spur of the moment. He didn't think so everyday, but at that moment Something came upon him.

He said, "I was in the woods; I was about to go home. I said, 'There are no squirrels here; I'm going home.' I went for the brothers, it was time to go; the watch alarmed."

The Holy Spirit said, "But you came in the woods for game." Something came down on him and said, "Speak for it." He said, "I never felt anything so." He said, "When I stood up there—I want to call It 'Super Anointing'."

You murmur and complain, "I can't do this. I can't..." How come the Word says, "I can do all things through Christ that strengtheneth me"? How come the Word says, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he"?

Joseph turned around and said, "You meant this for evil but God meant this for good." He said, "God sent me before you. You thought to sell me, but God sent me before you to save lives. You have nothing to do with this." He began to see God's purpose and objective. He began to see the end of the Lord. He said, "So, don't feel bad that you did this to me. This had to be done. But I guess God wanted to do it this way to make it a test for me, and to give me the kind of faith and bring me to the position so that I could do the work that I needed to do, by using you all. Because if He had used somebody else, maybe it wouldn't have been much of a test; He wouldn't have been able to achieve the purpose the way He desired to achieve it."

What about that thing, that maybe you and your good friend burst apart? Maybe you and somebody who helped you in the past, and all because of anger, all because of self, all because of being irritable...

Remember, like Saul with a burst of anger he said, "Nobody eats today", and put trouble on all the people. People could get rash. Remember how they forced the king? "Any man who prays during these days, throw him in the lion's den." The man realized, "God, what did they get me to sign? Why did I sign that thing?" Pressure makes man do things. But that was for God to give them a next witness in that kingdom.

With God nothing ever happens by chance. An infinite God knows every time a flea bats its eye; how much tallow it makes. He said, the human mind cannot even begin to fathom what infinite means. The Bible says, "He worketh all things."

That is why God could heal by a smile. In your darkest times He has someone to smile, just to smile at you, just to show you a little favour; somebody to come across politely to you, "Sir, what would you like a cold drink or something? Sir, would you like a seat?" At that moment, that seat means more to you than anything else you could get.

You say, "God, You are somewhere around here. You know what I was thinking. You know what I was going through, Lord." How many know that your thoughts speak louder in Heaven than your words on earth? What are your thoughts this morning? As we finish here, do you have any thoughts in your heart? What influence has these things left upon you? Can you be a little more patient, saying, "Let patience have its perfect work that I might be entire, wanting nothing." But think it not strange; nothing is going wrong.

I can see, to get Joseph there, look at the way he passed. The pathway to Glory was through suffering. When I am coming into this Glory that is being revealed, can I tell Him who to test me with? These days, it is like I'm in Potiphar's house, or these days like I'm in Dothan with the brothers, or these days I'm in the prison house and my feet are hurting in fetters of iron. Is something going wrong? Are you getting discouraged? Has it

caused you to want to be flusterated? Don't, this morning. Don't, this morning, because He careth for you. He careth for you. He knows what you are going through.

You don't understand His reason and purpose. He knows but He doesn't always leave you in ignorance. He knows when to talk to you. After a while He brings you aside, puts you to sit down and starts to show back to you, "That was necessary. I took that out of you there. Do you notice that it left you? I took that out of you here. Do you notice that old temper, you don't have it any more? Notice, this kind of tale-bearing and quick to gossip, do you notice that left you? When last did you do that?" He is taking things from you. That grudge and that envy, it is gone. See?

"That nice feeling you got there, I was shedding abroad My love in your heart. Notice how you greeted those two sisters after; It was still upon you then. That was Me." Keep this Influence around you.

"Do you hear Me talking about the Potter in Service, through My servant? Did you see Me put that on the wall for you? You hear him go back into Joseph and he begins to show you My omniscience, My infiniteness, My knowing everything; how I'm right on time, always on time; how he couldn't die there." How He moved on Reuben's heart to delay the death and He moved on Judah's heart to get him into Egypt. And He delayed the Ishmaelites, so they came right on time, so the other caravan didn't get him, who were going down to Morocco. But he had to be in Egypt for when this happened. And when he went down there and the slave buyers came and he was among all the slaves in the market, Potiphar came out and he had enough money to pay for him.

Sometimes you don't even know what is happening to you. Ignorance can frustrate you. Sometimes you don't know why God could be with you and you are going through all that. But that is what the story says, "And God was with him in the prison." And God moved upon the prison officer and said, "You see that fellow, put that fellow in charge." Next thing, he had a big post in prison.

He said, "Do you think I could handle all those political prisoners and those criminals over there and these other hoodlums over here?"

He said, "Don't be afraid. That look in your eyes, you might not be big and strong", he said, "but you have a power that moves with you. You speak softly and move a certain way. And you have a smile, and you throw that atmosphere around people; they become subject to you quickly." He said, "I watched you for a little while. I see that you have a way with the hardened ones, and you have a way with the intellectual ones, and you have another way with these bad ones over here. I see that you have something, that you could look beyond man's fault and always try to get man elevated to a higher level. You have something to take man out of that condition." He said, "I noticed that about you."

God was moving on that man's heart. He was an Hebrew down there and God was giving a stranger, a foreigner, who they considered shepherds, who they looked down on with scorn, favour in the eyes of an Egyptian with all the hieroglyphics, and all the Egyptian business and Tutankhamun [treasures of the Golden Pharaoh -Ed.], and Cleopatra, and all kinds of different things. And God gave this boy favour. But God can work on the hardest of hearts, to get you where He wants you to be, to show His glory.

You don't have to bribe, you don't have to politicize, you don't have to take any back door; all you have to do is be yourself. The Third Pull is what? Being yourself. Just be yourself. Start to learn to live under the revelation that God gave you. And while the Word was trying him, he was coming up.

Let's just stand to our feet. 'Have thine own way Lord! Have thine own way! Thou art the Potter and I am the

clay. Mould me and make me after Thy will, while I'm waiting, yielded and still.'

Can you go back encouraged? Can you go back determined to stand? Can you get refocused if you have been thrown out of focus? Can you see the Divine working of the Lord behind your predestinated experiences? Can you see how much control God has over the situation?

How did God send that fish, with that coin in the mouth, to that fisherman in economic distressing times. He sent it right to that man with one hook, though there were many men with nets. Because that man needed that money to pay that tax that day. That is control, isn't it? That is providence, isn't it?

Do you know there were moneylenders in those days? How many know there were money changers all in the temple and everything else? How many know the Romans were exploiting people and the tax collectors were charging more money? But these men, God could still provide for them in a faith economy. Isn't that wonderful? They could stand there linked up with God.

Is that beyond us, church? Is that beyond you as a believer today? How many feel that in their faith, they want to walk out in those places with God; that this God in the Bible is the same God we serve, not another God, and these things are written for examples? Then in surrender, meaningfully, with understanding, can we worship Him? Not sing the song; worship Him with this song, and confess our faith in the song and our willingness to submit and to yield.

[#357 - Songs that live –Ed.]

...Thy will,

While I am waiting,

In patience, suffering, affliction, knowing that nothing is going wrong. He sets a boundary to everything.

Yielded and still.

Not fighting up, not resisting, yielded and still.

I'm asking Him in prayer now, "Have Thine own way, Lord. Not my way but Your way."

How many today would say, "Lord, I see myself so clearly. I get discouraged so quickly. I let things bring a frustration upon me; make me question You so many times"?

Mould me and make me

After Thy will,

Sing, sing. Don't just be like you can't open your mouths. Sing to the Lord. Worship Him. Get in the Spirit. Talk to Him. He spoke a Word to you here, this morning. He is giving you the strength you need, making an overcomer out of you. He wants to see you walk in victory.

Have Thine own way Lord!

He pointed out places in your life, today.

Search me, Lord. I realize that there are things I, maybe, don't see in my own self. Search me.

And Lord, I used to be afraid of trials. I used to be evading it and running, but now I want to say, try me.

Master, today!

Whiter than snow, Lord,

Wash me, wash me. Take away all defilement.

Do you know what it is to bow to the Spirit of the Lord? To bow at His Word?

Humbly I bow.

Have Thine Own way, Lord!

Have Thine Own way!

My road has been a rough road. I have had many hills and valleys. Oh God, have Thine Own way

Today, I stand wounded and wary

Wounded and weary,

Oh, help me. Don't let me leave this service the same way.

Help me, I pray!

Power, all power, I confess that

Surely is Thine!

Your Spirit can come upon me to give me the courage to pick up my burden and move on with faith.

Touch me and heal me, In my body, in my spirit and in my soul Saviour divine!

Have Thine Own way, Lord!

Have Thine Own way!

Oh God, I don't want my way. Have Thine Own way. I'm convinced today. I see myself in the perfect law of liberty in the mirror of Your Word. I see what I look like.

Hold over my being, absolute sway!

Full, complete control over my life.

Then fill, Lord.

Fill with Thy Spirit...

Pour Your Oil down into my vessel, this morning.

... till all shall see,

Not just some murmuring, weak, complaining Christian, but see an overcoming son or daughter.

Christ only, always

... always,

Living in me!

As the musicians play softly; as every head be bowed, eyes closed all around the building, in the side rooms, on the outside. In these few, fleeting moments, as the service goes into history; as the Word that have been spoken is in our minds and our hearts, resounding within us; the Voice of the Scriptures, the Voice of the Spirit of God speaking to us, telling us, "I am the Infinite God. All things work together for good to them that love Me, to you who are *the* called according to My purpose. I foreknew you, I predestinated you, I called you, I justified you, I glorified you, I have chosen you and predestinated you unto the Adoption, I'm bringing My

Work to pass in you; I'm perfecting My Work in this Hour. I am your Maker. Trust Me and believe Me, today."

I wonder if somewhere in this building there would be those who know, "I let my sights get out of focus. Insteading of looking to the end and seeing what I am called unto, I got taken up looking at the circumstances and the troubles. How it paralysed my faith. There was nothing to motivate me and inspire me and everything became so dark and I could not relate correctly to my experiences. I began to misinterpret things because I was out of alignment with the Spirit of God. But I feel that God came and lined up my soul and lined up my spirit, lined up my thoughts today with His Word. I can see through one clear, straight channel of Scripture that God is the Author and the Finisher, and I don't have to worry. It is not him that willeth or him that runneth; it is God that showeth mercy."

If there is one today that wants to get back in line with Him; one today that realized that you got yourself in the wrong place.... You see today, why, maybe you could not have had the success in all your trying, all your pressing, all your working up. But the Light is shining. His Word today is a Lamp unto your feet and a Light unto your pathway.

Will you go back home the same way? Have you recognized His Voice? Have you recognized the emphasis in His Word? Can you count it all joy in the midst of your diverse temptations? Do you know the testing of your faith worketh patience? Are you finding yourself patient in tribulation? Because tribulations worketh patience and patience, experience; and experience, hope.

If you feel that you can't go on today, and you say, "Lord, I need a brand new touch and I'm coming to receive that because I realize Your Spirit can move upon my heart so that I don't have to fail in the midst of my trials; that I can be an overcomer, that I can come to

Adoption, I can come to maturity. Because I realize it is not just coming to church. All these things are predestinated at this junction, at this stage in our lives, and Lord, I am responding to Your Word today. You know my condition, that is why You sent a Word like this, Lord. You know what I was going through. You reached down Your hand for me, oh God. And Lord, I don't want to be stubborn, I don't want to be [Glitch on tape –Ed.] ...because I believe, oh God, that You want to take me out of this church-realm and let me walk with You in that realm of Perfect Faith, to make me what You want me to be."

"I want to trust in You, I want to believe in You. I want that kind of faith, Lord. I could look at those who persecute me and despitefully use me, and speak all manner of evil against me, and I could be like Joseph and say, 'Don't hate yourself for what you did. God had a purpose for that. I don't hold it against you. I love you. I appreciate you. You see, I understand that God wanted to see what kind of spirit was inside of me. God wanted to show forth His Word and display It through me. And I'm so thankful that He can have those thoughts concerning me, to make me an intercessor, to make me a kinsman, to bring redemption to my brethren. I see how great His purpose is; how high His purpose is. I don't want to live the low life. I want to walk with God in places like that."

Oh, my brother, my sister, it is how you live in your trials. It is how you live in your testing. It is how you keep and hold fast the vision. It is how you stay faithful to God's Word; what kind of attitude you display in the midst of it.

I would like to ask Bro. Melville to come and I would just like to ask you believers here, I see most of you are believers, and you being believers, would you have that faith in your heart? God's Presence is here.

Would you find that place where you can just yield and say, "God, you know I believe, Father. Your Word is

saturating down in my soul and I'm so thankful, Lord. Today You spoke to me and the manner in which You did, even though I see so many things in my life that need to be pruned off and laid aside, but yet Lord, I feel strength coming in to lay it aside. I don't have to debate and deny that I have it, and I don't have to play like I don't have it and try to find a cover to cover it up Lord God, because I realize that You [Glitch on tape-Ed.] ... and my thoughts speak louder in Heaven and I don't want to be a pretender. But Lord Jesus, today I'm saying, You are the Potter and I am the clay. Mould me and make me after Thy will. I see what You did for Joseph. I see the good work You prepared him unto and I see how You fulfilled that work, and I see the riches of the Glory and Your mercy You showed in him. I believe, Lord God, that is a type, that is for us in this Hour, and Lord God, we are going through the same kind of test. I want to overcome. I purpose in my heart that I will be an overcomer today. I've come so that You will give me that strength, where I stand here at this desk this morning."

I know He will give It to you, children, if you believe me. He wouldn't send a Word, bring your heart into that place and then not give It to you. He'll be defeating His purpose. But He sent that Word to build your faith, to see Him in that light, to trust in Him in that way, to reach out and touch Him and go back receiving those things, knowing He is the God of this Bible.

May you receive It, may you believe as we unite our hearts all throughout the building. Everywhere you are, let's just be in one mind, one accord as God's servant would pray the prayer of faith. Let us just unite as a believing Church. And all up in the region, where you would hear these things, let's unite and believe, and may the God Who is the Author and the Finisher, bring to pass in our lives and bring us to His expected end, that we could see the end of Lord; that the Lord is pitiful and of tender mercy.

[Bro. Melville prays –Ed.]

Could we all say, "Praise the Lord!" [Congregation says, "Praise the Lord"-Ed.] Could we lift our hands and say, "Thank You, Jesus." [Congregation says, "Thank you, Jesus" -Ed.] Amen. Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, friends. Let's just sing "All Is Well". As our brother just mentioned there, it just struck home so good. What a faith. All is well.

We have a baptism. Amen. So, just turn around and shake your brothers' or sisters' hand. Say, "I'll be praying for you, my brother. God give you the victory. I'll be praying for you. God give you the victory my sister" Amen. Hallelujah.

God bless you, church. Be of good cheer, be of good courage. Keep focused, keep pressing. Don't turn back. Don't wiggle off the road. He'll bring It to pass. The vision is for an appointed time; It shall speak. Though It tarries, wait for Him. He will come and not tarry. Hallelujah.

You may have your seats. All is well, all is well. [#475 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

...inner veil.

So rest, little Bride rest, For all is well.

In the face of adversity that Shunammite woman made that confession, "All is well." She was under the ministry of a man with the Spirit of Elijah, (hallelujah!) in the days after the evening sacrifice had been restored. Hallelujah. She had resurrection faith in that Hour. From a barren life she became fruitful.

...all is well

How many know of that Place? How many abide in that Place?

There is a place of perfect rest,

No more worrying, no more fears where the anchor holds steadfast and sure.

So rest, little Bride rest, For all is well.

Come on you Shunammite women, lift your hands and sing that song. All is well. Amen. Brothers, you just worship God, amen. Hallelujah! Know that the Word is anointed, the Bride is anointed. Anointed Ones in the Endtime. Oh my, an Anointing that keeps you right in the Word. A Message of peace – Shalom. The darkest time, just before dawn. The breaking of a new day; the dawning of a new day. I feel it all over me. Hallelujah.

There is a place of perfect rest, Behind the inner veil. God bless you. So rest...

[The songleader takes over -Ed.]

