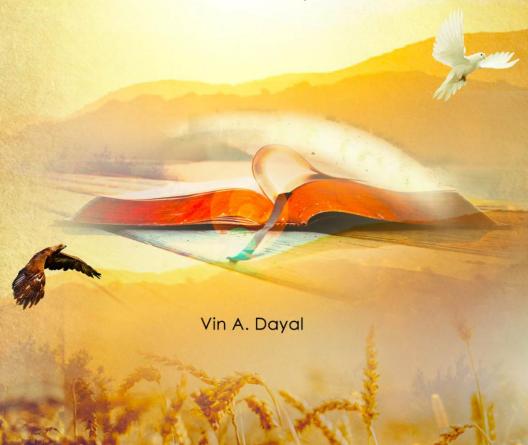
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### #254 Songs That Lives -Ed.

Amen. One more time, quiet me.
Let peaceful waters flow,
Learn to be still my soul.
Let me hear
Jesus walking near,
Touch me Lord, and quiet me.

We are thankful to be here. I want to greet you all in the precious, lovely Name of our Lord Jesus. I'd like to read a little Scripture for dedication. We have our precious Bro. Michael Bovell and his dear wife, dedicating their baby girl, Grace Naomi.

The Bible says [Psalm 127:3 -Ed.]:

<sup>3</sup> Lo children are an inheritance of the Lord and the fruit of his womb is his reward.

[Psalm 128:1-4 -Ed.]

Amen.

- <sup>1</sup> Blessed is every one that feareth the Lord; that walketh in his ways.
- <sup>2</sup> For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee.
- <sup>3</sup> Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table.
- <sup>4</sup> Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the Lord.

Father, we bow our hearts with thanksgiving today. What a mighty God You are! With what great love You have loved us, Father! How thankful we are for the Light

that has shone in our hearts that, dear God, we can come to know You and walk in Your Presence, to live under the Divine leadership of the Holy Spirit, to have this Divine promise that You will never leave us nor forsake us, and coming down through life's journey, knowing that You are the Author and Finisher of our faith, that dear God, You have ordered our steps in Your Word.

We have walked with You and Lord, how You have transformed us, how You have changed us. You have blessed us. You have supplied our every need. You have shown to us Your great faithfulness. You have demonstrated Your love over and over and over again. You have shown to us, dear God, the value of this great relationship to know You as our God, as our Father, to let You have Your rightful place in our lives; to be able to trust You and know that this work that You have begun in us, You will perform it even until the Day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We thank You, Lord, for our association, Lord, with Bro. Michael and his family. We are thankful, dear God, to have him and his dear wife. Remembering that night, dear God, in Cocoyea when they made that confession and made that gallant stand. It was times, dear God, when, Lord, many were walking uncertain of what Your will was and how they should go, but it seems that it became so clear to them.

Lord, I could never forget how our precious sister stood by the side of her husband and was willing to make this step by faith. Like Abraham and Sarah, dear God, they came out of, Lord, darkness to walk in this Light. They have blessed Your people down through these years. They have enriched this assembly with their presence. They have served so sacrificially, dear God. And, dear God, how they have been a great influence and example. We are thankful today, Lord God, to have come to know them and to be identified with them in this great faith.

Lord, God as they stand here today bringing their precious, little baby girl to be dedicated unto You for a life of service, calling her Grace Naomi, gracious God, surely You have brought some influence as they would select these names to name this child. We know, dear God, that there is a secret behind a name. And God when a birth is understood, and the time and the season; Lord, and the conditions and the circumstances under which, Lord, Your love gifts come forth to us in our lives, God it characterizes what the name should be, Lord. Lord, it marks the junction in the journey of Your people.

Grace Naomi, we bring her today for dedication. God, we thank You for giving our sister a safe delivery. We thank You, dear God, for keeping our precious Bro. Michael, his dear wife, and family together, God, knowing they have been through some hard times. They have had their measure of testing and suffering, and heartaches and pains, but it can be said that they did not stagger through unbelief, but like Abraham's children, Lord, they were strong in faith giving praise and glory unto You.

Send down a special blessing upon this couple, Father. Fill their hearts afresh with Your Divine Love. Cause them, dear God, to be so closely knitted knowing, oh God, that the few days that we have left to labor and toil, and knowing, oh God that the Hour is getting darker and darker, I pray, dear God, their faith would grow stronger and stronger. The relationship, oh God, between them, Father, would become so enriched, dear God, by the enduement of Your Holy Spirit that I ask that You would send down in their hearts today, even as they stand here, Father.

Our sister, bearing so many children, yet, oh God, she has not complained; she has not murmured, oh God. She has not become discouraged, oh God, though the toils, Father, in these trying times are so much, Lord, for a mother who doesn't have the best of this world's

goods, but how their life is a life of godliness with contentment. Truly, it is great gain unto them. Truly, we can look at them and say that life does not consist of the abundance of what one possesses because You have given them Something eternal. You have given them faith that they are rich in faith, like You told the saints in Smyrna, "You are poor but yet you are rich," they have that gold tried in the Fire.

I pray that You would increase, Lord God, their portion of earthly goods. I pray, dear God, You would open the doors of opportunity and You would cause them to prosper even in a greater way, Father, that it would help life not to be so much of a great toil for them that they would have even to give to others.

Now, dear God, we commit little Grace Naomi unto You for a life of service, praying, oh God, in the Name of Jesus Christ that You would bless the little girl with health and strength; that Your Divine Presence would be upon this child, and dear God, You would keep her in peace and safety. And as she grows, oh God, under the Influence of Your Word, Lord, minister to her in the home and the environment, dear God, where You have placed her under the watchful care of godly parents; Lord, she would grow to Your honor and to Your glory. She would make their hearts glad. They would see this child prospering in the Spirit. They would see the hand of God upon this child and Father, the grace of God and the pleasantness of Naomi, Lord, would be a sweet perfume, an aroma, in their home. It would fill their lives, dear God. May You grant it, Lord.

We commit her unto You. We place her by faith beneath Your precious Blood. Keep her from all harm and all danger and all evil, and may You grant her good success and prosper in every way. We dedicate her, little Grace Naomi Bovell, Lord, to Your service unto Your glory today, in the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Praise God. We have a special love for our Bro. Michael and his wife. They are such a people that made

great sacrifice; helped us to be where we are today in the assembly. It doesn't matter how dark the night may be, how rainy the day may be, you could pick up the phone and say, "Bro. Mike, we need you right now," he drops everything to be there. And we are certainly happy to have a family like that; walks so humble, so quiet. You never know someone can possess such great riches in their life and yet be so quiet, so simple. That's the way God's people are. You find the greatness of God in simplicity, in humility. May God ever bless them and keep them faithful.

Amen. Let's just sing God is moving. Signs and wonders where God is moving [#225 Songs That Live -Ed.] as we get ready for the Word. I trust you've come in His house ... We have been, you know, out in Grenada and St. Lucia, and I didn't come to service since I came back. I wasn't here Wednesday, I wasn't here Friday and I tried to be out here this morning. It just seems that I can barely—going from morning until night over there with the people; out in the hot sun, out and among the other churches trying to help do some labor for the Lord, and for some brothers in North America who are trying to help these people get their natural lives back together. They asked me to do this little favor. I am just trying to spend this little life, in whatever way it can, for the glory of God and for the benefit of His people. I'm glad to feel good this morning and to be in His Presence.

Also, we have a precious sister we met coming out of St. Lucia. She is here with us in the service. I trust that, her first service here, and maybe it is not her first, that it would be a blessing for her. We met her in the airport and the brothers had known her. We are so glad she took the time off to be here today.

To all the other strangers and visitors, may God bless you. Let's just believe Him; we serve a great, mighty God. Sometimes we come and we come in the spirit of church service and formality. But I believe that we are in the closing days of time. I believe that the end of the

Age has come. The Door of salvation is fixing to swing shut like it was in the days of Noah and the opportunities of God, we have to embrace them, capitalize upon them; make them top priority. And by doing that, what an attitude would be displayed to show God that we are respecting Him; we are respecting His Word.

I am sure this morning that no matter what the circumstances, this great, mighty God we serve is so great, so almighty; so all-powerful. The very God that created the heavens and the earth, blew the galaxies into existence. The very same God that was with the patriarchs and the prophets came in His fullness in the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ; walked in the feet of the apostles in the early church, came down through the Age of the Reformation, and in these last days have shown Himself so mighty to be the same God in a Prophet. A Prophet that has been despised and rejected, but that is exactly what was promised in the last days.

In the last days, seducing spirits will make them depart from the faith. In the last days, they will not endure sound doctrine. In the last days, Jesus Christ will be put on the outside of the church. In the last days, if it were possible, even the Elected would be deceived according to the Bible. But God has been faithful to show and give witness one more time that He is a God Who kept His promise. And out of the darkness, the great God Who said, "Come and buy of Me eyesalve," has anointed the eyes of a people with the Scriptures that we can see and recognize that this God, as great as He ever was, has shown Himself alive. And around the world, He has picked out His ones and twos. "Fear not little flock," He says, "it's the Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom."

I believe that down through these years, this God has been our Shepherd. The Great Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, has appeared in these last days. I believe, in these last days, He has called His sheep by their name.

I believe, in these last days, He has begun to give that Kingdom. The Bible says, "We have received a Kingdom that cannot be removed." [Hebrews 12:28 -Ed.] I believe there are people who have Word becoming Spirit and life in them this morning; the Sheep of His pasture, the ones in the Lamb's Book of Life. I believe He still gives them Sheep Food. I believe He is still the Shepherd of the great Sheepfold. He Who through the Blood of the everlasting Covenant, the Great Shepherd of the Sheepfold, laid down His life for His Sheep.

I'm so thankful that day when I found out that He was my Shepherd and I was His Sheep. Oh, happy day, happy day, when Jesus washed my sins away. Amen. I live for Him. He's my life. He's my everything. I'm becoming an old man. My best days have passed; the days of my youth, the days of my strength, the days when I was a young man, but I've not regretted that I have given it all into His service, thirty-one years ago. He's sweeter as the days go by. My heart is overjoyed this morning to know He's my Savior, to know I've not run this race in vain; I've not labored in vain. Amen.

By His grace, He lets me say I'm His servant. By His grace, He walks with me and talks with me. By His grace, He gives me the Seal of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. I have the Covenant Sign in my soul, (amen) that I belong to Him. The things I used to do, I do them no more. Amen. Any man that is in Christ is a new creation; old things are passed away and all things become new. [2nd Corinthians 5:17 -Ed.] And, oh, how I want to see Him and look upon His face and there to sing forever of His saving grace. [#664 - Songs That Live -Ed.] Amen. How I long for that Day when I can see Him face-to-face. I live for that now. Amen.

I live for Him and this morning. I'm here to stand and represent Him, and I want to say He's still a Healer. Amen. He's still a Saviour, He's still a Comforter; He's still a Provider. He's everything that the Bible says He

is. He cares. He's interested this morning, and you can still touch Him. Reach out and touch Him this morning.

Touching Jesus is all that matters, and your life will never be the same. [And] there is only one way [the songwriter says] to touch Him, Just believe when you call upon His Name. [#13 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

Let's just sing God Is Moving [#225 Songs That Live -Ed.]. This great God of the Bible, He walked with Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph. He was with Moses, He was with David; He was with Solomon. Amen. He lived in Jesus. He walked with Paul and Peter and them. He lived in that Prophet and displayed His Word in the last days, and here He is right here this morning in our midst. Where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there I am in the midst. [Matthew 18:20 -Ed.] Lo, I am with you always even until the end of the Age. [Matthew 28:20 -Ed.] And here at the end of the Age, the Great Jehovah showed Himself alive among His people.

Let's lift our hands to Him; He's our God, He's our King. Let's sing *God is moving, God is moving. Signs and wonders where God is moving.* And you believe Him this morning with all your heart, He'll not disappoint you. That's the first thing we read of Him in the Bible: *And the Spirit of God moved.* [Genesis 1:2 -Ed.] And when He moved He began to speak. And when He began to speak, His attributes that were trapped in darkness were delivered and had been transformed.

... over the earth,
Thank You, Lord.
Signs and wonders...
Signs and wonders
...where God's moving
where God's moving
He is moving all over the earth.

[#375 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

Reach out and touch the Lord

That's what blind Bartimaeus did, that's what the woman with the issue of blood did; they got something. And when people saw that by one touch (pressing through to touch Him); the Bible says, wherever He went, everyone was pressing to touch Him because they saw that there was something in Him responding to faith; people that would believe Him, people that would be sensitive and recognize His Presence.

... this moment; this very moment, Your needs to supply. Your needs to supply Reach out and touch [Him]. Reach out and touch the Lord As He goes by.

### #13 - Songs That Live -Ed.

Touching Jesus is all that matters, And your life will never be the same.

Why don't you try it? Release that faith in your heart. Act upon it this morning. Go beyond the humanistic realm. Confess what His Word says.

There is only one way to touch...

There is only one way: Just believe.

That's what He told Jairus, "Only believe. Fear not, Jairus, only believe."

... when you call on His Name.

Let's bow our hearts in His Presence.

Lord Jesus, as we stand in Your Great Divine Presence this morning, how grateful we are that You are faithful and You are a God Who keeps Your Word. To the least of us and to the smallest of Your promises; You, the Great Mighty God Who came down and lived in a blood cell that You created, yet You are the Ruler of the very universe.

Oh God, how You showed that You are a God of simplicity and humility; a God that is willing, dear Father, to show to Your children by infallible proofs,

that You can never leave the line of Your Word, You will never leave the line of Your Spirit, You could never abandon Your program once You started it; You cannot recall Your Word. You said, "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My Word will never pass away; not one jot or one tittle shall in any wise fail." We are thankful to serve a God Who would bind Himself to His own Word. It is impossible for God to lie. The Scriptures cannot be broken.

And, Father, we stand here today abiding in Your Word and Your Word abiding in us. And gracious God, You know every heart and You know every need in every life. We ask even now that Your blessed Holy Spirit would take everyone under the sound of my voice that is gathered on this spot of ground today under Your Divine consideration. And Lord, as You look in our hearts and You see our need, may You in Your great allsufficiency, You Who came to Abraham when he was ninety and nine, Lord God, when there was no human strength left, when it seemed totally impossible for the promise of God to come to pass when Sarah was so full of unbelief and said that she could not believe; she had given up and everything else, yet You're the God Who shows the value of Your Word, that when You speak It, even though we, Your elected children cannot even manifest that faith and give up, yet because in Your great sovereignty You've said things concerning us, You know how to put us in condition to receive what we have need of.

And I pray today, Father, together with all these that stand here, in the Name of Jesus Christ, in Your house, sensing Your Presence, may Your Holy Spirit overshadow them right now. And may as they hold in their heart the things that they come expecting to receive, confessing it with their mouths, may You in Your almightiness, in Your bountifulness, oh God, You Who are standing here with Your Breast exposed, may they take a hold and draw from this inexhaustible

Fountain, the strength that they have need of – all that they are lacking.

You showed Abraham those Breasts that they held everything that he needed to bring forth Your promise. You're still the same, Father. Just before the Promise, You revealed Yourself to him, in a way to show Your tenderness and Your love. As a mother would hold her fretting baby and put him on the bosom, so You came to one who was worn out and tired and had failed. But You Who gave the promise, You Who were able to perform it, You came, Lord, to bring it to pass regardless, to show how unconditional Your covenant really is, to show how it was established in grace. So let it be for these royal seeds today, who are walking in the steps of that same faith; these who find themselves in the same circumstance and the same junction. Would You do it, Father? May You grant it.

And bless all that are gathered here and lead us and direct us in the paths of service, and meet every need. We thank You and praise You for it, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Remember our brothers and sisters out in the islands. Father, we hold them before You; they are gathered together with us this morning. May this same Breast be exposed to them all, and may they draw also, and may they receive all that they have need of at this junction. Grant it, Father. We thank You for it.

We bless Your wonderful Name that You are the same yesterday and today and forever, in the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sorry to have you on your feet for so long, but turn with me in the Book of Hebrews, Chapter 11 for a reading. Then I'll have you take your seats.

Just want to continue speaking on this little series, I have been taking on Joseph and his great life. We were speaking on *Prisoners First Then Vindicated And Placed Son* [2004-0822 -Ed.]; *Behold The Dreamer Cometh* [2004-0901 - Ed.], *The Age Of Adoption* [2004-0829 -Ed.]; *Joseph, An* 

Example Of Suffering, Affliction And Patience [2004-0905 – Ed.]; Joseph A Fruitful Bough By The Well [2004-0908 Pt.1, 2004-0912 Pt.2 – Ed.]; Joseph Tested And Tried Before The Promise [2004-0905 – Ed.]; Joseph The Overcomer [2004-0926 – Ed.].

I'd like to speak this morning "**BY FAITH JOSEPH**", BY FAITH JOSEPH.

Hebrews 11. Let us back up a little bit and read from verse 20. Read from Isaac and come down to Joseph. It started with Abraham and the patriarchs after the flood, but we'll just pick up from Isaac.

Hebrews 11, verse 20:

<sup>20</sup> By Faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.

And Paul switches from Esau to Jacob—from Jacob to Esau because Jacob was the one who expressed that great faith and was the one in the election of God, who had respected the birthright. And he's looking at Isaac's faith and he says:

<sup>20</sup> By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.

Because faith is the substance of things hoped for. Faith looks to The Unseen. Faith doesn't look here; faith looks down the Road. And he is blessing them with a blessing that he is seeing beyond his own life and his own lifetime. You catch that? He's seeing beyond his own life and his own lifetime.

<sup>21</sup> By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph;

By faith, Isaac blessed; by faith, Jacob blessed, not wrestle with the Angels, not dig back the wells of his father, not do all these great things; blessed. Isn't it strange how we miss faith? Isn't it strange how we look for super-duper things of faith and many times great faith, faith that the Holy Spirit recognizes, man cannot see? We would think that Paul should write something else here about Isaac's faith and Jacob's faith, but he picks up the blessing because faith is revelation. Faith looks to The Unseen.

And watch this:

<sup>21</sup> By faith Isaac, when he was dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, leaning upon the top of his staff.

He blessed and he worshipped and that was expressed in his faith. Could you worship in faith this morning, standing here worshipping God by faith?

<sup>22</sup> By faith Joseph, when he died, [or when he was dying], made mention of the departing of the children of Israel;

That wasn't just a casual 'make mention', that was 'prophetic mention'. Because 'the departing' (the exodus is what that word means) of the children of Israel—and they were to depart Egypt to go back to the land of the fathers. And Joseph ...

<sup>22</sup> By faith Joseph, when he was dying, [he] made mention of the departing of the children of Israel;

You say, "But how could Paul write that, in line of Joseph with his visions? Joseph standing in the temptation in Potiphar's house; Joseph being rejected by his brothers and thrown in the pit; Joseph standing there in the prison house and doing these things; Joseph came to Egypt and placed with all authority and power; Joseph showing his glory; Joseph solving the problems of Egypt and saving the world; how come Paul didn't use that?" This is greater faith than all of that. This here is a greater faith than all of that. I'm going to prove that to you by this Bible because this is the Holy Spirit writing that.

<sup>22</sup> By faith Joseph, when he died, [or when he was dying,) made prophetic mention of the departing of the children of Israel; and gave commandment concerning his bones [and gave commandment concerning his bones].

<sup>23</sup> By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months by his parents,

Here now, the faith of Moses' parents is coming out, that when Moses was born, they hid him for three months.

> ... because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment [which was to kill all the children].

Something in the child made them rise up. And they so believed and understood what was happening, they had a repellent for fear. Because what they were doing was jeopardizing their own life, but they believed in the Promise more than in their life. They valued the Promise more than their own lives! They valued the Word of God because they understood out of their own lives was coming forth a Mystery that was Moses. Are you catching that?

Can we understand what is coming out of this church; what is coming out of our lives, what is coming out of the Bride in the End Time? Can we understand what God has ordained to come out of His Elect in the last days?

May the Lord bless the reading of His Word. You may have your seat.

"By Faith Joseph," Paul says. He went down, by faith Abel, by faith Enoch, by faith Noah, by faith Abraham, by faith Isaac, by faith Jacob, then he came to Joseph, 'By Faith Joseph'. And look at Paul with the Old Testament opened, that Mighty Angel had come down from Heaven, Matthew 28; the cold, stiff, dead body was shaken back to life. Jesus opened the Scriptures, Matthew 24:32, the Opening of Word after the Angel descended from Heaven. Then Jesus opened their understanding, Luke 24:45. Then Jesus loosed the Holy Spirit, Acts 2.

All these things that were taking place—and Paul, a prophet–messenger, a minister in that Age, look how he caught that Mystery. Look how he caught that Mystery because the Word was opened. He could look back into

the Life and Ministry of Jesus and know that "Lo, I come in the volume of the Book" and He took the law, and the Psalms, and the prophets and all things. He knew the whole Old Testament was wide open.

And so, he goes from Abel to Enoch to Noah to Abraham. And down through the Old Testament, he's opening the Mystery of this great faith that began to unfold out of the life of Adam, who was a type of Christ and God's own faith, that Adam was the first masterpiece. He was the first son of God, the only created son of God. Jesus is the only begotten Son of God. Adam came outside of a natural father and mother. Jesus came through Mary (see?) begotten of a woman to be a Kinsman to man. He came without sex but through the human race so He can be a Kinsman Redeemer to fulfill the Law of Redemption that required a kinsman to be part of that Family, and so, He had to come as the Promised Seed.

But watch here how Paul looked in there because he is the writer of Hebrews, and you know Hebrews was the key Letter. Ephesians had their place. Colossians had their place. Philippians had their place. Romans had their place. But Hebrews was where he had seen that Pillar of Fire. He saw Jesus in a form that the others did not see Jesus in. He saw Jesus in the Logos that He was when He created the heavens and the earth. Amen.

He saw the Word before It became flesh and so, he went into the deserts of Arabia. He said, "I conferred not with flesh and blood." [Galatians 1:15-16-Ed.] For three years, he went to the deserts of Arabia and he came back: Without controversy great is the Mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh. [1st Timothy 3:16-Ed.] And he said, "As a wise master builder, I have laid the foundation that no other man can lay." [1st Corinthians 3:10-Ed.] Why? Because of what he had seen, what he had understood. And then he took the message that Jesus preached: part of It was his life, part of It was vision, part of It was teaching, and Jesus gave forth the Word:

God in sundry times and divers manners spake in the prophets. [Hebrews 1:1 -Ed.]

That's what Paul starts with, Hebrews; showing how in the very beginning this God came down through the Old Testament in different ways: came to Moses in a Pillar of Fire (came to Abraham), in a burning bush not being consumed; came to Joshua as a Man with a Sword, the Captain of the Lord's host. See? Came to Ezekiel in different forms; showed Himself to Daniel as a Rock cut out without hands. And God, down through the Old Testament in divers manners, in different ways, revealing Himself to His people; some receiving the Word by vision. Some, He came in there – like Gideon saw a Man sitting there talking to him. God, coming in different ways, bringing the revelation to each Age.

Then it was all gathered up in Christ, in every form, and then Jesus was the fullness. He was the fullness of the prophets, He was the fullness of the priests, He was the fullness of the kings; He was the entire Word made flesh. He was all of the Bible. Moses was part of the Word. Isaiah was part of the Word. Jeremiah was part of the Word. They all said, "Thus Saith The Lord", but Jesus was the Word Himself, He never said, "Thus Saith The Lord." He said, "I say. Moses said, but I say. This One said, but I say." He was all of the Word.

And so, here, when He came, part of His life was being lived out, and He revealed Himself as the Sower, He revealed Himself as the Light, He revealed Himself as the Shepherd, He revealed Himself as the Vine, He revealed Himself as the Bread. He said, "Your fathers ate manna in the wilderness; I am the Bread. They drank water; I am the Water. They followed a light and it led them by day; I'm the Light."

And so, Paul, understanding that part of Jesus' Message was sealed up in His action; part of Jesus' Message was sealed up still in words. Because He said, "I have many things to tell you and you can't bear it. Howbeit when the Spirit of Truth comes, He will lead

you into all Truth. He will show you things to come, bring back things to your remembrance and all these things." And so, Hebrews was the key Letter because, in Hebrews, he begins to show us Jesus was better than Angels. Jesus was better than prophets, Jesus was better than Moses, Jesus was better than Joshua, Jesus was better than Aaron, Jesus was better than the tabernacle. Jesus is better than the sacrifices; Jesus' Blood is better than that blood. And he showed how a New Covenant established on better promises; what they had in shadow came into Substance.

And so, the same way in this Day, that same Jesus came back in human flesh, the same God that walked the shores of Galilee. And that's the baffling part of the Message: many people, they have books and tapes and they read, and many people were in the services and so on, but that's what they saw. They saw things and they read things, and that's what they knew. They had sermons and they heard Jesus preach certain messages and so on, but there was so much more that was not said that was right there.

That's why Paul, here in Hebrews, when he begins to bring out the faith of Jesus, he starts with Abel. This great faith that man was given in the beginning, this is inheritance in Eternal Life when a man is a son of God. And he showed Jesus, like Abel, He was the greater Shepherd; He was the One Who was slain for His very revelation. Abel's blood cried out for revenge, but Jesus' Blood speaks better Things. He was the Greater than Noah. Noah had to chop down a tree and take the sap out, but Jesus Himself was the One Who built the Ark. He, Himself, was the Tree. His very own Life was the very Sap. He, Himself, was the Door and everything and showed that He was greater than Noah.

He was greater than Enoch. Enoch escaped death and went up into Heaven, but He conquered death and then led captivity captive and then ascended into Glory. That's right. He was greater than Abraham. Abraham came out by faith sojourning, not knowing where he was going, looking for a City Whose Builder and Maker was God. But Jesus Himself, brother, He did not belong to this world. Amen. Abraham confessed he was a pilgrim and stranger, but here was One—Abraham had a promise that he was going to get a seed and that was the great thing God gave to him, a promise of a seed. But Jesus Himself was that Seed; He was the very One that was obedient. Abraham offered up his son, but Jesus was that very God Himself Who came in the form of the Son; Who said, "No man takes My life. I lay down My very life"; Who was obedient to all the will of the Father.

And so, Paul, after he takes from Abel all the way, he ends up with Jesus.

Now he says [Hebrews 12-Ed.]:

<sup>2</sup> Now looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith;

After he says by faith this one, by faith that one, by faith that one, by faith that one, he brings it all into Jesus, because they all lived by His... the Just shall live by His faith. Noah was justified; he lived by His faith. Abraham was justified; he lived by His faith. Isaac was justified; he lived by Jesus' faith.

And so, this life that we talk of, this Christian life, is not about going to church and joining a system and becoming part of a program and, you know, going through religious acts and, you know, kind of finding security in our church attendance or in our association with church people, or our belonging to a particular assembly. Christianity is not based on these things, though all these things go along with it. But it is not based on that.

The only thing God respects is a New Birth. And the only ones that can be born again are those who were in Him and part of Him before the foundation of the world. Those Whom He foreknew, He predestinated. Those

whom He predestinated it is them He called. Those He called He justified and those He justified, He hath already glorified. "You have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and have ordained you that you should bring forth fruit and that your fruit should remain. Herein is the Love of God, not you first loved Me," but He first loved us and gave His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

His love is election, not of works that any man should boast, but the purpose of God is according to election, not of works. It is of Him that calleth because God's sovereign purpose was to make one a vessel to honor and another one to dishonor. So you are who you are, by the grace of God. Paul says, "I am what I'm by the grace of God." But now that God has come and is saying, "You shall know as you were known"; now that He has come and made known to us who we are, we begin to understand what we possess and we begin to see His plan for our lives written out in the Word.

That's why we are interested. That's why we are trying to follow. Why? Because God said, "You are part of Me. You are My attribute, and I put you in this Age to fulfill a part of the Word." And God says, "I got it written out here in the Bible in Mystery." And so, the same way it is with you; part of your action is the Word and people can't see it.

Jacob was not saying, "Now I'm going to manifest the greatest faith of my life right here. I'm going to bless my boys concerning things to come." No, no. Paul was reading the Bible and seeing that that's the greatest faith. Joseph was not saying, "I'm going to manifest my greatest faith here." No, no. Paul is reading the Bible. The Holy Spirit is Who put the faith in them that they lived by, and Who is using the apostle to reveal this faith and teach on this faith and open up the Mystery of this faith, because he says, "The life I live now in this flesh is not I that live now, it is Christ that lives in me, and I live by the faith of the Son of God." He said, "When it

pleased God Who separated me from my mother's womb to reveal His Son in me." So now, he's teaching on the faith.

God said, "I'm going to use you to teach on this faith." He is in that very first Age – faith. He laid the very foundation – faith. He's bringing forth the Mystery of what it is to live and walk here under the New Birth and know it is God inside of you; the God that was above us and with us, was now in us.

He was the one who opened up the Mystery of Resurrection. He had it beyond Peter and them. They saw the linen clothes and they couldn't teach. John and they outran him to the tomb, but Paul was the one who taught about the Glorified Body; caught up into the Third Heaven, saw things not even lawful to speak. He's the one who laid the Mystery of the Resurrection. He had the Easter Seal. He laid it in the Alpha in 1st Corinthians 15, and 1st Thessalonians 4. He laid it back for the last days when the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a Shout, when in the last days we will come to glorification. And so, he is writing here and he's teaching about faith.

We've been looking at Joseph. We were looking at his election; looking at his gifts. We looked at his vision of prophecy, we looked at his trials in faith, we looked at his testing, we looked at his suffering, we looked at his glorification. We looked at how he believed in his vision. We looked at him overcoming the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. We have gone through different things. We looked at him as a fruitful bough, how his life was pruned, how the archers shot at him, (amen) but how God made him a bough, strong; how he took suffering. We looked at his forgiveness.

We have been studying all these Things. Why? Because Joseph is perfection; he's a type of the Branch, coming from the Root in the last days. We looked at him coming into adoption in the age of adoption, and the overcoming, and the testings before he could come to

that position of authority and power. But now, we are looking at his faith as it has been recorded by one qualified and one who had the Mystery to reveal this faith, one to whom it is given; one who said, "By Faith Joseph," to open the Mystery of this faith.

Now, all the things that Joseph had that were so great, they all pertained to his earthly life. Did you catch that? No, you didn't catch it; you heard that. See, that is church response: "Yes, I caught it."

Say, "And what you caught?" See?

Now watch. Here, he had a vision he was going to be a great person. He had a vision his brothers were going to bow down to him. That had nothing to do with the resurrection. He had a vision he was going to save the world from famine and so on and be great and have power and glory, and his father and mother would bow and these things. That pertains to this life. That was fulfilled in his life and then he died.

And he could look back and say, "I lived a good life, I lived a healthy life; God blessed me." He could talk about how God prospered Potiphar's house. He could talk about how God prospered the prison house. He could talk about how God gave him favor before Pharaoh. He could talk about how he was hated by his brothers. He could talk about his forgiveness and all these things. All of that was in this life, but when he spoke to them concerning his bones that was something beyond this life. That was giving up the ghost, but still believing beyond this life. That was seeing the people of God here in this land, but then seeing them under the promise that God made, in their inheritance.

It's one thing for me to say, in my life I had a nice ministry. I preached a lot of nice messages to a lot of good people that I was associated with. And we had a nice church and God gave us a nice place called Abel Country and we used to gather there and we had nice times and we had conventions. And we went out in the Caribbean and we influenced a few people with the Message, and so on, and we can look at all these things. But if all these things are going to end with this life, that is nothing, friends; we had good, temporal things.

But if sitting here this morning, I can look over this audience and say, "Saints, I may go before the Resurrection comes but if I go, know that the words I have spoken to you are going to take you into Glory. I'll meet you at the eastern gate. I'll meet you in the morning. (Amen.) If you come, I'll be waiting There for you by the gate to receive you when you come. If I have to come back and you have to remain here, I'll appear to you and say, 'It's time to get ready to go." Because what I received, I received from a Prophet, and what he received, he received from Angels. And what he received from Angels was a promise in the Bible before the foundation of the world and allotted to this generation. And the soul in me recognized that when the time came because that soul was eternal. And I was conscious that when He descended from Heaven with a Shout, that Mystery of a Second fold opened to me and I'm part of that Mystery. Whether I live or die, I'm in the Resurrection, Amen.

That would be faith. That would be more faith than saying, "Cursed be that growth on Sis. Vida's face!" Raised Bro. Ross. That would be more faith than that. That would be more faith that is saying, "Brother, I know the grass is four inches high – making ready for a paradox – we are going to get that container and dedicate this building." That is beyond that, a million miles. But how people look at those things and see great faith, and when you preach these Things, they see less faith because they don't know faith, and they don't see what faith really is.

By Faith Joseph – what moves you? What is your faith for? If your faith is to get a motorcar, you're not carrying it in the Rapture; you put all your great faith on a temporal thing.

He said, "Hattie Wright's heart was asking for Something eternal." That was great faith. A million dollars meant nothing; that was great faith. Faith climbed above that; faith seeing beyond this life, faith seeing beyond youth, faith seeing beyond health. Wisdom and understanding to know if Edith rises up from the wheelchair, she could get back sick in the morning. If the father and mother come back young, they would get back old and die and if they don't have Eternal Life, they wouldn't come up in the Resurrection. But if these two boys get saved, brother, no matter, they could get crippled in the morning, they may lose all their hair and cancer may take them, but they will be in the Resurrection for sure.

Faith, faith, God—faith that connects us to God, faith that brings us under the influence of God, faith that keeps us under the leadership of God, faith that keeps us in the center of God's will, faith that can make us confess what God says, faith that keeps us in fellowship with God; real faith. That's why you see when a little trial comes and people's faith falls apart, they get all topsy-turvy, and then they are all confused. No, no, no. Real faith looks beyond this life.

By faith, Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come. He blessed them. He was dying, an old man; he eventually died and they continued to live on, but they lived seeing the things that he spoke concerning them before he died, come to pass in their lives.

How many could have seen a Prophet, standing there in this generation and saying; he said, "Friends of mine (he said), you little ones there," he looked in the benches and saw those little ones there, brother, like sitting in the front seat, he said, "...I may die, but you'll live to see what I'm saying come to pass. It may not happen in my time, I'm getting ready to go the way of all flesh, but you will live to see it come to pass, there will be a persecution. There will be a uniting of the churches.

There will be a uniting of church and state. There will be a persecution upon churches like these." He said, "California, this place, sharks will be swimming here. You will see it."

He spoke it and went. He could see beyond this life. He could see, he said, "This comes from Home. This Word I'm preaching here comes from Home. This is going to take us back where we came from." Why? He said, "This is what Paul preached. This is what Irenaeus and they preached." He looked back there; he said, "This is what God promised Abraham: in the Day when it comes back like Sodom, we'll be in an Abrahamic Age and this same One is going to come again and turn His back the same way and do the same sign to let you know it's happening."

Oh my! Think of it, friends. Faith, by faith; He's opening His faith.

<sup>20</sup> By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.

<sup>21</sup> By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, leaning upon the top of his staff.

He went down there as seventy people, seventy souls: he and his sons, and their wives, and their children. And God told him in Genesis 46, God said, "Jacob, don't be afraid."

Those boys came back after their second visit in Egypt and they came with the chariots, and they came with all these stallions and provisions and they pulled up by the tent and when Jacob looked, he said, "I believe." At first, he was doubting them.

They said, "Daddy, come outside. Watch. Where are we going to get all these chariots? Look. That is the man, he is an Egyptian, there. Go and talk to him. Look, this one here, this one here."

Pharaoh had sent all those things because Joseph said, "Bring my father and all that he has down here."

And when he saw it, the Bible said he went to Beersheba, and he came to Beersheba and he offered sacrifice to God. After all these years, he thought this boy had died, he's coming to see something: he's alive. He said, "I'll go down and see him again."

God said, "He'll put his hand on your eyes." God told him, "He'll put his hand on your eyes," and God said, "Don't be afraid, I'll go down in Egypt with you." The Bible says and God came to him in the night visions and God said, "I'll go down in Egypt with you and I'll bring you out again." He said, "But down in there, I will make you, the great nation; down in there I will make you, the great nation." [Genesis 46:1-4 -Ed.] Because it was down in there they multiplied. It was down, in there, they became mightier than the Egyptians.

It's down in there, the Egyptians saw them becoming mightier and said, let us deal subtly with them, lest... It was down in there, they brought their plan of genocide to kill out all the males because they had fear, they said: ...lest they rise up in revolution; lest they side with our neighbors and these things, if they plan war against us.

And he began to get inside into the prophecy that, "Your seed shall sojourn in a strange land, but I'll bring them out with great substance after they are afflicted four hundred years." He didn't know how that was going to be because, remember, when they went down in Joseph's time it had no afflictions. Joseph was the governor. They had the best of the land, better than the Egyptians. They had the fat places with all the cattle and sheep, and Joseph was a father to Pharaoh, and they had everything nice and prosperous. And there was no sign of affliction; that started after a Pharaoh raised up that didn't know Joseph after Joseph died.

What is it? I want you to see something here, that these men followed the Word in a certain way and they believed It. In other words, Joseph couldn't even say what he was saying if he didn't believe what Abraham said. He couldn't say what he was saying if he didn't believe what his father, Jacob, said. And today, we cannot even confess these Things with real faith if we don't believe what Paul said, if we don't believe what Malachi 4 said, if we don't believe that these promises are still unfolding and working out. And what Paul said: "At the Last Trump the dead in Christ shall be raised incorruptible, and you who are alive and remain..." and we say, "That's us." Why? Because we see the Lord descended. We see the Message. We are convinced.

We are like Abraham seeing the Appearing of the Lord. We see the Opening of the Mystery. We see faith to be changed coming. We see the Supreme Judge. We see the world in a Sodom condition. We know we are receiving that faith right now. We are walking like Enoch with God, with faith to be changed and be taken out of here. We are bringing to pass that promise.

This Church will come to perfection. We know we are ripening. We see the sun in its full strength; the kind of Light that could ripen a people. We are hearing a kind of Word that takes fear, that takes doubt, that takes insecurity away from us; a kind of Word that anchors us in the time of trials and testing; no more complaining. We see a God Who said, "I'm the Potter and the Vine Dresser Who is determined to get the vessel in condition, prepared for the good work for this Hour!" And we know He told Paul that.

Irenaeus and Martin looked for It Columba and they died believing It. Luther came out of Catholicism and started to walk in this faith. Wesley came under sanctification. The Pentecostals left the organization (the Methodists) and a Prophet came and began to open up the Thunders and created an Atmosphere in this Age around believers, and put a Key in our hands and said, "This is the Key to the Door. You are in the zero Hour – countdown. It is time for the Astronauts to move up into another realm of faith.

Leave the church with automobile faith and you come into Astronaut faith. Leave them, like Jairus, and you

walk where the Roman Centurion was, who could say, "Speak the Word only." Like the Roman Centurion, not like Jairus, "Come and lay hands on my daughter," (No, sir!) who knows the same Gospel but in another channel; he knows It after church traditions. This one knows It in a channel of his occupation, and person. Hallelujah! Glory be to God!

And that's the problem today: many know It in a church channel through church traditions, but some people know It in their occupation and their person. They're becoming a little more refined. And the more refined you get, the more the power flows because you measure a little closer.

Listen to this. On a message *My Redeemer Liveth* [1955-0410S -Ed.], he's talking about Jacob and them; trying to open this Mystery here to the Church and showing how they had something.

I want you to notice, all of them, Isaac was blessing them concerning things to come. Because he knew Jacob... Isaac could have said, "My father, Abraham is the one that God gave the Covenant to. God came to my father. I saw that ram. My father and I sat and fellowshipped, where did that ram come from? There was no ram there. I saw that same God come to me and said, "I am the God of your father, Abraham; I will continue My Covenant with you. I will give this land to you the same way. I see when I had twins; when my wife had twins, I see how God revealed it to my wife and said, 'This one, Jacob, he's the one that is going to get the promise."

He said, "I saw in my own life, I tried to keep it for the one I love, though I knew what God's Word said. Until my wife had to manipulate things, and put goatskin, when I was blind there and mixed up the food in the house." He said, "So I knew I came to the place, I had to accept God's will. I had to overcome my own self-will to accept the will of God because that's the lineage; that's the root of the promise. It came from my father to me to

this boy because, when I applied the principle, the one closest to Abraham is the pattern because he is the father of all of them who believe.

God made him the head of a new race, a race with only believers. There were no unbelievers in that race. Do you get that?

They said, "But we are Abraham's seed!"

He said, "If you are Abraham's seed, you will believe Me. You will do the works that Abraham did. You are of your father, the Devil because if you are Abraham's seed, you have Abraham's faith: You confess like Abraham, you separate, you walk out by faith, you believe in hope against hope." Amen.

And so, Jesus, He was showing what 'Abraham's seed' meant. Isaac comes to Jacob and then Jacob—look at Jacob, he now has to bless his sons, but Paul doesn't write about the blessing of his sons. He writes the faith was in the blessing of Joseph's sons. Did you catch that? Neither did he say, the blessing was the Angel blessed him and changed his name from Jacob to Israel. No. The Holy Spirit is finding the faith.

The Holy Spirit is finding the place that reveals this faith. The Holy Spirit is bringing us to understand the Mystery of this faith. The Holy Spirit wants to bring us into a fellowship of this Mystery. Oh my! And he... Remember the story. He was about to die and now Joseph was carrying his two boys to meet him. And his eyes were dim and he said, "Who are these?"

Joseph said, "These are the sons God gave me in this place."

The Bible says Joseph was bringing Manasseh here in his left hand to put towards Jacob's right hand, and he was bringing Ephraim here with his right hand to put in his left hand because he wanted the right hand of authority to go on the elder son to bless him. He didn't want any mistake like what happened with him [Jacob – Ed.] and his brother with their blind father. And the Bible says he's bringing them carefully.

Then Jacob said, "Bring them, let me bless them." And as Jacob went to bless them, the Holy Spirit crossed his hand. And while he started to pray, the boy opened his eyes and saw his father's right hand on the young boy. He said, "Not so! Not so!" And he was upset. The Bible says Jacob's hand moved knowingly. His eyes might have been dim, but he was under the influence of the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah! Why? He was under a prophetic vision. He was under prophetic utterance. Nobody was falling down and nobody was rolling, but right there, he was so moved by the Holy Ghost until he was seeing this little boy who didn't grow up and have a wife yet, he was seeing that his seed will be so much, will be multiplied and that was one of the biggest tribes in all of Israel.

But here he is, right there and his son was saying, "No, man! What is the matter with you, daddy? You are old and you don't understand what is going on here. Look, you are doing the same thing that happened there. What is it, the sins in the family coming down?"

No, sir! Brother, as the son tried to overcome him with his self-will; brother, he refused to be overcome by the will of man. He said, "No, sir," because he knows, "I'm in the revealed will of God right now. I'm anointed right now. I'm led by the Holy Spirit right now." He said, "I know what I'm doing!" And he had to rebuke his own son who was the governor of all Egypt, his son who saved the family; the son who brought them all down. He had to put him in submission to recognize the authority of the Holy Spirit. Oh, thank You, Jesus. And he blessed those boys; he said, "The elder will serve the younger!"

Now, watch even in the natural how things run in families. That was the same thing with him; now with his grandchildren, he's seeing that same kind of thing with his grandchildren. Then watch. And then, by faith now, Joseph when he died—or when he was dying, he was now looking at them who were born outside of

Canaan. Hear how I'm saying this. I'm saying this to make a picture. He's looking at them who were born outside of Canaan and he knows that by the time they are ready to go out, they will have none who were born in Canaan. Do you get this?

They grew up with Egyptians. They grew up in Egypt. They went to college and university. They went to the prestige schools. They lived in the best of the land. They lived in the best neighborhoods. They were wearing better clothes. They had become a great people in Egypt until Egypt got fearful of the immigrants who had taken over the nation and their culture. And their influence and their religion were everywhere, competing with the pyramids and the hieroglyphics and sphinx and all these different things until it was causing tremors in parliament and in Cabinet.

Pharaoh said, "We have to do something here. These people got too powerful because now they are teaching the Egyptians. They have big jobs in the senate (brother), they are over here in the treasury. They have their own businesses and their business places are prospering more than the Egyptian places." And they remembered these people came down here as immigrants. But they were a people with a promise.

Now, I want you to watch this, the point—I don't want you to lose sight of a line here. Isaac was blessing concerning things to come, Jacob was blessing concerning things to come, Joseph was blessing concerning things to come. And Paul was watching and saying Moses' parents had no fear. Why? Because they believed in the same promise the same way, concerning things to come: the deliverance...the deliverance. This child was going to bring the deliverance. And so, Paul is finding faith in the hearts of people.

Now, get your faith corrected if your faith is in the wrong channel. If you have a super-duper faith or if you have some kind of boost-up faith, or if you're talking faith and you are seeing the results of your faith as

some temporal thing you got—now that could be faith too, but if, when that comes to the things that you really live for that life consists of, not temporal possession of this life but Life itself: faith that looks to Resurrection, faith that knows Life beyond this life, faith that sees that Life and that influences you how you live and walk here, so you don't live for here; you live knowing you are only passing through here. Because they were families of pilgrims who had no continuing city here, who were seeking a City whose Builder and Maker was God; who had broken into a realm that they didn't want to go back to that kind of world and that kind of city to live that kind of life. Is that right? Oh my!

Now catch this. You are growing up in the Word, but what is your faith based on? If your faith isn't connected to a calling, if your calling is not connected to a predestinated Mystery and the foreknowledge of God, then you're not looking forward to anything. You're just trying to live this life here.

We don't read of this faith in Joseph until he comes to his death because this is utterance at the end of his death. We don't see this faith until he's about to go into the grave; yet this is the same faith that made him have faith in his vision. This is the same faith that made him stand in trial, but now we see it coming out. And when is it coming out? When he is dying, he begins to make mention.

This senator, this great governor of Egypt, this governor in the big governor's house; this governor with the best chariots, where everybody is bowing when he passed; this governor whose reputation is known and who is famed throughout all the halls and corridors of power in Egypt, when this man's father died, the Bible said chariots and officers and captains of Pharaoh's army made a three-hundred-mile journey out of Egypt to go into Canaan to bury this man in the place where Abraham and Sarah were buried, where Isaac and Rebekah were buried. And Pharaoh let a whole

entourage go to make a pilgrimage that will take them weeks to bury this man. Why? Because that man's son – that man was a prophet and his son inherited the 'prophet thing' from his father, and that man came down and saved their whole world. Is that right? And so, Pharaoh is expressing gratitude.

Watch this faith now. All that time, that faith was in Joseph. It is looking like, "How did this man marry an Egyptian wife? This man is serving an Egyptian king. This man lived in Egypt. He died at one hundred and ten years old. When he was seventeen years, he went down to Egypt. Think of it. When he was thirty, he came to the Throne. That is eighty years of service as governor in Egypt. Do you get what I'm saying? And the wisdom he had as a little boy, as he grew to be eighty years old, think of what eighty years was from when he was thirty years, revealing a plan to save the world. Think of what he was at eighty, walking with that same God.

Eighty years after, think of what it was. Think of the things he could have talked and yet with all of that big life, the man's heart was on something, "When I die, don't leave my bones here. When I die, don't leave my bones here." What was he watching? He had honor that Abraham didn't have. He had honor and wealth that his father, Jacob didn't have. You get what I'm saying? He had more things than his grandfather, Isaac and they had in their lifetime. Think of it. And here in that Hour, this man was watching something they had that was beyond riches.

What is important to you in your life? Are you watching what Paul had? You say, "What is Paul to me? He lived quite two thousand years ago." You're lost already. Do you know why? The Message came to turn the hearts of the children of those fathers; the children of those fathers. Those fathers had children down here in the twenty-first century and God is obligated because their father was Abraham, the father of all of them that believed; the father of the faith Seed because by Christ

they became Abraham's seed and heirs of the same promise. By the Holy Spirit, they had the real circumcision that showed they were the real Jews inwardly and not outwardly because all Israel is not Israel, but they were of the Israel of God, the Election, and so they knew that there was something there. Then God knows those faith children are still here somewhere, and the Holy Spirit has to find them because as long as they exist, nobody can take their place.

How many know in the time of Nehemiah, coming out at the end of the seventh decade in the restoration, the priest stood with the open book to check them because if a man goes in that position and eats that bread, he better be of that lineage. And when they can't find him in that lineage, they say, "Stand aside, you can't eat that bread. You can't go in that place." What was God doing? God was showing He will not let the wrong people come into the right promises.

God is showing there is a place predestinated and only those who are born for that can come into that. Why did God kill Uzziah? Why did God kill Korah? God was showing, He put the priesthood in Aaron and He put the kingship in David, and anybody who tries to come into that, who is not in that, will have to die. What was God showing? His things come by heredity. His things come by seed and lineage, and house. His thing doesn't come by works; it's not by might nor by power; it is not him that runneth or him that willeth. His thing comes by election and calling. Consider your election, brethren; make your calling sure!

Friends, let me say this morning, you are born in this earth for something. And here in this Hour, Joseph, we are opening this and all these messages are showing his life, a Mystery of the Bride that is coming to perfection. The Bride is going to... as he finished Genesis with his faith—that is the faith that finished Genesis. Do you get that? Read with me first before I read that quote. Read

with me. Let's turn over to Genesis 50 quickly, the end of Genesis.

You see Genesis starts with Adam; he was a type of Christ. And Joseph was the perfect type and Genesis ends with Joseph, and Genesis ends with that faith of Joseph. And in Hebrews, Paul picks up that faith there at the end of Genesis and says, "By faith Joseph...."

It's a Mystery, friends because, at the end of Revelation, there is a people who come out. Revelation 22, the last chapter, there is a Super Church, a Super Race, the Spirit, and the Bride. What was lost in the Garden of Eden comes back: the Church that will not fall, will not be deceived, the Church that will have His very own faith, Life of His Life, Spirit of His Spirit, works of His works. All that He is She is.

She is Him revealed; a perfect Church with a Rainbow Coat. Joseph, that mystery of perfection, Joseph's perfection growing up under the influence of a prophetic vision, in the house of a prophet–father with a message of grace (think of it); like the Bride today, growing up in the house of a Prophet–father who had the Message of Grace. A prophetic Bride with prophetic insight, growing up into perfection under this Influence, not in a Baptist house or a Methodist house, no, but in this house.

Genesis 50, verse 15:

<sup>15</sup> And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, Joseph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us all the evil which we did unto him.

They still had fear. He was still misunderstood and mistrusted by them. When you do people wrong, and you are doing it in deceit, and you're doing it with wicked, malicious intentions, and brother, now the tables turn and you're exposed, and all that you attempt to do is unsuccessful. They are so fearful.

He wept with them; he cried. He said, "I'm Joseph." He said, "God meant this for good," but still they can't

accept that. These people who are so full of condemnation don't understand forgiveness. They are forgiven and they are still walking around condemned.

That's how they see Jesus, the real Joseph. He forgave them. He forgave them, but they can't accept forgiveness. They are coming back to Him with the same problem He forgave them for. Are you catching that? You are making Him cry again. You have to believe He forgave them. You have to have faith that He forgave them. He dropped the charges.

<sup>16</sup> And they sent a messenger unto Joseph, saying, Thy father did command before he died, saying,

<sup>17</sup> So shall ye say unto Joseph, Forgive, I pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and their sin;

They are having a big meeting, you know because the father is gone in the grave now. They are saying, "Hear this; remember that quote. Remember that quote. Remember daddy said he told him to forgive us that time. Let us go together and tell him, 'Don't forget what daddy said, okay.' Let us hide behind that." He forgave them already, long before daddy said anything.

... and now, we pray thee, forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of thy father. And Joseph wept when they spake unto him. [He wept.]

<sup>18</sup> And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and they said, Behold, we be thy servants.

They could not believe in the sincerity and the genuineness of his forgiveness, and that's why they could not release themselves from guilt. Friends, when He writes pardon and when He forgives you, and when your sins were like scarlet and He made them white as snow and He blotted them out, you have to believe in that. Because the whole Plan of Salvation is set up that He would die, that by the shedding of His Blood will

come remission of sins. That's why He had to refuse Cain's sacrifice because it didn't glorify Him; it was glorifying the works of man. But it was His unmerited favor, His pardon.

<sup>19</sup> And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for am I in the place of God?

<sup>20</sup> But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive.

<sup>21</sup> Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them.

All of them are older than him, you know. But he had to come like the child—he had to rather, become like their father and take all the big, old, hard Reuben and the big, hard Judah, and the big Naphtali, and the big Issachar and treat them like children on his lap.

<sup>22</sup> And Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his father's house: and Joseph lived an hundred and ten years.

<sup>23</sup> And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation: the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were brought up upon Joseph's knees.

Can you imagine that? He sat at the table to eat and he had the little one here, his grandson, his greatgrandson and he was putting little things in his mouth. Hand shaking a little bit, but he is putting the thing in the child's mouth. He said, "I had your father right here, you know. I had your grandfather right here too." The big governor; look at him in his old days.

<sup>24</sup> And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you,

This is where Paul read. This is what Paul was looking at here.

... and God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Oh, thank You, Lord. Now I'll tell you something here. Think a little deep with me. Don't be carnal. Think a little deep.

Now there are promises in the Bible that we know by reading, but sometimes it is not revealed, it is not emphasized; it is not made real and brought clear, but it is there by reading. Malachi 4:5 is in the Bible by reading. Everybody knew that, but the Prophet took It out of the page and brought It right here.

Now, why did... After Ellen G. White, William Dowie, Elijah Muhammad, all these people were preaching about the promises, why does he still have to go and take it and preach about it? Because that was a promise that had to be made real to the people of this generation. God didn't just leave it. And when he brought it, it was like a new promise, though it's old in the Bible and already said and already written.

The people are not made to walk in It just by reading, but when the time comes, God cuts out that portion of the Word and anoints It to a people, and that Word becomes a manifestation to them. They begin to get the faith that that Word is designed to give to them to prepare them and make them ready.

How they had a deliverer all those years – they knew that a deliverer was coming, but when Amram and Jochebed came, and through their testimony and through their experience, that promise began to become more real to people that this was a deliverer coming up among the people.

Well, friends, it is the same way today. We have promises in this Message and people say, "Oh..." They think when you are talking about it, it is in the Book, so they find the Book and say, "Oh yes, yes, Revelation 10:8-11, that's the Bride. Yes, that's the Bride." And they are finished with that. They say, "It will happen one

day." So when they say that now, they make what you say nothing. They bring what you say down to finding a quote because they found a quote, but they have no inspiration. It doesn't govern them. It doesn't influence them. It doesn't influence their decisions in life. They are not looking for it every day in their lives and walking, and when they have to face things, they don't plug back in there.

When he reached a hard case, he used to say, "Father, You met me in the cave and You told me nothing will stand before me." He said, "Now Devil, you are standing here hidden from the doctors." He said, "I command you, based on the authority of a Commission ministered to me by a Divine Angel from the Presence of Almighty God, Who told me that nothing will stand before me, now come out of here." That's different. That's different, friends.

That's why revelation is not reading. A lot of women read the Bible, but when Mary read, "A virgin shall conceive," she was anointed. She had an experience that brought her anointing to make that manifest. They could tell her it's of the Devil, fornication, say what they want, she broke that sound barrier. She bore that reproach and she carried that Messiah and a young fifteen-year-old girl brought forth that Child. She fled into Egypt from Herod so Herod won't touch that Child. Do you get what I'm saying? Oh, brother! You see, it's out of the humanistic realm then, and that's where we are coming to this faith. I want you to see this faith.

Isaac was blessing them concerning things to come. They all were living under the influence of a promise given to the father, Abraham that was not fulfilled. Why does God call us fathers and children? Why does He call the apostles fathers and call us children? He wants us to have relationship to them. Why did the Prophet go back to the church Ages and show the Corn of Wheat fell down in the Dark Ages? The Life came through Luther, it went into a tassel through Wesley, came into

a husk in the Pentecostals, and he brought it back to his own life. He said, "The Grain is here." He wasn't just teaching Matthew 13, you know. He said, "You see this Life in me, this confirms Matthew 13. This proves that I am that Grain and I have the authority to declare Harvest Time, the Seed is not heir with the shuck." That faith! And then he's teaching a church now, "You're going out. Do you know why you are going out? Because I'm that Grain, and now is Harvest Time and the separation has started."

Do you know what the church world said? "Away with that nonsense. What are you trying to make yourself?" But you know what we say? "That's nothing but the Truth." Why? We see It, we understand It! That's why we understand the ripening and the maturing here. That's why we know the days of laying in that Presence of the Son. That's why when we talk, we talk about the New Crop from that Head and last great kill and all these things that are moving. That's why we talk about urgency! Why? Because if we don't get urgent, it cannot happen. Nobody else is going to do it, it is we who have to do it.

We are not looking for the Bride anymore, to rise. We are the ones rising and going for the drink. And we say from now on, that's how you will know, around the world, real Bride because this is the rising season and going for the drink. So when you go to a country, you look for them of like, precious faith because the same Son that ripened you to that, it is the same Son that ripens them to that. And that's the ripening under the Message.

You say, "How are you reading the same Book and you haven't gotten there, and I am reading the same Book and got there and this is the ripening season?" Because I didn't get myself there. Quickening Power got me there. Transforming Power put me there and that's the same thing you have. And the same Son Light that

did that to me is the same Son Light that did that to you. Are you catching that?

I want to get down to saying it because you see, we realize something was promised but the apostles didn't live long enough to get It. We realize the Church fell and died in the Dark Ages and none of them lived long enough to get It. And we realized when Luther, Wesley, and the Pentecostals came, they didn't live long enough to get It. And we realized Malachi 4 opened up the Thing, but he didn't live long enough to get It. His tomb is in Jeffersonville, but we know there is to be a people here. There is to be a people here. We know that. Do you get what I'm saying?

This is where we come into Joseph's faith. This is where we come into Joseph's faith. He knows: "I'll die and you are not going into bondage yet. You all haven't started to get afflicted yet, but I see that prophecy of, they will sojourn in a strange land; they will come down into Egypt. I see that fulfilled and I am the instrument of that fulfillment because it is through me they have to come down here. And God told my father down here we will multiply and become a nation. When we are going out of here, we are going as a nation!"

When they came in, they weren't a nation; they were a family. Do you get what I'm saying? Amram and Jochebed were understanding something; it was by faith. All the 'by faith' were people who had experience in the Promise. The same promise Joseph was understanding in his time to say, "You're going out," it is the very same faith Amram and Jochebed understood the very same promise; that this was the deliverer to take them out! Do you understand that Luther had part of this promise? Do you understand he came out for a reason? Do you understand Wesley came out for a reason? But they all never came into it fully.

Break to us the Seals on the back of the Book; he sees Luther, Wesley, and Pentecost. Kadesh-Barnea, the Pentecostals, tasting the evidence of the Land but not in the Land, have a little earnest of what the whole Land is but outside the land; not having faith, going to die before they go in and possess It. But you see a Joshua Commission opening the Jordan to take a people in. He said, "It's going to take a breaking of the Seals to get the Church in that Land, back to the fathers. It will take a coming down of the Captain."

Then we see that one with the Joshua Commission for the Age. We see him break the Seals. We see the Captain come down. We see the Church coming back in the Land of the fathers to another Ephesians. Then doesn't that tell us we are right up into the Promise? Then what kind of Church service are we going to have? What kind of ministers will you be? Where are those Othniels, those Gideons, those Jephthahs? Those were the kind of men in the Land. Do you get what I'm saying?

Remember for forty years, they had Joseph's bones there in the journey, and a couple hundred years, they had those bones in Egypt. The man said, "Leave my bones here; you all don't bury me at all down here. Put it in a coffin and leave it there," for a reason: his faith. What was he seeing? Why did he take an oath? What is Paul watching here with this man?

That doesn't look great as telling the baker his dream and the butler his dream, that doesn't look great as resisting Potiphar's wife. That was way, way, way beyond those things. Do you know why? He was into the lineage of the prophecy. He sees it from Abraham how it unfolds to Isaac. He sees from Isaac how it unfolds to Jacob. He sees how it unfolds into his own life and he could speak 'prophetic' for the ones around him that, "I am going, but you all will realize this thing is coming!" Oh, brother! These died in faith, the Bible says.

At that time they said, "I thought there was going to build a pyramid for you down here and bury you in Egypt like Tutankhamun. I thought they were going to give you a great, big, state funeral here like they never had before because they never had a man like you in all this country." He didn't want that. He said, "So the governor's house..." He was seeing beyond all that. He was seeing what God told Abraham; that God of his fathers.

Why are you here? Because of a brother or a sister? Why are you here? Has your soul been immersed deep into the Oil of the Holy Spirit that when you talk about your friends and your close associates, among them is Job, and David, and Abraham and them? There are fleshly associations and there are soul associations. Where do you get your current from, your flesh connections or your soul connections; your soul friends or your flesh friends?

Let me tell you; the man who influenced my life the most, I never even met this man in the flesh. And look at what this man made me live out; look at how this man made me act. I know that man's life more than my own wife. Do you get what I'm saying? Because God had a purpose connected with him and me more than with my wife.

Brother, what are you living for this morning? What are you living for this morning? Tell me what are you living for this morning? What moves you? What are you seeing beyond this life? Is there something your faith has reached beyond this life yet or your faith is just to next week, or your faith is just to next month? Has your faith ever moved out to the realm of time? If it is Bible faith, it is eternal, to begin with, because that faith is in Eternal Life. That faith is not outside of Eternal Life. You have that faith because Eternal Life is in you and that faith is part of Eternal Life.

In other words, this was the element. This was the element: every man is allotted so much time on earth; a time to be born and a time to die. We all have a time to be born and a time to die. You don't have to be old to

die. Children die every day. Young people die every day. Is that right? Brother, if you live for two more years, you'll outlive millions of young people who are dying right now and will die before two years pass. Is that right? So death is not for old age; death is not for sickness. There are a lot of healthy people who will die either by being murdered, run over by a car; brother, by some other cause they are going to die. Is that right? Healthy as ever! That's right. But there is something in that soul.

When God came to you, what part of you was God interested to quicken? What part of you say, "Our Father"? Do you see where we are getting now?

Now, there is where it shows a lot of peoples' Christianity is in the realm of spirit, reasoning; you know, theology, learning, but birth is your soul. Connection, relationship is your soul, and faith is the sense of the soul. So the faith that doesn't look there is not faith yet, yet you could manifest gifts out here. You could see visions out here. You could resist temptations out here. You get what I'm saying? You have strong values and strong convictions, you won't do certain things, "I will not drink; I'll not smoke." Hindus and Muslims do that. Jews do those things. Buddhists do that! They don't even kill ants and things. So we're talking about a place now where it's not you're trying to live.

You see a lot of people have Christianity, in their minds, "Well, I'm a Christian. I go to church. I do church things and mentally, in my mind, I think of Jesus as a very nice, peaceful Person, loving. And, I have a little something in my mind and that kind of influences me. I can create that and put it away." Not that, you don't control That. That controls you. The real Thing controls you.

So watch verse 24, Genesis 50. I want to get to this faith here. This is where Paul was reading.

<sup>24</sup> And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Now, I'm not into this natural here, alone. There was a Joseph in this Age who said, "I die too," 1965. "I die, but I'm leaving you a Message of Seven Thunders. I'm blessing you concerning Things to come. When the Squeeze comes, watch the Third Pull then. There will be a ministry of St. Mark 11:23. The dead in Christ will arise and appear to you, then you will be traveling at the speed of thought. I'm blessing you concerning things to come. You will be a Super Race in the last days; the time is going to come, you won't even have to lay hands. Love will settle over you." He was blessing us concerning Things to come. He said, "I call you, Bride!" He was blessing us concerning Things to come.

His faith was seeing this even though he was dying and going the way of the earth. Why? That Word—the Angels had already come. The Seven Seals had already pulled back. The vision already broke: "Go to Arizona." The Lord had descended from Heaven with a Shout; the Mystery from even before the foundation of the world had started to unfold, and he started to bless a Church.

He started to bless a Church. He said, "The Latter Rain is here. What those Pentecostals thought was the Latter Rain was not the Latter Rain. The Messenger had come with the Latter Rain. The Thing is here to bring you back to the Garden! I'm giving It to you. That's why I'm sent: to open these Secrets, the hidden Secrets of Redemption."

Oh brother! He left us a memorial: a Pillar of Fire that is not psychology, photographed (he said) even better than you see It with the natural eye. They cannot prove that's an optical illusion. He left you something greater than that, a Mystery of the Cloud twenty-seven miles high that baffled all scientists. But the Scripture says He'll come in the clouds. He left you a Message of Seven

Seals that says when He comes in the Cloud – clothed with a Cloud then Revelation 10, the Book is opened and all the hidden Secrets are finished. He left you with that too. In other words, everything that was to be done to get the Church out of here and into immortality, we can look and see it.

If we are going to be changed, we need a Message of Seven Thunders. If we have a Message of Seven Thunders, we need a vindication and confirmation that this is the time for the Exodus: here is a Pillar of Fire and a Pillar of Cloud; here is the Exodus Prophet with two signs like the prophet, Moses. Do you get what I'm saying? You know you are going to be changed, here is the last sign just like Abraham had: here is the Supreme Judge of all the earth. Turn the Cloud to the right and see it. He left us with things.

Joseph left them with his bones and said, "When you see this, you know you're going out. You know me to be a true prophet [he said], you know that my visions for all the years that my brothers didn't believe came to pass, you know God is with me, you know how God saved the world; you know the Word when I speak It, It comes to pass." He said, "Well then, here, don't bury these bones. These bones are a sign you are going out and to reinforce your faith, when you are going out, carry it with you."

He [Bro. Branham -Ed.] said, "How many times they passed there: whipped on their backs, beaten, discouraged and wanting to give up, and they saw those bones and they remembered that Word?" He said, "Jesus left us an empty tomb; Joseph left them a sign of his bones that he was going out." [1953-1115 Speak To This Rock para. 26 -Ed.]

Now, let me dig down into this a little bit for you. Watch how this is in the Scriptures here. This is his faith. This is the faith that underlaid all the visions; that underlaid the power to resist. This is the faith that underlaid him, tried by the Word of the Lord, until the

time of his Word came, and then when he's speaking now the faith sees beyond this life.

He says:

... God will surely visit you [there is no doubt] ... surely visit you and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware [which he sware] to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Remember after Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, was him. So he's standing in the continuity of the Word, knowing It unfolded to him, and he saw in his life how they came down there. That's what I am saying. That's what I am saying. I said he never went beyond that seventh verse, and there must be a Mystery to show from 1966 to 2004; otherwise, if nobody can come with that, you have to talk history. You are locked up in history and can't come out! That revelation brings you out of the historical realm and into the present tense.

Outside of that, you have to stop at 1965. And when you see Abraham, Isaac, Jacob – Luther, Wesley, Pentecost; Malachi 4, perfection, a Message of perfection. This Last-day Bride spiritual Josephs, Endtime Daniels, End-time Esthers end up in a people, perfection, to bring the Resurrection: fruitful bough, prophetic Bride, they look back and they know it unfolded down to them.

Do you know the Word that was in Seven Church Ages is in you this morning? Do you know the God Who came down in Pentecost went down inside the Church and they walked out here? They went up knowing 'God was with us'; they walked out that upper room, 'God, in us'. The Opening of the Word and the opening of their understanding prepared them to receive that. Is that right?

Has He opened the Word to you? Has He opened your understanding? Did that bring you into something? If you're still struggling, something is wrong. If you stop walking, something is wrong. If you are not there yet,

keep walking, that's right where you are going. That's right where you are going; keep walking. That's right where you are going; you are walking into it. He's the Author. He's the Finisher, "I will give you a new heart. I will give you a new spirit. I will put My Spirit in your new spirit." You have nothing to do in this. This is unconditional. He's the Author and He's the Finisher. All you have to do is obey. That's right. This is not about you fighting up. This is about you believing and confessing.

<sup>25</sup> And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence.

<sup>26</sup> So Joseph died, being an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and

he was put in a coffin....

Now watch him now. He took an oath from them. Exodus 13, quickly. We are exactly on one, I should be closing. So, this is closing time, you know that. So quickly, turn those pages a little faster than that.

Exodus 13:

<sup>17</sup> And it came to pass [verse 17], when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God led them not through the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near;

God led them not through the land of the Philistines although that was near.

... for God said, Lest peradventure the people repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt:

God so knows the people and God is so compassionate, and though He's God and He can pass them anywhere, yet He likes His people to be in harmony with Him and He likes His people to have peace. And they're not in the condition yet to know Him and to trust Him, so He says, "For their sake, I'll pass them another way. I don't want them to see war; I don't want them to see these things."

He could have said, "I am God and once you are with Me, you don't have to fear." But He knows they will murmur and complain still and then He will have to deal with unbelief. So He said, "To avoid that, I will pass them where they can't see certain things. I will help them. I will bring them in, step by step."

<sup>18</sup> But God led the people about, through the way of the wilderness of the Red sea: and the children of Israel went up harnessed out of the land of Egypt.

19 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had straitly sworn the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you; and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you.

So watch this now. When Moses was born hundreds of years after, Moses got to understand this prophecy that Joseph was giving when he was dying. And the prophet, Moses, the born deliverer who came back at eighty years old and was taking them out now; he said, "We can't go out of here without Joseph's bones. Wherever they have the bones, I have to go and get the bones; have the memorial. I have the thing that gave us faith all down through the years. I have the thing that kept our hope alive. I have the evidence for all of those who were born outside of this land, Canaan's land that we're going back to that land."

Remember they were supposed to be born in Canaan's land but they were born in Egypt in bondage, but God sent a prophet to bring them out by three stages, back to the land where they were supposed to be born. We were supposed to come in Eden (is that right?) by the Spoken Word, but we were born by sex and came in bondage, a slave to sin. God sent a Word to take us out of bondage and bring us back to the birth and the place where we should be in the beginning.

Instead of coming with authority in Eden, we come in captivity in Egypt. Is that right? Instead of coming by

the Spoken Word connected to God, we come separated from God with a carnal nature of sin, but God made a way to take us out. Moses was Christ. Is that right? And Christ too has a memorial: "Because I live, you shall live also". Is that right? And Christ has an empty tomb to show death is conquered.

And in that First Age, Paul watched that tomb and when he was going to die and Satan came with a scare, he said, "Oh death, where is your sting?" Here was a man who knew how to relate to the memorial that God gave. "You are so big and bad," he said, "I see an empty tomb in Jerusalem. Before you want to scare me, 'Oh, I'm trembling, I'm shaking'; explain that to me first then I'll tremble and shake." He said, "Explain that to me and then I'll tremble and shake."

Have you ever heard people talk like that? They start to threaten a man. He says, "Oh yes, I'm all scared. I'm shaking. Can't you see I'm shaking?" You realize you aren't dealing with some marshmallow. You realize that man is 'intimidated proof'. That man has a repellent for fear. See? He says, "Oh yeah, I'm shaking all over. Can't you see I'm shaking?" The man stands up there and watches you in your eye and says, "Are you finished? You are trying to scare me?"

Well, when Satan tried to scare Paul, Paul stood up there and said, "Oh, you are the man. You come to scare me, now. Oh yeah, now I'm dead, right? I'm done, right? Oh, Nero is going to chop my head off; that's it and I'm finished?" He said, "Well, long before Nero could come there, I was caught up in the Third Heaven, brother." He said, "I already know that if this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, there is another one waiting for me right there. I know at the Last Trump this is coming right back up," like He brought Adam's own from the very dust in the very beginning, that same Voice is going to speak here again and bring it up from the dust again.

Now watch. So Moses now had that memorial. Brother, that kept four generations alive. That kept the hope of four generations alive. Oh, thank You, Lord.

<sup>20</sup> And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness.

<sup>21</sup> And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:

For forty years those bones were with them when Moses left Egypt; after four generations in Egypt laying there. Think!

Joshua 24, verse 32. Look at Joshua after Moses died. The bones didn't get where they were going yet, you know. Remember Moses died on the other side of Jordan in the plains of Moab, and Joshua now has to make sure those bones get into the land, where it is to be buried.

Joshua 24: 32;

<sup>32</sup> And the bones of Joseph, which the children of Israel brought up out of Egypt, buried they in Shechem, in a parcel of ground which Jacob bought of the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem for an hundred pieces of silver: and it became the inheritance of the children of Joseph.

Those bones that they brought up in Joshua 24, at the end, when Joshua was about to leave the earth, they took those bones and they put them in the burying place that Abraham and they had bought. Abraham bought a piece, then Jacob came and bought a further parcel. And they knew, in that land was where Job was when he said, "The Redeemer is going to stand here on the earth." They knew which part of the earth Job was talking about. You get that?

Jesus' whole Ministry was within a certain border. The apostles were going to take it from there and carry it into the world, through the Church. But He came unto His own; He didn't go to the Samaritans, He didn't go the way of the Gentiles. He told them afterwards, "Go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel, then go and gather the rest."

Okay. Just let me drop over to Acts 7 a little bit; take a little part of there for you. I am trying to bring it down to a place to close. I want you to see this faith of Joseph because it's that same faith, by the same principle of a people who are seeing where the prophecy began, how it has unfolded down to this present time, and where that life is on the earth today.

Joseph knew that prophecy was going to continue on in those people who had come down into Egypt. He knew what God had said. And many of them had not yet been born, but he knew there was going to be something that when they were born and growing up, they would be able to look and have faith and a place to tie to, that they were going out. That's why God has left us infallible proofs that we can tie to: a Word of prophecy made more sure and the proofs that prove that the prophecy was interpreted and vindicated by God. Do you get what I'm saying?

God sent the Word and vindicated It in a certain way that if It lasts a million years, It cannot be disputed; that God doesn't have to come back and re-vindicate It. He did it in a way to take all doubt and fear away, to give you an anchor of the soul, a hope steadfast and sure, an immovable faith. A surety, a guarantee is what He gave us; an absolute.

Joseph wasn't just speaking that; Joseph knew it was by his life and experience. He saw how Israel came into Egypt to unfold the prophecy that God had given to Abraham. In Isaac's days, he never saw it happen. In Jacob's time, at the ending of his life, he came down into Egypt. He lived seventeen years in Egypt (and in those latter seventeen years, he died) and then he spoke to Joseph and said, "You all are going out." And then

Joseph died and they still had not yet come into bondage, but he knew the next part of the prophecy had to come to pass.

In other words, we had a Seven Seals opened up, but we know the next part of that prophecy is, there is to be a system that will rise to come against the Church. We know that part of the prophecy has to come to pass also. We know the next part of the prophecy: California is going to sink, that is to come to pass also. And that's just not a place, you know, that is the West Coast. That's the furthest west you can go until you get back east. There is no further place to go after California. When you go there, you go across the Pacific Ocean and you go back east. You hit Japan and China when you go past there.

That's why he called it the sin barrier: Hollywood, where all the filth of the world is on the sin barrier; where the movie stars, fallen stars, fallen angels, Los Angeles, city of the angels, fallen angels, movie stars; stars that have darkened the world, the root and seat of Satan, the graveyard of preachers; the place that God is going to sink to follow the Ministry of the Son of Man. A coastal city at the beginning of the Bible, in the middle of the Bible, and at the end of the Bible; Sodom and Gomorrah at the beginning of the Bible, Son of Man revealed there. Capernaum: Son of Man revealed in the middle of the Bible. At the end of the Bible, Son of Man revealed, Los Angeles, California; sin barrier. That's the Bible.

Acts 7, quickly. From verse 1 to 5 tells how God had called Abraham out of the Chaldeans; gave him the land for an inheritance.

Verse 5 says:

<sup>5</sup> And he gave him none inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his foot on: yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his seed after him, when as yet he had no child.

Now, watch how Stephen ties this all together here in one preaching.

<sup>6</sup> And God spake on this wise, That his seed should sojourn in a strange land;

That's Genesis 15, when God was confirming the Covenant by blood to Abraham, when he went into that deep sleep.

<sup>6</sup> And God spake on this wise, That his seed should sojourn in a strange land; and that they should bring them into bondage, and entreat them evil four hundred years.

Abraham did not have any children yet. Remember Abraham had Isaac, and then Isaac had Jacob. Then Jacob had twelve sons and Joseph was the eleventh.

<sup>7</sup> And the nation to whom they shall be in bondage will I judge,

See, 'your seed shall sojourn in a strange land', that didn't happen until Jacob began to go down. This is the prophecy we're looking at here. And then God says:

...they shall be in bondage will I judge, said God: and after that shall they come forth, and serve me in this place.

So God is giving a promise of restoration and full redemption here.

<sup>8</sup> And he gave him the covenant of circumcision: and so Abraham begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day;

That's when he had his son now. He had him when he was a hundred years old. He was only eighty-five years old when God had spoken that in Genesis 15, "Shall I go childless?" See? And then God showed him and confirmed the covenant. He was ten years in the land; he was eighty-five.

So here now, He gave him this covenant of circumcision. That is when he was ninety-nine years old, when He came as El Shaddai one year before the promise.

... so Abraham begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat the twelve patriarchs.

He's giving you the history. He's bringing you from Abraham to the patriarchs.

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

So he's showing you now, look how they sojourned in a strange... because they were coming down to Egypt. They sold him into Egypt.

- <sup>10</sup> And delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.
- <sup>11</sup> Now there came a dearth over all the land of Egypt and Chanaan, and great affliction: and our fathers found no sustenance.
- <sup>12</sup> But when Jacob heard that there was corn in Egypt, he sent out our fathers first [the first time].
- <sup>13</sup> And at the second time Joseph was made known to his brethren; and Joseph's kindred was made known unto Pharaoh.
- <sup>14</sup> Then sent Joseph, and called his father Jacob to him, [Genesis 45 and 46] and all his kindred, threescore and fifteen souls [seventy-five souls].
- <sup>15</sup> So Jacob went down into Egypt, and died, he, and our fathers [that's his sons and them].
- <sup>16</sup> And were carried over into Sychem, and laid in the sepulchre that Abraham bought for a sum of money of the sons of Emmor the father of Sychem.

So we have right up to Genesis 49, which is Jacob's burial. Then Genesis 50, we were reading, Joseph's time had come to die and he too was going to be taken (his bones) and buried in the same Sychem with the sons of Hamor, the father of Sychem where they bought the field.

<sup>17</sup> But when the time of the promise drew nigh, which God had sworn to Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt,

18 Till another king arose, which knew not

Joseph.

<sup>19</sup> The same dealt subtilly with our kindred, and evil entreated our fathers, so that they cast out their young children, to the end they might not live.

<sup>20</sup> In which time Moses was born, and was exceeding fair, and nourished up in his father's house...

Paul says in Hebrews 11:23 that by faith, the parents of Moses didn't fear the wrath of the king. That's after the death of Joseph. And when he was cast out, Pharaoh's daughter took him up and nourished him up for her own.

So watch how Stephen is showing, from the time the promise was given to Abraham, he traces and shows how they went down in Egypt, how they died in Egypt, how Jacob came out and was buried. Joseph died, Moses was born, and the promise now was coming to its fulfillment to take them back into the land. So Joseph and Jacob saw the prophecy coming to pass. Are you getting that?

The Prophet knew that what was happening to him was what was told to Paul and them: the manifestations of the sons of God. He knew that was happening. Predestinated to Adoption; he knew that was happening. The heart being turned back to the faith of the fathers, the time of restitution of all things; he knew that was happening. This same Jesus will return again

in like manner; he knew that was happening. He knew all these End-time prophecies were taking place. Elijah truly shall come and restore all things; he knew it was happening. And when he saw it happening, nobody else on the earth was believing it was him, but he was trying to teach this to a people. Do you get what I'm saying?

What are we trying to teach this morning? He said, "I'm the first one being waved; this is what you all are going to look like. This is how I discovered the faith. This is how I handled those situations. This is why I don't fear that. This is why I'm tied here. When you're dealing with those things here, don't argue and debate; stand right here. Let them run where they want; they have to come back through this gate." He's teaching us, he's teaching us; why? He's opening Things to us. "Here's the secret behind Perfect Faith: Jesus had faith in the knowledge of Who He was."

When Jacob was dying and he was going, he was telling Joseph, he said, "You see what happened here, that is this part of Abraham's prophecy, you know. That is happening. That is what God told Abraham. We see it in our time; I'm part of it, you are part of it."

Do you know you're part of the Seventh Seal? Do you know this was before the foundation of the world; this was sealed up in the thoughts of God? Do you know when he stood there on *Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed* [1963-0728-Ed.] he said, "This morning, I'll tell you before God was even God, how it unfolded right down to this very present hour into His own Life"? A one-man Scripture at the end of the Pentecostal Age, one like John, one like Eliezer, a one-man move; the Evening Messenger going to get a Bride, "Let them build denominations; I'm going to get a Bride." Do you know what kind of faith that was?

I want you to see this thing is not happening in the councils of men. This is not happening in the multitude of people with the same opinion. This is happening where faith has been deposited and where people have

discovered that faith in their life. This is not happening to a bunch of people in Message churches. This is happening where Elect is, who Quickening Power hunted out and found and quickened them to the Promise and tied them. And they're conscious, "Something happened in my life; I'm out of the humanistic realm." And in that Day, you will know it's I in you, and I know it is God in me doing those things. I know this is not my own thinking, and I have Bible and Message for this.

These are people who are walking There. These are people whose lives are governed from There and influenced from There. Because when Joseph was talking and said, "Put my bones," he had no Bible to say, "Put my bones." When Jacob was saying, "Take me out," he had no Bible to say, "Carry me and bury me in that land." But their faith was following something. Is that good enough for you?

Listen to this: My Redeemer Liveth [1955-04108 -Ed.]. Jacob said, "Now, put your hand over here, and swear that you will not bury me here." So they took him and buried him up there with the rest of them.

And then Joseph... It kind of come from Jacob to Joseph. And when Joseph died down there in Egypt, he said, "Now, look. Don't you bury me here, cause I know someday we're going to leave here. So, you just leave my bones on the outside of the ground."! "I want to give every testimony I can, that I believe in it." That's right. Said, "After I'm dead, just leave my bones there for a testimony." See? What is it? He could've said so much as Job, "I know my redeemer liveth," for he had seen the whole thing dramatized. He'd seen, like Job.

Do you see like Paul? I see like Paul, you know. I see like Bro. Branham, you know. If I don't see like them, I can't have the same faith they have. If I can't see like them, I would not be looking for what they were looking for. How many ever heard me—for years I've been preaching, I said the Jews are blinded; the Gentiles are

blinded. The only people who are seeing in these last days are the elected Bride? No Light ever shone on that White Rock, Revelation 10.

He said the pressing coming of the Great Light, this mysterious circle of Light, the Coming of the Angels, shines upon that. Open the rock beneath the rock that we might see Jesus and His program. Give us the Hidden Manna that is laying there. These Thunders are going to open up a Mystery to bring a power back into the Church that these vile, old, marred bodies are going to be changed.

What did I start to preach at the beginning of this year? Then, he said, "I went West with the blast. I came back East to interpret the unwritten Word." He said, "I see when that Seventh Seal opens, it's laying right behind those Seven Thunders banging out right together. It's a Secret. It is unfolding to something that passed in an unknown Language. I looked for it. It flew past there. I couldn't make it out. It will make a cycle and come back around. Be you ready." He said, "I'll tell you a fold of it."

And then in *Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed*, he is telling us, "I'll tell you the secret that Angels, nobody knew; how it unfolded down to this present time. It's lying in shadow and type." Why? He saw his life in Noah, he saw his life in Enoch, he saw his life in Moses, he saw his life in Abraham, he saw his life in Joshua, he saw his life in Amos, he saw his life in Jonah, he saw his life in Jesus; he saw his life in Paul! He saw his life all through the Bible. He knew it was written for him because the Book was sealed until this Day.

This is the Day It is opened. Every Age until this Age, they had a sealed Book. The prophecies were coming to pass, and when he spoke of It, he knew It was happening inside of him. He took that Shout: the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a Shout. What's that? A Message to gather the people together.

Opening of the Seven Seals, gather the Bride together; that was his Message. The Seventh Angel was going to open those Thunders to gather the Bride and show Her how to prepare for Rapturing Faith.

And I said, "Look, if we are the only ones who are seeing," he said, "what good is it that when Light comes, there are no eyes, if the Jews are blinded and the Gentiles are blinded? Come and buy eyesalve where we see. Behold, I show you (what?) a Mystery: we shall not all sleep; we shall all be changed." Something here about Joseph and resurrection; he saw, like Job. Job had the greatest vision; he saw Life after death. What is this Message about? Life after death. That's what this Message is. What is the Easter Seal? Resurrection Seal. What is this Message about? Going back to the Garden of Eden; "Take and eat."

"No man eats! Put cherubim around the Tree." What is this Message? Cherubim, bringing you back to the Tree. You mean to say you're around this Message and you can't come into faith? You mean you're around this Message and you are not eating from that tree? You mean you're around this Message and you are not getting faith to be changed? You mean to say you're in this Message like Enoch, the seventh from Adam, and you're not walking with God and coming into Rapturing Faith? That is what Enoch, the seventh from the first Adam got. And he's only a shadow of Enoch, the seventh from the second Adam.

Then there is something – there is something Joseph caught; Jacob and they caught. Catch it now.

[1955-04108 -Ed.] Job saw it in a vision. Abraham saw it by Isaac.

"Go and kill him!" but He is saying, "In Isaac shall thy seed be called." He had to die and rise up. Going up with the wood on the mountain, that is Christ.

And Isaac which... And Jacob, and so forth, and Jacob had saw it by the wrestling.

"Come back into the land of your fathers, wrestle, I'll change your name from Jacob to Israel. You are going to come in and continue the lineage."

Now Joseph saw it by his own life.

Job saw it in a vision. Abraham saw it by Isaac. And Isaac and Jacob, and so forth, and Jacob had saw it by the wrestling.

Now Joseph saw it by his own life. [Joseph saw Abraham's prophecy coming down in his own life.] He seen that he was born a peculiar boy, that he was a seer. There was something about him;

Now, are you seeing the Seventh Seal, this Mystery of the Bride and the Church coming to perfection, and the fruitful bough, and this vessel that God, the Potter is molding, and this Vine that He is pruning and these people who are going to pick up the continuation of Jesus; "The Master is come and calleth for thee," and gather the living ones and bringing them down to the Resurrection with the sleeping ones? Are you seeing something in your own life?

Are you seeing a Seventh Seal vision to open in the days after Elijah and before Armageddon, the Third Woe, when Elijah's prophecy is coming to pass? Are you seeing in the time of Esther when Vashti is rejected, that a people are going in the Presence of the King in the Age of Leo the lion, between Nehemiah and Job, before the Resurrection, after they had gathered back in their homeland, there is an elected, virgin Bride called and came into union? Are you seeing something in your own life? Joseph saw it in his own life that he is coming to this very Mystery.

Is there a people in this Hour seeing something in their lives; that there is something in your life that holds a secret, there is something about your life that you look in there and have faith in a promise written in the Bible? What did Malachi 4:5 see in his life to say, "This Day this Scripture is fulfilled"? What did he see in his life to say, "The Pentecostal Age is over; we are in the

Astronaut Age"? What did he see to say, "The shuck is finished, now is Harvest Time"? What did he see?

Did he see something in his life or was this all theology? He could look back at his birth. He could look back at what the Voice said in the poplar tree. He could look back and see what He said in the cave; he could look back and see what He said in the river. He could look back and see when the Angels came what was revealed. He could look back and see the things that followed the preaching of the Word in the meeting (that Angel). He could look back and see these things and found that That was written in the Bible.

As a church, where can we tie to? Have we a place to tie to? Have we been tied? What is our confidence based on? Are we just an intellectual gathering? Do we just assemble and have a program? Is it something inside of us that compels us, and drives us, and demands of us because something inside of us is quickened? Something with that Word when that Trumpet gives a certain sound, Something rises up and says, "That's me. That's my life. I am born for this here. I am called for this here."

When people want to influence you and say, "Girl, let us do this. Boy, let us do that."

And you say, "You know something, I can't do that. You could do it, but I can't do that. I am a prisoner to This. I am bound in the chains of This. I believe This. I have given my life to This already. I can't take back my life. I am convinced of This." Has there been something there?

Listen. Quickly, I'm closing. Let the musicians come for me, please. Play a little music for me. That will help me close, quickly. See, I learnt that. Long ago, I would say, "I'm closing, I'm closing, I'm closing." But now, play a little music, it will tell me I'm closing. It reinforces my faith to close.

[He] Told his mother and father, when they tried to correct him, when he seen the sheaves all bowing to his.

He couldn't understand it. But then, next thing, he found out that he was betrayed by his brethren. He said, "What am I portraying here? What is this foreknowledge that I'm receiving?" He watched his own life. [1955-0410S para. 116-Ed.]

He said, "But..."

I jumped off the truck; I should have died there. Why didn't I die there? The man tried to kill me there. What is it in me that God is protecting?

When I came in the Message, they called me mission trotter. I wanted to walk all up in the country with some books and give them out to the people. What is it in me looking out to cross the four walls, and I don't want to be locked in four walls, and go home and come back, and go home and come back, and be a church member conforming to religion in the Message, that I want to step out and take a Word to a people somewhere? What is this? What is this, causing this? And though I am being criticized and persecuted, why doesn't this hinder me and discourage me? What is it that it can't do it? What is it that has given me an immunity that if I, alone, have to do this by myself in the whole world, I am in the majority?

My faith can't pull to anything else. Is that a design? And then the more He starts to reveal Himself: you're previously marked out by a design, and they were placed by birth, and their birth is more mysterious than the virgin birth. Why did the revelation come through that Channel: know your pedigree, declare your pedigree, know your lineage; see what part of the Word you are and not somebody else's part? To other people, those are little thoughts they collected off of things, but why did your own grow Word upon Word in that Channel; cell upon cell in that Channel and formed a Ministry of that, not just a couple sermons about that? Why? That is a certain species.

He said, "Joseph began to see rejection." When he started to see rejection, he knew they rejected Abraham,

they rejected Isaac, they rejected Jacob, they rejected Joseph, they rejected Samuel, they rejected David, they rejected Paul, they rejected Jesus; they rejected the Prophet. When you get rejection you say, "Wait, but I didn't get rejected for anything other than what I'm saying. It's not that I interfered with people." Do you know what you start to think? "But that is in the Bible somewhere."

You start to learn. You start to learn in your life. You start to learn you're different. You start to learn there is a reason for that. You start to accept the place you are called unto. You don't want to compete. You don't just want to be accepted by people who God is not amongst. Your consolation lies in the fact that God is with you.

You say, "Well, they promised over there that they would give me this, they would help me with my education, they would buy this for me, they would get an apartment for me."

He said, "But do you know something (the Word) like Ruth: "Where thou goest I will go. Your people shall be my people; your God shall be my God." Like Rebekah, "I will go." Like Elisha, "Entreat me not to leave thee. My soul followeth hard after thee. As the Lord liveth and my soul liveth, I will not leave thee nor forsake thee." Something that connects in Another Realm.

My young brothers and sisters, you all have that in you. You, children of God, you who God put here for me to preach to, you who see me standing on the platform preaching from a young boy when some of you were toddlers on the blankets; you who see me growing to be a full, old man, still preaching the same Message, still trying to hold this before you while the world has become so dark all around us; trying to break It down into a place to say, there is Something in you that speaks out, and sometimes you try to shut That down because you haven't learnt the value. You haven't learnt to listen closely and follow That because the outside voices that invade are trying to get through the eye gate

and ear gate and get into your spirit, and mess up your spirit and hold you in a place; they fight you and you don't get time to spend with This."

Give a little place for That. That has within It the answer to all that you're seeking. That can give you the key, the leadership, the approach, the faith, the patience to come in, to what is sure for you.

When you get distracted by these outside things, you don't get to listen to that Voice too much. And you like to be with the visible because you think more of what other people think about you than what God thinks about you. Not that you want to be that way, but your lack of growth and your lack of sacrificing to live down in There, that overtakes you. But if you can let go, you're going to find that you love this Friend more than the outside friends. You're going to find that it is more profitable for you to spend time with that Friend.

You're going to find that your eyes will start to get bright, and the things that you waste time in, get into problems with and then regret after, you will see it clearly before you even start to get close to it. You see it coming from quite there, and you know the intentions and what it is going to do. You know it is going to waste your time; it is going to divert you from where you want to be. It is something coming to try to destabilize you and rob you, but the reason it gets close to you, it gets inside of you, it manipulates you, it moves upon you so unsuspectingly because, in your mind, you aren't quickened enough to have the kind of discernment to see those things, in the way you're supposed to see it.

You get help when you have somebody who you trust and have confidence in and know a little better than you, saying, "Hey, don't waste time with that." Then because of that person's influence, you don't get troubled; that is like a shield and a protection. But every time you're by yourself and it has nobody big around you or nobody with better eyes than you, or nobody with more discernment to open that and show you why

you're wasting your time, how that's unprofitable, how that has no value, you get pulled into it. But if you can begin to live There, then you are going to have what the one who sometimes you depend upon, who helps you and keeps you and protects you from it, you are going to have it for yourself that when you look at something, you can judge it. When you look at something, you know what type of resistance to put up against it, you can expose it, you can disarm it.

Many times you find yourself regretting, regretting, regretting and after three or four bouts of that, you get so discouraged, you lose all self-confidence so you accept the way of defeat. And you kind of figure, "Well, I have to live here. I can't be any different; this is how I am. I tried that already and I can't do it." And you find yourself coming under that kind of pressure.

You don't have to be so. You see, what your eyes look at and it means nothing, in the realm of faith, that is so small, so insignificant but so great. That is one of the lessons that you learnt here, this morning: by faith, he blessed them. By faith, he blessed them concerning things to come. By faith, when he was dying, he said do this – by faith. It seems like that has no faith with it, yet that was the greatest faith in their lives. That was the mark of faith in their lives.

So really and truly, what is faith? And how do you know of that faith? And how does that faith move in you? You see, faith can catch those things. He knew, in his life, (nobody could explain that away from him), that's that Word coming to pass. He could follow the continuity of that Word and say, "God told my great grandfather, Abraham, that. I see my father Isaac, he went through this. I see my own father, Jacob, went through this. I see when I was born, I started to catch certain things my father and my grandfather never got."

You are understanding things Luther never understood. You are understanding things that Smith Wigglesworth, Charles Price, Aimee Semple McPherson, all these great Pentecostal people; Frank Bartleman, William Seymour, you are understanding things they never even dreamed of. Do you get what I'm saying? They fasted, they prayed, they spent hours a day reading the Bible and God didn't show them.

You're born in this and it is ordinary to you, but if you can see this is what they looked for and it is happening around you. And what is happening among us here that I tried to present to you over these years, when the Lord descended and He opened those Seven Seals and He called a people out, then He was to bring them into a place and start to place them. And they were going to know by their placing, they were going to know things about their life, they were going to know things about their birth that other people, in other Ages, never even looked into.

A man comes and says, "God broke the bloodline here in my family. The man with the carbolic acid put it on my head and I lost my hair." He said, "I grew up to be a woodsman. My mother was half-Indian. My father was Irish." He started to see things that meant nothing to anyone else, but he started to see a predestinated Mystery; God, designing a vessel, molding a vessel, preparing a vessel for a work to fulfill the Scriptures. He knew it there, much more when the Angel came now and said, "Now, this is the Scripture. This is the Scripture."

By faith, he knew. The Prophet said, "Like Jesus left an empty tomb (our Joseph), also (he said) on this side of the Covenant, here was Joseph, a type of Christ, giving them something to look at to give them hope that they are going back into the land, to be what they were before they came down in Egypt."

We look at the Resurrection, what do we see? We are going to come back one day, to where we were before the Fall took place. We will come back in a glorified condition. That's what the Resurrection shows us. That's what that empty tomb He left shows us.

That's why Paul, when he looked at that there, he said, "You are trying to frighten me, Satan? Oh, death, where is your sting?" He said, "Let me talk to you, death and let me talk to you, grave. You sit there." He said, "Where is your sting and where is your victory? Come on. Come on, fellows. Let me hear. Come on, talk. Talk up fast. You met Jesus. Tell me something; was He like Abraham? Was He like Isaac? Was He like Moses? Was He like Joseph? Come on! Answer!"

They had to leave him alone because Jesus was not like them. He conquered it and He left the evidence. And Joseph left them something. After he was betrayed, after he was thrown in the pit, after one was saved and one was lost, after he came and got the bride, came out of the prison and came at the right hand, all these things; there was something there that he left them.

That's great, friends. That's so great, this morning. Blessed be His wonderful Name. Let's stand to our feet.

He saw it in his life. He said Moses started out. The Holy Spirit spoke to him and said, "You're forgetting something, Moses? Go down and get the bones of Joseph!" Moses wrapped it up and here he comes; the Pillar of Fire leading him on to the promised land. [Bro. Vin addresses a brother -Ed.] and buried them by the sides of Isaac and Jacob. See? He knew there was coming the first fruits of them that slept. They knew there was coming, a resurrection one of those days.

Now think, friends. Look at the Prophet saying here, Job had something. Something struck Job. The man lived all his life, but in Job's life, there was one thing that stands out. A man may live one hundred and something years, but one thing God gives him that he ties to. The Prophet lived fifty-six years, and from a little boy when that Light came over that bed and that Voice spoke from that tree, he knew, "All these years, I'm looking for that work that I am born to do in this world."

What is it in your life? Can you look back at your life? Some of you are thirty, twenty, twenty-five, some of you

forty, some of you fifty, some of you sixty; some of you eighty; we are all facing the grave. We all don't know; we could all die before we get out of that door. What is it in your life that you look back to, that something that happened there, makes you look beyond this life for the continuation of life in Another Land; Eternal Life? What is it in the Gospel that your hope is built on?

You just can't be going around saying, "Well, I don't drink. It is a better group of people; it's a better church I associate with." No. It has to be something about Life, and it has to be something that could deal with death because we all come into this world inheriting death. The reason the Gospel is given to us is to come out of death. Because if we go to the grave and never come out of death, we are born dead and we die dead; we are lost. We were born dead but something happened that we discovered Life. We discovered Life. And when we discovered Life, the secret of this Life, we began to live in that Life, and that Life began to take us somewhere. That's what they all had, friends.

The Prophet says it is not written but it was a Secret; it was being revealed. It is not written why Abraham bought that place to be buried there. It is not written why Jacob said, "Put your hand on my thigh." It is not written why Isaac and Rebekah were buried in the same place. It is not written in the Bible, but it is hidden. It was a Secret, that Seventh Seal. These Angels coming, did that have something to do with Life? This Book that is opened, did that have something to do with death being conquered; these vile, old, marred bodies would be changed?

That 'go and eat that Book', was that what Adam tried to partake of and eat back there, to live forever, but he was forbidden? This, friends, that has come into us, that has taken a grip on us, that has given us a foundation in life, this morning. A foundation that, you know, Paul said, "The life I live now... I used to live a life before," he said, "but the life I used to live before, didn't

have anything about Jesus, the Son of Man, and Elijah, and the Blood, and the Holy Ghost, and the New Birth. But the life I live now, since I met that Light on the road to Damascus and that Light took me back in the Bible and opened a Mystery to me, It raised me up into a place where I live now, not a church life, not after the righteousness of the law but the righteousness of God, which is by faith. I live by the faith of the Son of God."

I want you this morning, as we go to pray, in your own heart—what we are believing is Something that that Church didn't live long enough for. Something — when that first Church fell, spiritual Eve fell as natural Eve fell, they began to bring forth organizational children, a church race, a denominational race, but God promised a seed, like natural Eve was promised a Seed, who was going to come and slay that thing and open a way to bring us back. And that seed came at Evening Time at the end of the Age, and that seed broke the power of organization and brought a New Birth that organization could not give us, like that Seed, Jesus, brought a New Birth to raise a Church up.

What is happening to us? Are you convinced? Are you convinced that what has happened to you is that same very Promise coming to pass? Are you convinced that the Message you have is going to change you? Are you looking for it? Are you anointed? Remember it is written in the Word, but that doesn't mean it is going to happen, you know. That is going to happen to the people who can take that Word and anoint It and bring It to life; not just read It.

Jesus looked in the Bible and knew that was Him, and He quickened the Word and brought It to life because He stepped out into believing He was It.

The Prophet stepped out there and went to Arizona, two thousand miles away because he believed he was that angel. Because he believed, he said, "Sirs, is this the time? Could this be the thing? Is this what the Angel said on the river?" He said, "Is this what it is?" He said,

"I believe it is this. This is my revelation. I'm going out there to meet them." It happened. He dared to trust God because if you're that person, you can't help but step out there into it.

If that Life is in you, when that Light flashes on that Life, you can't sit down anymore. Something in you rises up. Because why? Hearing, recognizing, It goes into action. You start to act and then it brings these Things to pass – acting. Which stage are you at this morning; hearing, recognizing or are you acting?

Look at your life, see which stage you're at. You are hearing It, you are hearing It, you are hearing It. You say, "Bro. Vin, I believe It is in you. I believe It is in Bro. Branham." That isn't good enough, friends. That would not get you anywhere.

Joseph knew it was in Abraham, he knew it was in Isaac, he knew it was in Jacob. The thing about Joseph, you know something? Joseph knew it was in him. Joseph knew it was in him.

Friends, the Prophet is not here. Paul, Irenaeus, Martin, Columba, Luther, Wesley, and Malachi 4 are not here. Who is it in? It has to be in you; has to be in you, my brother, my sister. Make It yours this morning. Because remember, you don't come into those places easily.

Satan will stand around your life and tell you, "That's not you. Don't you do that. Don't be a fanatic. If God wants to get you, He'll get you. Don't you do that." And he'll tell you everything to keep you from acting upon that Word. Because he knows the day you start to act upon that Word, your Atmosphere changes, and you start to get in an Atmosphere, that makes It happen.

It's right here, friends. It's a dimension of seeing; walking by sight and walking by faith. It's a dimension. Abraham, when he was called to go out, obeyed and went out. That started the thing. He didn't just hear It. He obeyed and went out (get it now) not knowing where he was going...not knowing where he was going. We

have to sit, explain, debate, check out, don't take any chances, just in case it has something else here. No. Rebekah: "I will go," not knowing; Elisha, not knowing! That's how it is, friends.

When Peter and they followed Him and then saw Him die, every man was sad, disillusioned. But do you know something? They had been born for this. They had been born for this.

Let's have faith today. Let's have faith today. By Faith Joseph – the real faith was not seeing the vision with his brothers and them, and Potiphar; that was not the real faith. That was faith out of the faith. You see, all of us have those kinds of experiences in our daily lives. But the real faith is: the Church that fell at Nicaea, that went down in the ground in the Dark Ages, that came up through a stalk and a tassel and a husk, is to come back in this Age and come into maturity and glorification.

If in the end, you're not part of that Church and that promise doesn't happen in you, what is all – you believe God for a car, you believe God for a house, you believe God for a job? What is all that in the end? But if you have *this* faith, then you know all the other things shall be added: house, car, job, everything. You just keep walking. You know God takes care of that. Because if you have this faith, this faith can believe for all those things there because out of this faith, everything comes.

I want to be that today. I want to add my name: By Faith Joseph – spiritual Josephs today. I believe I'm part of that End-time Joseph group, that perfection group. We had an Abraham group coming out of Babylon. We had an Isaac group coming through the Blood. We had a Jacob group coming through the Pentecostal Age. But this is the Joseph group, friends. This is the End-time Josephs. This is the fruitful bough that is going to bring these Things. And his real faith, he had the same faith, that Resurrection faith. He knew.

[Bro Vin prays for Bro. Levi –Ed.]

Lord, we are thankful, dear God. My dear Bro. Levi, who walked with You, God, we know he's been going through a rough time... He feels shattered. ... Lord, he made a detour and went the wrong way. Now he is finding out, dear God, he didn't consult You, he didn't acknowledge You. He tried to live his own life, Lord, and put confidence in the flesh. He tried, oh God, to walk by sight and realized he cannot walk by sight. Why would we want to walk by sight when we have You to lead us and to guide us; You Who know how to provide for us, You Who know the good things to give to us? You proved to us we cannot choose the things that we think would be best for us; we will choose death always. We'll choose would bring hurt and things that pain and disappointment.

But today, dear God, he knows that he can come, Father, to You. God, and realizing his mistakes, realizing, oh God, that, Father, now he is so broken. You allowed it, Father, because You know it is important in this stage of his life that he learns this lesson. God, it's a dark time for him, but I pray that Your peace will come to him. I pray that Your grace would bathe down into his soul.

I pray, dear God, that You Who know what it is to be rejected, Lord, You Who were espoused to a Church, dear God, that had been unfaithful and turned her back on You and went after many lovers; You spoke this way concerning Israel and You spoke this way in the New Testament concerning the Church. You know what it is, Lord, for the husband to realize the unfaithfulness of the one, dear God that he sees as his wife. Oh, gracious God, I pray, Father, as my brother has gone through this kind of experience, oh God; Lord, we realize that it is You Who provide these things, Father. You don't leave these things for us. You give us first salvation, Your best gift. Then, You give us a mate that would be faithful; the second best thing You give us after salvation.

He didn't know these things, Father, though he grew up right in the very home, though he grew up connected to the very Word. But, Lord, he didn't stay under the Influence where he could be taught and his mind could be illuminated. Today, he is all shattered. Lord, when he tried to build upon sand, the storms of life had come and brought great ruin. But now, oh God, I pray as he stands here in humility, in sincerity, God, he realizes that he is the one that is wrong and he would confess his wrongs, Father.

He would confess his sins. He would confess to, Lord, not letting You have Your rightful place, Father. Lord, he'll confess, dear God, to not putting You first. He'll confess, oh God, to getting away from the Truth and walking after the flesh, after the course of this world and the prince of the power of the air, but today, Father, he will mark the spot. He will turn around like the prodigal son and he will come home, dear God. Coming home, coming home, never more to roam. Lord, he wasted so many precious years, but now he is coming home. Lord, may there be a real repentance with bitter tears, dear God.

You said Your ear is not deaf that You cannot hear, neither is Your hand short that You cannot save. May today, dear God, in Your great grace and Your great mercy, Lord, Your Holy Spirit reach down Your hand for him. Take him out of the miry clay, dear God, and set his feet upon the Rock to stay. Oh God, let him see that You can give him a Love that passeth all knowledge, a peace that passeth all understanding, oh God. Father, he desires love and he wants to know love, dear God, but let him see greater Love hath no man than this, a Man Who lay down His life for His friends, dear God; this great Love that You shed abroad in his heart by the Holy Spirit; oh God, this Love that will wash his sins away, and though his sins be as scarlet, it will be whiter than the snow.

May You grant it, oh God. And may You heal the wounded, broken spirit. May You heal the broken heart, oh God. May You heal, dear God, the wounds where he has been so hurt and bitterly disappointed. May, dear God, the balm of Gilead come into his soul, dear God. Let him find, oh God, that bosom that John used to lay on in the Bible. John would come and lay on the bosom of Jesus. May this John find that bosom, Father. Oh God, may he choose that Place and lay in the seat of Your Divine Love and affection; the Love with which You loved him. That's why You went to the Cross and took his sins upon You, to make a way that he could be free, dear God, to share Your life and to live and to walk in Your Presence. Grant it today, Father, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Let this healing come to him and make him whole and make him well, and open his eyes and fill his heart and mind and soul with Your Truth. Let Your Word be planted deep, dear God, that oh God, he will mark the spot this day in his life, oh God; that You in Your great grace will bring this experience to him, Lord, and he wouldn't have to go that way anymore, Father. He will trust You and be led by You. Grant it, oh God, we pray. We ask this mercy in the Name of Jesus Christ.

If there is anymore, just have faith and believe. I'm finished here. Let's just all have faith now and believe, right now. And those of you who are standing there in your seat, have faith, pray with me. At the end of this service, just like at the end of Joseph's life, that great faith came out, and that utterance that was given was marked. There in the Bible was the highlight of his life, of the great faith that worked through him.

Father, we have been long but Something has moved here. When we think, oh God, sometimes that it is beyond the peoples' minds, when we think the heat might have distracted some, when we think some might not have been prayed up as they should be, when we thought, oh God some, Lord God, couldn't focus and concentrate and they were not the best today; yet, oh God, it is not what condition we can put ourselves in to get; it is when You desire to give and how You can move our souls into places, and what You can do for us beyond what we can do for our own selves; just like You came to Sarah and You put her in condition to receive It because that's Your love for Your children. That glorifies You to do it in that manner.

And so, I pray together with these who stand with me praying, and we together believing, Father, in Your Presence as believers, as the royal seed, oh God; knowing the Life that was in the Seed, that went down in the dirt and died in the Dark Ages, and came up through the stalk and the tassel and the husk and has come back into the grain, and that this is that time. And here we are, the sheaves that are becoming ripe under this Message, oh God; this record of Eternal Life, the ones to whom this Second fold has been opened up to, the ones foreordained of God to go in the Rapture.

Lord, we are seeing that You, today have moved these into a place where they want to have that identification in their life: Something, oh God, that keeps them, Something that keeps them moving on, Something that keeps growing inside of them, Something that checks them and convicts them of sin, Something that brings Your Word back to remembrance, Something that teaches them further on the Truth, Something that shows them things to come and keeps them under prophetic utterance, Something that gives them power to pray, power to testify, power to witness, Something that makes them forgive; Something, oh God, that causes them, oh God when they have to stand alone, to stand regardless. Give that to them today, Father; this great Holy Spirit, this Covenant sign, this Token, oh God; this unspeakable gift, this baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Give, Father, in the measure that it would take to birth them into this realm, to walk in this realization, to

live in this victory following this Divine continuity, to know that the life they live from this day, they would live by the faith of the Son of God. Grant it, I ask together with these, that stand united with me praying, that all these, knowing Your Prophet said God, the Holy Spirit brings us to this great faith, and this faith brings us to the power, this great power produces the promise in our life. So, dear God, You Who began this work, perform it and give them the identification where they can see and know. It will bring rest, it will bring peace; it will give them the anchor of the soul. They will no longer be tossed to and fro in their minds, but they'll have a place they could come back to if they ever doubt. You told Your Prophet, "Come back here." God, may You grant it, I ask. We thank You today, Father. We thank You to be in Your Presence.

By Faith Joseph; that's these, Father. That's these! While this branch stays in the Branch that has come from the Root in the last days, this Church that is coming to perfection, make them a fruitful bough planted by the well, pruned and cultivated that, Lord, those within and without would be nourished by them. Grant it, we ask, for Your glory, in the Name of Jesus Christ. Thank You, Lord. Thank You so much, Jesus. Amen. Hallelujah.

Let's lift our hands to Him. Give Him thanks. We serve a great God. We serve a loving God. We serve a God Who cares for us. He'll never let go of our hands. Let's just sing that song. That's the assurance we feel. That's the comfort in our soul. That's the Rock you're settled upon. That's the Absolute we're tied to. That's why we could read, by faith Abraham, by faith Isaac, by faith Jacob; By Faith Joseph. They all knew they were in the line of that promise. That was the great faith that lifted its eyes from this realm and looked beyond into the Life after.

This is the Life, friends; Something inside of us. That is what Job found. It started with Job. It started with

Job; he got the greatest revelation. He saw something that could give man hope after this life. He had great inspiration, he had youth, he had all these things. He had people around him, he had cattle, he had gold, he had silver, but he lifted his eyes beyond that, one day, and he saw something; when this was all over, there was something else.

When Abraham walked in that faith, he began to look for that City. He ate that bread and drank that wine from Melchisedec, then Isaac followed. Then Jacob was so in line with them, he said, "Don't bury me here. I have the same faith of my fathers. Bury me there."

They that are in Christ will God bring with Him. And this great Mystery, Christ, this Seventh Seal, this great Seal that was on Paul, this Seal of this Baptism of the Holy Ghost, that which gave them birth and linked them up with God, is what they had down through. That's what the Roman system could not destroy. That came out of the Dark Ages and up came Luther with that same Life, and that same Life is still here. That same Church is still here, and the Title Deed has come back, and we are here, friends. And what are we doing? We are maturing in this Word.

We have a memorial; a Prophet while he was dying, blessed us concerning things to come. He saw the Bride marching. He saw Her going up, proudly displaying the Blood. He said, "We will ride this trail once more." He saw these Things. He said, "There is a Message coming forth, Dove leading Eagle. It's under that Second fold. It will make a cycle." He blessed these Things.

And do you know something? When Abraham blessed Isaac, he saw he inherited what Ishmael didn't get. When Isaac blessed Jacob, Jacob inherited what Esau didn't get, though they were in the same womb, though they were in the same house before. When Jacob blessed Joseph, he said, "I give you a portion above all your brethren." He saw he got something.

Friends, we have something that nobody in the world has because we've been blessed. We've been identified, we've been given that; we know what it is. To get away from that, we walk by sight. That wasn't just a man preaching, friends. That was the God in that man. That was the Holy Spirit. That was the God Who gave them... that was the Promiser Himself, telling you, children of the promise, you will come into these Things; Elect according to the foreknowledge of God.

Today, do you think it's another Voice? The Lord Himself does all three things while He is descending. He changes masks for another act, but it is still the same Actor. That's why He punctuates that promise and makes it more real, and brings it closer, and identifies you a little closer down in it more than you were identified up to 1965. Because do you know why? From '46 to '65 you have to see him, but from '66 to 2004, you have to see 'you'. You have to see 'you'. And He brings it down to 'you' and He opens up your part.

That's my joy today. That's the Source my faith found. Abraham's faith found a Source, he could offer up that boy, knowing he is going to come back. Jesus' faith found a Source; He could have said, "Destroy this temple, I'll raise it up." David's faith found a Source, he could say, "I'll cut your head off and feed you to fowls of the air today," without a sword. They looked at the line of the Word. They looked at something that was unfolding, that started in their life, that didn't come to its complete fulfillment. Are you seeing that in yours? Is there a greater faith than that? Tell me.

That's the kind of faith that created the squirrels. That's the kind of faith that brought the dead out from death. That is the kind of faith that gave birth to a people and raised them up, above organization. Outside of that, you see the people sit there and they can't come to that faith, but you are breaking through. You were seeing through a glass darkly, but then you started to see face to face. Do you know why? The mist is rolling

away. The mist is rolling away and what was dark is no longer dark; it's clear now. You are knowing as you were known.

Something keeps holding me. I have temptations like everybody else. I have discouragement just like everybody else. But why can't it keep me down? Why doesn't it hold me down? How do I overcome? We were taught that: *How Can I Overcome* [1963-0825M-Ed.], *Victory Day* [1963-0421-Ed.], *The Greatest Battle Ever Fought* [1962-0311-Ed.]. He told us about the battle. He taught us the tactics of the enemy. He showed us what to use to overcome, and he showed us how to walk in victory.

The Message is not some sermons, friends. Walk in It. Exercise in It. It will lead you to the things that you're looking for. How does that duck find where he is going and find his food, and survive the winter and come back and bring forth young ones? How does he do it? He learned to believe in something that God designed and put inside of him. If he listens to man and let man explain it away, and let man put him in a truck and carry him down, he'll die. But if he believes in what God made him and he lives by that law, he'll do it every time. You live in what God has made you. Learn to—that eagle knows he is built to possess that law. You learn to live in what God has made you.

[#270 - Songs That Live –Ed.]

And He'll never let go of my hand.

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Till I stand...

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Just worship Him before you go. And, by faith Jacob worshipped, leaning on his staff, blessing them concerning things to come.

...Till I'm safe...

And by faith, Job worshipped and Abraham said, "The lad and I will go worship and come back."

...happy golden shore,

No, He'll never let go of my hand.

Oh, sing it one more time. Sing with real faith. Amen. Sing it as a confession that you believe that because His Love is being shed abroad in your heart. There is such confidence in your soul this morning, you know that God loves you, and you know you love Him. Amen. And you know He is faithful to His promise, and you desire to be faithful to Him Who is faithful to you. Amen. And He is teaching you, He's giving you what you need, so you can rise up to be what He wants you to be.

...fair land,... Oh, and God bless you. Till I'm safe forever more...

