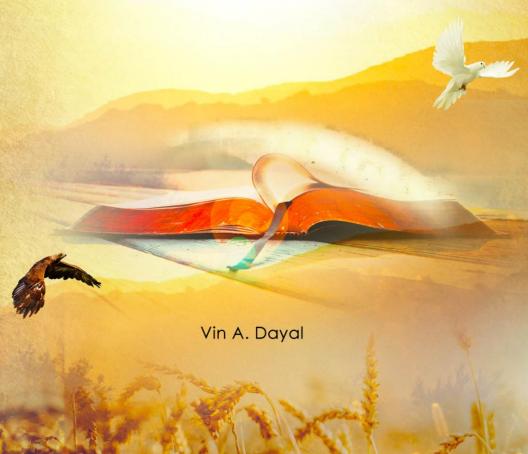
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[#569 - Songs That Live -Ed.]
...want the Dove
To lead this Eagle Home;
For I know the Dove is here,
Oh, He has come...
He has come to lead God's Eagles;
And I know...
Oh, thank You, Jesus.
He will guide me,
And keep me in His Word.

Oh, I just love that Dove,
I just love that Dove,
For He is my Lord, tonight.
Oh, the blessed Holy Spirit.
... is my Lord,
I just love that Dove,
For He has been my Guide;
Oh, what a precious Guide we have tonight.
He has brought me up Seven Steps,
To a perfect faith that I've never known;
Oh, now He'll send me with His Word,
As He rides this trail again.

Oh, if you want to follow Him, lift your hands and sing, I just want to follow tonight. The leadership of Eternal Life. Oh, we want to follow in the bloody footprints.

... want to follow

the way that He will lead me,
... that He will lead me,
I just want to follow
the way that He will go. Hallelujah.
... that He will go;
For I know, You will lead me
In the footprints that You have left,
... that You have left,
And I know... Oh, that is our confidence, tonight.
You will guide me
And keep me in this path.
And keep me in this path.

Thank You, Jesus. That is what we believe tonight, Father. Dear God, You have come back in the form of the Holy Spirit, as the Angel of the Covenant, that great Pillar of Fire, that snow-white Dove, to lead us and guide us. Guiding us even tonight to a fully surrendered life, to which we have come into Your house, dear God, so tired of living under-privileged, we want to go to that theophany. We want to go, oh God, Father, to that Place that You have prepared for us, dear God. Lord, we want to cut all ties from this world, we want to look away from this world and look away to Jesus Christ. We want Lord, as we see that Word opening and unfolding this pathway, to walk with faith, dear God, to surrender all and come under the Headship of the Word, that dear God, You might lead us and bring us into all that You have spoken concerning us in this Hour.

Father, as we stand here tonight, this is the desire of our hearts, dear God, Lord Jesus, to see that Word be confirmed in our lives, dear God; to see that Word become Spirit and Life within us; to see that Word be made manifest without one flaw; to see You show forth Your victory and the reason of Your death; to see You show in this Bride, Father, all that You have promised for this Hour. Oh gracious God, as we come tonight, Lord, we come knowing that that can be made a reality

Lord, we see the possibility of these things, oh God, we know that is Your purpose, Lord, we know that that is Your desire. And oh God, we come praying that You would filter our thinking tonight with Your Word, and You will stimulate that desire inside of us that we can have that Holy Man's taste tonight, oh God, and You can just work in us, Lord. You can perfect what is lacking in our faith tonight. Lord Jesus, You can take Your sharp two-edged Sword and cut away everything, Lord, that is hindering us, tonight. Oh, we want to yield, we want to surrender, Lord. We just pray that You'll have Your own blessed way tonight.

Lord, You know every need and every heart tonight, Father. And dear God, our precious Bro. Arthur, Lord, asking for this request, with this virus that has afflicted him, Lord. Lord, we know it is just a devil, Father, and as Your Church we stand here tonight, oh God, knowing that through confession and faith we can stand, Lord. In the Name of Jesus Christ and by the power and the authority of Your Word, Lord God, knowing that the Blood of Jesus Christ speaketh better things, Lord, we curse that virus in the Name of Jesus Christ. May the Holy Spirit drive it away from our brother and may the Quickening Power quicken him back to health and strength, dear God, even while he sits in the Presence of God under the preached Word that is to be ministered tonight. May the Word be so energized that the virtue from that Word will move into his body, Lord, and strengthen him tonight.

And everyone that is standing here in Your Presence with a need in their heart, believing, looking to You tonight, knowing that, "Where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there I am in the midst." Oh God, when we stand praying, whatsoever we bind, Lord, on earth is bound in Heaven and whatsoever we loose on earth is loosed in Heaven. Lord, as You see the faith in the hearts of Your children, I pray that the Holy Spirit will move in their direction and You will minister that

blessing that they have need of. Oh, may You grant it, tonight.

We thank You for the great Presence and the great Anointing of the Holy Spirit that is here and has created this atmosphere tonight, oh God, that You can minister to each and everyone's need.

Father, may at the end of the service as we leave, going back through those doors which we came in, may there be a spring in everyone's step, may there be a rejoicing in their hearts, may there be a praise upon their lips, may they know that they have come into Your Presence and have met that Word, Lord God, that can bring these things to reality, Father, this great Light, this great Pillar of Fire that is here.

Oh God, let that Transforming Power work in every heart tonight, and may You transform us, oh God, more and more into that great Image that we are beholding tonight, Lord, the Image of the Lord Jesus Christ; this great mighty One Who has unveiled Himself before us, Who we have looked upon tonight, desiring to become one with that Word.

Grant it tonight, Father. Get honor and glory in the service and may You lead and direct us in all that is to be said and done. May it be pleasing, may it be acceptable in Your sight. We commit everything into Your hands, and we thank You for all that is to be done. Lord, may it be done for Your honor and for Your glory, in Jesus' precious Name, we pray and ask these blessings, amen and amen.

Praise His wonderful Name. Blessed be the Name of the Lord. It is good for us to be in the house of the Lord. Amen? I trust that you are really glad to be here. I must say I really appreciate the singing tonight. I feel it is just—I could just feel the streams of grace, the Holy Spirit just pouring out like healing, just moving into every heart. God certainly knows how to strengthen our faith and make us sensitive to His healing Presence that

is here, (amen,) where the healing waters are flowing. Amen. Blessed be His wonderful Name.

We certainly appreciate that tonight. They are ministries in the Body of Jesus Christ, and you know they have their time allotted for them to minister. And in the singing, God heals with good singing. Did you know that? God heals with a smile, that is why we should have a smile on our faces when we come in the house of the Lord. Amen. God heals with a good handshake many times. Amen. Just create a Spirit of love and let me tell you, devils have to flee. Demon powers are broken. It was love that calmed a raging bull, (amen,) turned back the wild hornets, it was love.

So long we haven't heard that song, *Tired Of Living Underprivileged* [#538 - Songs That Live -Ed.] I believe it was just appropriate tonight. May out of the messages in the song that was sung already, it condition our hearts into a place where we can really be praying. I just felt we should have come and have prayer meeting, maybe. Amen. It just puts you in such an attitude to just worship the Lord Jesus. We certainly appreciate Him, tonight.

I would like to invite your attention to the Book of Joshua, Chapter 13, and also Chapter 18; we are going to read two places, by God's grace. God richly bless you all tonight, and I am glad to see some of you out who are taking the admonition and trying to be here, knowing that every service is important. Amen. We don't believe in Sunday worship or Saturday worship, we believe in worshipping in Spirit and in Truth, (amen,) much more as we see the Day approaching. We want to really recognize and relate to coming in the house of the Lord as taking up our responsibility and our post of duty, and not just a service attendance, but participate, knowing God has caused people's paths to cross together, gathered them under His Word, that through a Body that can be sanctified, that He can dwell in. He can continue the work of Jesus Christ.

All those things that were not fulfilled, will be fulfilled by and through the members of the Bride. Is that what He said? Amen. You who are taught in the Word, you who have the Spirit of Truth to bring back what He said unto remembrance, will know He said those things. Amen. We don't want to just know it as a quotation but we want the Word to become flesh, we want the Word to be a Living Word. Amen. The letter killeth but the Spirit giveth life.

Joshua Chapter 13. The Book of Joshua is really divided into two parts. The first twelve chapters are speaking about conquest and the second half of the Book is the dividing of the inheritance.

And you will find in Joshua 11:23 where it said: "So Joshua took the whole land, according to all that the LORD said unto Moses; and Joshua gave it for an inheritance unto Israel according to their divisions by their tribes. And the land rested from war."

Chapter 12 is a summary giving you all the different kings and different places that they had conquered thus far. When it said that the land rested from war, it didn't mean everything was conquered and subdued and there was nothing more to be conquered, it didn't say that. Because if you go into the Book of Judges it tells you there were many things after Joshua died that were still left there to be conquered. God left it to try the people.

But the land rested from war because people, you know, sometimes they just fight for a while and then they just stop fighting. So, that is what was really happening. They were fighting and then they just kind of got lackadaisical and they stopped fighting and then they started to lose the anointing to possess what was theirs.

And Joshua Chapter 13:

Now Joshua was old and stricken in years; and the LORD said unto him, Thou art old and stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.

² This is the land that yet remaineth...

And from the rest of verse 2 on to verse 6, God identifies every portion of land that was not yet possessed. And let us just turn to Joshua 18. Because in Joshua 14 they began to divide the inheritance, casting lots. Joshua 15, Judah got their portion and then Caleb got his portion, and Joshua 16, 17, 18 and 19 are the other tribes coming to get their portions.

- ¹ And the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and set up the tabernacle of the congregation there. And the land was subdued before them.
- ² And there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, which had not yet received their inheritance.
- ³ And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye slack to go to possess the land, which the LORD God of your fathers hath given you?

Let us pray once more. Father, take these few words and these thoughts that You have laid upon my heart tonight. I pray as I submit myself to You, bringing this congregation, dear God, that Your Holy Spirit now will just so bring every heart and mind in that channel. Let there be no irreverent moving among us, Lord, but let us be sensitive that we are gathered in the Presence of the Holy Spirit and that there are angels, ministering Spirits sent from the Presence of Almighty God that are here to minister unto these who are the heirs of Salvation. That the people can know that they have come to sit and to hear the Word, because faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word. And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even the faith we receive by hearing that Word.

So, Lord, I pray that You will grant them grace to concentrate, to participate, not to spectate but to draw from the Holy Spirit, and the Word being spoken can bring deliverance, and the words can be words of faith, ministering nourishment to them, to build them up in Holy Faith of the Lord Jesus Christ; that we can truly capitalize and benefit from our purpose of gathering here tonight, and when we leave this place we can truly know the purpose why we came has been truly accomplished, and we can leave closer drawn to You. Grant it we pray, for we ask it Jesus' Name, amen.

God bless you. You may have your seats. I want to take for a title tonight, "THERE REMAINETH YET VERY MUCH LAND TO BE POSSESSED". And as we will try to use our time quickly, you know, it was something here that is so outstanding, because we find that it was not Joshua saying this but it was God saying this to Joshua, that the people might be informed to know that God was watching their attitude, they who had come over into the new land.

Remember the stages of the journey were stages of restoration. Abraham was in that land before. In Genesis 15, we find out that God told Abraham, "This land, I give to you for an inheritance. And your seed is going to sojourn in a strange land for four hundred years and I am going to bring them back into this land." And we find out in the Book of Exodus, when the time came in the fourth generation, how Moses was born to be a deliverer. And God began to raise up Moses and Moses began to call the people out. But Redemption had two parts; out of and in to. And God was calling them out of Egypt, the system, to bring them into the land of their fathers.

And God, in that first Exodus, was making a type and in making that type He was making that type that we can understand how He is going to do it in the second Exodus and in the third Exodus. That is why these things are written for our examples. So, we don't have

to wonder and guess what we are going through, we don't have to try to cut the Bible, we don't have to try to pray we get a dream, we don't have to try to read our horoscope, all we have to do is know what Age patterned this Age.

And when we can see how God foreshadowed all the experiences of the believers, that they will have to go through in this Age, He had already foreshowed those things in the Bible. All we need is the Spirit of Truth to rightly divide the Word and to lead us and to guide us into all Truth that we might be taught the programme of God and be brought under true expectations to recognize how God will bring to pass the things that He has spoken in this Age into the lives of the believers who are predestinated in this Age.

Because we are called according to His purpose. You are not just called, but you are called according to His purpose. Those whom He foreknew He did predestinate, those He predestinated He called. And He called you according to His purpose. And He begins to reveal that purpose to you and when you understand that purpose that He is working to achieve in your life, then you don't struggle with your experiences. Then you don't think that God is punishing you when He is not punishing you. Then you can understand how God is working in your life and then you can know how to yield and to submit, then you can learn your errors and learn God's ways. And then, in your walk, you can come into harmony with Him so that He can lead you and guide you. Because that is the purpose why He said, "I will be with you and in you."

Not just be with you and in you to give you a little sensation and a little blessing, but to be with you to live in you, to walk in you, "Separate, touch not the unclean thing. I will dwell in you and walk in you," saith the Almighty. "I will be your God and you shall be My people." Is that what God said? Amen. So then, we realize that our purpose in relating to the Word must be

a conscious purpose. And this is what we want to teach, this is what we want to catch, this is what we want to break down from the Word to show you that in this Age, like no other Age, it is made more clear to us. Why? Because we are at the end of the Bible when all these things are becoming a reality; when the Book is opened. And when the Book is opened, we can see exactly how God foreshowed this Age, because the entire Bible was written for this Day. Amen. It was written for this Day.

All the history, all the prophecies, all the poetry, everything, all the ordinances, all the statutes, everything is speaking of Jesus Christ. "And this is the Day," Peter said, "when the revelation of Jesus Christ will come to the Church in the last days." Amen. That grace will be brought to us at the revelation of Jesus Christ, when the Headstone, the Capstone, was going to come. The Foundation Revelation that they had was going to come back as the Headstone, when the mighty God will be unveiled before us; when the Seals will be taken off the Book; when God will come into plain view; when we will see the three-fold secret that God had in the back-part of His mind. Amen!

All that was shut up in the Bible will be laid bare before us. It will be made naked and plain before us that we can know what the will of God was, what He worked all these years in the acts and lives of believers, trying to bring to pass.

What a privilege it is to know that we have been put in this Age, (amen,) when these things are coming to their fulfillment. It is the Election of God that put us in this Age. He could have put Paul in this Age. He could have put Irenaeus or Martin in this Age. He could have put Columba and the saints who suffered martyrdom in this Age and let us suffer the martyrdom instead. Because before, when everybody was in God's mind and God had determined who would have been in what Age, we were all there together. Because God didn't think any new thoughts.

You were in God's mind when Adam was in God's mind. God could have brought you instead of Adam, if you are a man, but God had put Adam for that. God could have brought you in Noah's Age and you could have been the prophet preaching there in the antediluvian world, but God put Noah to be that prophet. Amen!

God wanted you to be in the Bride of Jesus Christ, the Bride in the Bride Age, when He is going to come in Bride form, (amen!) when He will show forth His victory. He put you in this Age. Amen. And because you know that He put you in this Age, you want to understand; it is not flesh and your human ability; it is not how good looking you are; it is not how straight your hair is or how curly your hair is; it is not how much money you have in the bank; it is not how much education you have. It is the soul inside of there that is part of this Word, (amen!) that God predestinated and that soul has the characteristic. And the Holy Ghost doesn't come in the bank account, it comes in the soul to quicken the soul!

And out of the soul comes faith and virtue and knowledge and temperance to manifest Jesus Christ. And that is the realm where the Word is being fulfilled. That is the reality, that is the atmosphere where the Word is operating. And that is why people miss it, because they come in there and they think their little bank account makes them something. They think that is something in God's eyes. That is nonsense! They come in there and they think maybe with their complexion, they are better than somebody else. That is foolishness. They are just caught up with prejudice and these things in their mind. Exactly right!

But when you come in the Presence, when you see Calvary, brother, you see how rotten and stinking your flesh is. Amen! You want to lay your life down and wash in the water of the Word, (amen!) and come under the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Amen. And then, you become something in God's sight. You could have an influence for Jesus Christ in the Day that you are living in. Amen. Yes sir! Then God judges you by your faith. Amen. Brother, what is not of faith is sin. Without faith, it is impossible to please God. God looks at the faith, when you can say, "I believe that Lord. Amen to the Word! Hallelujah!" Faith that could respond to God, that kind of reality. Amen. And that is where the real believer is.

Now you see, sometimes we come along in church and we are under a great Message, and brother, they could have been laughing there about those Egyptians. They could have been having fellowship all the year, "Boy, I tell you, that Egyptian who beat me, when I watched him go under that big tidal wave, when the sea closed back on him, I tell you, it was good for them. What you sow, you are going to reap." See?

"Boy, they beat us down there. Boy, I tell you, when I see all who drop off and they are not here today, boy I tell you, it is who endures to the end shall be saved."

And sometimes, you can get complacent thinking that you have already made it by comparing yourself with somebody who hasn't reached as far as you have reached. But look at God; God was the one who had sent Moses. God was the one who anointed the prophet. God was the one who gave him the signs to confirm his commission. God was the one who shut the heavens and brought darkness. God was the one who brought frogs. Moses couldn't create that, it was God Who was doing it. God alone is the Creator. Amen! And yet, do you know what was happening there? They failed to see that God had remembered His promise that He spoke to Abraham, because they were living in the appointed time and season. They could have been the group who had died during the four hundred years, but God put them in the Hour when the prophet was going to come.

Remember, for four hundred years there were many people who had come down into Egypt, lived a good life, and died and never saw the coming of the prophet. Then, God knew He was the Author and He was the Finisher, He knew He had started a work and He knew He had an objective in sending that prophet. Even though the people wiggled away and they got caught up with what they were going to eat and what they were going to wear, and what house they were going to live in, and they got caught up in those things, God was not looking at those things because God knew that was a secondary matter. God knew the real objective was He was going to fulfil His Word for that Day. Amen. Because He was being revealed. He was showing that He was God over the nations.

The nations who had their heathen gods and their idolatry, who were worshiping the stars up in Heaven, who were into abominable practices and these things, God was going to judge them and bring a people who were slaves and give them the land; to show that He was God and all their idols were not God; that He was the True and Living God. Amen.

But you see, people can be under a prophet's message, they could be under the Influence, they could see the great signs and wonders, but that is not teaching and that doesn't save. That is why, you see, they sow a lot of those things.

But here we are seeing God now, look at what God was interested in. He said, "Joshua, you are getting old, and you are stricken in years. I watched you in the last battle, they kind of propped you up, or else maybe, you would fall off your horse and break your leg. You go out there to battle and you never used to get tired so quickly, but you are getting tired now. You are old."

Remember, he was not like Moses. Moses, the Bible said, "His natural force was not abated neither were his eyes dim," yet Moses lived longer than Joshua. But God here is telling Joshua, He said, "Joshua, look, you are stricken in years and getting old, and there remaineth yet much land to be possessed."

The people weren't questioning whether they wanted to possess more land, they weren't keeping a close tab of how much they possessed already and how much is yet to be possessed. They were just contented with, "We are in the Message, we are in the land. We came over in the new message – Kadesh-barnea, the Pentecostal Age, with the little gifts and the little earnest, that they brought back, the evidence. Oh brother, that was great and nice. And the old generation died off and we came over into the new land under the new leader in a day of grace."

Moses represented the law, (is that right?) and the law had died, so Joshua kept the grace, so it could come in. It was a time of Redemption. Amen. And, you know, they were glad to be in the New Message, but God wasn't just interested in people's little sensational things, you know, their ideas and their little worlds and so on. God was looking at the boundaries, because God had told Abraham, "From the Lebanon, to the going down of the sun, to the great river Euphrates shall be your coast." That was the inheritance. Amen.

That is why the Prophet said, "You have enough of the Holy Ghost to stop drinking and smoking, you have enough to take the pants off yourself as a woman, and stop cutting your hair. But it is more than that. You have to go all the way until you become the Living Word made manifest, until the Church comes to perfection to bring the Resurrection." You don't settle on, "I spoke in tongues one time," that is the least of the gifts. What is the sense of trying to come to church and speak in tongues and you can't handle your finances at home? You are always in debt. Maybe you need some wisdom, maybe you need some knowledge, maybe you need some faith. Amen. But you are trying to hold on to speaking in tongues. Remember, that finishes after church, and then, when you speak you only edify yourself and you did not bring anything to the church. Do you see? But God wants to give you something to

live in victory, to overcome your situation. What is the use of speaking in tongues and you are running by the doctor every five minutes? Do you understand what I am saying?

So you see, God was looking and saying, He said, "Joshua, get the people focused. There remaineth much land to be possessed. And look at all of them who have rested from war already." He said, "Every man is already resting from war. Every man now is trying to build their house, now they are trying to get more clothes in their wardrobe, now they want ham and pork, who is trying to get a new car." He said, "Look at what they are on. Now, who is trying to hold on to two jobs," and it is all unbelief. Because why? These are symptoms of how scared they are from the economic crisis. And it shows how much they are living in the realm of wisdom by trying to use the genius of the human ability, (amen,) in the place of the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

So, God saw there were many tribes there who didn't even have anything. They were in the land but they were not in their inheritance.

So, in Joshua 18, we see God coming again through Joshua, and He told them, he said, "Why are you so slack?" He was telling seven tribes – there were five already who had known what their inheritance were, but these seven, they were in the land just like the others, they had crossed over under the new message but they were not in their inheritance.

And that is some people. "Well, I am in the church, I am in the Message," and that is enough. "I am serving God." And they miss the mark, because God called you unto a position. You have to be adopted in that position. If you don't come into Adoption in this Age, you have missed the mark. This is not the Age of a Birth, this is the Age of Adoption; placing positionally in your inheritance with all Authority, displaying the Life of that Word, displaying that inheritance. It is not about how much knowledge we have, it is how much we have

dominion; how much we are living and displaying the reality, that we have possessed these things. It is not just a profession, it is a possession!

So, God saw them and He said, "Why are you so slack to go up and possess?" Two things He was speaking in that Hour when they had to possess their inheritance. What time are we living in? People know about the New Body, and they try to explain all kinds of things about the New Body and quote Scriptures and different things. That is a possession, that is part of the inheritance. What does Ephesians 1:13 and 14 say? "You are sealed with the Holy Spirit which is the earnest of your inheritance until the Redemption of the purchased possession." Is that right? Is that what It said? We have the firstfruits, who do groan earnestly, (Romans 8:19 to 23,) groan earnestly waiting for the Redemption of the body. Is that right?

Romans 8:11 said, "As the same Spirit that raised Christ from the dead, It has quickened your mortal bodies. You already have an earnest in it, but it is not fully redeemed yet." But that is your inheritance. Is that right? Then you have to come and possess that. Because why? Ephesians parallel Joshua. Ephesians is the Church in the New Testament coming into the spiritual inheritance, which is the Holy Spirit, which is the full Redemption.

And the same way they had to fight to possess that inheritance back there in Canaan land, we have to fight spiritually. What does Ephesians end with? Ephesians Chapter 6, what does It say? "Put on the whole armour of God." Is that right? Why? Because after he admonishes and shows you are predestinated to an inheritance; how you were chosen in Christ, predestinated unto the Adoption, all these things; how you were quickened, how you were raised up, how you are his workmanship coming along in Christ Jesus; how you have to walk worthy of your vocation, then he ends up with Ephesians 6, "Go and fight and possess. You

wrestle not against flesh and blood but principalities and powers." Amen. Showing you the Church that is called out, (amen,) who is understanding that God sent a Prophet, he called you. Why? He is taking you to an inheritance. Because you are predestinated to that.

You might want to be a hairdresser, you might want to have a little boutique and be a businesswoman, but God might have you to raise your children and He wants you in your house. And you, possessed with a worldly spirit, it is pulling you in the world, while God wants you to express faith and to come in submission to the Word; to find the will of God for you; to see your identity in the Bible, (amen,) to see that when God gives you children, He wants you in that house there, brother, to raise them up and train them in the way of the Lord. Because you have a vocation, you have a ministry there, you have a place there, you have a stewardship. You have to give account unto your stewardship before God! Amen. And when you were taught different to that, you were deceived. When you were taught you could do this and do that, you were taught wrong. Exactly right. That is Thus Saith the Bible!

This Message is a Message of placing. Luther's message never placed them. Wesley's message never placed them. The Pentecostal's message never placed them, but this Message places the Church and brings an Ephesians at the end of the Ages. Ephesians is the Body of Christ, fitly joined and compacted together. Colossians is Christ, the Head; the Headship and the Body coming in a union, in a oneness to fulfill Jesus' prayer, "That I and you will be one." Exactly right.

So, when we look and we see then, that in this Hour, God, in the Book of Joshua, look at how He is speaking to the people who are under the new message in the Day of Redemption, in the time when they have to possess their inheritance. What was the heartbeat of God? If I say, "What is God interested in tonight?" Can someone tell me? Can someone show me that God is interested

in, brother, they trying to make more money and trying to hold down two jobs and coming to service when it is convenient and different things, and brother, trying to have a say in this and a say in that and then they are not even called, and they don't have any authority, they have no experience relevant to those things? Exactly. It will show what is happening.

But watch. God in the Bible, in the Book of Joshua, God is revealing Himself. He was the One that said, "Joshua, look where the eyes of the people are. It needs, (in other words,) to be focused upon their inheritance; their heart, and their affections." In other words, that was God's whole purpose. If they had come into the land and didn't come into their possession, then what about the mothers in childbirth who were groaning and saying, "Ephraim, Manasseh, Reuben, Gad," placing them in an inheritance. What about if they had never come into it, when from quite there in the birth, those mothers were groaning in pain placing them? What about when Moses went up in the mountain and God showed Moses, "Put Dan in the North, put Ephraim in the West, put Reuben in the South, (see?) put Judah in the East," what would that be if they didn't come into their inheritance? It would have just been information.

And so it is, you as a believer, you as part of the called out Exodus people, called out under the Prophet's Message, under the Pillar of Fire, brought over in the Ephesians, in the land, in the inheritance, in this Hour when God is going to bring the Church to its full placing, to give the Church the fullness of the inheritance. It is not going to come in another Age. The next Age is the Jewish Age – the last half of the seventieth week. It has to come under this Message.

And when you see the Jews making a covenant with Rome—getting ready to make that there, and the Bride will not be here when that covenant is made for the money, and you see, brother, they are already having diplomatic relations and these things, then how close are you? Then what have you possessed? Then what is the condition of the Church? What is the Church's focus? What is the Church's desire? Do you see what we are talking about? Amen.

Now watch. Get your faith anchored down here. So look. So, God now was saying, "Why are you so slack?" Now that word 'slack', I looked it up and let me tell you, I will break it down a little bit for you on how it reads there. Because in the Hebrew and the Greek, sometimes it reads a little differently to how we just read it off there and we lose the meaning. We might have an idea what 'slack' is but to define it with a little more clarity.

The word there means 'to sink or to relax. To sink down, to let drop, to be disheartened'. They lose heart. They just come, they are just going along. They are more stimulated with a little gossip than stimulated with the Word coming and opening the revelation. Their ear is more eager to hear 'ole talk' than their ear is attentive to hear what God is saying and the Supernatural instructions of the Holy Spirit.

It also means, 'to withdraw'. God was saying, "What did some of you all withdraw for? He was saying, "Why are you so slack to go and possess?" In other words, 'withdraw'. They got withdrawn. They just got withdrawn. And it also means, 'idle'. They became idle.

Now you may say, "Well, I am not idle, I am busy, boy. If you see how my floor is looking for this Christmas. It was up till two o'clock in the morning, I was fixing up my curtains, you know." I doubt paganism could have more influence than the revealed Word under this Message. The Message is not celebrating that out there. Let me tell you, false worship is a deep thing, you know. You see, it is what... It is our concept sometimes, of things.

But watch. It also means 'to abandon, to relax, to refrain, to forsake'. Why are you so slack? They forsook the objective. They got withdrawn from the original objective. They just got relaxed about the original goal

that they had their eyes set upon. They were there. In other words, God would have never said that if the people were saying, "But Joshua, you are getting old, you know, and we have a lot of land to possess."

He said, "I was checking back the map the other night, and as far as I see, these seven years, this is all that we conquered so far. And look, this territory, this territory, this here, this here, this here, Mark 16, John 14:12, St. Mark 11:23, 2nd Peter 1:4 to 7, 2nd Corinthians 3:18," he said, "I see all that, we have to have that here.

So, I realize these twenty-eight years we have been in the Message," he says, "we are coming over under the new message fighting, but we have nothing. I see fathers have their land to take, I see mothers have their land to take, I see deacons have their land to take, I see trustees have their land to take, I see song leaders have their land to take, I see musicians have their land to take."

Musicians have to say, "When I start to play in the Anointing, in the Spirit, devils have to be cast out, like David. I must be able to play and bring the Spirit on the prophet, like Elisha." Exactly right! "I see mothers have to say, 'I must have faith to raise my dead children back to life. (Amen.) I want to train them up in the way of the Lord, that I can dedicate them unto the Lord, like Hannah and they." Amen!

Brother, you want to see fathers who could stand in the gate with the elders because their wife is a jewel in their crown. Amen. She is a virtuous woman in the house. She isn't a 'busy-body' running from house to house prattling and eating the bread of idleness. Why? Because that is their inheritance. That is their possession! Amen.

You want to see ministers, not fumbling around, not knowing what they are doing. They must have those three things: the Word, the fruits, and the signs and wonders. God must be with them. God must be speaking that Word through them. Amen! Not coming with a bunch of confusion in the pulpit and saying this, and dividing people, and all kinds of different things. Brother, the war is against the devil! Amen. And the Word is to perfect the faith of the people that they can overcome in this Hour. The Word is not to put fear in the people, the Word is to take the fear out of the people. The Word is to give faith and power to overcome. Amen.

But then, what happens? People get slack. Ministers get halfway, the church gets halfway, deacons get halfway, trustees get halfway, song leaders get halfway, musicians get halfway, fathers get halfway, mothers get halfway, but they are all in the Message. And God is saying, "A father doesn't know that when that demon came in his house last week and wanted to bring strife and contention, brother, he should be able to stand there at the door and know that 'I am the door to the sheepfold. If something comes into the house it means it came through me, because I am the door." Nothing is supposed to come through the door. The shepherd is the door to the sheepfold. The father represents Christ in his home. He is the head of his home. He is the door of that home. Amen.

If he sees his boy wants to be like somebody out in the world, he has to say, "Maybe my influence isn't strong enough. Because I am put here to be an example to him, for him to know what to be like. I should be his buddy, he should want to be like me. He shouldn't want to be like the neighbour and the neighbour's son. He shouldn't be looking for a big platform and a funny haircut. He hasn't seen me with one of that. What does he want one of that for?" It means that he is looking at something else. It means that is weak fatherhood. It means that they are not taking any land. Exactly right.

Brother, let me tell you—you see, the concept of the Word... Now, look at God here. So, God was watching that and God was saying, "But look..." God started to identify to them the land that was not taken. God said, "All that land, and you have not taken that land?" He

said, "Look at that piece with the Philistines down there, and look at this piece over here by the Lebanon. Look at this piece down by the river Euphrates here," He said, "you are supposed to have that land here."

And then, when the time came and the land was divided and the seven tribes, when they should come to know what their position was – because that was why they were casting the lots. They were casting the lots so each tribe would know what their position was. When they knew what belonged to them, they knew what they had to fight for. When they possessed what was revealed to them as theirs, and they came into possession of it and they were dwelling in it and had it subdued, they knew they had victory according to what they were called unto in that Age. Until they had come to that, they had to hold that vision and keep fighting for it, otherwise they were missing the mark of the real purpose they were called for. Amen.

I hope you don't feel that I am shouting at you. I am getting caught up in my message, I am not trying to beat you on the head. I am trying to preach a vision to you. Amen. Now watch. So, that was what they were supposed to be called to. Now, watch this.

So God, afterward, when He saw those seven tribes, He inspired Joshua again. He said, "Joshua, look at those seven tribes across there." Because Joshua wanted the whole thing, you know. Do you think God doesn't focus His ministers' eyes to see people who are just walking around, loitering, idle, withdrawn, sunk down, relaxed, abandoned? If the minister isn't seeing that, something is wrong. What do we come to church for? To find out how to be better Christians, to find out our weak places. Is that right? Is that what the Word says? Did we come for any other reason than that here tonight? Amen.

Now watch. So, the slackness was in their attitude to the promise. In other words, God in that Hour, wanted to give it to them more than they wanted it. That instead

of them praying and seeking it, God was saying, "Joshua, what happened to them? Don't they want it or what?" He said, "Why are they so slack to go up and take it?" He said, "Recently, I showed you all that needs to be possessed. You pointed it out to them, each man's place, and no one has moved yet." He said, "That doesn't excite them." He said, "If that doesn't excite them, they have a taste for something else. He said, "It means that something else has their mind in captivity, under another influence. It means they have another objective, they have admiration for something else. Because the Holy Spirit had pointed out all that remained to be possessed, but the people were stopping short of the promise and they were not labouring to enter into it, because they lost the vision of the objective of why they were brought in that land under that Message. Yet God was willing more abundantly to give it unto them.

What was God interested in? Trying to show them what had belonged to them that had to be possessed. What was God interested in? Trying to get them to change their attitude to go up and take what was theirs, knowing that they couldn't take it without Him. So it meant that He was ready to take it, but He was trying to get them ready to move with Him. Is that right? That was in the Book of Joshua.

Do you know that according to the Message, we are in the Book of Joshua? Do you know that according to Message, Bro. Branham had the Joshua commission? Do you know that Joshua parallels Ephesians? Do you know that in Ephesians at the end of the Age, we have to come back to another Ephesians; the faith of the fathers, the land of the fathers; that the Seven Seals had to open to bring us to our inheritance; that Joshua is the Book of Redemption, and this is the Day of Redemption? Then you know, to understand whether we are walking in the line of the Spirit, if we are under the headship of the Word, if our vision is correct, we can look in this Book of Joshua and see if our life is

lining up. We don't have to have self-estimation and come up with a false self-estimation, we can examine ourselves in the Light of the Word and check ourselves in the Mirror of the Word.

How do you know that your hair needs fixing? How do you know when something in your face needs fixing? You have a mirror at home. Your mirror could reveal defilement. Your mirror imparts to you a knowledge of your condition, your present condition. Your mirror doesn't show you your past condition, you know. If you look at a mirror now, you are not going to see what you were yesterday, you know. You are going to see what you are right now, in that very moment. Is that right? So, to advance from that position then you will need to look at the mirror to know if there is something that needs fixing. Otherwise, you'll walk on without fixing it.

And James said, "When you look into the perfect law of liberty, (amen,) and you can receive the engrafted Word, that is able to save your soul." Because it uncovers to you what God requires in this Hour and it shows you where you are in relation to God's requirement. And so, the slackness was in the people's attitude towards the promise.

In the Greek, the word there means, 'to be long, to tarry, to loiter'. Have you ever seen in some places, people have their business place and they want to keep a certain spirit of business and business-like people? And they say, "No loitering." They don't want any fellows to come and stand up and put their feet against the wall so, and they stand up so, and they stand up this way, and the next thing they are like this, and next thing they are leaning up, and next thing they are slouching. They don't want that around. They say, "No loitering!" When you walk in here, come with your briefcase, come with your tie, (amen,) look straight, by God's grace. Come with a straight look on your face, (amen,) be about your business. When you come here, you come here for the purpose of what is transacted here. If you don't come in

that channel, you are loitering. You are loitering in the place. You are an eyesore to the place. Amen.

And that is what God was saying. God said, "You all are in the land, you are not in Egypt! In this land here, your sword is drawn, your shield is here and you are shouting, and brother, you are chasing the enemy. Your foot is on the neck of the kings. (Amen!) You are fighting and you are pulling down every stronghold and you are taking what is yours." He said, "Outside of that, you are loitering."

No wonder the Prophet said, "The Token is not talking about the Message, it is applying the Word, creating an atmosphere of love and power, (amen!) where you have unwavering faith!"

You know, when you talk to the people, sometimes you see, like their faith, they just can't seem to take the Word and handle a situation. They go around all here. Why? Where wisdom is preached, the people die, but where faith is preached they will live. Because there is a way to do things and there is a power in the Word. And then faith, the Word gives you a faith to take the Word and no devil could battle the Word. Amen! Nobody has to make any excuse to justify their condition. What they need to do, is to put up their hands in surrender and say, "Lord, give me what the Word promised. Take me into what the Word promised. (Amen!) Let me go forth and live like You ordained me to live." Sure!

Not, "I am going through a fight, I am battling." No. You need to come up more into the Presence of the Word, (amen,) to realize that God, by His Word, is going to mold you into a masterpiece if you can submit and let the Word, (amen,) deal with your heart.

So look. It means, 'to be long, to tarry. It means, 'dull, inactive in mind'. Do you mean to say that one word 'slack' could mean all of that? Dull or inactive in mind.

"Brother, like these days my mind is blank, I can't pray. When I read, I fall asleep." Well, know your condition tonight. Let me tell you, sometimes I am in a little pain here. Do you know why? I see too much irreverent movement. I am not accustomed to that. It shows untrained people. It shows the Word is not the major when you come into the house of God. It shows the reality and the importance of the Word have not struck deep down in their souls yet. It shows an insensitiveness to the unseen realm, that they are only seeing the seen realm; the preacher and the people in the pews. They don't see the Presence of the Lord, they don't see angels, they don't see ministering spirits. You've heard Bro. Branham say, "Don't move, you will disturb the Holy Spirit. He is gentle." He said, "That movement could grieve Him." You see people get up here, they get up there... Let me tell you, all of that is going to change, you know. All of that is changing. The older children coming to church, they sit down in the front bench like these here and they hear the Word. Exactly right.

Let me tell you, "You want to train them from home," Bro. Branham said, "that when they come here, they know how to sit down in the house of God." That is part of your revelation. That is part of you handling your situation. Exactly right. All of that is land to be possessed. People didn't come here to go around here and sleep, big people, eleven, twelve years old lying down on a bench and sleeping, and on a bed and sleeping in service. No sir. Train them better than that. Amen.

Brother, let me tell you, we move back and forth, and do you know sometimes, how you know people are not listening? While you are preaching the Word and you are in the middle of a thought, you have been trying to background and bring it forth, and in the middle of it, they get up and go. You know they are not listening at all, otherwise they couldn't leave there. See. You know they couldn't leave there if they were glued in and listening.

And then, you talk about a prayer meeting and they start to cry down something. Let me tell you, God is right here in the Word. Nothing could stand against that Word. When that Word is coming forth, right there you could receive everything you have need of, while you sit there and believe and claim it. Draw it from the Fountain. Amen! Draw it from the Holy Spirit!

You come back in the prayer meeting, you lift your hands and you thank God and you give a testimony. Amen! While the Word was being ministered – while Peter yet spake, the Holy Ghost could fall upon them, if they are in the channel to pull the Word with expectations. Amen. Why? Because your heart and mind are conditioned.

Eagles are rugged. You see, hawks wait on the telephone post for a car to mash a rabbit. But an Eagle will come here with rugged faith. If they are feeling sleepy, they will wipe away that sleep, they'll rebuke that Morpheus from them, (amen,) and they'll sit there peeled on the edge of their seat, by God's grace. Because they know inside of them is a spirit and there is a spirit of faith that they can draw from that Word, by God's grace.

You are a soldier at a post of duty. Eutychus is not your example. You want to put your eye on Eutychus while Eutychus sleeps. No sir. You get outside, you wash your face and you come back inside and you sit down right there. When you do that, you respect God. You respect God's Word, because the highest thing is an angel at the pulpit, more than an archangel in the Presence of God; an angel at the pulpit. You see, we can quote it, but to know it in reality, you sit right there and give it reverence, because you know that is the Word coming forth, the Blood, to cleanse the Purchased, to claim them, (amen,) the sharp two-edged Sword to circumcise them, it is so God deals with them. That is why He draws them in the house of God. Amen! It is a reality.

No wonder it says, "We are come unto Mount Zion, not Mount Sinai, Mount Zion, where the spirits of just men are made perfect; where the Blood of Jesus speaketh better things; Heavenly Jerusalem." Amen. Brother, you are coming under the Anointing of the Holy Spirit. You are coming in an atmosphere that you have created, (amen,) where you can hear from Heaven. And this Word, when this Word begins to speak, It shows you your Age, It shows you your season, It shows you how God is dealing with you, It brings the Mind, the Intelligence of God to you, that the Mind that was in Christ could come into you by the preached Word, because the Word is Christ's Mind. It is His expressed thoughts being revealed to you, quickened by the Holy Spirit. Amen. And God is equipping you and fortifying you with that Word that you can go out there and change things in your home, change things around you.

You don't have to live burdened down. Let me tell you, the Word will create a different atmosphere around you, that when those devils want to come back around to depress you and frustrate you, they will realize there is a repellent. It pushes them off. They can't come into it. Brother, they begin to feel that the line has electricity in it. There is current in the line now. It isn't a dead line any more, there is voltage to singe the devil's feathers. Amen. There is a reality inside of there.

"Slack': to be long, to tarry, to loiter, dull, inactive in mind. You hear the Word, "I just can't seem to rise up to that. That seems so far. I don't know what to do." God was looking around and said, "Joshua, why are they so slack to go up and possess what is theirs?" Do you mean to say, it is revealed to them? Do you mean to say, it is now being identified which land is Judah's own, which land is Ephraim's own, which land is Dan's own, which land is Gad's own, which land is Naphtali's own; and Naphtali sits down there looking at all his land and is not interested in going to take his land? He is just rejoicing, "Hey, God told me that I am a manifested son.

I tell you, I am a super church. I tell you, brother, this is the Bride Age. I tell you, this is the Hour for the Dynamics. I tell you, when you see the Capstone caps off the pyramid of our lives." And then, you are seeing, compromising, can't pray, can't watch, can't read the Word, can't even dress right, can't even make a stand for the Word. Then you realize, "What is happening? What is really going on?" See?

Now watch, this is the thought I want to bring. God, in that Hour when the land was being revealed... You see, they were in the big land, they knew they crossed Jordan and they knew they were in a new land, but they had to be brought into an understanding now of which part of that land belonged to which tribe. And that was the Hour *that* revelation was going to place them. So God began to divide the land. The land wasn't conquered and then divided, you know. The land was divided and then had to be conquered. Because the casting of the lots was to reveal which tribe had which inheritance.

Then Caleb realized, "I want that mountain, that mountain is mine." Then Caleb went and fought for that mountain, beat the devils off of that mountain and possessed that mountain.

So watch. So, you coming into it, if you don't realize why the revelation is coming to you to put your heart and mind in a certain channel, to bring your attitude in line with what God is expecting and requiring in that Hour... Pleasing God and serving God is knowing what God promised and recognizing how it is coming to pass in your life. Outside of that, you are going to church. Serving God is knowing what God promised and how it is coming to pass in your life. That is what serving God is, that is what produces faith.

The next part is church attendance – that is religion like Baptist and Methodist and everything else. That has nothing to do with expectation, where you are at positionally; what anointing the Word is releasing; what is promised in that Hour; how God is revealing to come in and take that; what is your land; what are the devils that you are faced with on your land; how you have to be equipped and trained to fight off your personal devils. And then, when you can come in and have dominion, all things under your feet in your God-given ground, then you will know that you are living in victory. Amen.

So, God back there was showing them, He said, "There remaineth much land to be possessed." Now from 1946 to 1965, what did we see? We saw a one-man Scripture, we saw a Prophet, a Kentuckian hillbilly, a man who came out there on the field, a man who was born in this Age to be part of the Word, and we saw how God brought that man from the first pull to the second pull. He said, "If you'll be more sincere, I will give you a little more. If you'll be more sincere..." God tried him with money, God tried him with popularity, God tried him with women, God tried him with different things, (is that right?) and every time he overcame.

He had to make stands with ministers. He said, "The reason that I am forsaken today, is because of the stand that I took for this Word." He said, "But I'd rather drink branch water and eat soda crackers." He had a principle, nothing came easy. He had to love people who hated him and spoke all manner of evil against him. He had to deal with them and forgive them and reach out to them. Exactly right! Because he was being tested everywhere, but he stood there and he stood his ground.

And whenever he told the story of the African king's son, do you think he was just talking about something? It was himself he was talking about. He knew his Father was a King, the King of kings. He knew what Blood was in him. He knew he might have a seventh grade education, but he knew when he stood there, all of Heaven saw him correctly ordained and sent before the people. All of Heaven knew that he was the greatest Prophet that ever walked the face of the earth, (amen!)

a Prophet-messenger to an Age. He knew his position, he knew his name in the Book. Amen.

And God, even one time when God showed him his inheritance with the squirrels, He said, "Speak for the squirrels." And he spoke and he found it was taking too long to come to pass. And he said, "Well, I got two, that is all right," and he was going.

And God said, "You have already spoken it, you stand up right there and wait for it. It is going to happen. Weren't you anointed?"

He said, "Yes Lord."

And then the squirrel came. God was training him that he wouldn't be slack concerning his inheritance. God said, "I am Jehovah. I created the Heaven and the earth." God said, "Speak to the storm."

He said, "He challenged me, and I accepted the challenge."

He said, "God challenged me to speak to the storm," he said, "but I accepted the challenge." Oh my. Hallelujah! Brother, he could have said, "That is the devil who told me that. Maybe if I say it they will laugh at me. Maybe in my mind..." No, no. He knew God was—he knew God's voice. He lived in God's Presence, his heart and desire was to serve that God. The love of God had conquered his heart already. He had no other ambition but to be a prisoner, a love-slave of Jesus Christ. He had been to the Cross and he knew it was a reality; (amen,) for him to die was gain and for him to live was Christ; whether in life or in death that Christ would be magnified in his life.

He preached *The Absolute* and he took that Scripture, Philippians 1, and he tied it to himself, like Paul, (amen,) where he was bound in chains too, in Acts 20. He said, "Everywhere I go, they testify that bonds and afflictions await me," he said, "but none of these things move me. Let me finish my course with joy." Hallelujah! Brother, a man in the chains of the Word to do God the service he was prepared for in that Age.

He wasn't just trying to build schools and do this and do other things, he was walking in the line of the Word. He wanted to fulfil all righteousness; "It becometh us" he said, "to fulfil all righteousness." Amen. He didn't want a million and a half dollars, he sent it back. Amen. They said, "You are foolish Bro. Branham. Did you send back that money?" Amen. He wanted to show people where his heart was, (amen,) because he knew God owns everything. Hallelujah! Brother, he had riches that they never even knew of.

Like when they tried to bring food for Jesus, He said, "I have meat that you don't know of." Amen! "All you have is meat for the belly, but I have another meat, that is to do the will of Him that sent Me and to finish His work.

Brother, they had been brought up into a place where their thinking was filtered; their desires. Do you know why? They met a Reality. They knew a Reality. And that is the reality we saw from 1946 to 1965. We saw the land that he possessed. When he went out on the field, he just had a gift in his hand; no discernment, no Spoken Word, no revelation of the Mysteries. He had a gift of healing, that was all he had.

In 1933, when he started there, back there as a little Baptist preacher, preaching in a little Baptist church, he didn't even believe that God was going to take him all around the world. He didn't even know yet he was going to go and pray for potentates and Monarchs. But when that Angel came in 1946, and began to speak those things to his heart, He began to reveal to him his position, and began to show him his placing, and began to take the Bible and show him how to go and preach the Message and what to look for and how to act out there and what influence he was going to meet out there.

And all those men were trying to say, "Bro. Branham, we will get all the churches together. We'll put you there to preach."

He said, "I saw the devil speaking right there."

He was watching certain things. Amen. Brother, he was only interested in doing the Lord the service that God wanted him to do. He didn't... Brother, he said that they wanted him to go on television and go here... He said, "Look, I am not interested in that." He said, "I will keep my meetings small. If God wants me to go and preach to five, I will go and preach to five. If He wants me to go and preach to fifty, I just want to be in the will of God." It is not for popularity, it is not to say you have the most members. It is not to say these things. No, no. It is to follow the Holy Spirit; to know Heaven and earth will pass away, all those denominations will pass away, all man's fame and glory, all that man laboured for will pass away, but when you build your hopes on things Eternal, (amen, hallelujah!) when you hold to God's unchanging hand, when you are anchored in those realities, only what you do for Him is going to last in the end. Amen.

From 1946 to 1965, we saw the Land that he possessed, and we saw the inheritance for this Age. He said, "All these things happened, it only manifested itself temporarily so that you can know what to look for, you can know how to stand. But, when the Squeeze comes, you will see it in the fullness then. It is only a temporary—it is only in an amateur form, but I am letting you see some of your inheritance." That is what he was doing.

Then from 1965 to 1993, we have had to come in to possess the inheritance that had been displayed to us. We didn't just see miracles, friends, we saw a Life there. Amen.

Down in Mexico, he said he stood there to pray for the man, this blind man. He said, "Nature conspired against this man, with the poverty and the circumstances that the man had to live under." He said while he was praying for the man there, he was putting his foot close to the man's foot to see what size shoe he was wearing. He was not just trying to stand on the platform for everybody to see how powerful he was, he was watching the man there and nobody could even see his foot was like that to measure his foot with the man's foot, because he wanted to give the man his pair of shoes. He was feeling so sorry for the man. He said, "When love takes you down beyond all reason into the suffering of the person, where you can feel for them and put yourself into their place, then you can pray a prayer beyond all reason, (amen,) then faith can go to work. He said, "The man's eyes popped open."

He said, "Many people, they thought..." You see, that was why men came up on the platform after, trying to impersonate. They thought it was a sign in the hand, they thought he was standing there, they thought it was somebody pouring it out, and they were trying all the external gymnastics that they can look at with the natural eye.

But he said, "Friends, let me tell you, the success of the ministry is love. It is Divine Love, that is what it is." Amen! It is Divine Love, unselfishness! Greater love that a man can lay down his life for his friends. You could esteem others better than yourself. You can think on the things of others. You can put yourself in somebody else's place because you are interested in pleasing God, not what you can grab for your own self. See? It takes you into a place, friends.

And here it was, when they had come in that land, God was watching to see what they had possessed thus far. God's eyes were focused on the boundaries of the inheritance. And God brought the people into that land to possess that land. God Himself, had come down as the Captain of the Lord's Host. In other words, He had come down as the Intelligence, the Head over the Body because the Intelligence of the army lies in its Captains. He came down as the Headship, that by His revelation, by His movement of His people, by they being in obedience to His instructions, were going to bring

victory. Not by their might or by their power, but by His Spirit.

See? And then, what do you think was happening? While he had gone forth, they began to get slack and rested from war, because they began to slip out from under the Anointing. They began to lose the vision of what they had come over into. See? So, they had no Anointing, they had no expectations concerning the Hour. They didn't even know the Hour, they didn't even know what God's will... If they knew that was God's will and were in line with God, they would have been anointing and pulling for what God was thinking they should pull for.

So, when God saw them slack concerning the promise, God said, "There remaineth much land to be possessed." Why are they slack? He said, "What happened? They didn't realize their attitude was wrong or what? Like they don't realize that their attitude is reflecting ignorance and an unconsciousness of the Hour, of the will of God? Like they find a security in saying, 'We are in the Message and in the new land,' and yet they are blinded from looking personally and seeing they haven't come into anything yet, as far as their position and what they are called unto." And there is no evidence of possession of those things because they have nothing to display. But in every camp there, they are there. Every time the camp moves, they move. They are in every camp, moving. But, everything is external.

Now watch. So, God saw they didn't have the vision of what was theirs, they didn't have the vision of what they should be fighting to possess. We have to have that vision tonight, of what we are fighting to possess; of what is ours; of what attitude we should have in this Hour; of what the Hour is; of what God is requiring. We must be able to discern our own lives by the Word and see if our attitude is reflecting God's will and God's desire for this Hour, to know if we are in harmony with the Word, if we are in the rhythm of the Word, if we are

marching in the beat of the symphony. Because they were the right people, they were in the right Message, they were under the right leadership, but they didn't have the right vision concerning the purpose why they came into the land.

They were the right people, they had the right leadership, they were in the right land, they were in the right Message, they were the Bride of the Age, they were the heirs of the promise, they were in the land of the fathers, but in that same Hour, there was one whose heart and mind was obsessed with the promise. While God was saying, "Why are they slack? Why are they not seeing there is land to possess?" There was a man inside of there who knew what was his, who knew what the prophet said, who was making claims on it. He wasn't caught in the amnesia, he wasn't trapped in the social realm, he wasn't caught up in the atmosphere of playing church with others. He was zeroed, (amen!) he was focused! And brother, even though he had social acquaintances and everybody was around him, yet his heart was burning for what the prophet said was his. Amen! Hallelujah.

Open your Bibles quickly, let us find him and look at him. That is our type. That is the man we want to look at. That is the man we want to focus upon. Do you know why? He had tasted a little portion of the huge portion. He was one who helped bring back that portion at Kadesh-barnea. Look at him in Joshua 14, let us take from verse 5. Verse 1 to 4 is where they were going to cast the lot to divide the inheritance and from verse 5; Joshua 14, verse 5:

- ⁵ As the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did, and they divided the land.
- ⁶ Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou

knowest the thing that the LORD said unto Moses...

In other words, he said, "You know what Revelation 10:1 said to Revelation 10:7." Amen! Glory! He knew what the Lord said... Do you know that the Lord said that this will be a super Church? Do you know that the Lord said they will write another Book of Acts? Do you know that the Lord said that Christ in the true Church is a continuation of the Book of Acts? Do you know that the Lord said that the Pyramid will stand again? Do you know that the Lord told the Prophet that the Bride Tree will bloom again? Is that right? Do you know that the Lord said there will be another ride, a quick short Message?

Well then, why are we so slack? It is not going to fall out of the sky. Every inch of ground we get, we'll have to fight to possess it. Fathers will have to take their place, mothers will have to take their place, children will have to take their place, ministers, deacons, trustees, everybody, will have to take their place in the Word. Amen. Glory. So, watch.

⁶ Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou knowest the thing that the LORD said unto Moses the man of God concerning me...

He might have said, "I am not arguing about what he said about them or the others, but you know what he said about me." It was an individual thing in that Hour.

... and thee in Kadesh-barnea.

⁷ Forty years old was I when Moses the servant of the LORD sent me from Kadeshbarnea to espy out the land; and I brought him word again as it was in mine heart.

⁸ Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people melt...

They couldn't make his heart melt. They went up with him but they couldn't make his heart melt. They made

the rest of the people's hearts melt. Let me tell you, a lot of carnal preaching and compromise preaching and man's ideas injected in the Word make a lot of people's hearts melt. That when they talk, they can't take this, they reason, brother, all kinds of things going on. But let me tell you, when your heart is in tune with the Word, you can say, "We are more than able. If God said it, we can do it!" Amen!

Brother, I tell you, you obey the Word. Say, "God, help me to obey it." Just say, "Help me to obey," and let God do it, by God's grace.

I prayed and asked God, I said, "Lord, let me preach this Word in such a way that it will convince the people, it will convict their hearts, they will know it is You, they will know it is Your Word; that they will just be able to have one desire when they see the Word and the Word strikes their hearts; to walk in it. That they can recognize..." And I trust that you are recognizing the Word and the Presence of God, and you are recognizing the reality of the Word and the way that the Word is being presented to you. And I trust that you are not blind enough to sit down there and think it is some man or some idea, but you can recognize it is the grace of God to walk in the Word.

It is coming to help you, stabilize you and strengthen you in what God said about you. Amen. That you can live the way that God said you ought to live in this Hour. Amen. It is not for you to see me or anything, God forbid.

Verse 8:

⁸ Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people melt: but I wholly followed the LORD my God.

He wasn't boasting. He said, "I wholly followed the Lord my God."

⁹ And Moses sware on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's for ever, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.

Look how accurate this man was quoting the Word of the prophet, in an Age when the prophet was off the scene. And he was applying the Word on a personal level because he realized the inheritance was being divided. He said. "For all these years we are in the land, I didn't come and ask for anything." He said, "I was fighting with everybody, but when I saw Joshua 12 reach and God said it was time to divide the inheritance," he said, "okay, that is my portion." Hallelujah!

Let me tell you, brother, we have come along, we are trying to live—get justified, get sanctified, but then, the Word, the Seventh Seal broke and God showed you your portion of the Word, God showed you your name in the Book, (amen,) God showed that you too are part of the Mystery, just like the Prophet, (amen,) you are part of the Bride! Eve was part of Adam. Amen. You are the Body part He is going to finish up the work in.

And brother, when you see that, something in your heart says, "That is my portion. Amen. It is time for me to take my stand. It is time for me to walk in what is mine." Amen. Glory be to God!

Brother, this is time. Amen. "As for me and my house," like Joshua said in the end, "we will serve the Lord." As for you and your house, (amen,) you want the Holy Ghost. You don't care if the church doesn't want to believe the message, if they want to argue after church and say that he is preaching too hard or this or that, or who wants to follow afar off, or who is waiting for something to happen. You want to say, "You see for me, me and my house, (amen!) I am going to walk in the Word! I believe the Word. (Amen.) I see myself in the Scripture. I know that is promised unto me! Hallelujah.

Watch this here. Oh, this thrills me. Watch this in verse 10. And while he was quoting what Moses said was his, hear him now. He said:

¹⁰ And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive...

Numbers 26 had said, "Every man had died; only two men of the old generation had gone over: Joshua and Caleb." He saw them die by plagues for murmuring. He saw them get snake bites, he saw all kinds of things, he saw some die in battle. He saw the wrath of God come down, he saw Fire in the congregation. He saw God throw some on the side and he saw... And then, when he was coming down to the end, brother, he was getting aches and pain too. And he was looking there, but he saw about three more men.

He said, "According to what God said, if it is time for us to go over, those three have to die quickly. They have to die before me." Amen. Brother, next thing when he looked, there was only Joshua. Caleb began to get expectations. He said, "This journey in the wilderness has to come to an end now. Because according to God's Word, they are going to die out and we are going to move over." He said, "And the last one is gone. The last one is dead, finished. It is time to move over, by God's grace."

Oh, I tell you. He said, "God kept me alive." He saw arrows in battle passing left and right, like through George Washington, bullets were flying through his coat. He knew God was keeping those things away. Brother, he had no fear. Do you know why? Watch it. All along, his faith had a channel. When God deals with you on a personal level and gives you a channel, what gets people scared, doesn't get you scared, you know. Because you are following something. Amen!

And he knew God said, "I must go over, so I can't die." Like David, "God said that I am going to be king. No lion, no bear could stop me." Glory be to God in the highest! Amen. Now watch. He said:

¹⁰ And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive...

Now this man is coming to make a claim for an inheritance and watch how he is making the claim.

First, he started off, "You know that day in Kadeshbarnea." He quoted it correctly. He said, "We were sent out to Kadesh-barnea." He called the location when they were sent out to spy the land. He said, "And you know we came back and the people's hearts melted." Joshua knew all that was written, you know, because they were in the Book of Joshua. Moses had already died and left those five Books. He could quote chapter and page, you know. He could say, "The Prophet said so on *Going Beyond The Camp* on page 5, paragraph 24," he could quote that.

He could say, "And on *The Feast Of The Trumpets*, page 36, on the first paragraph, he said so. And on *The Seventh Seal*, he said it will make a cycle and come back around. He said it will pass in an unknown language. Be ye ready." He could quote that, you know. He could say, "The Prophet stopped there on Revelation 10:7 and never went beyond the seventh verse. There must be a Bride to quicken and anoint those words."

In other words, that is how he was approaching those things. Watch me, the Bible said, "The inheritance was being divided and Judah came up before Joshua." Moses was the testator. A testament is of no effect until the death of the testator. Is that right? Moses represented like Christ also coming up to the Jordan and dying, and Joshua, the Holy Spirit, took them over to the inheritance.

So watch, here it was. Moses had died. He had the five Books. The five Books showed which tribe, how the inheritance was given to Abraham, how they were in Egypt, how they came through the wilderness. It showed who got their portion on the wilderness side of Jordan, it showed who was going to get their portion on the Canaan side of Jordan. It was all written there. Joshua had the five Books; Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy and that was sealed up. And here in the Hour of the inheritance, Joshua opened up the Book, and he began to read. Because the Spirit

that was upon the Hebrew women crying in childbirth, the same Spirit that was on Jacob blessing them, the same Spirit that was on Moses showing them their position, that same Spirit came upon Joshua. Is that right?

And he stood there, his commission was, "Take them over the Jordan and divide the land for an inheritance." In other words, he was the divider of the inheritance. So, he knew the tribes were the heirs of the promise. They were Abraham's seed, they were heirs according to the promise. He had the Testament – the Word.

Moses, the testator, was dead and now the heir of the promise, Caleb, he was coming before Joshua, the divider of the inheritance, the executor. And the executor had the will. And he is quoting and telling him, "Remember that day when we went down at Kadeshbarnea," and the man began to speak of all those years, for forty years. He said, "I was forty years there." In other words, for forty years that man carried that, "One day, I am going to come back here. One day I will be coming into what was promised me by the prophet."

And he began to recognize in that Hour, while some were slack to go up and possess, while some were loitering, while some were withdrawn, while some were coming back and arguing, and while some were debating, and while some couldn't even recognize what boundary belonged to them, this man was burning inside. Amen! This man was burning inside, waiting for the season to break and usher in, and when he saw the season; from the time God came and identified land to be possessed, he came up before Joshua.

He said, "Joshua," he said, "you know, Joshua, what God said to the prophet concerning me."

Let me tell you, you who have been sitting down under this Message all these years, some of you are in the Message as far as twenty years, eighteen years and different things, what are your expectations now? What is your anxiety? What is your heart burning for? What

do you recognize about the Hour? What do you see in the Word opening to you? What is stimulating your faith? What channel is your faith operating through? What kind of influence do you want to have for the Lord here in this Hour?

Am I trying to excite you? Am I trying to play on your emotions? I am not trying to work you up into anything, I am trying to get you zeroed to see the Word a certain way, to know when you see it a certain way. Jesus knew the Word a certain way, and that is why He could make It work. He had Perfect Faith. My!

He said, "God kept me alive." Look at him here. He said:

 10 ... and now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old.

¹¹ As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.

How many are strong this Day for war? The land had rest from war, but here was a man, when he was saying to them, "Are you all resting from war?" He said, "I am strong this Day for war!" He said, "Are you all tired? You pray for half an hour and then fall asleep on the bench?" He said, "You come in and listen to a forty-five minutes Message and then you are sleepy, and your mind goes 'hocus pocus' and you want to go home, and 'dilly-dally' [waste time -Ed.] and wait around and can't even fall asleep, while you could have been here under the Word?" Amen.

Now watch, hear Him. He said: "I am strong this Day for war! Not strong to go and shop; not strong to go and clean up the yard; not strong to paint up the house; not strong to run 'helter-skelter' [all over -Ed.] and get caught up in the affairs of this life. Strong for war against the enemy to possess the inheritance, to take what God said is mine; to take what God told the prophet is mine; strong for that!"

A lot of people are strong for all kinds of things but they are not strong to fight to possess the promises prophesied for this Age. Let me tell you, when the Word comes, then you will see what a man's spirit is. People shout a lot and talk a lot about God, but when the Word comes and brings the challenge and you see what the Word requires and you shrivel back, then you will see what a man's spirit is.

When a man walks up in the Presence and says, "That is the Word. It cut me to pieces, It made me look real bad and It humiliated me, but that is the Word! I needed that to rise again. (Amen!) I needed that to line up!" Why? Let me tell you, then what do you start to see? Character coming out of people. You start to see 'character' coming out of people, because this is a characterless Age. The Prophet said, "This is a characterless Age. Who could find a virtuous woman in this Age?" Do you see? And brother, Eliezer went out, he sweated it out to find character. Boaz, in the harvest time in the field, was looking for character. God is looking for character tonight. What kind of character? Character that responds to the Word. Amen. Oh my.

You give me a few more minutes. I just want to see this climax right down into your heart, by God's grace.

12 Now therefore give me this mountain...

He didn't want any mountain, he was specifying a mountain.

... give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day...

He said, "In that day, God showed me a mountain." There is something special about that mountain. Oh my. He said, "The third one was nice, but that was the first pull." He said, "And the fifth one, five, a number of grace," he said, "that was the second pull. But that seventh one, on the continental divide, the greatest... He said, "That was the third pull." Oh my. That was the mountain.

Jesus took them up into a high mountain where He was transfigured, where a Cloud overshadowed Him and He began to reveal Immortality and Life. He said, "Right on the continental divide, time runs out and Eternity steps in." He said, "That is the last mountain before we go over into the Other Country." Hallelujah! We are going over into the Other Country, friend. We are following the Bloody Footprints, the Dove is leading the Eagles. Amen! Hallelujah. I want to go in that Place prepared for me. Amen! Brother, we have come from mountain and valley and mountain and valley, but we are coming to the summit of the seventh peak. Amen!

There is something special about that mountain; Mount Pyramid, (amen!), where a man comes in to the Headstone and God opens up the White Rock and his eyes begin to see things light had never shone upon. He comes into a place of Adoption, where God says, "This is My beloved son." He comes into a place where, "Bro. Branham, we saw you on a mountain and a Cloud overshadowed you and a Voice was saying, "This is My Prophet. I give him power to speak into existence."

He said, "Yes, like Mount Transfiguration. Remember the Message I preached, *Hear Ye Him.*" Amen. He just threw it off like that.

Adoption, he had come into that place. He had climbed that last mountain. Oh friend, let me tell you something, that is the Mountain that every one of us must come into, the last mountain before we go over into the Other Country. The first, third and fifth peaks were gifts, but that Mountain was the Giver of the gifts. That is where he met the Giver Himself!

When he came off that mountain, he said, "Bro. Branham, they took you and put you at the head of the table. You were white all over. And when you spoke, you commanded. Everybody understood. You spoke with such authority, Bro. Branham." He said, "You were white all over. They put you at the head of the Communion Table where you broke the Bread."

Communion, in the Evening Time; Supper time, where He made Himself known in the breaking of the Bread, (amen!) and revealed Who He was among the people; the mighty God being unveiled before us; God, in a man like a Prophet. Amen.

Brother, what about God in a Bride? In that Day, you will know I in you and you in Me. He does all three things. The same God Who was in the Prophet, comes in Bride form!

Amen. From Adam, it went to Eve. From Jesus, it went to the Alpha Bride, and from the Son of Man, it is going to go to the Omega Bride. Amen. That is the promise in this Hour, friends. Jesus was a one-man Scripture but it came to a many-membered group, an Alpha Bride; the Angel led them but the Word came through the Body. Is that right?

Oh my! We need eyes of faith, revelation, anointed eyes to see and to recognize we are not gathering people. We are not in church services, we are walking and being caught up in the Mystery of God for this Hour. We are being caught in the fulfilling of the Word; the prophesied promises taking place in this Hour. Amen.

Oh my, what a day! Caleb knew – maybe some stood up there slothfully, some didn't know what was going on, but when Caleb saw Joshua coming with that message, he understood, "If Joshua is saying that now, then, it is time for me to bring that promise out the drawer. (Amen! Hallelujah!) Now is the time and now is the season!" Amen. He said, "Remember what the prophet said concerning me that day." Oh my.

I want to get to a couple of things here and I don't want to leave it out. If I leave it out here, I will go home and I won't even sleep tonight. So, if you want to sleep on me, you sleep on me right here, but you sit here and let me continue, amen, by God's grace. Just let me try to get something in here. He said now, verse 12:

¹² Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake...

That was his inheritance. He wanted it, he was obsessed with that mountain. He didn't want any valley, he wanted the high places. He wanted elevated atmosphere. He wanted to get on the mountain where he could see all over. He wasn't contented, brother, as some tribes wanted, two and a half tribes who wanted their portion on the other side in the wilderness, where all they could see were scorpions and lizards, but he wanted to get up on this mountain. He wanted to see afar off, into the other country. Amen. Glory!

You watch a man's desire, you watch what he is pulling for, you will know what kind of spirit is inside the man. Amen. Glory. [Blank spot on tape -Ed.] His faith had found a Source. That wasn't anything dropping out of the sky on him that day, you know. It was something that he lived and grew and walked in, from day to day. He had come all the way up. He had come through the journey. He was a journeyman.

He was in Egypt, not even baptized, when he saw the prophet. When he saw that prophet speaking things into existence, he was still under Egyptian bondage; dead in sin and trespasses. He was baptized under the prophet's message coming through the Red Sea. He came through the wilderness, getting cleaned up – God had to take Egypt out of him; crossed over Jordan, died out to himself. But now, he was coming into his placing. Now he had a revelation of his position. Hallelujah! Now he was zeroed. Now he knew what God's will was.

And all around him, God was rebuking people, "Why are you so slack? Why are you idling? Why are you so tardy? Why are you withdrawn?" But for him, look at him, he said, "God will drive them out." Amen.

13 And Joshua blessed him...

The Holy Spirit, blessing the heir of the promise, the believer, who is confessing what is his, and what God is able to do concerning him.

... [Joshua] gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an inheritance.

Hebron was the place he wanted. Amen. Oh! [Bro. Vin claps his hands -Ed.] Hebron was the place he wanted. I will tell you something about Hebron. 'Hebron' means, (oh, I am jumping, I am jumping here but I just can't wait.) 'Hebron' means, 'communion'. 'Hebron' means, 'fellowship'. 'Hebron' means, 'friendship and love'.

It was in Hebron where Abraham pitched his tent and built his altar; it was in Hebron. In Genesis 13:18, when he came over in the land, that was the place where he pitched his tent and declared that he was a sojourner. He didn't put down any big earthly foundation; here he had no continuing city. He confessed that he was a pilgrim and a stranger, he was seeking a City whose Builder and Maker was God. But he built his altar. His tent testified that he was a pilgrim. He had a pilgrim spirit, he was a sojourner, a stranger. He couldn't identify with these earthly cities of Sodom and all these things. And his altar spoke of his communion, his life, his relationship with God.

While many people had their heathen altars, he had an altar to the True and Living God. An altar speaks of sacrifice. In his home he built his altar first and he pitched his tent afterwards. Some people are only interested in building the house and no altar. That is not the spirit of Abraham, that is the spirit of Ishmael. The spirit of Abraham built his altar first. He built his altar first.

Watch Noah, when he came over into the new land, he built his altar first before he built a house. Watch it in the Bible, trace it and see. You heard about Abel's altar before you heard about Abel's house. Exactly right. Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all other things shall be added unto you.

Hebron was the place where Elohim appeared to Abraham and discerned the secrets of Sarah's heart, and opened up the Hidden Mysteries, and said, "Shall I hide these things from Abraham which I am about to do?" When He appeared as the Judge of all the earth, and Abraham said, "Shall the Judge of all the earth destroy the righteous with the wicked," when the Son of Man was being revealed? Where was it? In Hebron. Genesis 18, verse 1, in Mamre, which was in Hebron; the oaks of Mamre were in Hebron where he had pitched his tent. It was there the Son of Man—he saw the Appearing of the Lord, (amen,) the Coming of the Lord. He was in the tent door watching for it. Where did that revelation break? In Hebron.

Hebron was the place where Abraham and Sarah were buried; where Isaac and Rebecca were buried; where Jacob and Leah were buried, in a cave in Machpelah, which is in Hebron – a type of those who died in Christ, will God bring with Him. He said, "Put your hand on my thigh and swear you will bury me in the land of my fathers." Why? They knew there was a Resurrection coming there. Amen.

Hebron, in Joshua 20 and Numbers 35, was appointed to be a city of refuge. And the city of refuge was a type of Christ – the Hiding Place, where you can let off the pressure; a place of peace and safety and security; a place of protection. Amen.

So, watch. What was Caleb desiring? Why did he want Hebron? Because Hebron spoke of communion, of fellowship, of friendship, of love, of communion, it spoke of Supernatural visitation, it spoke of Divine revelation, it spoke of Resurrection, it spoke of peace and rest and security. That is what Hebron spoke of. And Caleb's heart was upon Hebron. That is why he wanted Hebron.

When he went to cut the grapes, it was in the valley of Eshkol, which was right opposite Jerusalem. Oh Jerusalem, beautiful for a situation. Oh, but Caleb looked at it and he didn't want that. Caleb looked over on the next side and he saw the grapes in Eshkol, in the valley of Eshkol; nice grapes, but it was in a valley. He didn't want that. His eyes were on Hebron. And in that Hour, to make sure Hebron didn't get mixed up with any other tribe – he knew all that new generation wouldn't

know about that promise that day, so he spoke up in that Hour to make sure that this thing didn't get mixed up.

He said, "Joshua, you know what the Lord said concerning me and that place." Amen! Hallelujah! He said, "I want that communion with God! I want Supernatural visitation! I want the Divine revelation that the Judge of the earth brings before the destruction, Faith to change me! I want a place of safety in this world when the pressure is on; a Hiding Place where I am at rest, where I have assurance and peace, (hallelujah,) in this neurotic Age that is full of tension! I want a place like that! I want a place on the mountain top. Give me this mountain of which the Lord spake. There is something special about that mountain!" Oh, thank You, Jesus! That is what he wanted! Set your affections, what? On Things Above! I want to be in the Resurrection. Amen. Put me in Hebron.

Look at Chapter 15, verse 13, as we try to bring it to a close quickly. In that Hour, look what a man's heart was pulling for; while some didn't even know what their inheritance was, while some of them were slack to go up, while some were withdrawn, while some were loitering, a man was zeroed. He wanted fellowship, he saw how God and Abraham talked, he saw how God revealed those secrets – turned His back and revealed the back part. Amen. He saw the Judge of all the earth, the white-wigged One, the Appearing of the Lord. He saw the place of Resurrection. He saw these things.

Isn't this the Hour for that place? Isn't this the Hour when the Bride is in that place of safety? Isn't this the Hour for the Resurrection? Isn't this the Hour for the change of the body? Isn't this the Hour when He is opening those secrets before He burns this Gentile world with fire?

Oh, how could a man live in the midst of all that unbelief and don't get tainted and polluted by it? How could he live and don't let those spirits, that dampened, cold, denominational spirit come upon him? How could he live so sane inside of there, zeroed, focused? He said, "For these last forty years, my heart is upon that promise and I am strong this day for war, to go out and come in." He said, "Joshua, you know when I walk in those doors and I come in and I lift my hands, I enter His courts with praise and His gates with thanksgiving. You don't see me come in here with any old face. You see me come in here and I lift my hands and praise God, (amen!) and when I go back out I have a spring in my step too. Amen. Glory be to God! Yes sir.

Joshua 15:13:

¹³ And unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a part among the children of Judah, according to the commandment of the LORD to Joshua, even the city of Arba the father of Anak, which city is Hebron.

¹⁴ And Caleb drove thence the three sons of Anak, Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai...

Brother, they called those three demons by their names. Amen. Maybe I can call them tonight: religion, politics and demon power or the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life. Amen. Brother, that is what is keeping you back from fellowship, that is what is keeping you back from the Resurrection, that is what is keeping you back from getting into Hebron; a place of rest and safety.

If you are all tense and nervous and flusterated and you are worrying about this, you are not in Hebron. Hebron is rest, assurance, peace. If your mind is shut up and you can't understand the Mysteries, you don't know what God is talking about, and it is like it is a new language to you, it is a strange language, then you are not in Hebron. Hebron is where the revelation was coming to change him, (amen,) faith to be changed; (amen,) where he had communion, where he built his altar. If you can't pray through, you are not in Hebron.

That is where his altar was; where he had communion and fellowship with God.

¹⁵ And he went up thence to the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir before was Kirjath-sepher.

¹⁶ And Caleb said, He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife [in marriage].

¹⁷ And Othniel ['Othniel' means, 'Lion of God'. Amen. Hallelujah!] the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife [in marriage].

¹⁸ And it came to pass, as she came unto him, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she lighted off her ass; and Caleb said unto her, What wouldest thou?

¹⁹ Who answered, Give me a blessing; for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs, and the nether [lower] springs.

In other words, she wanted some living water. She didn't want any place with a cistern, she wanted the springs; the upper springs up in the heights, and the lower springs down in the depths where the living water comes from. And Caleb, the man who had possessed Hebron could give something to his household, could give something to those who were connected unto him, "Such as I have, give I unto you. I'll give you Living Water from the height. I will give it to you from the depths." Amen.

"What wouldest thou?" In other words, "Ask what you will. Whatsoever thou sayest. Ask what you will." Amen. Hallelujah. Brother, let me tell you, when you come in and possess, you have something to give. Out of your faith, you can give virtue, and knowledge, and temperance. After you are converted, strengthen your

brethren. Is that right? When you get ahold of the Holy Ghost, you can give something, by God's grace. Hallelujah. Oh my. Caleb had... I am going to make a change here, bypass something like that.

Let me take one more Scripture; Joshua 17, and we will close. Maybe another time I will tell you. You see, Caleb had seen some things that made him stand that way. He wasn't confused about it. He had watched it all down through. Things were happening all around those tribes but they couldn't understand it. They didn't know how to move in the channel, but Caleb was understanding. He was in the journey and he followed his experience. And that is why in that Hour, his attitude could have been that way. We saw those who were slack, we saw one who was going to take his inheritance. Let us look at another one here. Joshua 17.

And you'll see three kinds of believers, three examples of believers, in the Hour when the inheritance was being divided. See which one of them you are tonight. Are you the one who is slack to go up and possess or do you have the spirit of Caleb, or is this you in Joshua 17? Let us take from verse 14. Joshua had given the portion to the children of Joseph, their inheritance. And verse 14 said here:

¹⁴ And the children of Joseph spake unto Joshua, saying, Why hast thou given me but one lot and one portion to inherit, seeing I am a great people, forasmuch as the LORD hath blessed me hitherto?

Who were the sons of Joseph? Ephraim and Manasseh. Which tribe was Joshua from? Ephraim. So watch. They came to Joshua thinking that they were going to get some special favor. They were thinking that he would deal with them impartially, you know, but there was no partiality in that Hour. It was not, "Well, because you are in my tribe I will give you this, and they are not in my tribe, so I don't give them that." No, no. Joshua was the Holy Spirit and the Anointing that was

upon him was the Anointing that was upon the Hebrew mothers; was the Anointing upon Jacob; was the Anointing upon Moses, and the work was now being completed as he was placing them who were born for that position.

But self estimation is always a great thing. We took it up a couple of weeks ago here. Self estimation; how people see themselves. Because thou sayest. They said, "We are a great people, and it is only one lot we got. We should have gotten more than this. We should have a bigger inheritance."

¹⁵ And Joshua answered them, If thou be a great people, then get thee up to the [forested area], and cut down for thyself there in the land of the Perizzites and of the giants, if mount Ephraim be too narrow for thee.

See? They found that Mount Ephraim was too narrow, and they didn't like all the forest, and so, they were trying to run from the place that the Holy Spirit revealed was theirs. But the Holy Spirit, Joshua, knew they had a hidden motive and that was why they wanted to run and they couldn't stay in their place. So, they were trying to impress him, "We are a great people, this land is not enough."

He said, "Are you so great? Are you not contented, but discontented? Are you getting troubled with what was allotted to you? Do you think it is by flesh the thing was allotted? He said, "What happened? If it is too narrow for you, go and cut down the forest." Then watch it come out now.

¹⁶ And the children of Joseph said, The hill is not enough for us: and all the Canaanites that dwell in the land of the valley have chariots of iron, both they who are of Beth-shean and her towns, and they who are of the valley of Jezreel.

Do you see what they were afraid of? Chariots of iron. They said, "These people have chariots of iron. If they come against us, we don't stand a chance!" In other words, "We want a territory that doesn't have any battles in it. We want a land where we don't have to cut down and clear any forest. We want something that we can just rest easily. Discontented, complaining, characterless; but Joshua knew it was given by inspiration and he rebuked them and sent them back. Amen. Watch.

¹⁷ And Joshua spake unto the house of Joseph, even to Ephraim [that was his own tribe] and to Manasseh, saying, Thou art a great people...

See? He knew it was fear and an inferiority complex that they had, so he had to break that inferiority complex around them and drive the fear out with the Word, by bringing them to see that they can do it. They don't have to run from it, they can do it. Amen.

... Thou art a great people, and hast great power: thou shalt not have one lot only:

¹⁸ But the mountain shall be thine; for it is a [forest], and thou shalt cut it down: and the outgoings of it shall be thine: for thou shalt drive out the Canaanites, though they have iron chariots, and though they be strong.

He said, "Go right back and fight your battle. What are you complaining and murmuring about? Why are you trying to make excuses and trying to justify yourself that you are a great people and that I should move you from here and put you somewhere else? Deal with your devils. Don't run from your devils, go and deal with your devils. Fight your devils! Amen! If you are so great, then great people – it will be expressed in works. Great people don't complain and make excuses and run somewhere. He said, "Go out there and deal with it." The Holy Spirit orders man back to their place.

Look at them telling Uzziah, "Get back to your place." Look at Jonah trying to run; the Holy Spirit said, "Get back to your place! Is that right? Look at Moses trying to run in the wilderness, God said, "Get back to your place." Look at the Prophet trying to run to the wilderness, God said, "Get back to your place!" God orders man back to their place. Why? Greater is He inside of you. I can do all things through Christ that strengtheneth me. You don't have to make excuses and run anywhere. You stand and draw faith from the Word, get your fear away and walk in the will of God.

So, in that Hour when the inheritance was being divided, there was Caleb, there were the children of Joseph, and there were the seven tribes. Watch three different attitudes of people. One knew what the prophet said concerning them; one couldn't wait for the moment to go and take it; one's affection was set on it.

The other one, when their place was revealed, they couldn't take that place. Maybe nobody wasn't going to see them enough, all those big trees will hide them. They had a little desire for attention. They wanted to be on the center stage, they wanted a little popularity; they wanted to walk around with a big status because people knew them with a big status for years. All of that had to go. He said, "Cut down all those big trees, if you are so big and great. Fight those devils, (amen,) prove it by your works, not just by your mouth. Prove it by your works if you are great." Amen.

And then the next seven tribes, they were slack, they were loitering, they were withdrawn, they were gloomy, and God said, "Why are they so slack?"

Don't be discontented tonight. Let me tell you, be a Caleb tonight. Be a Caleb tonight. Do you know what Caleb means? Dog.

"Shall I give the bread to the dogs?"

"Yea, Lord, but even the dog eats the crumbs from the Master's table." She didn't argue, "You called me a dog. Are You trying to humiliate me? Who do You think I am?" No, no. She said, "Yea, Lord, but even the dog."

He said, "For this saying..." God was just trying the spirit there. "For this saying..." Hallelujah! She said the right thing! He said, "Hattie Wright said the right thing and that brought the Spoken Word."

Friends, let me tell you, it is coming to such an atmosphere. Caleb had seen so much, he had followed close, he understood what God was doing, he understood his scriptural experiences. He understood; that pole that was lifted up with the Brass Serpent, Caleb had seen that. He knew that was Christ, the Son of Man being revealed. He saw the Rock smitten and the ever-present water flowing out, and he knew what that meant. He saw the Ark in the midst of Jordan and knew, "Hereby you shall see the Living God is among you, and He will, without fail, drive out every enemy before you."

Caleb saw Joshua with the sharp knives circumcising the people. He saw the Captain of the Lord's host come down with the drawn sword. He was following the experiences. Back in Egypt, he saw the prophet tell them about the Blood on the lintel post of the door. He saw the prophet come with the two signs and the commission, and he followed those things all the way up, when he now, was coming for his inheritance. The rest of them didn't follow anything. They were studying leek, onion, garlic, we can't get this, this for the flesh, that for this. He was following something. My soul followeth hard after Thee.

When this Word is being waved over you, what does it do for you, friends? When Elijah waved that mantel over Elisha, he felt something. He said, "Oh God, that is the Word, I want that reality. Oh God. Amen! Hallelujah! There was a reality about it. Do you want that mountain tonight? Before we close, would you come and sing, *There is Something Special About That Mountain*? [#594 - Songs That Live -Ed.] Oh my. There is something special about

that mountain. I want that mountain tonight. I want that fellowship, I want that strength, I want that victory. Do you want Hebron tonight, friend? Do you want to be in Hebron? Do you want to dwell in Hebron? Do you want that place, that high place? Amen. Oh, praise His wonderful Name.

[Sis. Arlene Weston sings, Special Mountain -Ed.]

Amen. Oh, do you feel ready to fight one more time again, (amen,) to rise up with Eagle's wings in this Hour, friends, to really get back into the fray, to lay aside everything? I trust tonight that this message really gets down to your hearts where it places and it shows you that you don't just want to go along halfway, you don't just want to come in church and sit down here and warm a bench, you don't want to come and check me out. You want to come here and receive the Word into your hearts and walk in the place where this Message revealed that we should walk in, in this Hour, (amen,) and we can live a life worthy of the Gospel.

And many of us who have been playing church and 'dilly-dallying', do you see why I tell you to come to church every service night? You would stay at home tonight because it is Wednesday night. You don't have enough faith sometimes, maybe to pay a little passage [bus or taxi fare -Ed.] or sacrifice to come in the house of God. Do you see what you would have missed tonight? Do you see you are trying to make God a Sunday Christian? Do you see why the Word is important, friends? Do you see why every service is important and why we need to be in God's Presence?

Let us try to get in and get under the Holy Spirit. And you take the Word as I say, go over it when you go home. Read it back in your family worship. Get the children together, pray with them. Read it and see. See what the Word is saying about what we ought to be and then see what you are, and then, put the two together.

Do you want to be one like the children of Joseph, complaining, murmuring, having an excuse, trying to

run from responsibility, trying to evade pressure because of fear of the opposition, or do you just want to be slack, looking around and just contended that you are in the Message? Or do you want to get in the fight and stand where God said a true believer will stand in this Hour, that you could have something to give out even to those around you and those that are connected with you, like Caleb was able to do in that Hour?

God wants every one of us to be a Caleb; a dog, a water lapper; one who could humble himself, one who could come down there to receive the Word to see that there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed. What about the fathers tonight? How much land do they still have to possess? Wayward children, home in disorder, no responsibility, no example, no influence.

What about the mothers: to take her position, take her responsibility, stand at the husband's side; show some unity, show some strength? What about sacred womanhood, to surrender themselves to the Word, what the Word said, as a daughter of God, as revealed by the Message? The Spirit of the Bride. Not a Jezebel spirit, not a spirit that is rebellious; on their own thing, wants their own way, each person has their own right. [Tape inaudible -Ed.] people in the Assembly to take their place in obedience to their parents, to realize that God could use young people; to see there isn't any excuse. The Bible said, "Even unto your children, they shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

What about deacons and trustees? Brother, knowing their place, the requirements, that they have to be examples to the people first, in conduct, doctrine, conversation and living, everything, even to hold that office, that when they stand there and they are not living the Word, they are a stumbling block to the people. If their lives don't cope with that, they will have to leave the office and sit down. Exactly. If you want God to bless you.

Remember, the blessing doesn't come from me or you, the blessing will come from the Word. "If you abide in the Word and the Word abides in you, ask for what you will." Because if we don't stand there knowing that we are in that Word, friend, the devil is going to condemn you right there and you will have nothing to move that condemnation. Because He showed you where you are and He showed you what the Word said, and if your life doesn't cope with that Word, how could you claim something?

May we find grace in our hearts to be more courageous, more rugged. Bro. Branham said, "We are so 'wishy washy' sometimes but we need 'rugged' man." What is Christianity? Rugged everyday living for Christ out on the battlefield making converts. He said that is what Christianity is. A life that is not lived for Him everyday is not worthy of this Gospel. Everyday out there, a testimony.

You see me coming here to preach to you every service, I'm coming here at my post of duty, I take this like my post of duty. I take it and I stand here to preach the Word, as much as the grace God gives me to preach the Word to you, to show you I mean business. Would you sit down in the congregation there now and want to live it and mean business the same way you receive it?

I come here everyday, Wednesdays, regardless of what, as long as I can make it I come. Would some of you just want to use this conveniently to come in when it is convenient to you, and say that you believe the same thing? Remember this is not the old church, you know. Remember, the old church no longer exists. We are walking here under this Word. It is what this Word is requiring. That might have been a certain light, this is a different Light. This is not that light. This Light is not talking about opening a little business here and doing this, running here and running here, mashing up homes; this Light, this Word is not showing that, you

know. This Light is showing those things were errors. This Light is talking about perfection.

I know it is hard but I know it is the Truth, too. And I know it is out of love in my heart and if I don't tell you then I am a hypocrite. And I am saying it with the conviction because I want you to know it is serious. In other words, I want it to affect you and bother you. If it hurts you and makes you uncomfortable, it will make me know it is doing something. If you hear it and you walk away without any conviction and you don't feel anything and you go home and you sleep as comfortably as ever, even though your life is different to it, then there is nothing to help you.

But if you go home and make that pillow hard and you want to kneel down by your bed when you get home to pray and you want to come back out the next service early and you want to be more faithful and you want to step out and say, "Brother, what can I do to help? How could I stand? What can I do to take my place?" Then I know that the Word has taken effect. Then I know that you are seeing something. Then I know you are being stimulated to want to walk on further.

If I see you are trying to put up a front and trying to play proud – and I know that is only a front, because down inside your heart you need this Word even stronger than that to help you, then I know something is wrong with your experience.

Because I am coming here and many of the people up there are suffering. You see them come down here sometimes on Tuesdays to sit and hear the Word preached too, because they want to be here. Walk in the Light while you have the Light. And believe in the Light because it is The Light.

Let us stand to our feet. Let us bow our heads for prayer. Gracious God, we stand in Your Presence, Father, realizing that the Word is a serious Word. Lord, it is not coming with human feelings but it is coming, dear God, to the soul. It is not to the flesh or the human

spirit, it is a Word being spoken to the inner man, that son and daughter of God, that Gene of God, that Attribute that only lives by the Word and has a deep to express the full potential of the Word for this Hour.

I pray tonight, oh God, that the things that were spoken, God, knowing that there is nothing here for me, I came here out of love and consideration. I came here out of love for You, love for Your people, I came here, dear God, not as one trying to please the crowd or to become popular with the people, but I came as one trying to be obedient, to be a prisoner to say what is necessary to help and break the powers of darkness, knowing it is not flesh and blood but it is principalities and powers.

It is not flesh and blood that brought the fall of ministers; it is not flesh and blood that throw people into confusion and break up families; it is not flesh and blood that held the church in darkness and ignorance all these years, but it was demon powers. And knowing that I am coming here, dear God, I come knowing that my energy of the flesh will be of little worth, but with the Word quickened by the Spirit, Lord, it will bring deliverance to the hearts of the people.

Lord, when I preach like this, it hurts me on the inside, because I feel the people will misunderstand me. I feel, oh God, that they will sit down there maybe in a wrong attitude, Lord. And then knowing, dear God, woe is me if I don't even preach it. And then how could I make them understand it? I depend upon You, Father, that they will know it is the Word being spoken, they will see the Spirit of the Word and what it is trying to get them to do. It is not trying to make them lukewarm or live in sin or just come to church but it is trying to get them to rise up with a vision of perfection and walk into it.

And I pray, that as the Holy Spirit takes that and makes it a reality in their hearts, You in Your own way, in their dwelling places, on their jobs, in their

journeying to and fro, oh God, even when they assemble themselves with their families, wherever they will be and whatever they would be doing, oh God, Your Holy Spirit will show to them, Father, that dear God, it is You, dear God. You said, "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten." Oh God, love is corrective.

And dear God, trying to cause them to walk in the line of the Word and the line of the Spirit, Lord, even preaching this message tonight, showing the different attitude of believers in the Hour when the inheritance was being distributed, oh God; when the Church was to be placed positionally in their inheritance under that new message; the conditions of many hearts and the things that influenced many minds and showing what You were looking at Lord; how You were looking at what remained to be possessed and You were looking at the attitude of the people.

I don't believe that that is wrong, Father. I believe that that is right. I believe Lord, that that is clear, dear God, and I pray that You will make it so real down in their hearts, it will cause them to rise up with a greater determination than they had before in their Christian life and experience and it will bring them, oh God, to a greater commitment, Lord, in this Hour, to forget their pride and forget, Lord, the little images, oh God, and to come in Truth and to stand in the Word and obey the Word and walk in the Word, and see the Church rise to a higher level, and see a greater quality of the Holy Spirit work among the people, and to see greater deliverance take place, and the homes that are broken mended again, and the heads of the home and the wives that have been separated restored into union, and everything, oh God, take its rightful place again, Father. And the Church be knitted in love and in the Presence of God, Lord, just working among the people in signs and wonders and meeting every need, oh God. There will be such a great inspiration and encouragement to all.

And most of all, when the unbelievers and the strangers will come in, they will walk in and know that this is the Presence of God. This is the reality of God amongst a people; knowing that there are many out there, oh God, who see so many things that they see as a stumbling block, and they are disappointed. They see nothing to leave their denomination to come to, and they see people who don't have the victory are claiming greater truth many times, and who are more in confusion in the truth than they are in their error.

But when they can come and see a standard, when they can see a reality, when they can come in a Living Presence, oh God, it would be something that could make them realize that there is so much more to rise up to in this Hour. Oh God, when we can see a move of the Spirit of God; I pray, dear God, that You would take us to deeper depths and higher heights.

Take this Word, Lord, and deal with the hearts of Your children. Even as they would leave this place tonight to journey to their homes; while they would be in their homes, while they are journeying, let that inner man be so troubled, let him take inventory, let him examine himself in the light of the Word, let us lay aside all self-estimation and see God's estimation, what God's Word says, what God's Word sees. Oh God, Father, I pray that it would be so real, dear God.

Lord, may You go with each and every one. May Your Presence be with each and every one, Father. Lord Jesus, even the things that are yet to be put in place in the Assembly here, even the things that are to be torn down, and the things that are to be established correctly by the Word and the order of the church that is to be set up and all these things that are still in need to be put in place. But while they have this time to see the Word, and to hear the Word and to know that in their hearts if they made the right decision, if they feel comfortable sitting under this Word, if it is doing something for them, if they see an improvement in their

life, if they see something to cause them to rise up and walk in, oh God, that they can really make themselves available to You.

It is too late to be playing church, Father, it is too far up the road. And I pray, oh God, as we see there remaineth very much land to be possessed, oh God, our hearts, our minds, our attitude will be so governed by the Word revealed by the Holy Spirit out of the Scriptures tonight.

And dear God, that the fathers and the mothers, the husbands, the wives, the single people, the young people, oh God, the ministry, the deacons, the trustees, everyone, oh God, that is within the sound of my voice and who would hear the tape tonight, Lord Jesus, God, as You have challenged our hearts in this Hour, as we examine to see the Hour and see the requirements, oh God, we will find that there will be a deeper sincerity in us all, that You can take us to a deeper experience, Lord, a greater faith. Grant it, Lord, we pray. We sincerely ask these things tonight. May your peace and Your blessings, may Your mercy and Your grace be upon us all as we leave and go to our homes. We ask it in Jesus' precious Name, amen and amen.

God bless you. You may have your seats. Give me my mountain, amen. Give me my mountain. I wonder if Bro. Mervyn and his wife would stand tonight. Bro. Mervyn Weston here, I just want the people to see him because he is one of the... Sis. Rhea, stand to your feet, sister. Amen. This is one of the ministering brothers in the church and he is an ordained minister in the Assembly. Sometimes, he would be standing in here to help me preach and so on, so I want you to see him, I want you to know him. And under a Message like this, you know he is coming to preach the same thing; he is coming to exhort you, to reprove, rebuke, correct with all manner of longsuffering and Doctrine, that we can really really rise up and move on.

Let me tell you, appreciate ministries that will pack the Word and preach the Word. Don't look for mixers, don't look for people who want to be popular with the people, don't look for little 'Absaloms' in the pulpit, don't look for little sweetie pies and lullabies that would put the people to sleep. Look for the Word that could convict the people and drive them to a closer walk, bring them to a greater faith. When the Word challenges us, it does us good. Don't feel bad about it, never feel bad about it. Receive the Word.

We have some other brothers here, Bro. Rawle, would you stand brother? Bro. Rawle, he helps Bro. Sammy. All these brothers help in the Word and Doctrine and you know, they will be helping and they have been around the services and they are here so they are listening to what I am preaching and they are listening to what is going on, they see what is happening so that when the time comes and you know I need to take a rest or I need to do something else, then they are here and you know you have true servants of God, living Godly lives, dedicated lives clean lives; people who are in the Word, who have been taught in the Word, raised up in the Word. This same message that I am preaching, they were born and grew up under this same Word and they stand here to help you, to assist you in every way, by God's grace.

Do you appreciate that tonight? Amen. God bless you. *Give me my mountain.* [#532 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

... my mountain, amen, Give me my mountain, amen, Give me my mountain, The Prophet had promised, Give me my mountain, amen.

I'll take my mountain,

... I'll take my... Oh, you want to go home and fight the battle of faith. You want to take what is yours in this Hour. I'll take my mountain, amen,
I'll take my mountain,
The Prophet had promised
I'll take my mountain, amen.

Oh, I want my mountain tonight. Do you want it? ... my mountain, amen, I want my mountain, amen,

Give me my mountain, amen, ... mountain...
The Prophet had promised, Give me my mountain, amen.

Amen. I just want to make an announcement and I know the time span is important for me to make this announcement. Because I know on Old Years Night we have the Lord's Supper and we are thinking of having one service with everybody together at Abel Country. And all the people, let us say, tonight, Friday night and Sunday morning, who would be in the Assembly, that would desire to be in the meeting and don't have transport to be there, let the deacons get the information and let us know about how much people we can make arrangements for transportation and how we can get that worked out, and everybody can be in one place for the Lord's Supper on Old Years Night. Amen?

So, give me my mountain.

... my mountain...

