

SERMONS
BY
REV. W. M. BRANHAM

"... in the days of the voice..." Rev. 10:7

RESTORATION OF THE BRIDE TREE, #2
Jeffersonville, IN
April 22, 1962
Vol. 62, No. 26

The compiler of the work, A. David Mamalis, recognized that all sermons are public domain, belonging to the people. There is NO claim of copyright on the sermon text. The copyright applies to the verso side of the title page; and only in the design of the classification system of all interrelations of the text to the volume, volume number, paging, paragraphing, or any identification of the text by utilizing the copyrighted classification system.

The purpose of such copyright is to preserve the work for the design of indexes, and other support reference materials, for the study of the last days' message. Permission is given for anyone to print and distribute this booklet, provided it is done free of charge. Any changes made to the electronic file that this booklet is distributed in constitute a violation of international copyright law.

Instructions for printing this booklet in its proper format can be found in the Printing FAQ on our website at www.thefreeword.com.

We pray that the Holy Spirit will make the messages alive to those who are called to be conformed to the image of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

www.thefreeword.com
Licensed Internet Publisher

*The remarkable ministry of William Marrion Branham
addressed every major doctrine of the Christian faith. If you
wish to access any of the more than 1100 messages, or have
questions of a spiritual nature, please refer to our website at:*

www.thefreeword.com

*The remarkable ministry of William Marrion Branham
addressed every major doctrine of the Christian faith. If you
wish to access any of the more than 1100 messages, or have
questions of a spiritual nature, please refer to our website at*

www.thefreeword.com

Copyright by A. David Mamalis

Lord, confirm your Word with signs following. And now, Satan, you foul devil, you are defeated. God said He would restore the Son of God and [unclear words] to your creeds. He promised to restore the church to it's former condition when the evening light shines, and we're living in it. And by restoring we have a right, we have our attorney. We have our lawyer, our high priest, and we're going to force the claim. You've had them long enough. You can't claim them any longer. We charge thee in the name of Jesus Christ by the power of His resurrection and the Holy Ghost [unclear words].

Restoration Of The Bride Tree, Pt.2

199 Every time that God sends a move among His people, every time, and they denominate; right there they die. I want somebody that knows the history of the church that can condemn that. Show me one time that an organization ever organized, that it didn't die right there. The cankerworm got a hold of it, took it's religion away; and then the sucker come along and took the . . . sucked the life right out of the tree.

200 What kind of a life was in it? Holy Spirit. What'd it do? It couldn't hold the Holy Spirit in there and then still have dogmas, the Holy Spirit wouldn't stand for it. So it takes the life out of the tree and gives it a dogma, makes a denomination. "We don't care what this says, our denomination says this."

There you are. Remember, after it denominates it always dies and never rises again. The first organization was the Catholic; it died immediately. 'Course it was dogma to begin with.

201 Out of there come the first reformation, was Luther--organized and died. Next come Wesley--organized, died. Next come Pentecost--organized and died. Presbyterian, Lutheran, all these others, and the Nazarene, Pilgrim Holiness, and all these organizations that followed along like that, every one died. Look at them. Why? They organize and that kills them.

What did they do? They take in these dogmas. You Nazarenes, a wonderful . . . the next church to the coming up of Pentecost. What was it? You believe in sanctification, but when it come down to the gifts of the Spirit, speaking in tongues, and the great powers of God, you called it devils, and there you died. That's right. Where is she at today? Dead! Oh, she's got more members, but where is she? She's a corpse.

I seen her the other night. That's right. The whole thing. Her pastor laying on top, kissing a corpse, making love to it. Said, "They ain't got no more time anyhow; this is all of it." So, I'll get it to you sometime on tape, see. All right.

202 God planted his tree to bear spiritual fruit, fruits of the Spirit. Is that right. But what did man? Man always tried to make it an artificial form. He did back there; he does now. Now, this . . . (Let's fire hard now, and quick.) Man has always tried to take the spiritual church and make it an artificial form.

203 Luther had a spiritual church. What happened? As soon as Luther died, they made it a form, artificial. What did Wesley do, John Wesley, a great man of God? Who would say John Wesley wasn't a man of God? What did he do? As soon as him, and John, and Charles died, they organized it. When she did, she died. Exactly.

204 Same thing down through the age every time on every one. They make artificial put-on, good works, biggest congregations, smartest people; "The celebrity of the city wants to join us."

205 That's exactly what's happened to you bunch of Pentecostals too. That's exactly right. You let down the bars; you got away from the Spirit. You wanted big buildings, and finery, and everything like that, and you got dignified pastors. What'd you do? You mothers sent your boys away to some of these seminaries out here to become pastors. What did they go to teaching them? Theology and all kinds of man-made stuff. And where is it today? They come back a bunch of Rickys and Elvises. That's exactly right.

2TIM3:5

206 What have you got today? A bunch of tommyrot--a form of godliness. The Bible said in the last days they'd have a form of godliness, but would deny the power thereof, the life thereof. Why? The caterpillar sucked it out! The organization taken it away.

2TIM3:1-5

207 I Timothy 3, Paul said, "Know this, in the last days that perilous times shall come. Men will be lovers of their own selves, proud, boasters, blasphemers, disobedient, unthankful, unholy, without natural affections, incontinent, despisers of those that are good, traitor, high-minded, having a form of godliness, and would deny the power thereof." Caterpillar sucked it out. Cankerworm got onto it a long time ago. We're going to bring that tree down in the hole just in a little bit, the Lord willing.

The largest place. Oh, sure! "Well, you know, our church last year accumulated so much."

Billy. Here it is. It's this man sitting here; colored man. You're bothered with back trouble too. That is right. You're a stranger to me, I am to you. But there's one thing you need better than a back trouble, that's give your heart to Christ and come bless you. Now, will you accept Him as your Saviour? You come from Ohio. That's right, from Ohio. Go back, be made well. Jesus Christ forgives your sins and you go home and be healed.

374 All right, sister, come. Complications, nervousness, and weary. Do you believe with all your heart that God will make you well? Go to your seat and say, "Thank You, Lord Jesus for all that You've done for me."

375 Do you believe that God will make you well and heal your back and make you well, and cure your kidney trouble? Go right on your road, rejoicing, say, "Thank you, Lord Jesus."

376 Do you believe, sonny, He makes you well? Say, "Thank you, dear God. Go, and just praising God."

377 Now, do you believe with all your heart, sister? Then go and Jesus Christ make you well. Just a moment. Oh, it wasn't her. Just then, it wasn't the lady there.

378 Just a moment. I'm seeing water, splashing or something. Somebody's here that's crossed the sea from somewhere. It's a woman, and she's come from Holland. Where is she? There she is. All right, sister, you've come a long ways for healing. Do you believe me to be his prophet? You suffer with rheumatism, arthritis, stiffness. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and take the message to your people. The Lord bless you.

379 Do you believe? Here, way back here at the back. It's a woman, sitting right back here, and she's suffering with a gall bladder condition. Oh, she's going to miss it. God help me. She comes from Indianapolis. Her name is Jewart. Stand up where you are, lady. There you are. Be made well in the name of Jesus Christ.

380 Do you all believe with all your heart? Is Jesus risen from the dead? [Unclear words.] Let's pray.

MARK16:20

381 Lord Jesus, may Your holy power come into the church now. [Unclear words]. In the name of Jesus Christ, may each person be healed.

thing in the name of Jesus Christ may death leave and life come into it. They shall lay their hands on the sick, they shall recover.

Want to believe? Can He make it feel better? Do you believe that female trouble's going to leave you? All right. Go to your seat and say, "Thank you, Lord."

372 How do you do, sir? Oh, that devil asthma. Just a moment. Just a moment, now. Something went wrong. Something didn't go wrong it went right. Now there's something in here similar that caught that man just at that time. Let me see again what it was. Now, just look at me, don't. . . . It's a colored man. Sitting right back here looking at me. He's got someone that's sick. That's right. Asthmatic and sinus. That's right. You touched Him. You're not from here, sir. You come from the East . . . Northeast, this way. You come from New York. That's right. You're Mr. Hunt. You believe now. That's your friend sitting there by you, praying. Do you believe me, sir, to be God's prophet? You come here with him. Your name is Coleman. You're praying for a father that smokes, that's "Thus saith the Lord." Go believe now.

You got a nervous stomach. That's your trouble, isn't that right? Go eat, in the name of the Lord Jesus. Do you believe He healed you? [unclear words] the Lord Jesus. Believe with all your heart.

You're bothered with a nervous trouble all upset. Believe with all your heart. Go home and be well.

Nervousness. Just believe with all your heart that God will make you well. Just don't doubt a bit.

Nervous and heart trouble. Do you believe that Jesus Christ will make you well? Be made well in the name of Jesus Christ.

Nervous upset, stomach trouble, heart trouble, gastric condition in your stomach, all your food is sour. Go, don't doubt in your heart and it'll come to pass, you won't have it no more.

373 Your back's been bothering you. Do you believe with all your heart? Then go, and Jesus Christ make you well. Just a moment. Hold still just a moment. Now something happened. This woman here's strange. That light circling her real fast and then run over and run right back again, something happened.

Just a moment. There's a colored man. I'm sure is wasn't the colored brother there 'cause it come. . . . Just a minute here it is. Sit back,

208 Oh, sure. The Catholic beat you by a million miles, sure did. It even got so much in Russia till they run it out and established communism. They did the same thing in Mexico, and they ought to do it all over the world where she's at. That's right.

Don't you never fear communism. Communism is a godless move, but you hear some of these preachers stand up in the pulpit condemning communism, communism. I don't believe in it either, but don't you . . . and telling the church, "Oh, we're all going to be swallowed up; whole world is going to become communist." That's exactly contrary to God's Word! There's no place the Bible says that that'll be that way.

209 But the Bible says that Romanism, the Catholic church will swallow the world! Take Daniel and find out. The head of gold--King Nebuchadnezzar, Babylonian kingdom--Medo-Persians succeeded him; the Grecian Empire succeeded that; and Rome went to the end! Them ten toes run in every kingdom under the earth. Don't you. . . .

There's an iron curtain; there's a bamboo curtain; and there's a purple curtain. Brother, don't you fear none of the rest of them, but watch that purple curtain. She's sitting right here on the throne today, in this country.

REV17:1-5

210 Remember, just like Ahab did, and Jezebel behind him, that's. . . . The Bible calls the Catholic church Jezebel, prostitute. And Ahab wasn't no bad guy; I don't say that Mr. Kennedy isn't a nice man, I don't know nothing about him. He's a man; that's all I know. He's the president; I believe he'll make a good president. It's not him, it's that system behind him. Wait till she gets wormed into the cabinet and everywhere she can, then watch what happens. Look what it done in other nations; look what it's always done.

211 And don't the Bible say in Revelations 13. . . . This nation's number thirteen: it's got thirteen stripes in the . . . thirteen stars in the flag, thirteen stripes in the flag, thirteen, everything in it's thirteen. Thirteen colonies, thirteen everything, and it's found in the 13th chapter of Revelations.

REV13:11,14

212 And the Bible said that she come up like a little lamb: freedom of religion; two little horns, civil and ecclesiastical. And after a while, they united, and he spoke like the dragon did, and done everything the dragon

did before him. And the Bible said they made a image unto the beast: the Confederation of Churches, what they got in right now here in New York City. And there that great big morgue up there; and all you Methodist, Baptist, and Pentecostals, and every one of you ecumenical people out here trying to do such things as that, and selling out your birthright to join that bunch of Babylon! What's the matter with you? Sure! Selling your birthright like Esau did, for a mess of pottage. That's all you're going to get; that's all--forming an image of the beast. Exactly. Don't you fear communism; you fear Catholicism.

213 Oh, He said it would come in with flatteries like a lamb; but said watch it, behind it it's a wolf. It's a sneaker; you watch it (yes, sir), 'cause it's contrary to the Word. What the Word says has to come to pass. Communism ain't doing nothing but playing right in the hands of God. That's exactly. And why do they have to do that? God had to permit communism, so that it would make these--His Word come to pass. Sure! That's. . . Did you realize that? Did you ever think of that? God has to make His Word come to pass.

1KNG22:5

214 Look, where there was four hundred prophets stood out there before Ahab and Jehoshaphat one day. Jehoshaphat's a righteous man; he said, "Well, before we go up to Ramoth-Gilead," said, "oughtn't we to consult the Lord?"

1KNG22:6

Ahab said, "Yeah, sure," see. (Jezebel behind it all, you know.) He said, "We'll. . . I got four hundred prophets here. We'll bring them up."

1KNG22:6

All fine people, brought them up; they all prophesied, said, "Go on up, the Lord is with you."

1KNG22:7

That didn't sound right to this godly man, the King of Israel, or the King of Israel up there. It didn't sound very right to him. He said, "Isn't there another one?"

1KNG22:6

Four hundred preachers, all ready in one accord, saying, "Go up, the Lord's done spoke to us and said, 'Go on up.' "

1KNG22:7

He said, "But, there ought to be another one somewhere."

367 All right. You come up now. Let's see. Is this the next person here? All right, sir. I suppose that we're strangers one to another, sir. If Jesus came to a man named Simon, told him about his position, and it made Simon go and believe with all of his heart, would it cause you to do the same thing? It would. Well, we being strangers. . . Now, God is no different between male or female. He's just the same; He's God.

368 Will you believe that that feeling that's around you now that God will be able to reveal to you, through me, his servant, that something that you're here for, or something's wrong with you, or whatever it is. You'll know whether it's the truth or not. All right. May He grant it. The man is coming into the vision . . . or, the vision's coming into the man. He is not here for sickness. He's here seeking the baptism of the Holy Ghost. That's what he's seeking. That is right, sir. Yes, sir. And you're not from here. You're from up the road, here; a place called Seymour, Indiana. That's where you're from. They call you Bill. Bill return back, receive the Holy Ghost.

369 Come, lady. Do you believe me to be His prophet? Do you believe that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, lives and do you believe it's Him permitting this to happen like this? (How many have we had? See, I don't want to get too weak.) All right. No, it's . . . you're not here for yourself. You're here for somebody else, and that somebody else isn't here. If I tell you what's the matter with that somebody else will you accept the healing and take . . . and believe? It's a cancer. Do you believe that they'll be healed? Then go praising the Lord Jesus.

HEB13:8

370 Do you believe, all of you? Do you believe that marking of the Holy Spirit? Isn't He wonderful? Will you believe Him? All right. How many have we had? Usually two or three is a confirmation. [Someone says, "Three, there's four even.] Four. Is this the fifth one standing here? All right. Let's us believe with all our hearts that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

MARK16:18

371 You're here for that baby. If God will reveal to me what's wrong with your baby, will you believe God will heal it? The little fellow has a serious heart trouble. That is right. The baby's not from here it's from out of town. It's out of state. Do you believe God can tell me where the baby come from? Will you believe and believe it will get well then? Take it back to Franklin. If you'll believe, only have faith. I condemn that evil

“Lord, let it be me.” Some of you people out there that won’t be in the prayer line, you pray.

JOHN11:11

363 Again I speak to you for your faith, see. If it could be did to that other woman, it can be done to you. It’s your faith, see. You’re the one that does it. It’s not me; it’s your faith in God. See, Jesus never said, “Oh, I knew I was going to meet that woman over there, no. But when the resurrection of Lazarus come, now, that’s what God [unclear words] to do, see. He preached what He was, went away, and then when He come back and said, “Lazarus sleepeth.” And He come back and He went and raised Lazarus from the grave, called his soul where he’d gone [unclear words]. He never said He got weak there, that was God using the gift. But this. . . . When that woman touched Him it was the woman using the gift of God. That’s the same thing here. It’s you doing it.

364 Now listen, on hunting trips where the . . . see, bear and where there’s different things and all these different things is foretold here. Told where they’d come to pass, just word by word. That’s God, that don’t bother me. But when the people begin to use the gift of God (see), you become God’s public servant, for you just to tap in the line, see. And then you touch Him with that, and He speaks back.

365 Now, just . . . now the woman is coming into the vision. She’s coming in . . . or, the vision’s moving in. Looks like you could see that around. The woman is sick. She’s really sick. She’s suffering one thing with a stomach trouble, awful bad. Raise up your hand if that’s true. And you have complications, and things, that is true. You also have someone with you, it’s your husband, and he’s sick. If God will reveal to me . . . to your husband what’s wrong with him will you believe me to be his prophet? The man is bothered with his eyes and his ears, and in a very bad condition. Do you believe God knows who you are? Would you believe me to be his prophet, his seer if I tell you who you are. You believe it? Mrs. Robertson. And you’re from Crooksville, Alabama. Return back to your husband and be well.

MARK9:23

366 Do you believe? All things are possible to them that believe. Take your position and believe that God does it. Now, don’t doubt, but just believe with all your heart that God will grant His healing to you and you can have whatever you ask for.

1KNG22:8

He said, “I got one, but I hate him.” Sure, absolutely. Yeah! Said, “He’s always bawling me out; he’s always saying evil against me.”

1KNG22:15,17

How could he do anything else, when the Word of God was against him? So they sent and got Micaiah. Micaiah said, “Go on up! Yes, that’s right; but I seen Israel scattered like sheep having no shepherd.”

1KNG22:24

And then that big preacher walked over to the bishop, and smacked him in the mouth, said, “Where’d the Spirit of God go when it went out of me?”

1KNG22:25

I imagine he said, “It wasn’t in you to begin with.” So then he said, “You’ll find out one of these days.” He said, “If. . . .”

1KNG22:27

Ahab said, “Put him back in the inner prison; feed him the bread of sorrow and the water of sorrow.” Said, “When I return in peace, I’ll deal with this fellow.”

1KNG22:28

He said, “If you return at all, then the Word of God hasn’t spoke to me.”

215 Why? Why? He was right with the Word, right with the Word. Any prophecy don’t stay with that Word. . . . That’s exactly. . . . That’s the reason I say today, no matter how good it looks, how many preachers are saying this, that, or the other, “Communism is going to take the world and throw it down”; don’t you never try to fight communism, fight Romanism! For that’s “Thus saith the Lord!”

The Lord said Romanism’s going to rule, not communism. It’s just a puppet. But you see, He had to do that.

The Lord told Micaiah, “I’ve got to send Ahab out there, have them preachers to say that, to send Ahab out there in order to make Elijah’s words come to pass.”

REV13:14

God had to let communism raise up. What did it do? Then it run all these here morgues together and made a Confederation of Churches, to join up to make an image of the beast; just what His Word said would take

place. Don't you worry about that. You watch the thing it's forming under. That's . . . umm!

216 I guess I'm wearing you out, but that's true. I don't know when I can speak to you again; I may never. We don't know; we may never meet again, but I want you to know what's truth. Watch, this Word is the truth. Not me, this Word; this is it. If my word's contrary to this, then don't you believe me, you believe that. Then if you say, "Well, we got that, and you're preaching contrary to it," then it's your duty to come to me. Right. It's your duty to come to me, see. Just come and let's see what's the Word.

REV20:8

217 Now, now, therefore we find out that it's communism that's gathered together. God said Gog and Magog there will gather together (sure!) to bring about the battle. That's exactly truth, 'cause it's going to bring these forces together. It has to come, the Bible said it would.

218 God planted this tree to bear spiritual fruit, and man has always tried to make it a artificial form, having a form of godliness, the largest buildings in the city (sure); millions of dollars. My goodness, and people preaching Jesus is coming, and spend six and eight million dollars on a building somewhere. And missionaries, I know missionaries on the field that's preaching the gospel without a pair of shoes on, eating two meals a week.

219 Can you see why, brother we. . . . What's the matter with people? I don't actually believe they believe that He's coming. Your words speak. . . . Well, your life speaks louder than your words; see. Them little missionaries over there, come up in my meeting, like that, no shoes on, a little pair of pants tied around him like that; living out there with fleas, and amoeba, and bugs and all kinds of sickness, and everything else out there; his little old hands eat up, and eat up with amoeba and everything else, standing there, say, "Are you Brother Branham?"

I just said, "Yes."

Said, "Oh, bless you. I always pray for you."

I thought, "Oh, God. Let that man pray for me; yes," I'd say, "That's the one."

"I read your articles, Brother Branham. You're sure telling the truth. We're right with you."

358 Do you believe the Lord Jesus? If that isn't the same Lord Jesus that was here in the days gone by revealing our [unclear words] . . . the woman, talk to her, ask her if those things I said was right. Just believe. Now are you satisfied? Now you know I couldn't do that. I'm a man. I'm your brother. But He's God.

MARK5:27,30 LUKE8:44,46

359 Now, let's see. Is this the next person? You that was in the prayer line. All right. Now, 'course that anointing, you realize it's weakened me like I don't know what. Now, Jesus, when that little woman touched His garment He said, "I perceive that virtue went from me." Is that right? That means strength. He got weak. And if that were to happen to the Word Hissself, what would it do to this one the Lord came to? If it did that to the Son of God, what would it come to me a sinner saved by his grace? It just swings me around, and 'round, see. But yet, I'm here to represent Him. I'm a poor representative. I repent of all my sins. That you won't look at what I am but look who He is. If you'll look that way.

360 Now, I'm a stranger to you. I don't know this woman either. We're strangers to one another. That's right. Now, if the Lord Jesus. . . . Me not knowing you and you not knowing me, if the Lord Jesus will reveal something to me that you're here for. Something you've done, something you ought not have done, or something in that way you know that you be an outstanding miracle. That's something that cannot be explained.

361 A miracle is something cannot be explained. Anyone knows that. That would be an outstanding miracle. It would be more of a miracle than if there was a lady sitting here in a wheelchair and have arthritis and all sewed up, I tell her "Get up and walk!", and she'd go walking out of there. Everybody'd scream at that. But you see, actually the power of her faith to believe. Just get up and walk . . . could do that. But to go back yonder and pull out a life somewhere, that takes more than that. That's just God doing it. For you can say, you know whether it's God or not.

362 Now, something happened somewhere else. Now, wait. It's left here. It's gone in the audience somewhere, somewhere. It's gone, now, just a minute. Let me talk to the woman just a few minutes. Just be real reverent and watch. Now, just pray; be praying. Why don't you pray

can tell you that, He can surely tell you then what will be if He'd already tell you what you've done. That did it. Surely that would reveal Messiah.

352 In back of it before of it, and all of it makes it right. Will the congregation believe on Him? Exactly right. I believe you'll believe whether He did it or not. . . . Still believe it but this only cranks it down.

353 Now, I'm just looking at the woman and she's becoming anointed. She's aware being a stranger to me. But just let me show you now. Many of you have seen that picture out there, that light. That's exactly what's hanging right here between me and that woman. Don't you see that? Kind of a green, yellowish-green emerald light as we call it. That's what's making her feel . . . now just let me show you something. You feel a real sweet humble feeling, is that right, lady? Raise up your hand so the people can see. She can't help but be excited.

354 Now, I could break in on her. I don't know her. It depends, it'd have to be God. I can't do it myself, it's God. Yes, the lady is really by natural would be pending an operation. She's got something that the doctor would tell her that must be operated for but she doesn't go to them. That is right.

355 And she has. . . . It's a growth. And that growth is on the right side near the spine. That's right. If that's right raise up your hand so people see. Now do you believe? Now you won't see it, but if you believe it with all your heart [unclear words]. All right.

Now you say, "Maybe you guessed that Brother Branham."

356 You can't guess that in a million times [unclear words]. Just let her stand there. It's gone from you right now. Let's see, just a moment. She seems to be all right--a Christian. Now, let's see. Now just If He won't tell us something else that would be. . . . Yes. Here she comes right back. It's up to Him. She's. . . . Yes, it's a growth that the doctors would remove and it would cause her trouble. But she is going to trust Christ for it. And now . . . only that she isn't from around here and she brought somebody with her. It's her husband and he's suffering too. That's right.

357 Do you believe God can tell me what . . . I'm looking right at the man here that's with you, what's wrong with him. Well tell him just go eat his dinner, his stomach trouble's just left him. Is Jesus Christ doing that? You're from Tennessee. Ashland. Right. Mrs. Denkly. All right you can go back home and be well.

Oh, brother, that's the boy; that's him. Poor little guy.

Hear somebody say, "You know who that is?"

"Oh," said, "he don't belong to our organization."

I said, "Who is he?"

"Why, he ain't with us."

"Well, who is he?"

"Oh, he's a independent."

"Oh, he is? Uh-huh. Well, what does he do?"

"Oh, he's got a little work out there. He won't join in with us."

"Well, I want to know about him."

220 You know, when I was a little boy, hunting apples in the apple orchard, I always found the tree had all the clubs under it, you know. Got clubbed right good and hard; there's where the good apples was.

They say, "Well, he's just a holy roller."

221 You know, you always put the scarecrow where the good tree's at. The devil does the same thing. Scare you off of it. Don't you worry, go right on in behind that scarecrow.

222 I was watching a groundhog one day, eating butter beans I was planting. Every time I'd plant a row of butter beans, that little guy'd come out and eat them up. I thought, "I'll scare the life out of him." So I got me a paper sack, and (I'm really an artist, you ought to see me) I drew what I thought was a scary picture. (Oh, it was scary too, if I drew it.) And I put it on a sack, and put me some butter beans in it, and hung it on a stick; and when the wind would blow, it'd shake like that.

223 Out of the hole come the little groundhog, you know, and he'd run down through there eating butter beans; and he run right up against this sack. He backed off and looked at it, looked over like that; and he went "Huh!", jumped at it; and well, the sack stood still. He looked at it again, you know, looked it all over again. He looked back and seen them butter beans went on down the row; and they were good, you know, so he looked at that scarecrow in his way. So he walked up and kept getting a little closer, like that, trying to scare it, and it wouldn't move. Don't matter, it's dead; that's all them scarecrows are. So he just. . . .

224 What he done, he took his little foot and hit that sack; and it went rattle, rattle. He jumped back and looked at it like that. He hit it again: rattle, rattle. That's all it is, just a rattle; like the Irishman's owl, all fuss and feathers and no owl, you know. So he just . . . he hit it like that, and it rattled four or five times like that. You know what he done? Went right on around behind the sack and went on eating my butter beans. Knowed more about good than I did, see.

225 What was it? You see, he wasn't letting the scarecrow stop him. There's something good behind the scarecrow. When they tell you, "Oh, they're holy rollers," just go right on around behind that scare and go on in, see. Go on in and believe it, see. Might be some Holy Spirit there too (you see), you can't tell, see. All right. Oh, that done it.

226 Let's look at this denominational caterpillar at work, church natural, church spiritual. . . . Watch this old caterpillar now when he denominates it. He's already got the bark eat off, and the fruits eat off of it; and, oh brother, it's all gone; all the gifts of the Spirit's gone, no divine healing, no speaking in tongues, no prophecy, no nothing; don't believe in prophets; they don't believe in these things; they don't know. All man-made, everything they got's man-made, artificial, see. All right.

GEN21:10

227 The church natural. There is a church natural; that's the one's made up by man. Church spiritual. You know, the Bible says that. Yes, sir! Church natural and church spiritual. And the Bible says, "Cast out the bondswoman and her child (Hagar), for she will not be heir with the freewoman and her child," see.

228 So the natural church, that's going to inherit what? The binding of the sheaves, the binding of the bundles to be burned; and she will not inherit, be heir, with the freewoman. If the bondswoman is in bondage with her organization children, she will not be heir with the freewoman; because the freewoman's children is going in the rapture. And the bondswoman's children is going to stand in the judgment. Cast out . . . Spirit. . . . Yes sir! The caterpillar, denominational Esau. Now, Esau (as Esau and Jacob, both of them twins, both of them religious)--Esau was a carnal man; he was a good man. He didn't. . . . Say, well now, he didn't go out and steal, drink, anything like that; he was a religious man, but he thought, "Well, as long as I'm religious, what difference does it make?"

229 But little old Jacob, he didn't care how he had to get it, that birthright's what he wanted. No matter how he got it, just so he got it. If

I don't know her. God knows her. He knowed her before there ever was a world. He knew her. He knew she'd stand right there. He knew I'd stand right here, for He's infinite. Is that right?

JOHN4:19,25

347 Now, if He's infinite and knew it then He knows why the woman's standing there. Then the same God that. . . . Jesus, when He was here on earth with the God in Him had talked to the woman at the well and told her something's wrong with her. We all know what it was, don't we? And she said, "Sir, You must be a prophet." That was her first expression. Now we know that it's time for the Messiah to be here which is called the Christ and when He comes that's going to be the thing He does."

HEB13:8

348 Now, if He's the same yesterday, today, and forever and promised by this Word, that I just preached, that in the evening time He would be here and do the same thing. Then we're looking for it, aren't we? Looking for that resurrection of that church. Now, if He will perform to this woman the same as He did back there that confirms the Word that it's right.

349 Now the lady just held her hand, to these here, that we're strangers one to another. I don't know her, never seen her. She's just a stranger standing here. So are you out there, many of you. I know some of these people sitting along here. I don't know many. I know Mrs. Collins here I'm sure of that. Sister . . . Ben's wife. And I seen Brother and Sister Dauch here awhile ago, to the right, Brother and Sister Dauch. Brother over there on the end. I know some of you around here but I don't know too many of you, 'cause I'm not in here very much to get acquainted. And we have strangers in here and so you just pray.

350 I be a stranger to you. I profess that the evening lights have come. And the evening lights would be the same as the morning light. It would reveal the same mysterious fruits of God, spiritually speaking. That is right. I'm only talking to you like He did that woman at the well.

JOHN4:7

351 He said, "Bring me a drink." I'm saying the same thing. It's not me it's Him. But if He will reveal to me what you're standing there for, if He will reveal to me what you're there for, then you'll know that He does know all about your life. If He'll tell you something that has been (see), you know whether that's right or not. Then if He knows what has been,

342 Look down this prayer line. There isn't one person in that prayer line that I know. They're every one strangers to me. All you in that prayer line that's strangers to me and I don't know nothing about you, your troubles or nothing raise up your hands. Everyone along in the prayer line. How many in the audience is strangers to me and I don't know nothing about you? You have the same authority out there as these do here only I'm singling out one person at a time. Here . . . (let me take this around here. Can you hear now with this?)

JOHN14:12

343 This lady here. . . . Here's a man and woman meeting again. I don't know her, never seen her. She's a stranger to me, but . . . just a perfect stranger. I'm only acting upon the basis of that Word. That Word said, "The works that I do, shall you do also, if you believe in Me." The other morning when that vision come again, after thousands of them, it said, "The never failing presence of Jesus Christ is with you wherever you go." I believe that, with all my heart. If I never see you again, do you believe that to be the truth?

344 Here's a woman I've never seen in my life. She's just a woman that received a prayer card. The way the boy usually does it: he comes in here, takes the prayer cards and shuffles them all up together before you people. He gives anybody a prayer card that wants one wherever it is. No one knows where the line's going to start or nothing about it. Therefore the boy couldn't say, "Well now here you give me so much I'll put you up front, be sure that you're there." He don't know himself. Nobody knows. We just start where . . . as long as the Spirit says "Call" we call from right there. And I trust sometimes that he'll give somebody one here especially that somebody that hasn't never . . . a stranger that I don't know.

345 Now, if this woman standing here . . . she has something wrong. She may be sick. She maybe have somebody else sick. She maybe just standing there. Maybe she's putting on like she's sick. And maybe she's just standing there, trying to expose something. If she is, just watch what happens, see. You may have seen that tried too, haven't you? Yes, sir. Watch them pack her out the door dead. So, now, you just find out see if it's right or not.

346 Come, lady. Now we're not playing church friends. We're at the end time. The fruit's at the top of the tree, it's ripening. That's right. The Lord's coming.

he had to get down at the altar, and scream, and cry, and "boo-hoo," and snot (excuse me,) or you know, go out, water in his eyes (I didn't mean to say that), and so (excuse me), so get down at the altar and cry through till he got it, why, he got it, see. He didn't care how he got it, just so he got it.

230 Some of them says, "Brother Branham, them people down there boo-hooing on that altar, and crying, and crying. I don't want it that way."

Well, you won't get it.

The old darkie, colored brother, down in the South, one time, was always happy. And his boss said, "What makes you so happy all the time, boy?"

He said, "I got heart-felt religion."

Said, "There is no such a thing."

He said, "You made one mistake. As far as you know there's no such a thing." He knowed different than that. He said, "As far as you know--you should have said it that way."

One day he said, "I want to get some of that heart-felt religion."

He said, "When do you want it?"

He said, "Now."

Said, "Well, let's go get it."

231 He went out and he said, "Here's a hayloft. It's nice," he said, "the wife won't hear me and anything out here." Said. . . . That's the way people want it, you know, hand it to them on a platter. Said, "We'll kneel down here."

The old brother said, "You don't get it here."

Well, so he went down to the stall; he said, "Will we get it here?"

Said, "No!"

He said, "We'll go over at the corn crib."

Said, "No!"

Said, "Where do you get it?"

Said, "Follow me."

He pulled up his pants legs, walked out in the pig pen as hard as he could, in the mud, said, "Come out here, here's where you get it!"

He said, "I don't want to come out there."

Said, "You don't want it yet, boss! That's right! You don't want it."

232 You know, Naaman thought that too, Naaman. Naaman said, "Now, I want to get rid of my leprosy."

2KNG5:10

233 Elijah said, "You go down there to the muddy Jordan, where she empties into the Mediterranean there." Said, "She's muddy as it can be. Dip down there seven times."

2KNG5:1,12

234 "Oh!" Naaman said, "My goodness! Aren't the waters better up around Damascus and up there. Ooo, they're pretty and clear up there." (My, we seen it here the other night on the film here, you know), "Oh," said, "why we don't want to go down there; I can't go down. You know who I am? I'm the captain of the guard; I'm the general of the host."

"Well, if you want to get rid of your leprosy, go on down there. But if you want to keep it, go on up there."

He said, "Dip," and I can see him walking out in that water. Could you imagine? Oh, that hurt his prestige. I can see him, you know, tip-toeing out like this, nose-holding, you know.

That's the way some people try to come to Christ. "I'd like to get healed; I'd like to, you know, go to heaven, but, oh, my, what if the rest of them looking at me.

Oh, you hypocrite, you'll never get it anyhow. That's all there is to it anyhow, see. You'll never get it anyhow. Don't worry; you don't want it enough yet. That's right. You don't want it enough; that's exactly. When you're ready to get it, you'll get it all right. God will give it to you when you're ready. All right.

235 Now . . . or the denominational caterpillar's eating up all things. Notice, each insect, each one of these insects, when he was working on the tree, he made a way for the other one was going to follow him. Oh, he's a smart guy. Yes, sir, see. He took away the fruits (see), the Spirit,

Let's hum closely now, all together, while they gather, "Only Believe."

Only believe, only believe;
All things are possible, only believe;
Only believe, just only believe; (Believe
what? His Word He promised. For what?)
All things are possible, only believe.

MATT17:15,16 MARK9:17,18

337 Coming down off the mountain, there stood the disciples; they were defeated on that epilepsy case, the father standing there looking at his child, crying. The disciples were going through all their maneuvers, but it wouldn't work. Jesus come walking up; some of them said, "There He is." Somebody pointed them to Jesus, away from the clergy to Jesus. That's where I want to point people, not to me or some church, but to Jesus. Said, "He is able."

MATT17:15,16 MARK9:17,18

338 So the father run, fell down at His feet, and said, "Lord, have mercy on my child! He's variously vexed with a devil. He . . . times, the way he froths at the mouth; he falls into spasms"--epilepsy. He said, "And I've took him everywhere, and even Your disciples couldn't do nothing for him."

MARK9:23

339 Jesus said, "I can, if you'll believe. For all things are possible to him that believes."

Just only believe (the same yesterday,
today, and forever. They're all in now.
Get quiet.), only believe;
All things are possible, (What a time!)
only believe;
Only believe, just only believe;
All things are possible, just only believe.

340 Oh, Lord, the Word's laying all around here now; let the evening light shine, Lord. Make it live. Through Jesus Christ's name I pray. Amen.

341 Now, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I take every spirit in here under my control for His glory!

standing there, who had the rights to stand and everything; so she couldn't stand up there. So she just crawled around till she got there and touched His garment; she said, "I believe He's just exactly. . . . He brings us the truth, the life. I believe He's the Word of God, and if I can just touch Him, I'll be made whole."

EPH4:8 HEB1:3 HEB4:14,15 HEB8:1

334 Do you believe? Could you believe the same thing that woman believed, that He is the Word of God? Now, the Bible says today that He's a high priest, our high priest right now. Do you believe that? After His resurrection and His ascension--He ascended on high and give gifts to men--and now He is sitting at the right hand of God, the majesty on high and to make intercessions upon what we confess, Is that right? And He's a high priest that can be what? Touched. By what? The feeling of our infirmities. Now, if He. . . . Do you believe He is the same?

MARK5:27,30 LUKE8:44 JOHN3:2

335 Now, look! If you come here, and just touch me all day long, it wouldn't make a bit of difference. If you touched any other brother, sister, it wouldn't make much difference--just the order of laying on hands, is all. But if you just touch Him. . . ! That's all you have to do! And look, if you touch Him with some kind of a ritual like they did. . . . They said, "Oh, we believe this great teacher this is a prophet." He didn't say nothing. But that little woman had a certain thing that touched Him--her faith! She touched His garment, and He said, "Who touched Me?"

HEB4:15 HEB13:8

336 Don't you believe that the Bible says He's the same high priest today He was then, that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities? You can touch Him out there whether you're in this prayer line or not! If you are sick, or if you've got a loved one that's sick, if you've got something on your heart, you just reverently come before God and say, "God, I don't know about that man standing there; he's a little bald-headed man, he's nothing, but I believe that what he preached is the truth; and I believe that he said the right thing, that You are the high priest. Now, I want to touch You. And if he's told me the truth, then You use his lips to speak back and tell me, like You did the woman back there." See if He's the same yesterday, today, and forever! Do that! If that isn't just to make Him the same yesterday, today, and forever. . . . Isn't it? Now, everyone keep your position and just reverently pray.

[Brother Branham continues calling prayer line.]

so what? He could take the fellowship away (see), the leaves. So the other side come along and he made his own living, took the leaves off. What did he do that? He took the leaves off so there'd be no coolness and freshness there the people could see, so he could get into the bark, see.

236 He'd get into the bark, and bore into the ridge, and take the doctrine away from them (see), the very thing that supports the life. And then, as soon as he got holes bored into that, he had the next fellow come along, the old sucker caterpillar, that's took the denomination and sucked it up and organized it so you can't get it. And what did the life do? Go right down into the roots. That's exactly right, run it right down at the roots. All right.

Now, the same insect bored to the heart till it got to the life. It kept coming through the fruit, through the leaves, through the bark, until it got right to the heart, the lifeline. All right.

237 Now, let's look at the destroyer at work. The first . . . (I'm going to have to skip some of this here, I believe. No, I ain't. Just. . . .) The first thing this fellow did as soon as he got into the heart of the tree. . . .

238 Let's watch him back in his first stage, before he ever got started too good; let's watch him. Now, let's watch him at work. The first thing that he condemned was to destroy the first, real, precious fruit tree that God had on earth.

239 Now, if you can bear with me just a few more minutes, I want you to get this now. Don't. . . . This is your Easter message coming right now, see.

The first thing that he did, he destroyed God's first, precious fruit tree, Christ. He was that tree from the garden of Eden. That's right. The first fruit tree, he destroyed it. The first one God planted here on earth was Christ; he destroyed that tree that was bearing His fruit. Now, they had all kind of organizations, and he just had that in his hands; but when he come to a tree that bore the actual fruit, that Roman bug got in there (see), destroyed the tree.

JOHN10:37

240 The tree? Yes. Jesus said, "If I (in St. John), if I do not the works of my Father, or have not the fruits of my Father, don't believe Me." He was bearing the fruit of God. What kind of a fruit did He bear? What kind of fruit? Let's watch Him for a few minutes. We've went

through it many times, let's just take a little preliminary one, for the people that's sitting here waiting for a minute to be prayed for.

JOHN1:42

241 What was the first thing they knowed . . . recognized Him to be the Messiah? When Peter first came to Him (and Andrew had brought him), and He looked at Peter and said, "Your name is Simon, and you are the son of Jonas."

JOHN1:42

242 He knew right then, according to the Scripture, that that was the Messiah. They'd been. . . . Did you know they'd been many raised up before that, according to history, and called themselves "Messiah," but none of them could do this; 'cause the Messiah Moses said (the word of God, which cannot fail, was spoke by Moses), he said, "Your Messiah will be a prophet like me." And so, when this stranger walked up before Jesus, and Jesus said, "Behold, your name is Simon, and you're the son of Jonas," Peter knowed right then who He was. He knew that was Him.

JOHN1:47

243 When Nathanael went and got Philip . . . or Philip went and got Nathanael, rather, and brought him over there, and Nathanael, a great man (see), great man, religious man (and Philip telling him about, on the road over, what He'd done to Simon)--and when Nathanael walked up in the presence of Jesus, what did Jesus say? He said, "Behold, an Israelite in whom there's no guile!"

JOHN1:48

He said, "Rabbi, when did You know me?"

JOHN1:48

He said, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the tree, I saw you."

JOHN1:49

He said, "Rabbi, Rabbi, You are the Son of God; You are the King of Israel."

JOHN10:37

See? Why? That's the fruit. "If I do not the works of my Father. . . ." He knowed the very thoughts that was in their hearts.

MATT9:22 MARK5:30,34 LUKE8:45,48

244 A woman touched His garment one time, and went off and sat down in the congregation. Jesus looked around and said, "Who touched

cross over You to get by it then, Lord. Then it won't be my interpretation; it'll be Yours. Grant it, Lord. And if I be Your servant, and my sin's forgiven, and You've called me for this work, then speak, Lord. I pray that You'll grant it.

LUKE17:28,30 JOHN4:18

331 Heal the sick and afflicted everywhere in Jesus' name I pray. And if You'll just make Yourself known to us now, just like You did there at the well with that woman when You talked with her. You told her something that was wrong with her--she had five husbands. Now, You promised to do it in the evening time. You've promised to do it in the last days. You said, "And so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man. As it was in the days of Lot, so will it be"-- God, living in human flesh, moving among us in the form of His church in the Holy Spirit, performing the same signs. Grant it, Lord, just today. Won't You, Father?

Then, I pray that You'll let the people see it, and everyone be healed and saved for the glory of God. Amen.

Now, I'm going to call your attention now, if you'll just be real reverent for a few minutes. Now, everybody just quiet as you possibly can be now.

JOHN5:19 JOHN4:10,12

332 Are you sure that you're realizing the position that I'm in here now? I preached the Word here, the Word of God I've said it's all true. Jesus said "He that believeth in me, the works that I do shall he also." Now, I want to ask you a question, and be careful whether you say "amen" or not, now. Jesus, Himself, never claimed to heal anybody. That is true. He said, "It's not Me that doeth the works; it's My Father that dwelleth in Me." Is that right? And Jesus said in St. John 5:19, "Verily, verily (absolutely), I say unto you, the Son [Himself, as a man-- He was just a tabernacle where God lived, see.]," He said, "the Son can do nothing in Himself, but what He sees the Father doing; that doeth the Son likewise." Otherwise: "The Father shows Me a vision of what to do, and I do just as He tells Me."

MATT9:20,21 MARK5:25,27,28 LUKE8:43

333 Now, one day we find that there was, say, a little woman couldn't get in the prayer line. She had a blood issue, and she'd had it for many years, so she just touched His garment, saying within herself. . . . She was insignificant. She was just a poor, little, old woman, didn't have no money; and she couldn't get up there with them priests and all of them

Now, we know, Father, no matter what we would say, it's still Word and we believe it. But we would desire Thee, Lord, on this Easter morning, that Thou would prove to this congregation, maybe some here for their first time, that You are still Jesus, that You're not a dead form, that You are a living, resurrected God, that You live among us today. Grant that, Father, and we'll praise Thee, through Jesus' name. Amen.

327 How many in here is sick? Let's see you hands. Raise up your hands. Oh, did. . . . Is Billy Paul, did he get. . . . I believe he give out prayer cards. Didn't he? What were they? E-1 to 100. We can't take them all, but let's get a few of them. Just stand them right along here, if you will.

[Brother Branham calls prayer line.]

Now, if. . . . Everybody just keep your place just a moment now, just real quiet now. Now, this is going to be the proof. This is the proof.

[Brother Branham continues calling prayer line.]

Well, it seems like you quit coming. Well, we'll start there! That's all right. Maybe in a few minutes. . . . All right, let's pray now.

328 Father God, just a word from You will mean so much. Let the people see, Lord. I've tried to be honest, tried to tell them Your Word. Lord, forgive Your servant's mistakes. I just make so many of them, Lord. I pray that You'll not look at Your servant's mistakes, but You'll look at Your Word, which I'm trying to preach. Lord, I thank You for it. I'm glad with all my heart. Lord, it's more than life to me. I give my life anytime for it. I know it's true; it's Your Word.

329 And please forgive my stupid ways, Lord. Many times that I josh and joke that I shouldn't do. I'm ashamed of that, Lord. I just come from that kind of a family. You just overlook it, please, Father, if You will. Cover it with Your blood; that's what I ask You to do. Just. . . . I confess it. You can't overlook it, but You can forgive me when I confess it.

330 Now, I've confessed my sins; I confess the sins of this people. I pray, God, that You'll forgive them, each one. And people, may they realize that we're just not trying to put on some kind of an act. It is the Holy Spirit in the last days bearing record of His Word, as I have just said it. But, Father, no matter. . . . I'm just a man; and if I'd say it, they'd say, "That's his interpretation. That's what he thinks about it." But, Father, if You'll just speak and prove that it's right, then they'll have to

me?" All of them denied it. He looked around, and saw her. She had a blood issue and He said, "Your faith has saved you."

JOHN4:7

245 Oh, my! The little Samaritan woman. . . . Now remember, He never went to the Gentiles like that. No, sir! He told His disciples not to go to them. That's us; this is our day. He went in the form of the Holy Spirit to us, as He said He would be. But when He went to them, what happened? When He went to the Samaritan woman, the woman said . . . He said to her, "Bring me a drink."

JOHN4:9

And she said, "It's not customary for you, being a Jew, to ask me a Samaritan."

246 Had segregation by their colors and so forth. He let them know right then there was no difference, was all came off the same tree. We're all sons and daughters of God; we're all . . . see.

JOHN4:12

And He said . . . she said, "Well, we worship our father, Jacob." (See? And that was the Jews' father too, see.) "Our father, Jacob, dug this well, and you say you're greater than he?"

JOHN4:10

And He said, "The waters that I give you is everlasting life," see. He said. . . .

JOHN4:20

"Well, we worship in this mountain, and you in Jerusalem."

JOHN4:16

He said, "Go get your husband and come here. This'll settle it."

JOHN4:17

She said, "I don't have any husband."

JOHN4:17,18

Said, "You've said right." Said, "You've had five, and the one you got now is not your husband."

JOHN4:25

She said, "Sir, you know, it's been four hundred years since we had a prophet; but you must be a prophet. How did you know that I had five husbands?" She said, "Now, we know that the . . . it's time for the Messiah to be here, which is called the Christ. And when He comes, He'll tell us these kind of things."

Oh, there's His fruit. He said, "I am He!"

JOHN4:26

JOHN4:28,29

247 She left the pot, the old water pot of organization. Into the city she went. No matter how much well Jacob had she'd found a new spring. Into the city she went, and said, "Come, see a man who told me the things I done. Isn't this the very Messiah? Isn't this the fruit, isn't this the evidence that that is the Messiah?"

MATT12:24 MARK3:22 LUKE11:15

The Jews couldn't understand it. They said, "He's a fortune-teller, Beelzebub."

MATT12:31 LUKE12:10

248 Jesus said, "I forgive you. But sometime the Holy Ghost is coming and do the same thing; and you speak against that, it'll never be forgiven you."

MATT23:27 JOHN10:37

Now, "If I do not the works of My Father, don't believe Me"; but that fruit tree was bearing the fruit. Now watch. What did He say; What kind of a church did He set up? Now, you Catholics that want to say that Jesus set up a church, what kind of church did He set up? Did He ever mention a denomination, a creed? He was always against it. He said, "You whited walls! You dead men's bones!"

249 He called them everything that He could call them, that's right. He was against it. That was the fruit of God. Now, you can make two and two, four if you want to. All right.

MATT23:29 JOHN8:41,44

250 He was against the thing, organization, against their theories, called them hypocrites, snakes in the grass, and said they were devils. He said, "You are of your father, the devil; and his works you'll do. Which one of your fathers didn't persecute the prophets I sent before you?" See? Said, "Then you build their tombs." Said, "You're the ones put them in there."

JOHN8:46

251 Oh, brother, He didn't pull no punches with them. That's right. That was the fruit of God. What was it? Stay with the Word of God, make the Word of God manifest. He said, otherwise, "What did the Scripture say I, the Messiah, would do when I come. Now, if I don't bear that fruit of that Word, then I'm not the Messiah. But if I bear the fruit of

yonder, that all the denominations has refused, and refused, and refused; but there'll come a light forth. There will come a light, will rise. Whereabouts? Over in Jerusalem? No, sir! The evening lights will not rise in Jerusalem. The evening lights goes where? In the West! They had their day and refused it, but the evening light shall rise in the West. What for? To shine upon the Word. What? To ripen the fruit, bring forth the bride tree with the same signs, wonders, and fruits that they had at the beginning. "It shall be light in the evening time." That's right.

324 Oh, the Word will then bring forth its fruit in its season. It shall not wither, but it'll bring forth its fruit, David said, in its season (Amen!), same fruit it had at the beginning.

JOEL2:25

325 Now, with His Word in His predestinated stage, as He's got it now, and we see these words all being manifested, what is it? It's a perfect a-vindication that the coming of the Lord is at hand, and the time when He said, "I will restore, saith the Lord, all that them cankerworms (all that the Methodists left), all that the caterpillar has eaten, all that this done there, till they stripped it down; but I will restore it in the evening time." Oh, my! Whew! I believe I could almost preach now; honest I feel like I really could.

Oh, how I love Jesus,
Oh, how I love Jesus,
Oh, how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me!

I'll never forsake Him,
I'll never forsake Him,
I'll never forsake Him,
Because He first loved me!

Amen. Don't you love Him? I just love Him with all my heart. Shall we have a prayer line?

JOEL2:25

326 Father God, into Your hands I commend this message. Though it's been chopped up, some way I pray that the Holy Spirit will go with it on these tapes and across the nations. And if I shall be taken from the earth, may this live, Lord. It's Your Word. Let the evening light shine, Lord, bring forth this glorious bride of Christ. Bless it, Lord, may it not return to You void. May it accomplish that which it has been purposed for. Grant it, Father. All praises shall be Thine.

For the day of redemption is near;
 Men's hearts are failing for fear;
 (atomics and everything else)
 But be filled with the Spirit
 Your lamps trimmed and clear,
 Look up, your redemption is near. (Amen!)

GEN18:9

320 Restore all the signs, the sign of Lot at the end time. We've went through that. How that Lot. . . . This angel of Jehovah, made flesh among the people, sat with His back turned to the tent and said, "Where is Sarah, thy wife?"

GEN18:9

"In the tent behind You."

GEN18:10,12,13

He said, "I'm going to visit you." And Sarah laughed. He said, "Why did Sarah laugh?" Her in the tent. Amen!

LUKE17:30

321 Jesus said it'll be the same thing at the coming. Oh, then the evening light of Malachi 4 comes shining through the darkness (Amen!) to bring the evening light on the predestinated Word. Hallelujah!

JOEL2:25

322 What's that fourth message to be? What's that fourth messenger? To shine the light on the Word. The Word's predestinated, it has to come forth; something has to do it, for God said, "I will restore, saith the Lord. I will restore." That's right. The evening light comes shining through on that predestinated Word. Yes, sir!

Oh, it shall be light in the evening time;
 The path to glory you will surely find;
 In the water way is the light today,
 Buried in the precious name of Jesus.
 Young and old, repent of all your sins;
 The Holy Ghost will surely enter in;
 For the evening lights have come.
 It is a fact that God and Christ are one.

ZECH14:7

323 There you are. One together, one in us. The same signs human beings can't do, is manifesting themselves. Comes out, the Word, to bring forth the predestinated Word of God out of the roots of the tree back

that Word, that the Messiah was supposed to do, then I am Him. (Amen!) Now, which one of you can condemn Me of sin," He said. There you are. "Which one of your organizations does this same thing?" There you are. The Messiah was supposed to do this; and Messiah is supposed to be a prophet. "Now, let's see some of you all," He said, "with all your highfalutin ideas, let's see you do it." Now, they was silent. All right.

252 What was it? He bore the fruit of God. The Holy Spirit was in Him; He bore God's fruit. What was He? Now, listen close. I'll hurry as quick as I can, so I won't delay you for your Easter dinner. Look, but your Easter dinner should be the resurrection, see.

JOHN14:12

253 But watch. He was God's perfect prophet tree, the example tree, the bridegroom tree. Amen! Glory! (I'm going to say something directly.) If He is the bridegroom tree (do you believe it?) from the garden of Eden, then the bridegroom tree without the female don't bear fruit. So He's got to have a bride tree; she's got to be born of the same material, the Word made flesh in the tree. (I hope you get it.) The same life in this female tree, the bridegroom, as it is in the bride. "The works that I do shall you also." Is that right? He was the bridegroom. Remember. . . .

JOHN15:5

254 You say, "That ain't scriptural." Oh, it is! I caught that now, see. We're fixing to have a healing meeting in a minute. I caught that. He was! You want proof of it? He said, "I am the vine; ye are the branches (St. John); I am the vine; you are the branches; you bear the fruit," see. And the male tree and the female tree produces the pollen one to the other it brings the fruit. And the branch and the vine does the same thing, see. That's exactly right.

AMOS3:7 JOHN1:1 HEB1:1

255 So He said. . . . Now, this first tree was a prophet tree, a perfect tree; the God of the prophets. He was a major tree; He was God's perfect prophet tree. Why? He was the Word. Now, the others was minor prophets. The Word came to the prophets, but He was the Word, Himself, in form of a prophet. Amen! (Now, we're getting somewhere!)

256 Now, listen real close, don't miss this now. It was so good that I just wrote it out down here. [A car horn sounds.] Amen! Somebody shouting out, and making their horn shout out there. Just. . . . Oh, I hope you're having a good time out there; we are in here. All right.

GEN3:24

257 Now, He was God's prophet tree. Why? He preached all the perfect Word of God, for He was the Word of God made manifest. He was the perfect prophet tree that preached the perfect prophet Word that brought forth the perfect prophet fruit, by the perfect Word of God. Oh, brother, talk about a tree! A tree! He was that life tree, that the angel kept Eve and Adam away from with a guarding cherubims, away from that tree. Now, the same cherubims is trying to run them into it, 'cause there's been a way made for them, see. Now, they're pulling back. Oh, human beings, mmm!

MATT4:6,7 LUKE4:10

258 Now, preached all the Word; He didn't cut here or there. When Satan come to Him, that great theologian, and said, "It is written. . . !" Jesus said, "Yes, and it's also written. . . ."

MATT4:6 LUKE4:10

"But it's written. . . ."

MATT4:7

And He said, "And it's also written. . . ."

Perfect prophet tree preaching perfect prophet's Word, with perfect prophet signs, perfect prophet results, perfect fruits of the Spirit. And for a mockery (I'm going to go through this pretty fast now, 'cause. . .), for a mockery, they hanged Him on (He was the Word, you know), they hanged Him, the Word tree, the Word tree, hung Him on a man-made Roman tree. Hmmm, brother, I hope that got home! Him being God's perfect spiritual tree, they hung Him on a man-made Roman tree. Amen!

259 Same now. They're trying to take God's perfect tree, the Word, and mix it and hang it up yonder on some kind of a creed. Death and life won't mix. Jesus never did attend a funeral service; He'd raise the dead. Why? Death and life cannot stay together; they're contrary one to the other. He didn't preach no funerals, He just raised them up. Amen! Yes! Why? Life and death.

DEUT21:23 GAL3:13

Now look, they hanged Him on a tree. Is that right? "Cursed is he that hangs on a tree." Is that right? The Bible said, "Cursed is he that hangs on any man-made tree."

260 So if today, you're trying to hang on some kind of a man-made tree, turn loose of it; and don't let it hang you there either, 'cause that's a

the life only come, not when the sinew skin was on them, but when the wind blowed upon them. That's when it come back, that fourth message of life! "I will restore, saith the Lord." Hallelujah! Glory! Praise be to God!

JOHN1:1

318 The fourth light is to come that will bring forth the same signs. Watch! Justification brought back the pulp. Sanctification brought back the bark, doctrine of holiness. What brought back the leaf? Pentecostals. What is it? Pentecostals, leaves, clap their hands, joy, rejoicing--Pentecostal. What? The fourth was the Word, itself. The Word made flesh, fruits of the proof of the resurrection sign that Christ has finally, after justification being planted sanctification being planted, baptism of the Holy Ghost. Organizations died out, and Christ has again centered Himself like that cap of the pyramid.

319 First line, justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost, then coming of the cap. What is it? That Holy Ghost bunch being honed out, so that it can fit with the same kind of ministry He had when He went away; that when He comes back it'll catch the whole thing in the rapture, where the justified, sanctified, and baptism of the Holy Ghost. That pyramid will stand again! The house of God will live again! The tree of life is growing again!

Nations are breaking; Israel's awakening;
The signs that the prophets foretold:
Gentile days numbered with horrors
encumbered;
Return, O dispersed to your own.

The day of redemption is near;
Men's hearts are failing for fear;
Be filled with the Spirit
Your lamps trimmed and clear,
Look up, your redemption is near.

False prophets are lying,
God's truth they're denying
That Jesus the Christ is our God, (Amen!)

.....
But we'll walk where the apostles have trod.

had there, if it is shining on the same tree. Amen! Proves His Word now fulfilled, "I will restore, saith the Lord."

312 Now, listen closely. Now, there was. . . . Listen, now, don't miss this now! There was four death messengers . . . (Or would you rather we just close? Would you rather. . . ?) [Congregation shouts "No!"] Listen real close now. Look! There was four, four death messengers killed that tree. Is that right? What was it? Palmerworm, locust, cankerworm, caterpillar. Is that right? Four messengers of Roman devils, dogmas, killed that tree. One took its fruit, one took its bark . . . or took its leaves, one took its bark, one took the life. Is that right? Four messengers of dogmas killed the tree, all but the roots. And if four messengers of death killed the tree, four messengers of life restores the tree!

JOEL2:25

313 Do you get it? Amen! For God said, "I will restore it." He is going to restore it how? By four death messengers killed it; then four life messengers will restore it. What was the first? Martin Luther--justification. What was the second? John Wesley--by sanctification. What was the third? Pentecost with the restoration of the gifts, the Holy Ghost, baptism of the Holy Ghost. What was the fourth? The Word. What? The Word!

314 There were four great prophets. One of them, Martin Luther, he began to shine a light. There was a little light, just a very small strength of justification. Along came Wesley, stronger--sanctification. After Wesley come a stronger than him, Pentecostal, the baptism of the Holy Ghost another great prophet, see. But in the last days of Malachi 4, Elijah is to come with the very Word.

AMOS3:7 MAL4:6 HEB1:1

315 The Word of the Lord came to the prophet. In the evening light is to come forth to restore and bring back. What? Turn the hearts of the children back to the faith of the fathers--fourth light.

316 Four killers took it, four messengers destroyed it. Four messengers of death took it away in dogmas; four messengers of righteousness restore it back again.

EZEK37:3,4,6 JOEL2:25

317 "Prophecy, son of man. Can these bones live?" (I wish we had time; we got it wrote down here. But I have to miss that.) "Prophecy. Can these bones live?" Got the four stages of that coming forth of that church. What's the four stages of Ezekiel's dry bones coming forth? But

place for the dead--some man-made Lutheran, Baptist, Presbyterian, Pentecostal organization (that's right!), some man-made tree. Don't hang there; and don't let it hang you there either. They'll hang you there if they can, till all the life's gone out of you, till you recognize their doctrine. That's right.

DEUT21:23 GAL3:13

261 But that's where they hung this perfect tree. God's perfect fruit tree hung on a man-made Roman tree. That's right. It was a curse to hang on any man-made tree. What is it? To rid Him out of their sight, after He'd bore all the fruit.

262 After Mary Magdalene (it's said by history) run before them and said, "What has He done? What evil did He do?" She stopped the procession, said, "What did He do was evil? Has He done nothing but preach the gospel to the poor? Has He done nothing but heal the sick, raise up the dead, and the very signs of the living God is in Him. How could you condemn Him?"

263 And they slapped her in the mouth and said, "Would you listen to that ill-famed woman instead of your priest (there you are), your bishop?" There you are. Same thing today. That's right. Yes!

JOHN8:46

264 Now, when He'd done all this and proved Himself, what He was, and put it down to them and said, "If I'm not He, then who are you? If you can condemn Me of sin, if I'm anywhere wrong in the Word, you show Me. Now, let me show you where you're wrong," see. Sin is unbelief; we know that.

265 Now, to rid Him out of their sight (they hated Him so bad, because He tore up all their organizations)_to rid Him out of their sight, they buried Him and rolled a great big denominational stone over the door, so He'd be sure not to rise again.

PSA1:3

266 Oh, my! Think of that perfect tree. David looked back and saw it. He said, "It's standing by the rivers of water. He bringeth forth His leaves in his season, and His fruit, it shall not be cast, it won't wither. Whatsoever He doeth shall prosper."

ISA55:11

267 He was the Son of prosperity; Joseph was a type of Him. He was the antitype of Joseph. Everywhere Joseph went it prospered. Same thing with Jesus. His Word, "My Word will prosper, and it won't return to Me

void; it will accomplish that which I purposed it for,” see. He was the Word. The Word was sent to the earth by God, and it will accomplish exactly what God sent it for. Now, listen close now. This gets rich with cream on top of it.

JOHN5:39 JOHN10:37,38

268 Now notice, here He comes now, and they, for that very works of God. . . . When He stood and asked them, He said, “If I don’t do the works that God said I should do, then I’m not Him; don’t believe Me; but if I do it, then you believe the works. If you can’t believe Me, being a man, doing this, then believe the works I do. They testify of Me. They speak louder than My voice could speak.”

That’s right. And the same thing would apply anytime. Yes, sir! Sure would.

JOHN10:37,38

269 Now notice, “If I don’t do the works of My Father, then don’t believe Me not . . . believe Me not. Then, if I do the works, believe Me.” Then what did they do? Took that precious tree, cut it down, hanged it on a man-made tree (that’s right, cut the life out of it and hanged it upon a man-made tree for a mockery); then they didn’t like it. Too many people was standing there crying about it. So they took Him off.

They said, “We’ll make our denomination so tight that they’ll never get them holy rollers in here.”

JOEL2:25 MATT27:60 MARK15:46

270 So they scooted Him back in a hole of Joseph of Arimathea, and they rolled a great big stone, took a sentry of men to roll it up there. (Did you ever see . . . see the other night in the picture the big path they rolled the stone upon? Weighs tons). Rolled their big organization stone up there, so He could not raise up. But did that hold Him? No! “But I will restore, saith the Lord.” Let’s hit that text now and drive it. “I will restore, saith the Lord. I’ll restore Him. In three days I’ll raise Him back up again.”

JOEL2:25

They couldn’t hide Him in that rock; they couldn’t hide Him out of their sight; they couldn’t get Him off their hands. “I will restore Him, saith the Lord.” And in three days He rose up, restored back.

MATT28:20 MARK16:15 JOHN14:12,17
JOHN20:21

that was in the East. And the same light that shined in the East, that brought forth the first church, that the Romans cut down by their pagan worship, and so forth; in the evening light is the same light. Now notice, the same light.

307 And what’s the evening light come out for? What is the evening light for? To restore! Do you get it? The evening light is for the same purpose the morning light was for; to restore what was cut down by the Dark Ages through Rome, God is going to restore by shining forth the evening light. What? Restore the whole Word of God again, the full manifestation of Christ in His church. Everything that He did, just exactly the way He did, would be again in the evening light. See what I mean? Oh isn’t that wonderful? And to know we’re living right here to see it.

ZECH14:7

308 Now, the evening light (exactly according to prophecy), the evening light come out to restore what? To restore what the bugs had eat up. It started growing, and then what’d it do? It denominated, so God pruned them off, bound them up, laid them back, let them go ahead and organize. Then the next one come up; He bound them up, laid them off; tree went on. Then He bound them up, laid them off, said, “Now, one of these days they’ll be burned.” Bind them up in their organizations.

309 But then what? Right in the top of the tree is where the fruit ripens first (that’s right), right in the top of the tree. So it’s the top of the tree here that sees the evening light.

310 Now, Noah had three rooms in his ark. One room was for the creeping things, see. The second room was for the fowls; but the top room was where the light was. The light that shined first. It never come on the first floor, second floor, but on the top floor. The tree don’t bear it’s fruit first in the bottom, and second, like that, it was all pruned off in organizations. But it’s in the top part where “I will restore, saith the Lord. I’ll send forth the evening light, and it’ll bring back, bring back the Word making it manifest. I will restore all that I’ve promised. All that I’ve promised, the same Holy Spirit will bear the same signs. I’ll have a Easter, a resurrection, for the bride, the same as I had for the bridegroom,” see.

JOEL2:25

311 Evening lights come out to shine, same as in the morning--same signs, same thing. The same light will produce the same fruit that they

Easter time. Predestinated from the foundation of the world, this church is beginning to stand.

302 Notice, how that God predestinated in the beginning. I got . . . I'm going to say it anyhow. All right. Notice here, that to restore the first perfect tree in three days after it's death. After the first tree's death, He restored it in three days. Is that right? Restored it back. Now, the bride tree is also going to be restored in three ages . . . three stages, rather. Three stages it'll be restored. Now look! What? Justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost--one, two, three.

303 Now notice, after three days the first tree restored as at the beginning, having the same signs, same wonders. Jesus come back, the same Jesus doing the same thing. At the end of the third day the signs appeared, not at the end of the first day. Oh, brother, I hope you're getting it. At the third day is when the real manifestation of Christ was made known, at the end of the third day! See? Notice! (Are you getting it?)

LUKE24:39 HEB13:8

304 Not at the first day, dead form; second day there was a rumor, see . . . or second day it was still dead--Luther, Wesley. At the beginning of the third day there was a rumor around. Nothing on the first day (Luther), nothing on the second day, and in the third day (the dispensation of the Holy Spirit) there was a rumor around that He was the same yesterday, today, and forever. But at the end of the third day, that is where He made Himself known. Come right among them, come among His people and said, "Look at Me; I'm the same one."

The dead forms went on till they got to Pentecost, then began to rumor around that He was. Now, here in the last day here He is right with us, moving right among us.

HEB13:8

305 At the end of the third day, He appeared and showed all of them His resurrection sign, that He was a-living, the same yesterday, today, and forever, living fruits of His presence. Living fruits of His presence (are you getting it?) was manifested at the very end of the day when He appeared to all of them, His church. Amen. Why? They'd all got together. Amen! At the end of the third day.

ZECH14:7

306 The evening lights, the Bible said, would shine in the last day. The evening light is the same light in the West, that was the same light

271 After Easter, He was raising; He said, "Go into all the world, and I'm going to go with you. As the living Father has sent Me, and He's in Me; so I send you and will be in you. I'm with you to the end of the world. The works, the same thing that I done to prove that I was, you'll do the same things to prove that you are."

MARK16:15,17 JOHN14:10,12

I like that. These signs shall follow them that are believers; not make-believers, but believers, see. "These things that I do, you'll do; and it'll vindicate that you're a believer, just the same as the works that I done; because the living Father lives in Me. It ain't Me that doeth the works, it's my Father. And it won't be you doing the works, it'll be Me in you doing the works, see. Now, you go into all the world. . . . Otherwise, you're going to form what's known to me as a bride," see. All right.

JOHN14:20

272 "I'll go with you, and you'll be part of me; you'll be My bride. My life will be in your body. Just like a husband and wife is one person, you and I are going to be one. At that day you'll know that I'm in the Father, the Father in Me, and I in you, and you in Me. Mmm! I just love that. Satan just gets so angry at that, see. See the oneness of God? All that God was, He poured into Christ, and all that Christ was, He poured into the church. There you are. It makes them all one.

JOHN14:12

273 Now look! Now, the bride are one, tree of life. In other words like husband and wife is one, Christ and His bride are one. Same thing, same Spirit, same works, same signs, everything else, "For the works that I do shall you do also." How long? To all the world. How much? To every creature. Is that right? Oh, listen close now. I'm going to fire a Magnum.

274 The Roman caterpillar started eating on that bride tree until it took it plumb to the roots. The same Roman tree that. . . . What kind of a tree cut Christ down? [Congregation answers, "Roman."] What kind of a tree that cut Christ's bride down? [Congregation answers, "Roman."] How? By substituting something besides the Word. So you see, the Protestant church that don't take the Word of God is a daughter to the Roman church. God never at anytime organized the church. The Roman Catholic church was the first organization; and every one of them are daughters to her that organize; they die with her.

MATT13:30

275 The Bible said that He would burn her children with fire. How many knows that? The Bible says so. Well, the Bible said that the wheat and the tares would grow together until the last day, then He would bind the tares (is that right?) first, and burn them! And the wheat would go to the garner. Is that right? The tares are binding themselves together in organization, Confederation of churches, for the atomic burning. Exactly right. But the church is getting ready to go to the garner, just as sure as the world, in the rapture, for the freewoman won't be heir with the bondwoman. Mmm, Brother Anthony!

Oh, we're watching for the coming of that
glad millennium day;
When our blessed Lord shall come and catch
His waiting bride away.
Oh, my soul is filled with rapture, as I
labor, watch, and pray,
For our Lord is coming back to earth again.

Hallelujah! Yes, sir! Oh, He will burn the tares, and the wheat He'll take to the garner.

ACTS20:29,30 EPH2:2

276 Roman caterpillar started eating on that tree in the days of Paul. He said, "I am persuaded [scripture here] that after my departing, men will raise up among you, brethren, like sheepskins over them, wolf inside, and will draw away many after them. For the spirit of antichrist, that you heard that was to come into the world, is already in the world now, working in the children of what? Disobedience." Disobedient to what? The Word.

There you are. Organization begin starting. You see what I mean, friends? All that see that, say, "Amen!"

JOEL2:25

Beginning to eat. What'd it do? That old caterpillar started, that old cankerworm. That. . . Joel saw it! Listen now, we're coming down close to the end. Joel saw it, and he said, "What the palmerworm left, did the locust eat; what the locust eat, then the cankerworm got; what the cankerworm left, why, the caterpillar got it." That's what he said; and that's exactly; that's the tree of God. The tree. . . Cut it down, the cankerworm. All right.

JOEL2:25

off the branch, and Wesley took it right on, raised up another prophet. Then as soon as Wesley did . . . Wesley died, the great prophet, what'd they do? Organized it. On come Pentecost. Soon as she died, He pruned that off. It's raising right on up, see. He's going to restore.

298 Where does the fruits grow? It don't start down here on the bottom; it starts in the top. Where does the sun hit the tree first? Ahh! Glory! In the evening light, in top of the tree! Amen! Not down on the bottom branches, but up there in the top of the tree is where the fruit ripens at.

Amen! Do you love Him? Amen.
Will you serve Him? Amen!
Do you believe Him? Amen!

I sure do believe Him with all my heart. Now, what is it? He's going to prune off them old dead vines as she comes up, all those organization vines, till she gets right in the top of the tree; there's where He's going to get His fruit.

299 Now notice! God prunes her. All right. They are dead and won't come into the presence of God, won't come in the first resurrection, but be with the vine fruit of the original organiza. . . vine of God. They'll go into the organizational group, but they won't come with the fruit of the vine.

300 Now, look! God never did put out a organization. The church puts the graft in a organization, and God cuts it off, cuts off it's lifeline. It bears organizational fruit. But if that vine put forth a branch, that come out of the vine, it'll bear the same as that did. So you see the first one was. . . . And Rome sent their beetles over there and eat it off. But God's going to grow one so high that it can't touch it. It's going to come on up. Amen. Let's go!

The tree goes from one place to another, from one dispensation to another dispensation. From Luther it went to Wesley; from Wesley to Pentecost; from Pentecost it goes to the Word.

301 It is Easter again for the true believers of His never failing Word. It's Easter; it's a resurrection. God's got people everywhere. It's Easter for them. Why? They have risen (Amen!), risen from those creeds and denominations. Come right up through them. It's Easter again. The royal seed has been hid in the roots, the Word, hid back here in this Word for years, and years, and years, and just now begin to be revealed. It's

292 But God was determined to . . . He's done spoke His Word. His law will see that it comes to pass. No matter how many late frosts it has, it's going to live anyhow. It might have cold spells, and denominational difference, and everything, but that tree's going to live just as sure as there's a living God to make it live. Yes, sir! He said, "I will restore it."

MATT24:35 MARK13:31 LUKE21:33
ROM8:29,30

293 I know we got some late spring, late season of Easter coming. "The Lord's tarrying His coming," they say, and everything like that; and the cold wind's killed a lot of them denominational branches, but it can't kill that life that's predestinated. "Heavens and earth will pass away, but My Word shall not. All that He foreknew He called; those who He called he has justified; those who He has justified He has already glorified." Hallelujah! It's written in the Lamb's book of life and cannot die.

JOEL2:25

294 All the bugs that hell can turn loose on her will never stop her. No communism, Catholicism, no nothing else will stop it. "I will restore, saith the Lord." All the man-made Roman trees will never hang it there; all the graves will never keep it there; all the big denominational stones laying at the door will never keep it in there. "I will restore, saith the Lord! There will be an Easter! I'll bring forth that same church in it's same power! I'll bring that bride out just like she was back there with the same signs, the same fruits, the same things that they did. I'll bring her back again; I will restore, saith the Lord."

JOEL2:25

295 What? Restore all that the denominational eat off. Restore all the organization eat off. "I will restore, saith the Lord, all of it."

Now, you say, "What about them things that went off in denomination?"

296 God is the good husbandman. He pruned the tree, that was all, cut off all the dead limbs. What's He going to do? Burn them up there, exactly. God is the husbandman of this tree. He takes care of it; He watches over His heritage. What is His heritage? His own Word. He watches over His Word to confirm it, to watch it, see where He can get it. Now, He's going to restore, so when these churches begin to organize and things like that, He just prunes them off, and the church goes on.

297 When the Lutherans said, "We're going to become an organization; we'll be as big as the Catholic." All right, He just pruned

277 The Roman caterpillar started eating on that bride tree and took it all the way to the roots (cut it all the way back, everything, cut the tree right off, like it did Christ Jesus, the bridegroom); cut the bride right down, and started out in creeds and denominations. Same old bug. But what? Ha! Oh, glory! But in its roots was the predestinated seed, the royal seed of Abraham; it could not die. The Word was in the roots of the promise, "I will restore, saith the Lord." What? "All the years that the caterpillar cut off, all that the locust eaten, all that all the rest of the bugs eat up, I will restore it back, saith the Lord."

JOEL2:25

278 I compare this with last Sunday and the Sunday before, these messages now. Listen close now as you come to the closing. Watch? "I will restore, saith the Lord, all that the bugs eat off; I'll bring every bit of it right back again."

279 Now, sit quiet if you can for a few minutes and listen close; get ready and pray with all your heart for God to reveal it to you.

JOEL2:25

So God's promise begin to restore, for God said He would restore it, and just the same as He raised up that bride tree . . . bridegroom tree, He'll raise up the bride tree, 'cause there's going to be one right yonder, sure as the world. What now? All right. So God's promise begin, "I will restore, saith the Lord, all that the locust eat, caterpillar."

280 Like in the first time when He built that first church. . . . I am going to get to some doctrines now. If you don't want to believe it, all right; but you just . . . you better search it first, see.

Notice, how did He grow that tree in the first place? Oooh, my! This does me so good! I know I don't sound much like a minister, standing here like this, but I love what I'm talking about.

LUKE24:49 JOHN17:17

281 And now, notice! Like the first time, when He started that first church that the Roman caterpillar eat off (and cankerworm, so forth), He started out with justification by faith--John the Baptist. In St. John the 13th . . . or 17th chapter, 17th verse, Jesus said, "Sanctify them, Father, through the truth; Thy Word is truth." Second work was sanctification (to the church). After justification was sanctification. And after they were sanctified, He asked them to tarry in the city of Jerusalem (Luke 24:49) until they were endued with power from on high; and there He gave birth to the tree, the Holy Ghost, Pentecost. Justification, sanctification,

baptism of the Holy Ghost, and then Christ come to dwell in it to bring forth the fruits. Amen! Is that right?

ACTS2:38

282 John preached justification. Now look. That constitutes the natural birth. When a woman is giving birth to a baby (listen to this), what's the first thing happens to the woman? What breaks forth? The first is water: "Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ"--justification. What's the second thing happens to the woman? Blood. Is that right? Blood: sanctification. Then what's the next thing? Life; water, blood, spirit.

1JHN5:7,8

St. John . . . I John 5:7 . . . 7:5, rather, I believe it is, said:

. . . there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word [which is the Son] and the Holy Ghost: . . . these three are one.

And there are three that bear record in earth, the water, . . . the blood, and the spirit and [they are not one, but] agree in one.

283 You can't have the Father without having the Son; you can't have the Son without having the Holy Ghost. But you can be justified without being sanctified; and you can be sanctified without having the Holy Ghost. What about that, Nazarene brother? They had been sanctified by Jesus Christ a year and six months before the Holy Ghost ever come. Is that right? They were sanctified by Jesus Christ.

284 Now, as he brought forth the first bride tree that the locust and palmerworms ate down, He's restoring the second tree, bringing it up from them predestinated roots that cannot die, that's standing by the rivers. It's living in this waters. It couldn't show itself, but it's there anyhow. Now, it's started. . . .

ROM1:17

285 Notice the same insect, as He restores back the same thing by the same way. The first, when that tree started, to come forth out of Catholicism was Martin Luther, who preached justification. The second angel was John Wesley, who preached sanctification. Luther preached justification, "Just shall live by faith"; Wesley preached sanctification, the second definite work of grace; and then come the Holy Ghost. Just as He built the tree up the first time, here He is restoring again in the same manner the second time. See that?

JOEL2:25

286 Notice, the same insect (that little rascal), the same insect that started and killed the tree in the beginning, started right back at that Lutheran branches. But what? It can't kill it; it can't kill it, because God's done said, "I will restore. . . ."

287 That insect started on Luther to kill all the Lutheran branches. It come right over to Wesley and killed all the Wesley branches. But the main part of the tree keeps coming.

JOEL2:25

Now notice, in the old time, when the tree was killed, it was killed; went plumb to the roots, when it killed it back there. But this time, because the Word's predestinated, there's nothing going to stop it. God said, "I will restore. No matter how much they organize, how much they do this, that, or the other, I'm going to restore it!" That settles it! All the laughing, making fun, scoffing, calling "holy rollers," nonsense, everything you want to, God still said, "I will restore, saith the Lord!"

JOEL2:25

288 Just as sure as He raised Jesus out of the grave under three days, under three dispensations or three sections, He's going to raise the church to its fullness and power again! "I will restore, saith the Lord."

289 What happened? That old caterpillar started eating and having the same kind of effects that he did; but what did he do? He only got the Lutheran branches; he never got the Spirit behind there that Luther had, for it lived right on.

290 Then along come Wesley, and after Wesley died, that great prophet, after Wesley died, what'd they do? They organized and all the branches died. But what did He do? The church lived right on, come right on into Pentecost. When they organized, what happened? The branches died. But what? The church goes right on.

291 What? The same thing Pentecostal did, the same old tactic, denominational creed that took it in the first place, to destroy the tree, the bride tree in the first place, is the same old tactics that the devil did on this second tree. But what? God predestinated it; she's got to go on, regardless. If it all. . . . If it wouldn't been, when Luther organized, that would have settled it right there. It all went back just like another. . . . It'd been second Catholic church, Roman Catholic church, see.

JOEL2:25