
THE GREATEST BATTLE EVER FOUGHT

 Thank you, Brother Orman. The Lord bless you.

² Morning, friends. Happy to be here again this morning, and kind of a little unexpected, I guess, to myself, and I'm sure it would be to the congregation. And I just was reading and . . . Thank you, sister. And the Lord just seemed to put a little something on my heart, to bring to the Church, and I thought it was time to do it. And now this . . .

³ When I arrived, and then not knowing we'd be here this Sunday, I've announced that I have a— a Message for the Church. And I want to, if God willing, bring this Message next Sunday. And there'll be quite a lengthy time, so, it probably will not get out before twelve-thirty, one o'clock, maybe, if at that time. It's been on my heart for a long time, and I think I owe the public an answer why that I haven't been active out in the field. I've preached all around it, but I'm sure it hasn't never just come right out to where it should be. So I think, the Lord willing, next Sunday, I just want to take my time and just lay out, reason and why, and let you know, Scripturally, what's going on, see, just why it's all about. Because, I'll probably be going overseas or somewhere right away. I'm waiting now to see which way He will call me to go. Last . . .

⁴ About three nights ago, or two nights, I had a phone call near midnight; and it was to pray for some woman that was in the hospital. And they called me, and said, "Pray." And I forget the name that they gave me, that . . . Said it was a friend to Mrs. James Bell, our sister here at the church, a colored sister, very loyal, fine woman. I believe the name was Shepherd, was give me. So I got out of the bed and knelt down, and—and told my wife. The phone ringing, woke her up. And I said, "We must pray for Mrs. Shepherd, a sister that's called, that's a friend to Mrs. James Bell." So we prayed for her, got back in the bed.

⁵ And then along about ten or eleven o'clock, the next day, I got a call again. It was Billy. And he said, it wasn't Mrs. Shepherd, said it was Mrs. Bell, herself, not Mrs. Bell's friend. "It was Mrs. Bell, and she's in the hospital, very seriously." And rushing out to the hospital, but she was gone. The Lord had called Mrs. Bell, Home.

⁶ Mrs. Bell has been a faithful gatherer with us here at the church, for years. Her husband, James, and I, worked together, with my

father, many years ago, out, running. . . We run these spurs in, from the Pennsylvania, into Colgate's here, many years ago, I guess thirty years ago, or more. And we love Sister Bell. She was a grand person.

7 And I understand she had a acute attack of gall bladder condition, and they. . . Her physician, that knew the case real well, was out of town at the time. And a new physician came to look at her, and—and advised emergency operation, and she never survived it. And—and she was. . . I think her. . . Way I understand it, that her regular physician wouldn't have prescribed the—the operation, because she was heavy-set and her gall bladder was bad. And she had stones, I think, or something in it, and—and the Lord had been merciful. She had had those attacks before and the Lord had taken care of those, many times. But just happened to be that. . . Well, if we bring it to a full measure, we'd say this: God had called for Sister Bell, and that's the way it had to be taken, you see.

8 And how that even missed, brought it around to me, that I thought it was Mrs. . . . a Miss Shepherd. I didn't know Miss Shepherd. The lady may be here, this morning, and I may know her if I look at her face. But, it was said it was a Mrs. Shepherd. And whether it was all done like that, so that if it. . . If I know it had been Mrs. Bell had been in that shape, I'd probably went out there and been interceding for her right away. And then, see, that, God didn't want us to do that, perhaps. So, "We know that all these things work together for good to them that love God."

9 And I'm sure that Sister Bell loved our Lord. She was a good woman. Now, she's one of us. In here, we don't have any lines of color. The family of God doesn't draw lines of color. Whether we're red, brown, black, or yellow, doesn't matter, white. Whatever it is, we are brothers and sisters in Christ. And so we—we love her. And we'll miss her, the tabernacle. How will I miss, Sister Bell's, them great, big, coarse "amens" back there in the corner. And taking her up home, she'd talk about the Lord Jesus.

10 And if I understand it right, never knew it till just a few moments ago, but I think her funeral is to be held right here in the church. [Brother Neville says, "That's right."—Ed.] This coming Tuesday at ["One o'clock."] one o'clock. And I think you and I are to officiate ["That's right."] in this funeral service.

11 But, just in a congregation, that we're one weaker this morning. In respect of our Sister Bell, let's just stand to our feet just a moment, as we bow our heads.

12 God of life, Who gives and takes life; as Job of old said, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away; blessed be the Name of the Lord."

Some years ago, You sent Sister Bell among us, to be a fellow citizen with us, of the great commonwealth of God. And we thank You for every inspiration that she was before us, how that she loved to sing and to testify, and would be so filled with the Spirit till she could scream out and shout. And she wasn't ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, for, to her, It was the Power of God unto salvation. Seeing her years number up, and the time comes when we must all answer. And Thou hast taken her from us, this morning, to be in Thy Presence. For, it's truly that, when we leave here, we are in the Presence of God.

13 O God, we thank You for all. We pray that You'll bless her husband, my friend, James; her son, her daughters, all those. We understand that her boy is flying from Germany, out of the armed forces, to come home, to pay the last respects he can, on earth, to his departed mother. How that young man's heart must be throbbing this morning. I pray for him, Lord. God, bless him. Bless Jimmy, and how he's. . . See him work out there, and tiring hours, to make a living for his family. I pray that the great family will not be separated, but the family wheel will be unbroken in that Land on the other side.

14 May we, Lord, now tighten up the armor and the girder, a little tighter, and go out into the battle now, to fight with one less than we had a week ago. We pray that You'll sustain us and strengthen us, and help us as we carry on, and some day may we all gather together again at the other side. For we ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen.

15 Now may the soul of our departed sister rest in peace. I would like to say that her—her funeral is to be preached here Sunday, or Tuesday, and we would. . . Anybody is welcome to come that will come. I guess Brother Neville here has the arrangements. [Brother Neville affirms—Ed.] And you had them. Now, today, I just. . .

16 See, there's not too many. If there could be a seat somewhere brought for Brother and Sister Slaughter back there. I got your call, Sister Slaughter, and went to pray for your. . . the other Sister Slaughter, Sister Jean Slaughter with that rabbit fever, tularemia. She sure has a bad case of it, but we're trusting God that she'll be all right.

17 Now we want to read some Scripture. And I just want to teach this morning, taking my time, 'cause since I've come back from out, Arizona, well, my throat's just a little raw.

18 And now, next Sunday, don't forget, and I think Billy's already mailed out the—the advertisements. And it'll be quite a lengthy service, we believe, so come early as you can. We want to start, right about nine-thirty, or I mean, ten o'clock. And may be, remember, about one or one- . . . maybe, or twelve-thirty, one o'clock, something like that, three or four hours, or more, I'd like to take,

and just take the Scriptures. Bring your pencil and paper, and just lay it out. There's any question, you ask—ask it, you see, and maybe we can explain it, do what we can to help.

¹⁹ Now let's read some Scriptures, first, now. I have three places in the Bible, that I would like to read. And first one of them, if you'd like to mark it down, and if you got a pencil, I want to refer, this morning, to several texts that I would. . . or several Scriptures, rather, that I would like to refer to. The first will be First Peter 5:8-10, Ephesians 6:10-17, and Daniel 12:1-14. Now, in reading, taking our time.

²⁰ And everybody practically is seated. So, a few standing yet, in the back and on the side. But we are going to try to get through as quick as possible and let you out, then we're going to pray for the sick.

²¹ Got a little lady laying here this morning, that's very sick. I understand that she was very sick, yesterday. And I—I just wanted her to hear, this morning, first, before I prayed for her. And I know the conditions of the little lady. And she's very sick, but we got a very great Heavenly Father Who has more than conquered all sickness. And I got a—a little. . .

²² I asked Mrs. Woods if she would read it, but she—she was a little reluctant of—of doing so. An article, where a medical doctor was certainly surprised. When, he was a critic on Divine healing and wouldn't even let anybody talk about it in his office; and his nurse, also. So, it happened to be, got a patient that was a cancer case, a big cancer. He wanted nothing to do with that, so he sent her over to another clinic. They wanted nothing to do with it over there, so they sent her back. So they. . . Oh, it was on the breast, and it was in a terrible condition. And all the skin had been eaten off. And the cancer, it went down into the breast, into the ribs. I guess you understand what I mean.

²³ They got our little doctor friend from Norway setting with us this morning.

²⁴ And he got all of his material ready, for said he knowed that—that she wanted him to operate and remove the breast. And it was a very bloody job. And—and he got all of his packs, everything. The nurse got the lady ready and brought her into the operating room, and then she went back to get the instruments, too, that would have to be used by the doctor and his assistant, to take the breast off. And so they had the towels and things laying over her. And so they started. . .

²⁵ When he started to turn around, her husband wanted to know if he could set in the end of the room and pray. He was a holiness preacher. And he sat there by side of the foot of the

bed, and praying. Course, the doctor wasn't too well satisfied with that, you know, him being in there. But as long as he wouldn't look, and it wouldn't hurt him, why, "I guess it was all right; wouldn't—wouldn't faint."

26 So while sitting, praying, there come a fluttering in the room. And the doctor turns to go, too, with his instrument, to start to remove the breast. He moved pack after pack. There wasn't even a scar on the breast; not even a scar. He said, "Does—does it . . . Does it move?" And he started . . . And the nurse gave her testimony. Both of them has went out and has become pentecostal, filled with the Holy Ghost, serving the Lord. Not even a scar!

27 The Doctor Holbrook testified, himself, said, "One minute before there, there was the—the woman laying there, and the nurse, and the great big cancer all pushed out on her breast. And one minute later, there wasn't even a scar where it had been moved." That's one of our fine medical doctors here in America. He said he was convinced right then. And he, yet, he was a deacon in a church. See?

28 See, the people just think church is something you just go to, and it's, "Oh, you go there to learn to be good, or something like that." That isn't it, friend. No. God is God. He's just as great today as He was, ever was. And He always will be the same. And He's a . . . We just love Him.

29 Now, we want to read now from First Peter, the 5th chapter, the 8th and 10th verse, to start with.

Be sober, . . . vigilant; because your adversary the devil, . . . a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

Whom resist steadfastly in . . . faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

But the God of all grace, who has called us unto his eternal glory by Jesus Christ, after that you have suffered a while, make you perfect, establish, strength, and settle you.

30 How God be praised! Now in the Book of Ephesians. We'd like to turn here to the Book of Ephesians, the 6th chapter, and would like to read the 10th to the 17th verse, I have marked out.

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of the world—of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Wherefore take unto yourself the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand in the evil day, . . . having done all, to stand.

Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, . . . having on the breastplate of righteousness;

And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

Above all things, . . . the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

³¹ Now over in the Book of Daniel, I would like to read some more. Now, Daniel the 12th chapter. I want to begin at the 1st, and read quite a—a lengthy part of this, fourteen verses.

And at that time . . . Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be . . . time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even unto that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, and some to everlasting life, . . . some to shame and everlasting contemptment.

And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn away—turn away many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

But thou, O Daniel, shut up the—shut up the . . . book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

And I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, . . . one on this side of the bank of the river, and one on the . . . that side of the bank of the river.

And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these were . . . wonders?

And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his

left hand unto heaven, and sware by him that live for ever that it shall be for a time, time, and an half; and when he has accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, . . . these things shall be finished.

32 I believe I'll stop right there. I want to take a text, if it would be called a text out of there, from that, to draw this conclusion of: *The Greatest Battle Ever Fought*. That's what I want to use for a text.

33 Now, how I come to get a hold of this for a text for this morning. We have just come back; couple of the trustees, here at the church, and myself, was out in Arizona. And we went out, really, to have a meeting at Phoenix, with Brother Sharrit, at his tabernacle. But when I found out that a—a brother was in town, having services in a tent, well, then I felt a little reluctant about holding a meeting. I thought maybe I would have it on the Sunday afternoon, so that no one would be bothered in their churches. But, find out, that he had Sunday afternoon services, also. And I was a—a little bit worried about having a service.

34 And so we brethren, instead of going on through the day, as we were out hunting, we went into the city, on and got ready, and went to the Brother Allen's services. Brother A. A. Allen was having services. So we went to the services, and Brother Allen preached a mighty sermon. We had a—a time, a good time, listening to Brother Allen, hearing the—the singers, and so forth, how they sang, and shouted, and had a great service.

35 Then we seen, all along the road, the hand of the Lord. Wherever we went, the Lord Jesus would meet with us. And there's something about being out to yourself, out in the deserts. There's something about it, that if you're ever alone that way, there's something that draws you. That's, I guess, is one reason I like those out-away places. You get away from the power of the enemy, so much as we have here.

36 A devil is almost harmless unless he can have something to work in, he's got. You remember those devils that were cast out of Legion, they had? They want to do more mischievousness, so they wanted to go in the hogs. So, devils must have something to work in, somebody to work through.

37 And that's the way God does, too. He has to have us. He's depending on us, to work through us.

38 And many came while we were on the trip, with dreams. And the Lord Jesus never failed but give the interpretation correctly, and just be that, just exactly that way.

39 And then He was good to us, to lead us to the game and tell us where it was at. And, you know, just to be around like that, it's just wonderful. Set around, the night, by the campfire, away from everybody, for miles and miles and miles, and watch the—the flickering campfire around the rocky rims. And, oh, it was tremendous!

40 One brother there, who had been having trouble with his wife, that had . . . Years ago, she raised her head in a meeting, where that I was having service. And I had asked them to keep their head down; had an evil spirit that wouldn't leave a—a woman, on the platform. And the lady, just irreverent, raised her head anyhow. And the spirit left the woman, on the platform, and went to her. And this is around fourteen years, and the lady has been in serious condition; so much, even mentally, till she just does things that's not even right. For instance, left her own husband, went and married another man while she was living with her husband; claimed she didn't know she done it. And so they—they tried to examine her for this. What is it you call that, when you . . . Amnesia? It . . . My, ever what that name is. I guess that's right, doctor. But it wasn't that. It was a spirit. And her . . . And the lady was a fine friend of mine. But from that night, on, she deliberately hated me. Course, you can see why it was.

41 But then when her husband came, and we knelt in the room to pray, then the Holy Spirit came down. That was it. Then He appeared to her husband that night, in a dream. He came back with a dream, he thought it was jokey. Come to find out, it was the very answer to his wife's healing. How that the Holy Spirit did deal!

42 On down into Tucson, with Brother Norman and them, and there the Lord begin to work again with great, powerful things and revealing things.

43 One night, what drew me to this conclusion here, I was standing with Brother Wood and Brother Sothmann. And we were . . . It was about ten o'clock at night, and I was looking up towards the sky, and a great awe came over me. And I said, "Just look! All that great, heavenly host!" And I said, "Everything is perfectly in harmony."

44 And Brother Wood said, "Looking at two little stars so close together, that, it made it look like a light."

45 I said, "But, you know, Brother Wood, according to science, in that Dipper, the Little Dipper, the Big Dipper, those stars don't look over about two inches apart; and they are farther away from each other than we are from them. And if they would start to this earth, it would take, at thousands of miles an hour, it would take hundreds and hundreds of years for them to reach the earth." And I said, "In all this great, vast system here, and yet they tell us that they look through

glasses, can see a hundred and twenty million years of light time, way out in there; and there's still moons and stars. And—and, yet, God made every one of them. And He sets in the midst of them.”

46 I said, “Somewhere in there, I had pointed out to me, one time in an observatory, the zodiac; beginning with the virgin, coming over through the cancer age, and on down until the last was the lion, Leo the lion. The first coming of Christ, by the virgin; the second coming, by the Lion of the tribe of Juda.” And I said, “I've tried my best to see that zodiac, and I can't see it. But, yet, it's there. Those who are trained, know it's there. Job saw it. Men used to look at it. It was a Bible, at one day. But in that whole great mass of millions and billions of—of light years, God sits in the midst of all of it, and He looks down. Paul is in there. My mother is in there, somewhere, looking down.”

47 And I thought of the order of that heavenly host, not one of them is out of place. Every one keeps its time, perfectly. God's great army! I thought of the soldiers; how that if that moon would happen to get out of order, the earth would be covered again with water, just in a few minutes. The earth would be just like it was when God decided to use it, for to have us here on it. “It was without form, and void, and darkness, and water was upon the breadth of the earth.” And if that moon would ever move, it would do the same thing again. When the moon rocks a little bit away from the earth, the tides come up. When it goes down, just follows the tides. It's God's great army. And when I thought about the . . . that being God's great army there.

48 Now, we went to bed. And then I begin to think that not one of those get out of their place. They all set in place. And if there's a moving, anywhere, of them, it's for a cause, and will affect this earth. We just see the results of it now, from some of them moving into their other spots. It's effective. It affects everything.

49 And I thought, then, if that great heavenly host, like that, has to keep its place, to make everything in order, what about the disorder of the earthly host? How, when one gets out of order, how it throws the whole thing out of cater! The whole program of God is upset when one member gets out of order. We should continually to strive to keep the order of the Spirit.

50 And I would, to God, this morning, that we would bring this to a real healing service, that we could keep this part . . . group that we have gathered under the roof this morning, in such a harmony, that the Holy Spirit would place every member of the Body, that's here this morning, in such harmony, till there would be such a spontaneous healing of soul and body, if we'll just hold our positions.

51 Now, as I said at the beginning, this lady who had the cancer that Doctor Holbrook take . . . was going to take off. Now, the God that caused the fluttering noise to come into that clinic, and took that cancer without even leaving a scar, don't you know that same God is here? [Congregation says, "Amen."—Ed.] And the only thing that He is waiting for, is for His—His army to get their position, like the stars, get the position.

52 Now, do you know, we've had wars after wars, and rumors of wars? And if the earth stands, we'll have plenty more wars. But do you realize that there is really only two powers in all the universe? Of all of our differences between nations, and differences between each other, and everything, it all mounts up to two powers. There's only two powers, and there's only two kingdoms; two powers, and two kingdoms. All the rest, the little minor things, are connected with either one of those powers. And those powers is God's power and Satan's power. That's what . . . Every war, every disorder, everything that comes along, it's either controlled by God's power or Satan's power, 'cause that's the only two powers there is. And that is the power of life and the power of death. Now, that's the only two powers.

53 And Satan can only . . . His power, he's got, is the perverted power of God. It isn't no real power. It's a perversion of God's power, everything that Satan has. Death is only a perverted life. A lie is only the truth mistold. See? Adultery is a—a act misused, a righteous act misused. See? Everything that Satan has got is something that was perverted, but it's a power.

54 And we are, today, setting here, and one or the other power is going to control us. So let's cast out the evil one. Let's take our position like the stars of the heavens.

55 As the Bible speaks, "Wandering stars," over in the Book of Jude, "foaming out their own shame." And we don't want to be wandering stars; wonder if *this* is right, wonder if *that's* right, wonder if it will happen, wonder how it could be. Don't wander. Stay like those stars of the heaven, as a real soldier at his post of duty. Stand there, believing! Life and death.

56 Now, an army, when really an army, a nation makes ready to go against another nation, it should first set down and figure what's right and wrong, and whether they're able to go against the next nation or not. Jesus taught that. And if people would do that, if the nations would—would sit down, and stop and think those things, both sides, we would have no more war.

57 Now, we find out, if a man doesn't do that, if the military heads of the nation doesn't sit down, first, and figure and see that

they are right, and their motives and objectives right, and if they have enough strength and power to overcome the next army, then they're sure to lose.

58 That's where General Custer made his fatal mistake. General Custer, as I understand, had orders from the government, not to go into the land of the Sioux, because it was a religious time for them. It was a time of worship. They were having a feast. But Custer got drunk, and he thought that he would just do it anyhow. He would cross, whether it was orders or not orders. And then they actually shot some innocent men, shot at them. I think they hit some of them. It was scouts, out, hunting for food, to feed their—their people while they were in worship. And Custer, crossing, seen them, and thought they were after their side, and so they shot into these scouts. And these scouts escaped, got back. What did they do? They armed themselves, and here they come. And that was the end of General Custer, because he didn't sit down and think, first.

59 He had no business there. He had no right to be there. He had pushed the Indians from the East Coast, all the way across the West, anyhow. And they had a treaty, but he broke the treaty. And when he broke the treaty, then he lost the battle.

60 And so an army, first, in getting ready for a battle, first there's got to be a select, some soldiers. They've got to be dressed for fighting. They've got to be trained for fighting.

61 And I believe that the greatest battle that was ever fought, is now ready to go in action. I believe that God has been selecting His soldiers. I believe He's been dressing them, training them. And the battle front is now set, getting ready to start.

62 This great, first battle that was ever fought, begin in Heaven, when Michael and His Angels fought against Lucifer and his angels. It first started, the first battle was in Heaven. So, sin did not originate on earth, it originated in Heaven.

63 And then it was thrown down from Heaven, cast out of Heaven, to the earth, and fell on human beings. Then the battle, from angels, become human battles. And Satan come to destroy God's creation, what God had created to be for Hisself. He had, Satan, come to destroy this. That's what his purpose was, was to destroy it. Then the battle begin here on earth, and begin in us, and has been raging ever since.

64 Now, before any battle can be put in array, they first have to choose a meeting ground, or a place where the battle is to be fought, a selected place.

65 In the First World War, it was so placed, a no-man's-land and places where they fought. And they've got to be a place selected.

66 Like when Israel went to war with the Philistines, there was a—a—a hill on each side where they gathered. And that's where Goliath come out and called to the armies of Israel. That's where David met him, in the valley, when he passed over the little creek that run between the two hills, he picked up the rocks.

67 There has to be a place selected. And in this, there's a—a mutual ground, no-man's-land, and they fight *here* at this place. They just don't, one fight over *here*, and one down *here*, and one run over *here*. There's a battle front where they meet and test their powers, where each army tests its strength against the other army, a mutual meeting place. Now, don't (get) miss this.

68 When this great battle started on earth, there had to be a mutual meeting place. There had to be a place selected for the battle to begin, and for the battle to rage. And that battlegrounds begin in the human mind. There is where the battle starts. The human mind was chosen for the place of the battle, where it was begin, and that is because that decisions are made from the mind, the head. Now, they never started it from some organization. They never started it from some mechanical affair. The grounds never started there. Therefore, that organization can never, never do the work of God, because the battlegrounds, where you've got to meet your enemy, is in the mind. You've got to make your choice. It meets you.

69 I want this little girl here, that's very sick, to be sure to listen now to this, real closely.

70 Decisions are made in the mind, the head. There is where Satan meets you, and the decisions are, because that God made a man that way.

71 Now, I have (if you was looking on my note here) a little map drawed out. I had it here not long ago, on . . . used on the board. The human being is made up just like a grain of wheat. It's a seed. And the human being is a seed. Physically, you're the seed of your father and mother; and the life come from the father, the pulp come from the mother. So, the two, together, the egg and the—the blood, comes together. And in the blood cell is life. And in there it begins, develop, making the—the child. Now, any seed has a shell on the outside; the inside is pulp; and inside of the pulp is the germ of life. Well, that's the way we're made. We are body, soul, and spirit. The outside, the body, the shell; the inside of that, the conscience and so forth, is the soul; and the inside the soul, is a spirit. And the spirit governs all the other.

⁷² Now, if you'll sit down when you get home, and draw three little rings. You'll find out that the outside body has five senses it's contacted by, and that is see, taste, feel, smell, hear. That's the five senses that control the human body.

⁷³ Inside of the body is a soul, and that soul is controlled by imaginations, conscience, memory, reasons, and affections. That's the thing that controls the soul.

⁷⁴ But, the spirit, it only has one sense. The spirit . . . Oh, let's get it. The spirit has one sense, and that sense is, either dominates it, is faith or doubt. That's exactly. And there's only one avenue to it, that's free moral agency. You can accept doubt or you can accept faith, either one you want to work on. Therefore, Satan begin at the principal part, to cause the spirit of man to doubt God's Word. God begin at the principal part, to lay His Word in that spirit. There you are. That's what does it.

⁷⁵ If this church, right now could be put together, and knitted together with such that every person would be in one accord, with not one shadow of doubt anywhere, there would not be a feeble person in our midst, in another five minutes. There would not be nobody here desiring the Holy Ghost but what would receive It, if you could just get that certain thing fixed. Now, there is where the battle begins, right in your mind, whether you will.

⁷⁶ Now remember, it's not Christian Science, now, mind over matter. That hasn't . . . The mind accepts the Life, which is the Word of God, and there brings the Life. Just your thought doesn't do it. But, the Word of God, brought in the channel of your thought. See? It's not the thought, as Christian Science make it, mind over matter. No. That's isn't it.

⁷⁷ But, your mind accepts It. It grasps It. What is your mind controlled by? Your spirit. And your spirit catches the Word of God, and that's the thing that's got Life in It. It brings Life into you. Oh, brother! When that takes place, when Life comes down that channel, into you, the Word of God is manifested in you. "If ye abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, then ask what you will and it'll be done for you."

⁷⁸ Then what does that do? From the middle of the heart, which is the soul, from there goes forth, feeding every channel. The trouble of it is, we're standing in *here* with a lot of doubt, trying to accept what's out *there*. You've got to stop that; and come down that channel with the true Word of God, and then it goes out, itself, automatically. It's what's on the inside. That's the thing that counts, is the inside.

Satan's approach is from the inside.

79 Now, you say, “I don’t steal. I don’t drink. I don’t do these things.” That has nothing to do with it.

80 See, it’s the inside. No matter how good you are, how moral you are, how truthful you are, those things are respected. But Jesus said, “Except a man be born again.” See? There’s got to be something happen inside. If you don’t, that’s artificial put-on, for down in your heart you desire to do it anyhow. It can’t be artificial. It’s got to be real.

81 And there’s only one avenue that that can come down, and that’s by the way of free moral agency, come into the soul, by your thoughts. “As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he.” “If you say to this mountain, ‘Move,’ and don’t doubt in your heart, but believe that what you have said will come to pass, you can have what you said.” You get it? [Congregation says, “Amen.”—Ed.] There you are. See? There’s the battlegrounds. If you’d only get that started, first.

82 We’re so anxious to see things done. We’re so anxious to do something for God. This little lady is no . . . anxious, no doubt, anxious to live. She wants to be well. Others are here, wants to be well. And when we hear about that case, like the doctor, the resurrection of the dead, the great mighty things that our God has did, then we’re anxious. And the thing of it is, we try to reach through these senses, to grab a hold of something here, like conscience.

83 So many people, lots of times, has misconstrued the Word. And I’ve been misunderstood by this, by making altar calls. I said, “I wasn’t much on an altar call,” not meaning that you shouldn’t make an altar call.

84 But somebody get somebody by the arm, say, “Oh, Brother John, you know what? Me and you been neighbors all this time. Come up here at the altar, get down.” What’s he doing? Wish I had a blackboard here, I could show you what he’s doing. He is trying to work through his soul, on affections. That don’t work. That’s not the avenue. Certainly, it isn’t.

85 Maybe he’s working in (the what?) a memory, through the sense of his soul. “Oh, Brother John, you had a wonderful mother. She died a long time ago.” A memory! See? You can’t do that.

86 It’s got to come down the line of free moral agency. You, yourself, let the Word of God . . . You don’t come because your mother was a good woman. You don’t come because you’re a good neighbor. You come because that God calls you to come, and you accept Him on the basis of His Word. That Word is what means everything. That Word! If you can get everything out of the way, all conscience, all senses, and just let the Word come in, that Word will produce just exactly.

87 Here, see what It's covered over with? You say, "Well, now," you say, "well, these, conscience and senses, and so forth, don't have anything to do with it, Brother Branham?" Certainly, it does. But if you let the Word come in, and cover It over with conscience, then It can't grow; it'll be a deformed word.

88 Did you ever see a good grain of corn planted in the ground, and let a stick fall over it? It'll grow crooked. Any vine, anything that grows up, will, because something has hindered it.

89 Well, that's what's the matter with our pentecostal Faith today. We've let too many things hinder It, the Faith that we been taught, the Holy Spirit that's been living in us. We've let too many things, looking at somebody else.

90 And the devil is always trying to point you to somebody's failure, but he tries to keep you away from the real testimony that's genuine. He'll point you to a hypocrite, some time, who went out impersonating something. He didn't do it, because he was impersonating. But if it come from the true source of the Word of God, "Heavens and earth will pass away, but My Word cannot pass away," It's got to stay there.

You see it, sis?

91 It must be accepted in the mind, then It's believed with the heart. Then the Word of God becomes a reality, then every senses of soul and body is just scoured out with the Holy Spirit. Then your sense of God, your conscience of God, everything that's godly, flows through you. There's not a doubt anywhere. There's nothing can rise up.

92 There's nothing can come up in the memory, and say, "Well, I remember Miss Jones tried to trust God, and Miss *So-and-so*. Miss Doe tried to trust God for healing, one time, and she failed." See?

93 But if that channel has been cleared out and been purged, and been filled on the inside with the Holy Spirit, that don't even come in memory, no matter about Miss Jones and what she did. It's you and God, together, and nobody else but you two. There you are. There's your battle. Kill him at the beginning. Stop him dead in his track. It ain't how long you can make the war linger. It's, stop it right now!

94 If you'll come, and you'll keep them memories and conscience, and everything, thinking about, "Well, I might fail. It might not be right." Don't you do that, at all.

95 You throw aside everything, and open up the channel, and say, "God, Your Word is Eternally true, and It's for me. If the whole church fails, if the whole world fails, yet I can't fail, because I'm taking Your Word." There's the battle. That's the thing.

⁹⁶ Why would Almighty God remove a cancer from a woman's breast, without a scar, and let a child lay and die? No, sir.

⁹⁷ A little girl come here, not long ago, from the high school. Her mother called me up, said, "Brother Branham, my girl has got Hodgkin's disease." That's cancer, forms in lumps. And the doctors took a piece from a break on her throat, sent it away, and it was perfectly Hodgkin's disease.

⁹⁸ So he said, "The next one breaks, may break over her heart. When it does, she's gone." Said, "She hasn't got. . . The way they're breaking, she's got, anywhere, about three months, to live."

⁹⁹ The mother said, "What shall I do? Send her back to school?"

¹⁰⁰ Said, "Let her go, because she'll go probably suddenly." And said, "Just let her go and live a normal life, as she can. Don't tell her nothing about it."

So the lady said to me, "What must I do?"

¹⁰¹ I said, "Bring here up and put her in the prayer line." And I said, "You come with her." I felt a little funny feeling.

¹⁰² And when the little girl come by, that morning, with blue-looking lips, from make-up, and as the school has them. And—and the little thing come by. I didn't know who she'd be; was going to call me on the phone. I took a hold of her hand. I said, "Good morning, sister." There she was. That was her. Just in a few moments, looked down to her mother and seen both of them without God, without Christ. I said, "How can you expect healing on these grounds? Will you accept Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour?" I said, "Will you come to this pool here and be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins?"

They said, "We will do that."

¹⁰³ Oh, you know what happened. The woman may be setting here this morning. Many of you know the case. Brother Mike Egan, one of the trustees here, watched the case. That's been about four or five years ago. The little girl was took back to the doctor, not even one trace of Hodgkin's disease was found in her.

¹⁰⁴ What was the matter? You had to open the channel, first. You've got to get the Soldier, the Holy Spirit, placed at the battlefield, that takes God's Word. He is the Word. And He stands there, there's nothing going to stop It then. There's nothing. Every one of the other channels is cleared out. Just like an old boiler with the flue stopped up; you put a fire in, it'll blow your thing up. That's what's the matter with so many blowed-up Christians, is because that they don't clean the channels out, they don't go down

to the inside. You've got to clean it, conscience, memory, thoughts, laying aside everything, and coming from the inside out, with that unadulterated Word of God, that It's the Truth.

105 No matter if ten thousand died on *this* side, today, trusting; ten thousand died on *that* side, tomorrow, trusting; that has nothing to do with me. I'm the individual. I'm the one that's trusting. I'm the one that believes it. And we see back yonder, if we wanted to open up our channels then, if we can, and see. We find *this* one and *that* one, and *this* one and *that* one, thousands of them, testifying.

106 But the devil will try to come right back. See, if he can get in there, at all, he's got your army routed right then.

107 If you've got your senses, see, taste, feel, smell, and hear, they're all right, but don't trust them unless they agree with the Word. They're all right, but, if they disagree with the Word, don't you listen to them. Now, imaginations, conscience, memories, reasons, and affections, they're all right if they agree with the Word. But if your affection doesn't agree with the Word, get rid of it. You'd blow a flue, right quick. See? If your reason disagrees with the Word, get away from it. That's right. The engine. . . If your memory, if your imaginations, if your conscience, anything, disagrees with That what's on the inside, get rid of it.

108 What you got then? You've got a solar system. Hallelujah! It's, God set the stars in order and said, "Hang there till I call you!" They stay there. Nothing's going to move them. When God can get a man in His hands, till he can get senses, conscience, everything cleaned out, until it stands with God behind it, in the spirit; there's not a devil in the world can poke a doubt in there. That's right.

He come around and say, "You don't feel any better."

109 Your conscience is even gone, to that. The flue is so clear, it shouts, "Hallelujah!" The outlet blows a whistle, "Glory to God!" It shines out, certainly, just as clean and clear, for the Word of God to work through, the Power of God. See? That's the main thing.

110 There's your battleground. Your battleground is back here at the beginning, back here in the soul, back in your mind that opens. The—mind is the gate to the soul, the gate to the spirit, rather. Your mind opens up and accepts the spirit, or it rejects the spirit. You can have little consciences, and little feelings, and little sensations, all these things. That has nothing to do with it. That's just little sensations and things. But when it comes to reality, your mind opens it up. Your mind either accepts it or rejects it. That's it, friends.

God, let none of them miss it.

¹¹¹ See, it's your mind that opens up the door; or closes the door, and listens to your conscience, listens to your memory, listens to your affections. But when your mind closes itself to these things, and let God, the Spirit of His Word, come in, It blows the rest of the stuff out. Every doubt is gone. Every fear is gone. Every sensation of doubt is gone. Every feeling is gone. There's nothing standing there but the Word of God, and Satan cannot battle against That. No, sir. He cannot battle against It. Now, we know that's true.

¹¹² These battles has raged since the day of the garden of Eden, the battle in the human mind. Satan started it. What did he do when he met Eve? He didn't deny God's Word, but he whitewashed It. He stopped up some little channels here somewhere. He said, "But surely God . . ." Genesis 3:1. See? "Surely, God, all these things that He—He—He promised . . ." He knowed the Word was right. But he knowed he couldn't just come right out and blast It out, blare like that, but he—he—he sugar-coated It.

¹¹³ Like mama used to get us to take medicine, and she'd try to put orange juice in castor oil. My, just rather take the castor oil without the orange juice! Anything that's hypocritical! See? She . . . We used to have to get up at nighttime, and she'd give us coal oil, for croup. And she'd put coal oil, and put sugar on it; see, kind of hypocritical. But it'd just burn your tonsils out, nearly, going down, after the sugar left.

¹¹⁴ Well, that's the way it is, friend. Satan tries to—to be hypocritical about it. He tries to show you something better, a easier way, a more sensible plan. But there is no more sensible plan than that God laid down at the beginning, His Word. Hold that Word. Get a grip on It. Let It get a grip on you. Stay there with It. That's the—that's the thing.

¹¹⁵ The battle raged when Eve opened up her mind, to listen to her reasoning. That's the flue it come in. That's the—the channel it run down, her reasoning. She, in her soul, she reasoned.

¹¹⁶ Her eyes was sight. She saw the serpent. He was beautiful, handsome, far better than her own husband. He was the most subtle of all the beast of the field, and he was probably a fairer man than her husband. He looked like a great masculine beast standing there. How great he was! And he was trying to tell her what a great thing it was.

¹¹⁷ And first thing she did, she opened up her mind. And when she did, human reasonings caught it. "Why, wouldn't that be a thrill?"

¹¹⁸ That's the thing he does to a woman today. Some woman with a lovely little husband, finds some great, big, masculine man. This man will try to opening up the reasons. Remember, that's Satan.

That's the devil. Or, vice versa, man to woman, woman to man, either way. What does he do? Work in that reasoning power, that conscience or something, begins to move through.

¹¹⁹ But give God's Word the first place. A man can't even come to. . . He can't sin. . . Hallelujah! Here it is. This is coming, fresh. A man cannot sin until first he casts aside God's Word. He can't even sin, that's, disbelieve. Until first he gets rid of the Word of God, the Presence of God, he cannot sin.

¹²⁰ Eve could not sin until she laid aside God's Word, opening up her channel of reasons through her soul, and begin to reason. "Why, certainly. My husband has never told me these things, but I believe that you. . . He told me I shouldn't do this, but, you know, you make it so real and so plain. I—I believe it would be wonderful, because you're making it so plain to me." See, there was the first battle. And, through that battle, has caused every other war. And every bloodshed that ever come, was caused right there at Eden. She disbelieved God's Word.

¹²¹ And if one little iota of God's Word was disbelieved, caused all this trouble, how we going to get back, disbelieving the Word? You can't do it. Got to shut off all these other things, conscience, memories, and say. . . reasonings, and all these other things. "Casting down reasonings." We don't reason about it, at all, nothing at all.

¹²² We just accept the Word upon the basis, "God said so," and sets a stream between you and God. Every channel comes open between you and God, then.

¹²³ There's the battle, the very first, front line. Let's not use a twenty-two rifle; let's get a—a atomic bomb. Let's do the job right. Let's get God's atomic bomb. "What is it, Brother Branham?" F-a-i-t-h in His Word. That's God's atomic bomb. It blows sickness and devils, right and left. It—it annihilates them. Discriminates. . . Oh, it's. . . It just destroys. It disintegrates everything that's ungodly. When that bomb of faith drops in there, with the Word of God behind it, it blows every devil, every sickness, every disease.

¹²⁴ You say, "Is that right, Brother Branham? Then why does it, on some, and not on others?"

¹²⁵ It's because of the channel. You can look out and see it. But you've got to have it in *here*, looking *this* a way. Not out *there*, looking in; you got to be in, looking out. See? You can't come through reason. You can't come through these other things. You've got to come right down God's channel of it, right into the soul. And how do you do it? What's the last channel?

126 It'll reas- . . . right on down. You say, senses, "Oh, I—I can feel it. Yeah, there it is. Uh-huh. Oh, I—I might smell it, or so forth. These things are there. Yeah." Next thing, you reason, "Well, it looks like he ought to know what he's talking about. The doctor says I can't get well. That ought to be." You see, right there you're—you're wrong. That's the devil standing there. That's the devil poking these things into you. Don't you believe it.

127 "Hallelujah! God's Word said I'll . . . 'Above all things, I would that you prosper in health.' That's right." How can you be a real soldier out there? See, "I want you to prosper in health."

128 There it is, right there, those channels. You just get them, open up. Don't just bypass them.

129 Then if Satan can get through there, get by these conscience and all these other things, then he gets right down here to the end of the soul, in the mind. Now, if he can just get you . . . You'll never—you'll never look at one of them until first you have to let him in *here*. You have to let him in. Then when he gets in, he's got control. Then what does he do? He begins to use the conscience. He begins to use *this*, begin to use *this* outlet. What is it? See, taste, feel, smell, hear; imaginations, conscience, memory, reasons, affections. He begin to use all those different little channels, as long as he could get in, above *this* one here. He's got to come in your mind, first, and you have to accept it. It can . . . Listen. It can batter against you, but it can't get to you until you accept it.

130 When Satan walked up to Eve, and said, "You know, the fruit is pleasant." She stopped for a moment. Oh, that's when she made a mistake, when she stopped for a moment.

131 Don't stop for nothing. You've got the Message. Jesus lives. God is a Healer. That's the Message. Don't stop for nothing, no reasonings, no nothing else.

132 But she stopped for a moment. That's when Satan walked right into that mind. Said, "Well, it sounds reasonable." Oh, don't do that. Just take what God said.

133 Abraham, what if he would have stopped for reasoning, when He told him he was going to have a baby by Sarah, and she was sixty-five and him seventy-five? And when he was a hundred, and she was—and she was ninety; he, still, he—he—he confessed that God's Word was true. And he called those things, which were not, as though they were. See? He . . . Even hope, was there any hope? He didn't even use hope.

134 “Well,” you say, “I hope I can get all right. I hope I’ll be well. I hope I get the Holy Ghost. I hope I’m a Christian. I hope I do *this*.” You don’t want that.

135 Abraham never even looked at that. Amen. “Against hope, he still believed God’s Word.” Faith is beyond hope. Faith comes from back *here*, in the inside. Faith comes from *here*.

136 How does he get in? Through this mind, this—this door, the battle front standing there.

137 Now, when you get the battle set in array! Now, the devil is sitting right to every heart, this morning. He’s sitting, this little girl’s heart. He’s sitting at your hearts. He’s sitting all around there. He’s saying, “Oh, I seen you try before. I’ve heard that before.”

138 Cast him out. That’s all. Cast him out. What did the Bible say here, our text? “Casting him out.” That’s right. “Casting him out.” We been trained.

139 I think, “What’s the matter with us preachers?” I wonder what kind of a training we’ve had.

140 God is training for this great battle. Matthew 24 said there, and also Daniel 12, said, “There would be a time of trouble, such as never like on the earth before.” And we’re living in that time, when culture, and education, and things, has smothered over the Word of God, and got into reasonings and so forth. The battle is now. Who will stand? Hallelujah! The battle is ready to go in. She’s array now. Look what a great opposition we got yonder.

141 Who will be like David? Said, “You stand and let that uncircumcised Philistine defy the armies of the living God? I’ll go fight him.” Amen. God wants men and women this morning who can raise up and say, “I’ll take the Lord at His Word.” Amen. No matter what fail, where *this* and *that*, and what *that* one did. That has nothing to do with it. You Sauls, and so forth, if you’re afraid of him, get back where you belong. But, God’s army is moving forward, amen; men of valor, men of—of—of faith, men of power, men of understanding. They don’t have to be smart. They don’t have to be educated. They have to be channels. God takes those little channels.

142 She stopped for a moment, to reason, saying, “Well, now, let’s see.” Well, just like, what if . . .

143 This little lady, this morning, no doubt that the doctor has told her, she’s just about at the end of the road, “There’s nothing could be done.” Well, now, that’s that doctor. I don’t condemn him. That man is a scientific man. He sees that the disease has conquered the child’s body. It’s beyond anything. He hasn’t got a medicine that will stop it.

144 So will that cancer conquered that woman; sure, death had conquered that baby; but our Chief Captain, hallelujah, of this great army, He is the resurrection and Life. Nothing can conquer Him. Hallelujah!

145 The brains of the army lays in its captains, the intelligence. Rommel, in Germany, was the brains of Germany; not Hitler. Rommel! That's right. Eisenhower! Military men! Patton! Those men who were at the front, it depend on which way they gave the order. You follow your captain, if he's a right kind of a general. If he's a right kind, if he's a four-star general, if he's proved, if he's been proven to be right, follow him. Though it may seem wrong, to you, go on to the front. Do as he told you.

146 Hallelujah! We got a five-star General, spelled J-e-s-u-s, placing five stars on us, f-a-i-t-h. He's never lost a battle. Hallelujah! He conquered death, hell, and the grave. Get the devils out of the way. He's the great Chief Captain. So, the devil isn't even in the picture.

147 The greatest battle was ever raged, is setting right ready now. Certainly, it is. Oh! Hallelujah!

148 When I think of it! When I stood and watch Him do things, see Him reveal things, open up things, say, "It'll be *this* way and *that* way," there it is! Oh, look back *here*, and say, "Who is this great Captain?" Oh, I don't look back and see if it's Doctor *So-and-so*. I see what the Captain said. "He's the Captain of our salvation." Hallelujah! What is salvation? Deliverance! Glory! "He's the Captain of our deliverance."

149 The great hour of charge is at hand. Hallelujah! Soldier, with armors gleaming, colors streaming! Faith and doubt is setting yourself in array, in this tabernacle, this morning; doubt on one side, faith on the other. Soldiers, stand at your post of duty. Hallelujah! Our Captain, the Morning Star, leads on. He never goes back. He (never) don't know the word retreat. He don't have to retreat. Amen. Certainly.

150 The greatest battle ever fought, she is going on right in here now, yes, sir, between life and death, between sickness and health, between faith and doubt, oh, my, between liberty and bondage. The battle is on! Shine your spears, soldiers. Polish up the armor. God is getting His soldiers ready. Amen. God anoints His army.

151 America dresses their soldiers in the best that they can have to dress with, steel helmets, and armors, and whatever they got, armored tanks, whatever they go in.

152 God dresses His army. Hallelujah! What kind of equipment do we use? The Spirit of the Sword, the Word of God! Amen! "The

Word of God is sharper than a two-edged sword,” Hebrews 4, “piercing even to the asunder the bone, even the—the marrow of the bone, even a Discerner of the thoughts of the mind.” The Word of God! To believe His Word, and that’s the way God armors.

153 That’s what He give Eve to arm herself with. And she broke her armor down. How’d she do it? By opening up her mind to reason. You don’t reason with God’s Word. It has no reason. You. . . It’s just God’s Word. There’s no—there’s no doubt about It. There’s no reasoning to It. It’s God’s Word. That settles it. That’s got it. That settles it forever.

154 See what I mean, honey? [The sick sister says, “Amen.”—Ed.] It’s God’s Word. God promised it. God said so.

155 They said to Abraham, “How you know you’re going to have that baby?”

“God said so.” That settled it.

“Well, why ain’t you got it?”

156 “I don’t know when I’m going to get it, but I’m going to get it. God said so. That won’t stop me a bit.” He call. . .

157 “Why don’t you go on back to your home, where you come from?”

158 “I’m to be a pilgrim and a stranger in this land.” Amen! . . . ? . . . “God give the promise. God will give the baby right in this land where He sent me.” Hallelujah!

159 God will heal you right in this atmosphere of the Holy Ghost, where He sent you. God will give it to you. Just believe it. Amen. Open up them flues of the soul and body, senses, and conscience, and just let God’s Words penetrate first, take that mind. There is the battleground.

160 Not say, “Well, if I could feel it, if I’d feel the glory of God falling! Oh!” That has nothing to do with it; not a thing.

161 Open up that mind. That’s the battleground. There is where the battle sets in array, right here in the front line, your mind. Open it up, and say, “I. . . Every doubt, I doubt my doubts.” Amen. “I’m doubting my doubts now. I’m believing God’s Word. Here I come, Satan.” Something is going to take place. Sure, it will. Yes, sir.

162 He anoints His servants with His Spirit. He sends them angels. People makes fun of that, sometimes, “angels.” Let me—let me just turn to something here with you, just a minute. Let’s turn over here to Hebrews, just a minute. Hebrews the 4th chapter, 4th chapter, and let’s. . . I mean, the 1st chapter of Hebrews, and let’s turn to the 14th verse.

Are not all these ministering spirits, sent from . . . sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

. . . which one of the angels did he say . . . Sit thou on my right hand . . . ?

. . . all the angels of God . . .

¹⁶³ Now, here the Bible comes right back and tells us here, that God sends forth angels. Glory! What are they? “Ministering spirits.” Glory! Ministering spirits, sent (where?) from the Presence of God. What to do? Minister His Word. Amen! They’re not to minister some theology of some denominational group, but to minister His Word. That’s it. “Ministering spirits, sent forth.”

¹⁶⁴ How do we know they are? The Bible said, that, “The Word of the Lord came to the prophets.” Is that right? These angels minister His Word, through His Spirit; minister the Word, through the Holy Spirit. And the Spirit and the Word came to the prophets, and the prophets had the Word of God. That’s the reason they could do the miracles that they did. It wasn’t the man; it was the Spirit of God in the man. The Spirit of Christ in the man, for the Word of God. What had he done? Cleaned out every channel. God had chose him, and he was anointed with the Holy Ghost. And it wasn’t him. He never did anything till he saw it in a vision. Elijah said, on Mount Carmel, “All this I’ve done at Your command. Now, Lord, let it be known that Thou art God.” Oh, glory to God!

¹⁶⁵ I’ve seen it so many times, when you see the Spirit of God strike a place, and that place get under the anointing! If this little group in here this morning, just could just take this mind here, get every doubt out of the way! How can you doubt any more, when you see the dead—the dead raised up, the lame walk, the blind see, the deaf hear?

¹⁶⁶ The Angel of the Lord, even His picture hanging here on the wall, has got science stumped, everywhere. What does He do? Stay right with the Word. Amen! It cuts every devil. Yes, It does. What is It? “The ministering spirits, sent from the Presence of God,” to anoint the speakers of the Word, that stays with the Word. And He confirms the Word with signs following, brings Jesus the same yesterday, today, and forever. There He is.

¹⁶⁷ How could we doubt, when He’s both scientifically, materially, spiritually, every way that can be proved, He’s proved *here*?

¹⁶⁸ What’s the matter? It’s in our minds. We open our minds to the thing, say, “Well, now, I don’t know whether it could be or not. Maybe, if I feel better tomorrow.” Oh, that don’t have one thing to do with it.

169 As I've often said, Abraham might have said to Sarah . . . She was a past the age of—of being a woman. You know what I mean; its time of life, her twenty-eight days. See, she was sixty-five years old. She was probably past it, for fifteen, twenty years. And he said to her, maybe, the next few days, said, "You feel any different, dear?"

"Not a bit of different."

170 "That don't have one thing to do with it. We're going right on, anyhow. Well, now, if you start back as a—a young woman again, we know, through that blood of life, well, then, we find out there that it's going to cushion the baby, and everything will be all right. Now, you feel any different today? It's been a month since He promised me. You feel any different, dear?"

171 "Not a bit, Abraham. There's not a sign, nothing. I—I'm still just like I—I have been now for the last few years. There's not a bit of difference."

"Glory to God! Going to have it, anyhow."

172 "Do you mean, Abraham, upon . . . Look, if He promised you, surely He would give us a sign *this* way. Surely He would give us a sign." Huh! Hallelujah!

173 "A weak and adulterous generation seeks after signs." That's right. He had a sign. What was it? God's Word. That was the sign.

174 How could God heal this child? God's Word said so; if I feel a sensation, or no sensation. If I . . . No matter what happens, God said so. That settles it.

175 Abraham said, "Get your bonnets and everything together, we're taking off to the land."

"Where you going?"

176 "I don't know." Amen. "But, we're going, anyhow. Here we go!" Packed up and going. Hallelujah! That's the real Word of God. What was the hold in front of him? The promise of God, the Word of God. "We're going to have it."

177 "Come out from amongst your people, Abraham. They're, the thing of it is, they're doubters and unbelievers. They'll have you in the same fix. Come on out. Separate yourself, and live for Me." What is it? "Leave all your conscience and senses behind you, like that. Open up your mind, and remember, it's Me. Come, live with Me." Amen.

178 God is calling every Seed of Abraham, this morning, to that same kind of a life. Great battle is on, now, worldwide. God wants His children separating themselves from what? See, taste, feel, smell,

hear; imaginations, conscience, memories, reason, affections; everything. Open up their mind and let the Word come in, and march with the Word. That's a real soldier.

¹⁷⁹ That's the way the stars stand. The solar system hasn't changed; the zodiac. The morning star rises on its post of duty, every morning, just exactly the way it did when the earth was created. The evening star takes its place; every star. The Little Dipper, and right at the time of season, is just exactly where it's supposed to be. The North Star stands steady and never moves. Hallelujah! The whole thing revolves around the North Star, all the rest of them, because it's right in the center of the earth.

¹⁸⁰ That's Christ. Amen. He stands there, command His army like a great Captain.

¹⁸¹ Like Moses on the mountain with his hands up, and Israel was fighting, cutting their way through, and he stood with his hands up. He stood with his hands up until the sun went down. They had to hold his hands up. That was Moses.

¹⁸² He was a type of Christ. To be sure that His hands stayed up, His hands was nailed up on the cross. Hallelujah! And He climbed the ramparts of Glory, today, with His Bloody garments before God, at the right hand of His Majesty There. And the battle, to every soldier, will cut his way through. I don't care what takes place; with the Word of God, he'll cut hisself to freedom. Amen.

¹⁸³ Like a chicken in a egg, what if he's afraid to peep? What if he's afraid to pip the egg? What if the little chicken inside the egg, a little bird, was afraid to hit the egg shell? What if he would have heard a sound on the outside, say, "Don't hit that shell, might hurt yourself"? But nature itself, in the bird, tells him, "Peck it! Knock a hole in it."

¹⁸⁴ Let all the old organizations say, "Days of miracles are passed. You're going to hurt yourself. You're going into fanaticism."

¹⁸⁵ Peck right against the shell, just as hard as you can. Hallelujah! "Satan, get away! I'm coming out of here." That's it. "I'm not laying here, anymore. I'm not setting here, anymore. I'm not on this old devil's ground no more. I'm pipping my way out, this morning. Amen. I'm an eagle." Amen! Hallelujah!

¹⁸⁶ But that little old eagle, that triphammer neck back there, pecking against that shell. No matter how hard the shell was, it pecked right on through it. First thing you know, then, he could flop his wings a little. He was all right.

¹⁸⁷ Peck your way out. That's right. How you do it? Blasting it with, "THUS SAITH THE LORD. THUS SAITH THE LORD."

THUS SAITH THE LORD.” Finally, you begin to smell some fresh air. “THUS SAITH THE LORD.” Got your head on the outside. “THUS SAITH THE LORD.” Push hard now, you’re coming out!

¹⁸⁸ He never goes back to the shell again. Amen. He’s free. Oh, my! That Word once gets set down, through all those senses and consciences and things, to get settled down *here*, and that mind opens up and lets It. O God, have mercy! There’s never nothing to bondage it again. You’re free. He who the Son has made free is out of the shell. Your denomination can never call you back. The devil could never do anything more to you. He can hiss and howl, then.

¹⁸⁹ But you’re on the Highway, running at high speed, oh, my, running up the King’s Highway, anointed soldier of the cross. And it’s all you eagles, with faith, proclaim Jesus, the Light of the world, run up the King’s Highway. Sure. Yes, sir!

¹⁹⁰ These are “ministering spirits,” sent from the Presence of God, to be ministers, to minister (what?) His Word; not some theology, but God’s Word. They are ministering spirits, sent forth from God, to minister. Ministering spirits! Oh! And, remember, if it ministers something besides the Word, it didn’t come from God. Cause, “Thy Word is always confirmed in Heaven.” Always, in Heaven, the Word, God watches over It. And He’ll never send a spirit to minister something besides the Word.

¹⁹¹ He’ll never send a spirit with a great big D.D.D., Ph.D., and his collar turned around in the back, everything like that, say, “Well, of course, the days of miracles is passed. We all know that.” No, no. That didn’t come from God. It’s contrary to the Word. Amen.

¹⁹² He sends the ones that ministers the Spirit of the Word. Amen.

¹⁹³ Oh, I had about four or five more things, but I’ll let it go at this time, pick it up next Sunday. All right.

Satan and his demons are anointed.

¹⁹⁴ If these angel spirits are anointed to bring you the Word, to cause you to believe the Word, now could you see where you ever hear a prophet, a real prophet of God, denying God’s Word? [Congregation says, “No.”—Ed.] No, sir. What happened when the organizations of their day raised up and said, “Now, he’s wrong”? He stood by himself, and stood alone. He said, “It’s right.”

¹⁹⁵ Look at Micaiah down there that day, the little holy-roller, see, son of Imlah. There was four hundred anointed, supposed to be, anointed prophets standing up there, all well fed, and fixed, and great big degrees, and highly educated and polished scholars. Said,

“Go up, our loyal king. The Lord be with you. That belongs to us. Joshua give it to us. So you go up and take it. That’s exactly right. You go up and take it. What . . .” He said, “Well, Josh- . . .”

¹⁹⁶ You know, Jehosaphat said, “Isn’t there another one, somewhere?” Well, they had four hundred. Why not believe the four hundred? He said, “But, surely you got another one, somewhere.”

¹⁹⁷ Said, “I—I . . . Well, we have got one. There is another one, but, oh, I hate him.” Huh! See?

¹⁹⁸ “There—there, that’s the guy I’d like to listen to, see.” Said, “Bring him up. Let’s see what he’s going to say.”

¹⁹⁹ And so they went and told him, said, “Now, listen. You set your sermon just right, this morning, ’cause you’re preaching to king. You’re preaching to the . . . all the—the ministerial association of *so-and-so*, you see, of Palestine, the whole ministerial association. Now, you remember, here is what they said. You say the same thing. You believe the same thing.” That little . . .

²⁰⁰ He—he had the wrong man there. That man done got away from this old reasoning. He done cleaned the flues out, see, his conscience.

²⁰¹ “And, well, why, you know what they’ll do? If you’ll say the same thing, I imagine they’ll make you district presbyter. They probably will. They’ll—they’ll make you general overseer of the local district here, if you’ll—you’ll just agree with them.” That wasn’t a real man of God.

²⁰² Why, his flues had been cleaned out, all of his conscience and everything clear. His mind had opened up to the Word of God. And the Word of God, only, would he believe. That’s ministering spirits. That’s a ministering spirit.

²⁰³ He said, “I don’t know what to say now. But, I’ll tell you this one thing, I’ll only say what God tells me to say.”

So they waited that night. He had a vision.

²⁰⁴ The next morning, I can imagine Micaiah looking through the Scriptures and say, “Now, let’s see now. Does that vision . . . Now, all them men, there’s something wrong here somewhere, ’cause It’s contrary to what they said. Well, what’d It say? Let’s see what Elijah said back here, the prophet, ’cause we know he was a prophet. See what . . . The Word of the Lord came to Elijah. Yeah. And what did It say? ‘And the dogs shall lick your blood. Jezebel, the dogs will eat her. And ’cause of righteous Ahab . . . a righteous Naboth.’” He said then . . . When he seen that, he seen that his vision was just straight with the Word of God, then, that old Ahab had it coming to him.

205 Walked right out there, said, “Go on up, but I seen Israel . . .” See, he wasn’t ashamed to tell his vision then, ’cause it was the Word of the Lord. He knowed he could take that thing just perfectly. What? He had opened his heart, his mind, to the Word of God, and the Word of God had been revealed back, so he knowed that was perfectly the Word of God.

206 Now, you say, “Oh, if I could only be a Micaiah!” You can be. You are. You are, too, honey. [Brother Branham again speaks to the sick sister—Ed.] You’re a Micaiah, the prophet. What can you do? Open your mind. What am I trying to tell you this morning? The Word of the Lord. See? Open your mind, say, “Now, you know, I do believe I can be healed.” Well, what is It, then? Is It the Word of the Lord? Sure, It’s the Word of the Lord.

207 And *this* guy here says, “The days of miracles is passed. You can’t do *this*. And you . . .” Forget about it. Put God first.

208 Here comes the Word the Lord, and he spoke It, and It was so.

209 Now, what did Satan do? Satan had the others anointed. Now, Satan anoints his servants. Oh, sure. Uh-huh. Sure. He anoints his servants. What does he anoint them with? With unbelief. Satan and his demons anoints humanity to disbelieve God’s Word.

210 Now, if you want to confirm that, you turn to Genesis 3:4. Let’s just turn back there and listen to this, just a minute, and see if that ain’t his first tactic. That’s the first thing he did. He never leaves his same tactics. He does it all the time. Now, just see if that—that’s what it is. Now, he didn’t disagree with the Word. He just caused her to kind of misconstrue It a little, you know, just kind of make It sound like the way he wanted It to sound, don’t take the whole Word. Now, Genesis, I got here, Genesis 3:4. Let’s see if that’s what that said now. All right.

And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

211 “Not surely die.” See how he quoted it around? “Oh, we believe the days of miracles is passed. We don’t believe there is such a thing as people receiving the Holy Ghost like they did on Pentecost. Oh, any way you’re baptized, it doesn’t make any difference.” See the devil? See his tactics? “Well, if the doctor told you you can’t get well, that settles it.”

212 Now, not discrediting, disbelieving the doctor. The doctor is working on the line of scientific. And the doctor has done everything he can, to save the person’s life. And it can’t be saved, because there’s nothing else he knows to do. He’s at the end of his wits. The

man is honest. But, now, the tree of knowledge is all right, but when you go as far as it'll go, then step off on the Tree of Life and just keep on going. Amen. That's it. It'll just work so far. Yeah.

213 Now, what does Satan's tactic now? What did he say here? Now watch the 1 and the—the 2nd verse. Now let—let me read the 1st verse here, to 3.

Now the serpent was the most subtil than all, any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, has God said, Ye shall not eat . . . every tree of the garden?

214 Listen at him now, just how nasty he gets, and how he—how he whitewashes that Word. See? He's . . . What's he trying to do? Get into her mind. See? He's talking to her, after the Word was already fortified there.

215 Now, don't you let Satan fortify nothing. See? You keep God's Word fortified in your heart. See? You do the same. Now watch, you Micaiahs.

. . . the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: but the . . .

But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst (middle, see) of the garden, God . . . said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall you touch it, lest ye die.

216 See, now, that's the Word. She's quoting It back to him. Now watch.

And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

217 See his tactic? See? What's he trying to do? That first human being, he's trying to anoint that precious woman there, God's daughter, with an unbelief in God's Word. That's exactly what he's trying to get her to do.

218 That's what he try to get you to do, honey. [Brother Branham again speaks to the sick sister—Ed.] That's what he try to get each one of you to do, out there, anoint you. And the only thing you have to do now . . . You're a free moral agent. Now you can accept it if you want to. But kick it out. If Eve hadn't have stopped that moment, to listen! Don't stop for nothing. Don't stop.

219 When—when Elijah told Gehazi, said, "Take my staff, go lay it on the dead baby. And if any man even speaks to you, don't speak back. If any tries to stop you, just keep going."

220 Look at the woman when she called her servant. She said, "Saddle a mule and go forward, and don't you even stop till I bid you." That's it.

221 When you got the Message, keep going. Amen. Say, “I can’t walk up again. No, I’m getting weak.” Just keep on going. Don’t stop. Laying everything aside, just keep cutting through. Brother, you got the Sword in your hand, just keep chopping.

222 I went into a football stadium, one time, and was going to preach. And I stopped at the door and looked up, up there. It said, “It’s not the size of the dog in the fight. It’s the size of the fight in the dog.” So that’s what wins the battle. See?

223 You say, “Well, look. Look at all the great churches are against This.”

224 I don’t care what size they are. It’s the fight that’s in the dog, that’s what counts. It’s the faith that’s in the individual. If you’re a coward, get back to your cuddle hole. But, brother, if you’re a soldier, stand out there. There’s a battle on. Right and wrong is engaged. Let’s fight.

225 Like Peter Cartwright, went into a city, said, “Lord told me to—to come in here and have a revival.” He rent an old storeroom, got in there and begin to clean it up.

226 And the big bully of the town, the pistol hanging on his side, walked down. Got doors. . . Some of them, said, “What’s that guy doing down there?”

227 Said, “He’s a preacher. He’s going to have a meeting, he said.”

228 “Well,” he said, “guess I’ll just have to go down and throw him out in the street, and run him out of here. That’s all. We don’t want no meetings around our place.”

229 So he goes down there, stomped the door. And Peter Cartwright had his coat on, you know, and he was just washing the windows and walls down. A little bitty fellow, you know.

230 The old preacher laughed at him, you know, for eating chicken with his hands; which is etiquette today, you know.

231 So he was just washing the windows and fixing around. The big bully walked over, pulled his coat back, pistol hanging on his side, said, “What are you doing?”

232 “Oh,” he said, “I’m washing windows.” And just kept on washing the window, you know. He had one purpose. God told him to hold a revival. Washing the windows, on down.

He said, “We don’t allow revivals around here.”

233 He said, “Oh, but the Lord told me to—to hold this revival.” See? He just kept on, out at his work. See? See?

234 “Well,” he said, “there’s one thing you—you have to understand.” He said, “I run this town around here.”

235 He said, “Oh, you do?” And just kept on washing the windows, you know.

236 He said, “Before you have a revival, you have to whip me first.”

He said, “Oh, I do? Well, I’ll just do that next then.”

237 He just took off his coat. Walked over there, and reached by the collar, and knocked him down on the floor, and jumped up on top of him. Said, “I must fight, if I should reign. Increase my courage, Lord.” Pound the tar out of him.

Said, “You got enough?”

238 He said, “Yes.” He got up and shook his hand. He got saved that night, in church.

239 There you are. See? It’s, take the Word of God and cut your way through every doubt. See it? Sure, that’s it. That’s the next job, let’s get it done. Right. Next thing I’m to do is get away from my doubts, cut it down. That’s my next job, is get all my flusterations away. If my senses tell me, “Well, you feel bad,” the next thing to do is cut that thing away. That’s right.

240 You say, “Well, you . . . They tell me that . . . You know, my conscience tell me, Brother Branham, that I . . .” Well, you might as well cut that thing away. You ain’t going to get no farther than that. Just get your next job done. Take off your coat and bare right into it. Just keep on going. One objective, “I’m going to win.” Amen. “I can’t lose. I’m going to win.” Amen.

241 Satan anoints. See? What’s his first tactic? What was his first place to get? The mind. She stopped for a moment, to listen to what he said. “Oh, you don’t say so?”

242 That’s where a many little female has made her mistake, and a many a little male made his mistake; right, stopped for a moment, just stopped for a moment. How many times have I seen divorce cases and things come up, on that.

243 “Well, I tell you, Brother Branham, he whistled like the ‘wheet-whew’, you know, and I stopped, and, honest, I—I didn’t mean to.” Uh-huh. There you are.

244 “Oh, she, I was setting across the table from her. She—she had the prettiest eyes!” See? Uh-huh. See it? That’s it.

245 The devil does the same thing. “Oh, the doctor told me I couldn’t get well, so I . . .” There you are, same thing, see, the greatest battle that ever was fought.

246 “Well, they tell me . . . I seen *So-and-so* claim to have the Holy Ghost.” Yeah, you looked at some old hypocrite. How about them that really had It? Uh-huh. Yeah. The devil will point you to some old crow bait, but he won’t show you the real dove. Uh-huh. That’s right. He won’t show you that, and he’ll keep that blinded from you.

247 Oh, he’s a warrior, too, remember. But great is our . . . “Greater is He that’s in you, than he that’s in the world.” But hold to God’s Word; believe It, you captains of the army here. Hold your fort, brother. That’s right, hold your post of duty.

248 So, I had a little girl here, one time. The lady may be setting here now. Her name was Nellie Sanders. One of the first times I ever seen a devil cast out. We lived, now, if I can just get the place; and be just about three blocks up here, beyond the graveyard. And I had just become a preacher, and I was preaching right here on this corner, with a tent meeting.

249 And that little girl was one of the best dancers. She went to high school down here, and her and Lee Horn. And many of you here in town know Lee Horn down here, runs the pool room. And so they, her and Lee Horn, was the best dancers there was in the country. He’s Catholic, himself. Course, religion didn’t mean nothing to them, so then . . . Nellie and them. So, she was a great dancer, and he was, too. And they had this here dance called the “black bottom,” and “jitterbugs,” and all them things. And she was the . . . Them two was the best in the country.

250 One day, she staggered in up here, one night, to the meeting. There she fell down, at the altar, little Nellie. Bless her heart. She laid there at the altar. She raised up her head. And she cried, and the tears running down her cheeks. She said, “Billy . . .” She knew me. She said, “I want to be saved, so bad.”

251 And I said, “Nellie, you can be saved. Jesus already saved you, girl. You have to accept it now upon the basis of His Word.”

252 And she stayed there. And she cried, and she prayed, and she told God she would never listen to the things of the world again. All at once, a lovely sweet peace come over her soul. She raised up from there, shouting and praising God, glorifying God.

253 And about six or eight months after that, she was coming down Spring Street, one night.

254 Now, just a young girl, she was just in her teenage, about eighteen years old. And she come to me, and she said, “Hope . . .” That was my wife, the one that’s gone on. She said, “I wish I looked like Hope and Irene.” She said, “You know, they never did get out in the world.”

Said, "The world puts a mark on you." Said, "I got a rough look." Said, "Now, I quit wearing make-up and stuff, but I look so rough. Even my cast, in my face," she said, "I look rough." She said, "They look so innocent and tender." Said, "I wish I'd have never done that."

²⁵⁵ I said, "Nellie, the Blood of Jesus Christ cleanses from all sin, honey. Go on, believe it."

²⁵⁶ Wayne Bledsoe, many of you know him here, a bosom friend of mine, and years and years. He was a drinker. And he come up here with my brother, Edward. And he got drunk down here in the street, and I picked him up, 'cause cops was going to get him. And I brought him up here. And I was a preacher and lived up here, my mama and papa's, way 'fore I was married. And I took him, put him in the bed in there. I sleep, slept on a duofold. There was a big bunch of Branham's, you know, ten of us. And so we had about four rooms, and we had to kind of double up, a little. So, I had an old duofold I slept on. I pulled it out like *this*, and—and put Wayne to bed with me. Drunk, had to pack him in the house and lay him down.

²⁵⁷ And I was laying there. I said, "Wayne, aren't you ashamed of yourself, like that?"

²⁵⁸ And he said, "Uh, Billy, don't talk to me like that." And then I put my hand over. I said, "I'm going to pray for you, Wayne. God bless you." And I had been saved about, oh, I guess about, maybe a year.

²⁵⁹ And so then, all at once, a—a cab, slammed the door outside, and somebody knocking real hard. "Brother Bill! Brother Bill!" [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit—Ed.]

²⁶⁰ Thought, "My, goodness, somebody must be dying." I jumped up, the door; grabbed my old thing there, threw around my pajamas, like *this*; and covered Wayne up. Run to the door.

²⁶¹ It sounded like a woman. I opened the door, and this young girl standing at the door. She said, "Oh, can I come in?"

I said, "Come in." And I turn the lights on.

²⁶² And now she was just crying like that, and she said, "Oh, Brother Billy, I'm—I'm—I'm gone! I'm gone!"

²⁶³ I said, "What's the matter, Nellie? You got a—got a heart attack?"

²⁶⁴ She said, "No." She said, "Brother Bill, I was coming down Spring." She said, "Honest, Brother Bill! Honest, Brother Bill, I didn't mean no harm. I didn't mean no harm."

²⁶⁵ I said, "What's the matter?" I thought, "What am I going to do with her now?" I didn't know what to do. I, just a young fellow. And I . . .

266 Said, "Oh, Brother Bill," said, "I'm just—I'm just—I'm just all to pieces."

I said, "Now, quieten down, sis. Tell me all about it."

267 And she said, "Well," she said, "I was coming down the street, and the Redman's Hall . . ." And they used to have Saturday night dances there. And she said, "I had some stuff, that I was going home to make me a dress." And she said, "I heard that music." And she said, "You know," said, "I stopped just a minute." And said, "It kept getting better. So I thought, 'You know, it won't hurt if I stand right here.'"

268 That's where she made her mistake, stopped for a moment. She just listened.

269 Said, "Well, I'm going to think." Said, "O Lord, You know I love You, though." Said, "You know I love You, Lord. But I can sure remember the time when Lee and I used to win all the—the cups, and so forth." Said, "My, I remember that old music used to attract me. It don't now."

270 Uh-oh, uh-oh! You just think it don't. It's already got you, right there. That's just as good as he wants, right there. See?

271 How many ever knowed Nellie Sanders? Well, I guess a whole lot of you. Yeah. Sure. So they—they was—they was . . .

272 Said, she said, "Well, you know what?" Said, "Maybe if I walk up on the steps up there," said, "maybe I'll be able to testify to some of them."

273 Oh! See, you're right on the devil's ground. Stay out of it. "Shun the very appearance of evil."

274 But she walked up, the top of the steps, and stood there a few minutes. And first thing you know, she was in some boy's arms, out on the floor.

275 Then she come to herself. And she was standing there, crying and going on, said, "Oh, I'm lost now, for good."

276 I thought, "Well, I don't know too much about the Bible, but I believe Jesus said this, 'In My Name they shall cast out devils.'" I . . .

277 And Wayne had done sobered up, a little bit, and was setting there, watching. See? So I said, "Now, devil, I don't know who you are, but I'm telling you now, this is my sister, and you ain't got no business with holding her. She didn't mean to do that. She just stopped for a minute." That's where she made her mistake, though. I said, "But you're going to have to come out of her. You hear me?"

278 And so help me, God, at the Judgment Bar, know. That screen door begin to opening and shutting, by itself. "Plumpity, plumpity," there at the door. "Pump, ka-plump, ka-plump." I thought.

And she said, "Bill, look at there. Look at there."

And I said, "Yeah. What is that?"

She said, "I don't know."

I said, "Neither do I."

279 And the door went "pumpity-pump, ti-pump," shutting like that. I thought, "What's the matter here? What's the matter?"

280 I looked again, like *that*. And I said, "Leave her, Satan! In Jesus' Name, come out of her!"

281 When I said that, it looked like a great big bat, about *this* long, rose up from behind her, with long hair hanging down out of its wings and off of its feet, like *that*. Was going, "Ooooooh." Started right towards me, just as hard as it come.

282 I said, "O Lord God, the Blood of Jesus Christ protect me from that."

283 And Wayne jumped up in the bed, looked. And here it was, like a big shadow, circled around, and went over and went down behind the bed. Out of the bed went Wayne, in the next room, as hard as he could. So we . . .

284 I got Nellie and took her home. And come back, and I couldn't . . .

285 Mom went in there and shook the sheets and everything. There wasn't nothing in that bed. What was it? A devil went out of her. What happened? She stopped for a moment. [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit two times—Ed.] That's all.

286 Don't stop, at all. When God sinks His Word in your heart, just take that Sword and start chopping and cutting. Hallelujah!

287 "I ain't got time to wait for nothing else. Just crossed over, I haven't got time to even settle down."

288 He said, "Well, and take my staff and lay it on the baby. And if anybody speaks to you, don't even speak to them."

289 If the devil says, "Hey, you know what you're feeling?" Don't even speak to him. Just keep going.

290 The devil, you know, the devil say, "But you know what? You know, *So-and-so*, when they got the Holy Ghost, you remember they—they almost lost their mind." Don't even speak to him. Just keep on going. You don't know about *So-and-so*.

291 It's you and God. That's right. Keep God. He anoints His servants. I got to hurry. God anoints His servants. See?

292 Now I got to bypass a few notes here, but I'd like to say this. Here, listen now, close.

293 Little lady, listen close now. [Brother Branham again speaks to the sick sister—Ed.]

294 Here we see the tactics of the devil. How do we do? Now, I've got a lot of Scriptures here, of prophets and things, where he come to them, and different peoples through the Bible, and done the same thing. It's always his tactic, is to try to get the people to disbelieve God's Word. Listen, you soldiers of the cross. When you disbelieve one Word of God's written Bible, you're disarmed.

295 Believe that, honey? [Brother Branham again speaks to the sick sister—Ed.]

296 You're disarmed. You surrender, you jellyfish. Put on the full armor of God. Amen. We're in a battle. What God said is true. "Every man's word is a lie." See? But as soon as you . . . gets you to listen to one thing, that's his tactic, you're disarmed.

297 How many things did Eve have to listen to? One. She was disarmed right then. What did the devil do? Swept right in through her mind, into her spirit, and there she was perverted. Is that right? She was perverted the very minute that she was disarmed, when she disbelieved God's Word. All right. Here we see his tactics.

298 God's soldiers are commanded to "Put on the full armor of God." Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen."—Ed.] Now, if you want to write that Scripture down, it's found in Ephesians 6:10 and 13. See? We read it a while ago. It's our text. All right. Notice. "Put on the full armor of God." Let's . . . Have you got a few minutes time? ["Amen."] Let's go back here just a minute. Let's just see what the full armor of God is. All right. Let's begin at the 10th verse. Now, listen close now. Let's find the full armor of God. "Finally, my brethren . . ." Now, I know I'm going . . . I'm . . .

299 It's twenty minutes, right now, to twelve, just about. I—I don't. . . I didn't want to teach you too long, today, but I—I may not have but just about one more Message till I take some of my trips for the summer, you see.

300 And you know what? You know why I'm doing this? I'll tell you. The other day I had a dream. I wasn't going to tell it, but it's just on my mind. I might as well do it, after the Lord has give me interpretations.

301 I dreamed that I was fixing to cross a great river, for mission work. And now, first, I was up there with my wife. . .

302 And how many ever knowed George Smith, six-second Smith, here in town? George Smith, his boy is on the police force here. He, poor George, is an alcoholic now. But he was one of the best fighters. He was the one give me my training, 'fore even went to the Y.M.C.A. and anywhere. He used to train us. And he was fast, real fast. He was only a welterweight, for hundred-forty-five pound. And he trained me. And used to stand up there, and he could take his fist, like *that*, and hit me right in the stomach, raise me up against the wall, see, but, and it wouldn't bother me. He just had me trained, there wasn't nothing but just training.

303 And then I—I dreamed, the other night, that I seen six-second Smith. Now, it wasn't a vision. It was a dream. And I seen six-second Smith, a young fellows coming against him, in wrestling. And he, that old man, about, oh, I guess. . . I'm fifty-two. He's about fifty-eight, sixty. There wasn't any of them young guys could touch him, in any way. He just tie them in a knot, like that, just lay them on the floor and hold them with his hand.

304 I thought, "That's strange." I thought my wife was with me, and I said, "That's strange." I said, "You know what, Meda? He used to be my trainer."

She said, "I—I remember that, you telling me about it."

305 I said, "Yes, sir. With his good training, I won fifteen professional fights, and quit the—the business; preach the Gospel."

306 Just then it changed, and I was starting across a—a water. But when I was going, I was going by a power boat. I looked over, and there set two of my brethren setting there, in a canoe, getting ready to go with me. I said, "You can't do that, brethren. Huh-uh. I must go alone."

307 And the boatman come up, and he said, "Here's you a boat," a real white plastic canoe.

I said, "Naw. Huh-uh. Not that."

308 He said, "Well, you can run up *this* way with it, fifty miles an hour."

I said, "But I got to cross *that* way." See?

"Well," he said, "get with *them* guys."

309 I said, "They're not boatmen. They don't know enough about that. They're enthused. They can't shoot that. They'll both drown out there. They just can't do it."

And he said, "Are you. . . can you trust. . ."

310 I said, “Listen, I—I know more about boats than they do, and I wouldn’t try to shoot it with that, just that kind of material.” I said, “It’s got to take a power boat to cross that.” I said, “It’ll take something greater than that.”

311 And I see him look around, to one of the brethren, and said, “Are you a boatman?”

The brethren said, “Yes.” See?

I said, “That’s wrong.”

312 And the boatman come back. He said, “Tell you what you do.” Said, “They love you. They believe you. But,” said, “if you try to cross in the power boat, they’ll try to follow you in that canoe. They’ll both die, see.” Said, “They can’t follow you.”

And I said, “Well, what must I do?”

313 And this boatman at the dock, he said, “You go back up *there*.” Said, “There’s only one little storehouse in all this country, one little storehouse. And just lay in plenty of supply,” said, “and they’ll stay here. They’ll—they’ll stay here while you are—while you are gone. But,” said, “you’ll have to lay in supplies.”

314 And I was just ordering all kinds of cabbages, and turnips, and radishes, and things, pile them in there like that. Then I woke up.

315 I didn’t know what it was, but I do now. See, we’re laying in the supplies, brethren. This is a life that you have to walk alone.

316 Leo, you remember the dream you had that time when you first come here? [Brother Leo Mercier says “Amen.”—Ed.] About the pyramid, and you thought you’d come up in there. I said, “Leo, no man gets up here. God has to put a man up here. You climbed every physical realm that could be climbed.” I said, “You can’t come here, Leo. See? Go back down. Just tell the people that it comes from God.” See? See?

317 It’s something that you—you can’t depend upon, as good as brethren and sisters, and my church and everything, and good as other churches are, and brethren, everywhere.

318 Now, I cannot keep away from the church out there. Somebody says, “Well, why do you go out with them people, them trinitarians, all *this*, *that*, and the *other*, and the oneness, and Jesus Name, and all these other things there? Why you mix up with them for, at all?” They are mine. No matter what they’ve done, they’re mine. They’re my pulpit.

319 When Israel had done so evil, until God even told Moses, said, “Separate yourself. I’ll start a new—new tribe with you.”

320 Moses threwed hisself in the way, said, "Before You take them, take me."

321 No matter what they had done, that's who I'm sent to. He sends a Light, not to shine where there's Light. Where there's darkness, that's where Light belongs. And you've got to get with the people. You've got to stand with them, regardless, you got to, in their wrong.

322 Israel was wrong as wrong could be. They were so wrong till God give them up. But, Moses, I've always wondered how that ever come, but the Spirit of Christ in Moses. See?

323 See, we're all wrong. He stood for all of us when we was in our wrong.

324 No matter how wrong they are, let's not disfellowship or disassociate ourselves with anything. As long as we can win a soul, let's go in with "wise as serpent, as harmless as dove," see, and try to win every soul that we can.

325 Now, this is what I'm saying this morning, is storing Food. Storing Food, so that you'll have something to eat, so that you'll have something to feast upon. Get It on your tapes. Set in the cool of the room. Maybe, when I'm a long ways away, you'll still remember these things are true. Set in your room and listen. See? And this is Food, storing in, in the storehouse. I don't know where the trip is. But, wherever it is, He knows where He's leading; I don't. I just follow.

326 Now, what did he say here now? Listen closely.

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

. . . be strong. . . in the power of his might.

Put on the whole armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, . . .

Shooting bullets and cut with knives, see, that's not it.

. . . against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of . . . darkness of this world, . . .

327 "The rulers of darkness." Who rules the world? The devil. Certainly. Who is all these things going on, all these ungodly things going on, around through here, and these governments, and so forth? It's all the devil. The Bible said so. The devil controls in United States. The devil controled Germany. The devil controls every nation in the world. I'm coming to it, just in a few minutes, and we'll find out whether he does, or not. Whether . . . Every kingdom ever was and ever will be, until God sets up His kingdom, is controlled by the devil.

328 I don't mean everybody in it is the devil, now. There's godly men in—in government offices.

329 There's going to be one here in a few nights, right here, to show a picture here with Brother Arganbright, here at the place. He's been the diplomat to about five different presidents, Brother Rowe. And he's a . . . He'll be here, I think it's about second week in April. Brother Neville will announce it. And he's a wonderful man.

330 He said he could speak in eight different languages, I believe. But when he received the Holy Ghost, he didn't have no language he could talk to the Lord, so the Lord just give him one, he said, so he talk to Him with that one. Give him a new one, that he never had practice on. All right.

. . . spiritual wickedness in high places.

Wherefore . . .

331 Now listen, all ye soldiers now, just before we start the prayer line.

. . . take unto your . . . unto you the (w-h-o-l-e) whole (not just part of it). . . the whole armour of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, . . .

That's the day we're living in.

. . . and having done all, to stand.

Stand . . .

332 Amen. Get that? See, honey? [Brother Branham again speaks to the sick sister—Ed.] When you've done all you can do, to stand, then stand. Don't move.

Stand therefore, having your loins . . .

333 Listen at this. Listen here, what this is. "Your loins." That's your middle part, here, see.

. . . girded about with truth, . . .

334 What is the Truth? The Word of God. That's right. "Thy Word is Truth." All right.

. . . and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

335 That is, "Do what's right." Got the Word of God in you, doing what's right. "The breastplate of righteousness."

And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

336 Go anywhere, any place, any time, feet shod with the Gospel. See? And look:

Above all, above all of it, take the shield of faith, . . .

337 That's the one that knocks off the darts, see, "The shield of faith."
*. . . wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of
 the wicked.*

And take the helmet of salvation, . . .

338 That's the soul . . . The mind—the mind, in *here*, the head; covers over the head.

*. . . and the—and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of
 God:*

339 How you going to let this helmet, what's it does? It's a protection. What is a helmet made out of? Brass. Brass can't even be tempered; hard, harder than iron. A brass headpiece, (the what?) the salvation, knowledge of knowing this, "And my healing comes from God. My salvation comes from God. My experience matches His Word, not the churches' idea; the Word!" Amen. There you are. Covered over, with a protection, the helmet of salvation, deliverance. Take that, then go marching forward. Oh, now, now that's what we're supposed to do. Satan's army . . .

340 Now watch, now, we . . . I just got to hurry, but I—I got to get this in.

341 Satan's army brings diseases. That's what Satan is, he's a destroyer. Satan, the whole kingdom of Satan, is sickness, death, and sorrow, and flusterations, and worry, all on Satan.

God is Life, faith, joy, peace, over *here*. See?

342 Now, that's the two great forces that's coming together right now. They're battling. They're battling right here in the building right now. They battle, day by day, with you, every force.

343 Satan, following you along, that great, big, kingly, priestly Goliath trying to scare the liver out of you. He's right, but God . . .

344 You're fortified, amen, with the Gospel, with the Word of Truth around your loin. Glory! Preacher, that's what it is. Helmet of salvation; the shield of faith; and the Sword, waving It in your hand! "Satan, I'm coming to meet you. You meet me in the name of science. You meet me in the name of—of culture. You meet me in the name of organization. You meet me in the name of *this, that*, or the *other*. But I meet you in the Name of the Lord God of Israel. I'm coming after you. Give away!" Even death itself can't stand there. Chop a hole right through it. That's right.

345 Satan's army brings diseases, and God's army is commissioned to cast them out. Amen. There you are. Every time Satan throws any on, onto you, God's army is to cast him out. Amen. Cast out!

346 That's the very technique that God used. Satan used the army of destruction, to disbelieve God's Word, and set him up a better kingdom than Michael had, and God cast him out.

347 God's method, is, cast out the evil. Cast down reasoning. Cast down superstition. Cast down worry. Cast down diseases. Cast down sin. Amen. You're above it, resurrected in Christ Jesus, setting in Heavenly places, with every devil under your foot. If he starts to stick his head in there, what . . .

348 You know, you are dead. Your life is hid. What is *dead*? You're dead to your senses. You are dead to your conscience. Your own human will would say, "Yes, I guess I . . ." Dead to your reasoning. Dead to all those things. And you are buried in the Name of Jesus Christ; and raised with Him. And wherever He is, there you are also.

349 What happened when them, one of them doubters, got in Heaven? God kicked him out. And what did He say to the soldiers that's raised in Christ? "When a devil comes along, kick him out. Cast him out." When Jesus trained His army, and commissioned them to the ends of the world, "Go ye into all the world, preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow the believers, My soldiers. In My Name they shall cast out devils; speak with new tongues; take up serpents, or drink deadly things, it wouldn't harm them; if they lay their hands on the sick, they shall recover."

Onward, Christian soldiers!
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before.

350 "I'm crucified with Him, nevertheless I live; not me that live, but He that liveth in me." The Word going on, before, God cutting away, with His sharp two-edged Sword.

351 Then, no wonder, when Grant took Richmond, and that little southern woman seen Grant coming in, the inspiration struck her. And she said:

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of
the Lord;
He is tramping out the vintage where the grapes
with wrath are stored;
He's loosed the fateful lightning with His terrible
swift sword;
His troops are marching on.

352 Amen. How did Grant take Richmond? Just as he come to it. Amen. That's how he took Richmond.

353 That's how God's soldiers take sin, sickness; just as they come to it. Amen. That's the way they overcome their doubts, and fears, and things. When one rises, they chop him down. "Move out of the way!" Oh, my! That's it. God cast them out, like He did in Heaven. Our great Chief Captain showed us how it was done. Amen.

354 Roy Roberson and Brother Funk, many of you old veterans here, you know what a real captain is.

355 One time I . . . this little Jeffersonville fire department down here. Pfau's place caught on fire. And here was Jeffersonville fire department standing down there, and the captain walking around, said, "Spurt a little water up *here*." "Sp-sp-sp-sp," like a little hose out here. Here come the Clarksville up, "Spurt a little water over *here*." "Sp-sp-sp." Pfau's building burnt down.

356 They called Louisville. Here come trained men. Oh, how them sirens rang across there!

357 And here is a chief captains along here, of these fire department, say, "Spurt a little water up *here*. Spurt a little water down *here*." Untrained men.

358 Brother, as soon as that engine stopped, who was at the head of the ladder? The captain. When that ladder went up, he went with it. When he struck the window, he hadn't got to the window yet. He grabbed his ax and threwed it through the window, and said, "Come on, boys." And the fire was out, in a few minutes. A captain!

359 It's not a captain, say, "Spurt a little water *here*. Try a little bit *here*."

360 But, "Come on, boys!" Amen. He led the way. He showed us how it's done.

361 I thought, "That well-trained fire department, they had that fire out in a few minutes." Why? They had a captain there that knowed what he was doing.

362 Brother, talk about all your theology you want to. Your man-made denominations, your organizations, play with it.

I got a Chief Captain that told me how to do it.

Say, "Well, if I can smell it, feel it." Oh, nonsense!

363 *Here* is the way the Chief Captain said it's done, in Luke the 4th chapter. I ain't got time to read it. Read it, yourself. All right. Luke the 4th chapter, begin at the 1st verse.

364 He never said, "Now I'll tell you. You go over *here* and you make a great organization. You get presbyters, and deacons, and, or get cardinals, and bishops, and you get *this*." He never said that.

365 When Satan met Him, he said, “Now You’re hungry. Turn these stones into bread.”

He said, “It’s written . . .”

366 He said, “Up here, we’ll take You up here and show You something.”

“But it’s written . . .”

“I’ll do *this*, if You do it.”

“It’s written . . .”

367 That’s how the Chief Captain said it was done. How is it done, sister? “It’s written, ‘If they lay hands on the sick, they shall recover.’” “It’s written, ‘In My Name they shall cast out devils.’” Amen. What is it? “It’s written!” That’s the Captain’s orders. “It is written, ‘Whosoever heareth My Words and believeth on Him that sent Me, has Eternal Life.’ It’s written! It’s written! It’s written!” That’s the—that’s the orders. That’s the soldier. That’s the way. That’s the artillery we move up.

368 What did he do? He walked right up there, to a Goliath. He showed a . . . How did David show a army how it was done? How did a David show Israel how it was done? David means “beloved, saviour.” See? How did David do it? He said, “Here’s the way it’s done. Trust in the Word of the Lord.”

369 And Goliath come out there, said, “You know what? I’ll pick you up on the end of this spear, and I’ll feed you to the birds.”

370 He said, “You meet me as an organization. You meet me as a modern scientist. You meet me with your great big fourteen-foot sword. You meet me with a helmet of brass, and with a piece of shield that I couldn’t even lift off the ground. You meet me as a trained warrior. You meet me with Ph.D, and L.L.D. and double L.D. You meet me in all these things. But I come in the Name of the Lord God of Israel, and today I’ll cut your head from your shoulders.” Amen. That little bitty wart coming out there against that giant, but he knowed where he was standing.

Israel, just shaking back there, “Oh, poor little fellow.”

Goliath said, “I’ll show you who I’ll do.” And here he come.

371 He had f-a-i-t-h, see, i-n J-e-s-u-s, five rocks, five stones. One little stone in there, to start it off with. Whirling it around like that, the Holy Ghost got a hold of the rock, and away it went. Goliath went to the ground. That’s the way it’s done.

372 That’s the way Jesus said, what He said. “Now, if you brethren that’s going out on the field, if you want to know how to conquer these devils, I’ll show you how it’s done.”

373 Satan said, "I'll meet you." Goliath, "I'll show You what I can do. You're hungry. If You are the Son of God, I'll challenge You. You say You're the Son of God. I'll challenge You. If You're the Son of God, turn these stones into bread. Eat; You're hungry. And if You are the Son of God, You have power to do it."

374 He said, "But it's written, now, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" Oh, that's the way the Chief Captain did it.

Took Him up on top of the pinnacle of the temple. He said, "If You cast Yourself down," said, "You know it's also written . . ."

375 Said, "Yeah." Said, "It's written, again, 'Thou shall not tempt the Lord thy God.'" See what He called Himself? "The Lord thy God." Uh-huh. "'Thou shall not tempt the Lord thy God,' it's written, again, like that." See? Oh, my!

376 What did He do? He defeated him, with the Word of God. The tactic of the devil is to get you to disbelieve God's Word. And the Chief Captain said, "Take God's Word and do It. In My Name they shall cast out devils."

377 Oh, Satan, their chief captain, oh, yeah, you know, some of these denominations try to get you believe he's got a forked hoof, you know, and a split tail, and all that stuff. Don't you believe it. He ain't that way. No, sir, brother. He's a slicker. Don't you believe he's got that. They just do that to scare you away. That's not the devil. The devil don't have a hoof, to begin with; I doubt it very much. He just is a spirit. The devil is a spirit. He don't have forked hoofs and things, like you try to picture him. No, no.

378 But, he's wise. Brother, he's a real wise man, educated to the spot, always has been, in worldly wisdom. Oh, yeah. He's beautiful. Organized his army with worldly wisdom, till, brother, don't you try to—try to speak your words. You better know what you're talking about when you meet one of these guys, saying, "The days of miracles is passed." No, he ain't got—he ain't got a split hoof. He's, oh, he's—he's—he's right out of the seminary. He's polished, brother. I mean, he's smart, Ph.D., L.L.D., Q.U.S.T., and all the rest of it. See? All in there, he's just as smart as he can be. Wise, sure, he is a serpent, sneakingest of all of them. Hair slicked down, brother, and, I mean, dressed, and not a wrinkle in the coat. Smart, just as wise and shrewd as he can be. That's right.

379 Don't you fool with him unless you know what you're talking about. That's right. Oh, but we know his old—his old tactics. We know what he's trying to do: get us to disbelieve God's Word.

380 And he hasn't got forked hoofs. No, no, no. Now, we find out that if he hasn't got forked hoofs, then he must be something else. He's a slicker. He's wisdom, educated, organized. Brother, he's got his army so.

381 Look, one time, over in Switzerland. I just can't find a place to stop, folks. There's a—a . . . Over in Switzerland, there come this German army, mar- . . . with the aliens coming in. Why, it looked like a brick wall; every man trained, every spear setting out like *this*, eight or ten feet in front. And they come up to poor little Swiss up there, what'd they have? They were armed with the—with the blades out of their sickles, sticks and rocks, and there they stood. They'd backed them up. Right across the hill was their homes. Here the Swiss army went out to meet them. They hadn't done nothing to them. They just come in and take their land.

382 What in the world has this child done, just a kid? Satan, that's who it is, would take her life if he could. Certainly. There he is; prematurely. See?

383 The Swiss hadn't done anything. They were good people. They were trying to defend their homes, but they stood out there to defend. After while, there was one by the name of Arnold von Winkelried. Here come this army. They was all surrounded. Said, "What can we do?"

384 Everywhere, just oceans of men, well-trained. That's the way Satan does it. Well-trained, his spear pointing right out, each man in step; one, two; one, two; just pulling in on this little army. Just—just keep walking, that's all they had to do, and just pick them, every one, on the swords. The spears go right on through them. That would have ended the Swiss army. That would have been all. Right over the hill was their homes and loved ones. Their women would have been ravished and raped, and their young daughters, and children killed, and homes burnt, and everything, food taken, cattle and stuff, gone. There they was.

385 What happened? Inspiration struck one by the name of Arnold von Winkelried. He said, "Men of Switzerland, this day I die for Switzerland." Amen. "This day I die for Switzerland."

They said, "What will you do?"

386 He said, "You just follow me and fight with all you got." He stood up there; threw down his spear, a little stick he had in his hand, like *that*. And screamed out, with his hands up, like *that*, and run towards that, hollering, "Make a way for liberty!" Run as hard

as he could go, right to the army. And, when he did, he grabbed every one of the spears that he could, and threw them right into his breast like *that*, and died.

387 He told them, 'fore he left. Said, "There's a little home over yonder, a wife and some babies that I'm leaving, a little home that I've just bought." And said, "I—I love them, but, today, I die for Switzerland. He give my . . ." He said, "I give my life to save the nation." And that was a hero. They haven't had a war since. That, that ended it.

388 It routed that army, with that heroism so displayed, till there wasn't. . . The—the army was so confused. The Swiss rolled rocks on them, and run them out of the country; and never been back since. That's been hundreds of years ago. See? Why? That was a great deed.

389 But, oh, brother, one day, when the ignorance, superstitions, doubt, flusterations, and fears, had God's people backed into the corner. There was One named Jesus Christ, "This day I die for the people." That's right.

390 What did he say to his army? "Follow me and fight with everything you got. If you got a club, fight with a club. Don't be afraid. You got a stick, fight with a stick. You got a rock, fight with a rock, whatever you got."

391 That's what our Chief Captain says today. "I took the Word of God, and I defeated the devil and his power." He chopped him to ribbons, amen, with that Word. Now, whatever you've got, if you just got one Word, "The Lord thy God that healeth thee," chop him. Follow. Amen. Follow our Captain. Yes, sir. He chopped him up.

392 Satan, with his big, beautiful kingdoms, and more beauty, and everything, all up-to-date. Don't have nothing to do with us. That's right. He's still the most subtle of all the beasts of the field. Yes, sir. Jesus said that the children of this world were wiser than the children of the Kingdom of God.

393 Now, these two great conflicts. We're going. . . I got. . . have to close. These two great conflicts are coming together right now. Right now is the hour when sickness and things has struck the world, till medical science is stumped, and everything is stumped. There's nothing, and—and we'll just. . . And the army, the little army of God, is being backed into the corner and everything. Brother, it's time for another Arnold von Winkelried. It's time, time for another man of God to stand forth. It's time for an Elijah to appear. It's time for something to take place.

³⁹⁴ God's army, close up your mind. Don't stop for a minute, to think of anything the devil has got to offer you through your senses. But remember, God's Word can never fail.

³⁹⁵ These two great armies! When the enemy comes in like a flood, as is coming today, what did God say He'd do? "The Spirit of God would raise up a standard against it." Are you one of them? Yes, sir.

³⁹⁶ We are taught in James 4:7. . . I don't have time to read it. James 4:7, to, "Resist the devil, and," he just won't walk away, but, "he'll flee." "Resist the devil." How do you resist the devil? The same way our Chief Captain told us to do it. Take the Word of God. That's how you resist the devil, is by the Word of God. The Chief Captain told us just how it was done. All right.

³⁹⁷ Now, in closing, I want to say this. That old devil, now, you think he's brazen. You think he'll attack a child? He'll attack anything. He attacked Jesus Christ. He come at Him, with three wild attacks. Did you know that? Satan didn't just only attack once. He'll attack you with a disease, then here he'll come back and attack you, tell you, "Days of miracles is past. You didn't get healed. There's nothing to It." You know that's right?

³⁹⁸ He attacked Jesus three times. Three wild attacks, he run in on Jesus, with his unbelief in God's Word. Jesus was the Word. Sure, he didn't believe it. "If Thou be. . . If Thou be. . ." Here he come, wild attacks, like sometimes the enemy today. Here they come, said, "If Thou be the Son of God, show me a miracle. Let me see it done." Brother, three wild attacks he flew in, "If Thou. . . If Thou be. . ."

³⁹⁹ Now, what did Jesus? Jesus was the Word of God. He was the Word. He attacked the Word. Glory! I—I'm just getting. . . just feeling good, to preach now, honest I am. That's right. Jesus is the Word. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word dwelled, made flesh, and dwelled. . ." Jesus was the Word. What did He do? He cut him to ribbons. Oh, my! I'm going to quit. What did Jesus do? He was the Word. So, with the Word, He cut Satan on his wild attack. He flew in there like a bunch of para-, storm-troopers, or something another like that, flew in on Jesus, the Word, like that. And Jesus took that Word, and sliced him to pieces. Hallelujah! Sure, sliced him to pieces, defeated him with the Word.

⁴⁰⁰ See his attack? Watch, listen close, this closing. His attack is what? Disbelieve God's Word, that's his attack. There, can you see the greatest battle was ever fought? There's only two forces; Satan and God. And what is Satan's weapon against you? Is to try to get you to disbelieve your Weapon. He disarms you. Let's—let's listen

real quiet now. Listen. If he can get you to disbelieve your Weapon is equivalent, if he gets you to believe that your Weapon is not strong enough, he has disarmed you.

401 Oh, Brother Neville, I hope we never leave that. [Brother Neville says, "I hope and pray not."—Ed.]

402 Look. He's disarmed you when he gets you to disbelieve that Weapon. When you lay That down, that finishes your fight. You're done. Hold that Weapon. Don't you lay It down. We see his unbelief. Let . . .

One more thing I want to say now, in a minute.

403 Russia. I want to say this for the benefit of the veterans, and so forth, here, and you Bible students. What you fussing and hollering about Russia? Huh! You don't hear me telling you to build a bomb shelter, do you? What you fussing about Russia? Russia ain't nothing. They ain't going to win no wars. They ain't going to conquer no world. Communism isn't going to conquer no world. What's the matter with people? Can God's Word fail?

404 Listen, this on tape now. To the world, I speak, or wherever these tapes may go. And to you people here, no matter whatever happens to me, you believe this.

405 Russia, communism, isn't conquering nothing. God's Word can't fail. Romanism is going to conquer the world.

406 Let's take Daniel's vision. That's the Word of God. "Thou, O Daniel. . ." "Thou, O King Nebuchadnezzar, is this head of gold," Babylon. "Another kingdom will succeed thee, which is silver," see, which was Medes-o-Persia. Another one was Greece, Alexander the Great. Next, come in, Rome. And there wasn't nothing said about a communism. Rome conquered the world.

407 Jesus Christ was born in the Roman kingdom, and persecuted, His first time come here, by the Roman kingdom. And on His second Advent, Coming now, His Message is persecuted by the Roman denominations, which is the mother of all of them. And when He returns, He'll come back to wipe out that Roman kingdom, that the Jews has always looked for Him to come and wipe out the Roman kingdom.

408 The Catholic hierarchy with all the denominations in the world, right now coming together as an organization, the confederation of churches organizing themselves together. It isn't Russia. It's Rome. **THUS SAITH THE LORD.** Yeah. Show me a Scripture where communism, or anything else besides Rome, will rule.

409 Did the Medes-o-Persia succeed Nebuchadnezzar? Sure. Did Greece succeed them? Yeah. Did Rome take them over, from there? Did it break up into ten Ottoman powers just like we got now? Did. . .

410 *Eisenhower*, which means “iron.” *Khrushchev* means “clay.” Did they have their meeting right here? And Khrushchev took off his shoe. [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit—Ed.] To make it a plain, open thing, beat on the desk, like *that*, to show the people. [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit.]

411 Well, what’s the matter with the people today? Where is faith got to? Why, don’t you believe the Word of God is the Truth? [Congregation says, “Amen.”—Ed.] And that thing is not in *Here*. What’s the matter with the preachers today? “Communism!” Every preacher is out here trying to fight communism. Communism, nothing!

412 The thing, the devil is weaving it right under your nose, and don’t know it; it’s Romanism, denominationalism. And Rome is the mother of denominations. The Bible said, “She was a whore, and her daughters were harlots,” against God, against His Word.

413 Soldiers, pick up the Word. Angels of mercy, stay with that Word. I’ll perish one day, but this Word can’t perish. And you younger people, if it don’t happen in my generation, you’ll see. There’s the thing.

414 Did you hear the news this morning? Mrs. Kennedy going, seeing the pope, and what the pope said. See, all the religions of the world! Oh! Well, maybe we get a little more of that, next Sunday.

415 See, don’t worry about Russia. Russia is a small pebble on the beach. Don’t you worry about communism. You watch Romanism when it’s uniting with the churches. There’s nothing written in the Scripture about communism ruling the world.

416 And I go by the Word, regardless of what anything else goes. It’s the Word I believe. It’s Romanism that takes the world. And Romanism is the mother of organization. There never was an organization till Rome, and every one of them come out of it. And the Bible said so, “She was the mother of harlots.” I could stay a half a day on it, again, but I guess I might as well move on.

417 When the enemy attacks us, then, “Oh, I tell you, you ought to come join our. . .” What are you going to do, back down, compromise? Not a real soldier, won’t. No, sir.

418 What do we do then? The mind, “Let the mind that was in Christ. . .” That what the Bible said? [Congregation says,

“Amen.”—Ed.] “The mind that was in Christ, be with you.” What kind of a mind did He have? Stay with the Word. That’s right. Stay with Word, the Father’s Word, and defeated the enemy every time. Now when the enemy attacks and try to say you got to do *this* and do *that*, what you going to do? Stay with the Word. That’s right.

419 What you want to do then? Take the Word. What is the Word? The Bible said here. We just read it. For the Spirit, and of God, is the Word. See? Look here. “And take the helmet of salvation, and the Sword, the Sword of the Spirit.” The Sword of the Spirit! What? The Spirit that comes in through your mind and enters into you, and the Sword of that Spirit is the Word of God.

420 What does that Spirit fight with? What does the Holy Spirit fight with, sensations, feelings? [Congregation says, “The Word.”—Ed.] The Word; heart! Whew! Glory! What does It fight with, feeling? Word! Word! Let’s say it, Word! [“Word!”] Word! [“Word!”] Word of God is what the Spirit fights with.

421 The Spirit of God walks right up to the devil, and said, “It is written!” Amen! “It is written!” And the devil gives away.

422 What do we do? Take the Sword, which is the Word of God, pull It with (what?) a hand of faith, strong hand of faith, the two-edged Sword. The Bible said, in Hebrews 4, “It’s—It’s a two-edged Sword,” cuts both coming and going.

423 Brother, what does he do? Take the Word. Take the Spirit, let the Spirit come into your heart. Open up your mind, say, “Thy Word is true.” Now, you do this, sister. [Brother Branham again speaks to the sick sister—Ed.] “Thy Word is true.”

424 “Lord, I ain’t going to pay any attention how I feel, what anybody, self says. I’m stopping up, I’m blowing out every one of my avenues, all the flusterations, and doubts, and unbeliefs that I’ve ever had. Every feeling I ever had, all the sickness I ever had, everything else I ever had, I’m blowing them all out. I’m bypassing all that. I’m coming right straight to my spirit. O Lord, come down. You said You made me a free moral agent.”

“You are, My son.”

425 “All right, I open up my heart and my mind. Come in, Lord Jesus.”

426 And grab the Faith, that Sword of the Spirit, THUS SAITH THE LORD. Scream, “Hallelujah!” Amen. Then cut down every enemy in front of you. Amen. There it is. Cut every enemy. If a—old spooky spirit making you feel all. . . Cut that thing away, with the Word of the Lord.

But our strength, is, "The joy of the Lord is my strength."

427 "Get away from me." Whack! You cut him with the Word. Whether it be demon, whether it be enemy, whether it be sickness, whether it be disease, whatever it is, take that Word and pull It with the Sword. And if you whack it the first time, it don't seem to move, whack it again, and whack it again, and whack it again. And whack it until you chipped a hole through, like a little chicken peeping itself out; or an eagle, what you are. Peep yourself right on through that old shell of sickness. Cut your way out, and say, "Hallelujah! Where's the next one?" Amen. That's the battle. That's a soldier. That's the soldier of the cross. Yes, sir. Knock every enemy out.

428 Why? Why? We, a predestinated, royal Seed of Abraham. When Abraham denied everything that was against God's Word, he chopped his way right through every obstacle that come in front of him. They said, "Your wife is too old." He just chopped the thing out of the way. The devil said, "You can't do *this*. You can't do *that*." Abraham chopped it out of the way. He whacked at it, and whacked at it, until it cut itself through.

"Where next, Lord?"

429 "Move your tent up *here*." He went up and built Him an altar up there.

430 Got up there, and Satan come, said, "Now, I'll tell you, this is not the right place."

"I'll stay right here. Get off of my grounds." He said, "Hallelujah!"

431 Lot said, "You better come on down here. We're having a good time down here. We all got our organization down here. Why, my wife is the head of the literary society and everything else, in the city. I tell you, you ought to come down here."

Sarah said, "Abraham . . ."

432 "Shut up, Sarah." Hallelujah! "Stand right here. This is where God placed me. Right here is where I stand."

433 Here is where God placed me.

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let Angels' prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other grounds is sinking sand,
All other grounds is sinking sand.

434 Even death itself, everything else, is sinking sand. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand.

435 “The royal Seed of Abraham.” The royal Seed! Why, England’s most selected army is the royalty of England, royal blood, everything. And the royal Seed of Christ is the Holy Ghost-filled Church, filled with the Holy Ghost. What? Royal Seed, by the promise, not by sensations. But, by the promise of God, they stand by the Word of God, and chop their way though, screaming, “Hallelujah!”

Even death comes and says, “He’s coming up your sleeve.”

436 Say, “Give away, Jordan. I’m crossing over.” Cut your way right on through, to the promised Land. Amen.

437 What happens when the battle is all over? I’m closing now, sure enough. When the battle is all over, and the saints come marching Home, I want to ask you something, what happened?

438 What happened when Hitler went into France? Why, they said you couldn’t even see the skies, for a while, the planes. The German’s goose-step. [Brother Branham goose-steps on the platform two times—Ed.] See, they was standing, passing by, celebrating a victory.

439 When Stalin came to Russia, for miles behind, each tank just a little behind the other, just bombarded Berlin till there wasn’t nothing left of it. That’s all. And when they went, and these German. . . These Russian soldiers celebrating, they went in with that, you know, that little funny thing they do. I seen it on a picture, one time in London, how they come in, the actual picture of the thing where, what happened, coming in, celebrating. Oh, my!

440 When we heard that the war was over, we screamed, we blowed whistles. When the hero’s come back, we met them up there. They screamed. They hollered. I had a cousin was in there, said, when he come back, all the old. . . The veterans that had been scarred up so bad, they couldn’t get out of the bed, so they just rolled them up on top the ship when they come in, to see the Statue of Liberty standing up. Said, “Them great big men standing there, they just cry, and fall right over like *that*, when they seen that Statue of Liberty.” Been away from home for four years, fighting, battle-shocked, and everything else. But they knowed that wife, and sweetheart, and mother, and dad, and children, and all that they loved, was right behind that Statue of Liberty. It represented what they had been fighting for. Oh, the whistles blowed, and New York went into a scream, that’s all, when their heroes come marching in. That’ll be a minor thing.

441 One time when Caesar, after a great battle, he said, "I want my most famous warrior to ride by me in this great celebration of triumph over our enemy." And every one of the officers trimmed their plumes and shined their shields, and marched by, you know, like that, as—as real soldiers like that. After a while, a little, old fellow come by, cut. My! He just kind of looked up, and started on, like *that*. Caesar said, "Wait a minute. Wait a minute. You," not even dressed like a—an officer, said, "come here." Said, "Where'd you get them scars at?"

He said, "Out on the battlefield."

442 Said, "Climb up here. You're the guy I want to set by me." Why? He showed that he had been in battle.

443 O God, have mercy on a man that can cut his hand on a sardine can and get a citation. I want to be battle-scarred. As Paul said, "I bear in my body the marks of Jesus Christ." That's why I want to battle on the field.

444 Someday, when our great Chief Captain shall come, Who armored us, Who give us the armor of God, the Holy Ghost, give us His Word to fight with, stand out there; when our great Chief Captain comes riding in, I want to step up on the chariot and ride up Home with Him. Don't you? [Congregation says, "Amen."—Ed.] Then when I take my little old wife by the arm, look around here and see my brethren and their wives, and their children, when we start walking down through those paradises of God, and the Angels filling the air with anthems, above like that, talk about a celebration!

445 And when the battle is over, we shall wear the crown. Oh, my! Oh, soldiers of the cross, this morning, pull that arm of faith out here, and get a hold of this Weapon.

446 What about it, sister, are you ready? [Brother Branham again speaks to the sick sister—Ed.] Pull that Weapon out, say, "God, I don't care what—what the devil has said to me, how much anybody else has said. This morning, I'm believing." [The sister says, "I believe, too."] "I'm believing."

447 As I said the other day, a little . . . I believe a few Sunday's ago, there was a man had a dream. He dreamed that the devil was a little bitty old thing, run up to him. He said, "Boo!" And he jumped back, and the devil got bigger. "Boo!" And he jumped back, and the devil got bigger. Finally, the devil got as big as he was, was going to overcome him. He knowed he had to fight him with something, so he looked around. He couldn't find nothing to fight him with. He

just picked up the Bible. And the devil said, “Boo!” He said, “Boo!” right back at him, and the devil got littler, and littler, and littler. And, finally, he beat him to death with the Word.

448 You’re a soldier, ain’t you, sis? [Brother Branham again speaks to the sick sister—Ed.] Take that Word and say, “It’s written.” Amen. “I’m not going to die. I’m going to live. I’ll set right in this tabernacle and praise God for His goodness, with the rest of them.”

449 You believe that, saints? [Congregation says, “Amen.”—Ed.] Amen.

Let’s bow our head.

450 O Lord God, Creator of heavens and earth, let it be known today that Thou art still God. No matter how much I would preach, how many things I’d say, Lord, a Word from You settles it.

451 These handkerchiefs are laying here, representing sick people. I pray, Heavenly Father, that Your blessings and power will rest upon each of them, as I lay my hands upon them. God, in Jesus Christ’s Name, I pray that You’ll anoint these handkerchiefs with Your holy Presence, for it’s written in the Word. It’s nothing against the Word. But it said in the Word, that, “They taken from the body of Paul, handkerchiefs and aprons. Unclean spirits went out of the people, and they were healed of different diseases.” Now, we’re not Saint Paul, but You’re still God, and You’re still the same Holy Spirit. I lay my hands upon these handkerchiefs, in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and ask that You bless and heal each one of them.

452 And, God, laying over here in a bed, that’s been laying here, nothing but a child, just a beautiful little girl. She can’t live, Lord. Satan has done evil to her. And the beloved physicians of this earth has tried hard, no doubt, to save the child. They just can’t do it. They’re at the end of their wit. They don’t know nothing else to do. But, Lord, I’m so glad that there’s another chapter written. We can turn another page, and in this page we see the Great Physician come in. We’re calling Him for counsel this morning.

453 Now, Lord, is not it written here in Your Word, that, “These signs shall follow them that believe”? Lord, if I’m not a believer, make me one now. If this little girl is not a believer, make her one now. “These signs shall follow them that believe; if they lay their hands on the sick, they shall recover.” It’s also written, “In My Name they shall cast out devils.” Lord, them—them is Your Words. It’s Yours. It’s Your Word. And now as Your servant . . .

454 As You said, “If there will be two or three of you meet together, I’ll be in your midst; and if you’ll agree, as touching one thing, and ask, you shall receive it.”

455 God, this child is probably the most sickest person in the building this morning, because she can’t live without You, very much longer, and she’s the most sickest. So, we’re all, we’re agreeing, as every soldier standing here. And in this group stands the royal Seed of Abraham.

456 We’re marching in on Satan now. And might as well get ready to go, Satan, ’cause our armors are gleaming, the colors are streaming; men and women holding Swords, marching forward now upon you, for this little girl. Come out of her, Satan. Leave that child. As the army of the living God, we defy you. Leave her, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

457 I go to lay hands upon her. And, Satan, you have bound this child, you have done this evil. I know that you’re more than a match for a human being, but you’re not a match for my Lord, so I come in His Name. Leave her, thou spirit of the devil. Thou demon of sickness, come out of this child, and may she go free, from this day on. I pronounce this, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

458 Now, Lord God, You Who raised the dead and proved that You were God, raise this young woman to her health and strength again, that she’ll stand in this building here. The devil is gone from her! . . . ? . . . going to make her well. May she live to the glory and honor of God.

It—It has been spoken, now let it be done.

459 Is there others in here that want to raise your hands and say, “I want to be prayed for. I’m sick. I need God”? I don’t know how much time we got. We got enough time to let them people pass by here. I just feel real comforting this morning now. Yeah. Yeah. I want you to come down here, Billy, and just take maybe this one section right here, on *this* side over here, alone. Just let this section come first, then we take the back section after that, just up to *that* aisle there. Then we’ll just take them like that, then they won’t. . .

460 And now I want Brother Neville and some of my ministering brothers to stand over here by me, right here, so you can take them right down the aisle again. All right. All right. Now I. . .

461 How many of you has got your armor on? [Congregation says, “Amen.”—Ed.]

462 [Brother Branham turns from the pulpit and speaks to the sister he had just prayed for—Ed.] Going to be different now. Go home, be all right now, get well.

463 Amen. Oh, my! All you soldiers, pull the Sword. Pull the Sword, soldiers of the cross, marching on, marching on.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand.
All other grounds is sinking sand.

464 All right, come right along, right down on the side *here*. Everybody in prayer now, as they pass by.

In the Name of Jesus, heal this woman. Amen.

Pull your Sword now. Keep right to your seat, shouting.

465 [Brother Branham and the ministers pray for the sick, away from the microphone, for forty-five seconds—Ed.]

Onward, Christian soldiers!
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before.

466 “Give away, Satan!” What’s the matter, soldiers? Don’t you think we can conquer? [Congregation rejoices and says, “Amen.”—Ed.] He’s already conquered. We are more than victors in Christ Jesus. Every devil cast out, everything else. Amen.

Come here, my brethren! . . . ? . . .

I pray that you will heal! . . . ? . . .

Heal my brother, Doc; heal him, Father, in Jesus’ Name.

In the Name of Jesus Christ, heal this lady. Come . . . ? . . .

467 Now, he took . . . I had to ask brothers in the back. Everywhere, the Lord . . . ? . . .

468 O Lord God, Creator of heavens and earth! O God, You know what’s in her heart. You know all about it. I pray for both mother and daddy. In the Name of Jesus Christ, I commit . . . ? . . .

In the Name of Jesus Christ, I . . . ? . . .

In the Name of Jesus Christ, I . . . ? . . .

469 God, be with my sister. We know, years begin to creep in and cause death to want to take hold of the woman’s body. Now, in the Name of Jesus . . . ? . . .

470 In the Name of Jesus Christ, bless this little girl, Lord. Our battles at school there, I know what she goes through. I pray

You'll bless. May she pull that Sword, this morning, and walk forward! . . . ? . . . Bless this little boy, Lord; he's coming, calling Thy Name, this morning; I pray that You'll go with . . . ? . . .

471 God, bless my brother, granting him his request. In the Name of our Lord Jesus, I spoke it! . . . ? . . .

In the Name of Jesus Christ, we offer this prayer.

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In the Name of Jesus Christ, we offer this prayer.

In Jesus Christ's Name . . . ? . . .

In the Name of Jesus Christ . . . ? . . .

In the Name of Jesus Christ, heal my brother.

In the Name of Jesus Christ . . . ? . . .

In the Name of Jesus Christ!

In the Name of Jesus Christ!

In the Name of Jesus Christ!

In the Name of Jesus Christ!

In the Name of Jesus Christ!

472 [Someone says, "Father died."—Ed.] God, help her, in Jesus' Name.

God, in the Name of Jesus Christ, we . . . ? . . .

God, in the Name of Jesus!

In the Name of Jesus Christ . . . ? . . .

In the Name of Jesus Christ, heal my brother.

In Jesus' Name . . . ? . . .

You understand now?

O God, may this go away from . . . ? . . .

473 In the Name of Jesus Christ, we pray! . . . ? . . . Grant sister . . . ? . . .

474 O God, knowing that precious little mother, going through all this trouble, I pray, God, that You'll . . . ? . . . upon her.

Pull that Sword, Ed, and go forward, in the Name of Jesus.

475 O God, heal the woman. Grant his request. May he take that Sword before him, in the time of difficulty.

O God . . . ? . . . this morning. I pray that You'll . . . ? . . .

476 Father, God, I pray that You'll heal our brother and make him well. And in the Name of Jesus Christ. . . ? . . .

477 God, I pray that You'd heal our sister, make her well, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

478 Father, God, I pray that You would—would heal our brother.

Heal our sister, Lord! . . . ? . . .

Father, in Jesus Name, heal this, our sister, Father.

479 Father, . . . ? . . . we pray in Jesus' Name. God, heal this woman.

O God, I pray that You . . . ? . . .

480 O God, bless him, Father! . . . ? . . . How we love those old fellows, Lord. And I pray that You'll grant his request! . . . ? . . .

481 Our Heavenly Father, I pray that my brother . . . ? . . . O God, . . . ? . . . him, O God . . . ? . . . soldier of the cross. And he will pull that Sword, this morning, and march forward.

God, we . . . ? . . . Grant this, O Lord, his request.

482 God, bless brother . . . ? . . . I pray that You will heal him, Lord! . . . ? . . . Give him the desire of his heart, in Jesus Christ's Name.

483 O Heavenly Father, this little minister of the Gospel, his throat . . . ? . . . Where she has washed in pots . . . ? . . . God, I pray that You will . . . ? . . . And while the great army of God is moving forward now, with Swords raised, give her the victory, Lord. Her little husband here, Lord, who was brought from that cancerous bed where he was laying, dying with a cancer, and the doctors giving him up, as he went. And here he is, this morning, a little soldier of the cross. Strengthen him, Lord, for Your service, we pray, in Jesus' Name.

484 I want that little lady . . . There is something another with this little preacher here. Come here, Brother Kidd. This man was sent home from the hospital, just recently, dying, eaten up with cancer. [Sister Kidd says, "A year ago."—Ed.] A year ago. ["Two."] Two year ago, with prostrate. His doctor just give him a few days to live. And one morning, we went up there, real early, offered prayer for him, the same one just like for you, and they can't even find a trace of it. [Congregation rejoices.] He was healed. Amen. He—he . . . [Sister Kidd says, "Had to admit it."] He's got more weight now than he's ever had. Him and his little wife has been in the fields of the Gospel, maybe before I was born. He's here now . . . [Brother Kidd says, "Fifty-five years."] Fifty-five years. Before I even come on the earth, they were

preaching the Gospel. And here he is, healed, at a age of about seventy-five or . . . [“Eighty-one.”] Eighty-one. [Brother Kidd says, “We’d have a revival, a two weeks meeting, preach every night.”] Two weeks revival, just held two weeks revival, and preached every night. Eighty-one years old, healed, with cancer, when he was old.

⁴⁸⁵ All right, sister, it’s your time now. You believe? [Congregation rejoices and says, “Amen.”—Ed.] *Onward, Christian Soldiers*. All right, sister. You, to every one of you, what are we going to do? THUS SAITH THE LORD. What do we do, hang around here?

⁴⁸⁶ Satan, you lost. We’re coming over now. We’re marching on over into the promised Land. What’s that? “What is this mountain, before Zerubbabel? Who is this, stands before there? You’ll become a plain.” Why? With a two-edged Sword, we’ll chop her to the ground. That’s right. All right.

Onward, Christian soldier!
 Marching as to war,
 With the cross of Jesus
 Going on before;
 Christ, the royal Master,
 Leads against the foe; (with His Word)
 Forward into battle,
 See, His banners go!

Onward, Christian soldiers!
 Marching as to war,
 With the cross of Jesus
 Going on before.

⁴⁸⁷ Hallelujah! What did they do? The first thing went forth, in battle, for Israel, what was the first thing? The singers went forth, first. What followed? The Ark. Then the battle. All right. Do you believe it now? [Congregation says, “Amen.”—Ed.] We’re singing *Onward, Christian Soldiers*. We’re pulling away every doubt. Rising to our feet now, we march to battle.

Let’s stand now, everybody.

Onward, Christian soldiers!
 Marching as to war,
 With the cross of Jesus
 Going on before;
 Christ, the royal Master,
 Leads against the foe;

How do we defeat him? With the Word.

Forward into battle,
 See, His banner go!
 Onward, Christian soldiers!
 Marching as to war,
 With the cross of Jesus
 Going on before.
 We are not divided,
 All one body we;
 One in hope and doctrine,
 One in charity.

488 All that believes now, say, “Amen.” [Congregation says, “Amen.”—Ed.] Hallelujah! You believe that? [“Amen!”] We are conquerors. Where is every enemy? Under our feet. What are we today? Risen in Christ!

489 Now, it’s over, sis. [Brother Branham again speaks to the sister, who had been sick—Ed.] You believe that? Go home now. You feel all right? She says she feels all right now. Everything is all right.

490 How many out there feel all right? [Congregation rejoices loudly and says, “Amen.”—Ed.] And when they shouted, the wall fell down, amen, and they took it. Amen. They took the city. Amen! Amen! You believe Him? [“Amen.”]

491 Now, don’t forget tonight’s service. Brother Neville will be here tonight, and bringing us a good message. And Sunday, next Sunday, the Lord willing, be here.

492 Now let’s go, as we move. And now, out from the building, let’s go, singing, *Onward, Christian Soldiers*. And from this day, henceforth, don’t never put that Sword in the sheath anymore. Pull it out. Let’s conquer. “They went forth, conquering, and to conquer.” All right, again, on that first verse.

Onward, Christian soldiers!
 Marching as to war,
 With the cross of Jesus
 Going on before.



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