Fellowshipping With God pt4

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Notice the harmony of the Father and the Son. Jesus never did anything until it was first showed Him by the Father. John 5:19. This harmony is now to exist between the Groom and His bride. He shows her His Word of life. She receives it. She never doubts it. Therefore, nothing can harm her, not even death. For if the seed be planted, the water will raise it up again. Here is the secret of this. The Word is in the bride (as it was in Mary). The bride has the mind of Christ for she knows what He wants done with the Word. She performs the command of the Word in His name for she has "thus saith the Lord." Then the Word is quickened by the Spirit and it comes to pass. Like a seed that is planted and watered, it comes to full harvest, serving its purpose.

172-3 Those in the bride do only His will. No one can make them do otherwise. They have 'thus saith the Lord' or they keep still. They know that it has to be God in them doing the works, fulfilling His own Word.

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- 109 And he stepped down, said, "It's the Lord, I'll just walk." But when he got his eyes on the waves, he got scared. What come in his mind? First thing, he... "I'm going to walk because the Word said for me to walk." And the next thing, he looked at his... well, he looked at his symptoms; he looked out there and seen how big them waves was, and he got scared; and when he did, down he went. See? What he feared, happened! What he believed, happened! When he believed he could walk, he walked; when he believed. Got scared in his belief, then his substance left him. See? He still professed his faith, but he didn't have the substance. The substance would have went right over top of that whitecap and went right on to Him, see, if he has the Perfect Faith. See? But he didn't have it. He thought he did. He did at first, he was willing to venture right out, "Why, the Lord told me to do it, it's got to happen." So he just steps right down out of the boat, and takes off. He never thought about the waves, how contrary they was. He never got that in his mind.
- 110 Now, when you get to thinking, "Well, now wait. And, you know, I've been sick so long, I..." Stop! You just might as well go back to the boat. See? See? But when you quit thinking about that,...
- 111 "Abraham considered not his own body, now dead, neither the deadness of Sarah's womb." **He didn't think about that, didn't even consider it**. It wasn't even brought into--to understanding. He didn't even consider at all; he

just considered what God said, and he went on. As long as Peter did that, he walked.

- Person. He lived in a world that no one knowed about, He was an odd Person. He lived in a world of Perfect Faith in the Perfect God, in which He was. If we lived in a Perfect Faith of a Christian, to what we are, we'd be a mystic to the world; the people wouldn't understand you. You'd walk in the Spirit. What the Spirit said, you would do. What It forbid, you would not do. Then the people begin to say... they... you'd be a mystic person to them.

 113 That's the way it is to all believers, they're a mystic. The people don't understand, because they live in a world to themselves. Jesus lived in a world that nobody else could touch. The disciples couldn't understand Him. When He spoke to them, they say this. And then they said, "Why, You talk in riddles! We don't understand this. How can this be?" See, they wasn't in the world that He lived in. See, they couldn't understand Him, nobody could understand Him.
- 114 And so when a man lives by faith and walks by faith, I mean substance faith, he is isolated from the entire world and becomes a new creature in Christ. There, now you're getting into Bride material. See? See? See? You're getting into rapturing condition, now. That means for each one of us; not just the pastor, deacons, trustees. That means for the laity, every individual walks in a world with God alone. You're baptized into this Kingdom, and there's nobody in there but you and God. See? He gives the orders, and you pack them out. Whatever He says, there's not a shadow of doubt nowhere, you walk right on. If the Lord says this, there's nobody in the world can talk you out of it, you go right on just the same. Now you're coming into Perfect Faith, perfect perfection that cannot fail. That faith never fails. Yes, He was a mystic to them with His Perfect Faith; and so is it now with those who have Perfect Faith, are a mystic to others.

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- **292-4** Oh, I am so glad that my holiness is not of myself. I am glad that I am in Christ, with all His wonderful attributes of righteousness imputed, yea imparted unto me. Blessed be God forever!
- 292-5 "These things saith He That is true." Now this word, 'true', is a very wonderful word. It does not mean true in just the sense that it is opposite to false. It expresses the Perfect Realization of an idea as contrasted with its Partial Realization.

For example we recall that Jesus said in John 6:32,

"Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven."

John 15:1,

"I am the true vine."

Hebrews 9:24,

"For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us."

I John 2:8,

"Because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth."

292-6 Since this word, indeed, expresses Perfect Realization as against the idea of Partial Realization as illustrated in these verses, we can now understand as never before Antitype contrasted with type, and **substance with shadow**. Take the example now of manna from heaven. God sent down angel bread from heaven for Israel. But that bread did not satisfy. It was only good for a day. Those who ate it were hungry again the next day. If it was left around it became contaminated. But Jesus is the **TRUE bread from heaven**, whereof manna was just a type. And if any man eats of that BREAD that came from heaven he will never hunger again. He does not need to come back and eat again. The moment he partook, he had eternal life. Here indeed was REALITY. No need any longer for a shadow. No need for a partial salvation. Here is the WHOLE of it. Just like Jesus isn't a part of God; He IS God.

No one could deny that Israel had light. They were the only people who had light as a nation. It was as when Egypt was so dark that one could feel it. But in the homes of the Israelites there was light. But now true light is come. The light of the world is Jesus. Moses and the prophets brought the light by means of the Scripture relative to the Messiah. Thus Israel had light. But now the Fulfillment of the light has come, and what was but glowing Word has now broken forth in the Brightness of God manifested amongst His people. As the pillar of fire gave light at night, and that was wonderful, now light and life were manifested in the fullness of the Godhead bodily.

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115 We are taught to "resist the Devil, and he will flee from us." Now, to resist is to just simply "turn him down"; just resist him, that is "just walk away from it." God said a certain thing; no matter what he's trying to tell you, you don't even listen to him. You have... your ears are deaf to anything else but what the Spirit says. See? "To he that has an ear (that listens), see what the Spirit saith

unto the churches"; the one that's got the listening post, that catches what the Spirit says to the churches. See?

- 116 What Satan says, "Well, I just can't..." That don't have nothing to... "Well, if you teach that, the denomination will put..." That don't have nothing to do with it, he goes right on just the same.
- 117 "He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith to the churches." You know, in the Bible, It's always constantly saying that. "To him that has faith. To he that has an ear to hear, let him hear." See? "He that has wisdom, let him count the numbers of the beast." All these different things. "He that has, let him tell it to the rest of them, that they might have."
- 118 And that's by faith we're talking about now, faith that you've got to have, that Perfect Faith; that Faith that says, "Yes!" There's nothing can say "no" when God says, "Yes." See? When He says "Yes," It's "Yes!" And nothing else can ever take It from you.
- 119 With His Perfect Faith, He was very strange. And the Devil didn't stay around Him very long. We got it in the lesson this morning. When he come with that great big bluffed of intellectual conception, he bluffed up against Jesus there when he come, and he found out he hit a ten thousand volt line: throwed him right back again. Yes sir. He said, "It is written, man shall not live by bread alone!" Whew! He got a shock then.

He come a little softer the next time, when he said, "Now You're a great Man, You can puff Yourself up here, be somebody."

- 120 Said, "Get behind Me, Satan." Oh, my, what he met! And, "Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." See, He proved Himself unto Satan that He was the Lord God. "For it is written, 'Thou shalt not tempt... "
- **121** Now, if Satan didn't know that that was the Lord God, he'd said "Wait a minute, You're not that Person." But he knowed better then to debate it with Him.
- 122 He knowed what ground to stand on. He said, "Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." And that's Who He was. And Satan knowed better than to say that, because Jesus' works had already proved that He was the Lord thy God.
- 123 Notice now another. Perfect Faith is a master of all circumstances. Perfect Faith masters all circumstances. No matter what it is, It masters it. Now, just watch! When you believe anything, do anything, and you got faith in what you're doing; no matter what the circumstance is, that don't have one thing to do with it. See, it masters that circumstance. If it's in a room of sickness, and the Lord's revealed that this certain thing's going to happen, you just speak it and go on.

- "Oh, does the...?" Just don't ask any questions. It's already over, just keep going. See? It masters all circumstances. "Well, if you do this, So-and-so's going to do..." That... you see, It already got it mastered. See?
- 125 Faith believes that God will work it out. "I don't know how He's going to do it, but He'll do it anyhow." See? It masters all circumstances.
- **And faith and love is relation**, because you can't have faith unless you got love, because your faith is in a God Who is the very essence of love. **Faith and love works together.**
- Here, just like a young couple. You take a young man and young woman, and they love... they fall in love with one another. And as they go along and begin to know one another more, their hearts just begin to beat as one. See? They're... yet they're not husband and wife, but their love binds them together, and they have confidence in one another. Now, if they really love one another, really love, and you know that this girl loves you and she knows that you love her, you've got confidence (faith in one another) if you got faith in one another; if you didn't, you'd better not marry her. See?
- 128 Notice, you got to have faith. And you separate them and put one extreme south and one extreme north, there's still that love beats for one another, no matter where they're at. They're just as true to one another as they can be, because they love one another. And if you love the Lord, just not trying to dodge hell, but you love the Lord, then you have faith in God; see, if you love Him.
- Like a young girl... just happened here in Louisville, not long ago. A woman, she was a--she was a... been a Christian for many years, but her husband had just... fell in love, she fell in love with this man. He had been a Christian, a couple years. And so they got married; they loved and had confidence in one another, and they got married. And so the woman said to the man, said, "Hubby, it must be hard on you, you're just a young Christian. You've had so much to go through with." Drinking is what it was. Said, "You've had so much to go through with." And said, "I know you're bound to be tempted awfully hard." And said, "I want you to know one thing now. Now, if you happen to fall, if you happen to fall into temptation and is overcome, don't stay away from home; you come on back. You come right here, 'cause I--I'm going to be right here waiting for you, and I'm going to help you pray through again until you get victory. I'm going to stay with you, because when I married you, I married you because I loved you. And no matter what you are, I still love you."
- 130 Few days after that, he was eating his lunch with the fellows down in the boiler room, he was telling them about it, said, "Now, how could a man ever do anything wrong when somebody loves you like that?" See?

- 131 There you are. How could you trespass that confidence?
- 132 And when we were sinners, alienated, without God; in the world, in that muck of mud, as I talked about this morning, God come to us! God sought you, you never sought God. "No man can come to Me except the Father draws him first." And God came down in that muck, what you were, and sought you out and brought you out! That ought to create a Perfect Love. Look what you was, and look what you are. What did that? Somebody that loved you! Can't you have faith in what He's promised you, then? Real genuine love will create a confidence in His Word.
- 133 He caught me when I was nothing. I'm still nothing, but I'm in His hand. See, He caught me. And He loved me when I was unlovable. He loved you when you was unlovable, but He changed you. Just like the colored sister said, that time in her testimony, she said, "I'm not what I ought to be, and I'm not what I want to be, then I'm not what I used to be!" She knowed she had come somewhere, something happened. And that's the way it is. If God, when I was an alien from Him, so loved me till He stooped down to get me and pick me up, that gives me confidence that He wants to use me. He's got a purpose in doing it. He seen something in me. He seen something in you. He had a reason to save you, look at the people that's unsaved today. Look at the millions He could have took beside you, but He took you. Amen! No one can take your place. Amen! You're in God's economy. No one can do it. That's His Love to you.
- 134 Then, won't your love reach right back to Him? And there's a love affair. No matter what the situation is, its circumstances is governed by this Love that creates Faith: that God loves you and you love God, and you love one another, and that brings the Faith. All right. Then it can't--it can't keep from bringing out just exactly what God promised it would do.
- Now, watch! Perfect Faith is pure, just as pure as love is. See? Now, when you love somebody, and you got... you love your husband or you love your wife. Now, there's no need of anybody telling you "you don't" do it, because you do do it, and you know you do it.
- 136 Now, if I'd ask you, "How can you prove you do it?"
- 137 "Oh, I prove it by the way I live to him." See? "I'm a true, honest wife. I'm a loyal, honest husband, and that proves to me that I love my wife; or I love my husband." See, your life proves what you are. The same thing Christianity does. See? Your faith, you have confidence in one another, it's pure. And it's something real, that you can't show it to somebody else, yet you got it, and your actions prove it.

- 138 And when you got pure, unadulterated Faith, like your love is to your companion, then you prove it by the way you act. You ain't complaining no more, you know it's done, just walk along. No matter what the thing look like, what anybody else says, you know what's happened. You know that it's finished; just as well as you know you love your husband, as well as you know you love... See, love and faith has to go together. They're kinfolks, they love. Love produces Faith.
- 139 When Satan tempts us, we are to resist him in a Perfect Faith in a Perfect Word, like Jesus did. The Word of God is perfect. We're to have Perfect Faith in this Perfect Word, and resist Satan.