

## Who Was Abraham, That God Would Save Him Without Anything?

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**298 Who was Abraham? We'll get to him in a few minutes, down here. Who was he, that God should call? Save him without anything.** God makes a covenant with man; man breaks his covenant. **But God made this Covenant with Himself, and swore to it, to Himself.** Man has nothing to do with it. It's God's own foreknowledge. He done it, anyhow.

### **61-0209 JEHOVAH.JIREH**

**E-20** Now, I want you to notice: when God made His first covenant, the Adam covenant, the Adamic covenant, was--He made it between Him and Adam. And man turned right around and broke His covenant. And every time that a man makes a covenant with God, he breaks it.

But this covenant was not made between God and man. God made this covenant with Himself. It's altogether grace. There's no law to it at all. He never said, "If you'll do a certain thing..." He said, "I have. I have blessed thee. I have made thee a father of nations. I have." The covenant is altogether grace, no law to it at all. How beautiful it is. The only thing that Abraham... Not only did He make it with Abraham (now listen), He never only made it with Abraham, but his seed after him: Abraham and his seed after him. The covenant was made unconditionally to Abraham and his seed. You say, "Well, that would be Jews?"

No, sir. That's the nations. "I've made thee a father of many nations."

### **62-0705 JEHOVAH.JIREH.1**

**84** This world was made by just a Word of God. He just said, "Let there be," and there was. Amen. The very dirt that you're sitting over tonight, the very wood that you're sitting on, is nothing but the Word of God made manifest. Hallelujah!

**85** I feel religious when I think about Abraham, knowing that we can be his Seed, the Seed of Abraham with all these promises. Not only to make it sure, God held up His hand, swore by Himself, that He would do it. The oath is, always, the covenant is confirmed by an oath, and God swore by Himself 'cause there's no higher to swear by. He swore by Himself, that He would do it.

**86** Now what the world, how, what--what's the matter with us? Such a promise as that! A faith built around something like that, a faith built! A Word that promised these

things in the last days, and here we see them happening right before us, and still stoop around. Abraham's Seed? Oh, my! I want you to hold on to that, "Abraham's Seed."

**87** Genesis 12, what God required of Abraham was a complete separation.

**88** Now, today, they want mixers. "Oh, when we choose a pastor, he's got to have curly hair, and right out of Hollywood, you know, and can say "ah-men" so pretty, and wears the classiest of clothes, and drives a super-duper Cadillac, and--and so forth like that, and he's a good mixer. He does this. And he'll take a little drink once in a while with us, to be sociable. He comes to the old ladies' card party, and they stitch and sew, and sew and stitch, and talk about Miss So-and-so, and so forth, you know, and all like that. And they have to be that kind of a mixer."

**89** God said, "Separate Me Paul and Barnabas!" Amen. Separation! "Come out from among them and be not partakers of their unclean things!" God wants separation, total annihilation from sin. Separate! That's what's the trouble today, reason we can't be Abraham's Seed, we can't separate ourselves from dogmas and creeds, and so forth, called Christianity, to the living Word. Separate yourself from your unbelief, and believe God's Word. God will make It manifest to you. Right.

#### **64-1227 WHO.DO.YOU.SAY.THIS.IS**

**136** **The Prophet of the day is this Word.** That's right. The Prophet, today, is not all these here different... There's a Methodist prophet, a Baptist prophet, a Pentecostal prophet, all kinds of prophets around, across the country. But still remains: there's One True Prophet, the same yesterday, today, and forever. That's right. Jesus Christ! And He is the Word. That's right. **He is the Word: the Anointed Word of the hour.**

**137** Notice Him now, as we travel on. We find out that Joshua and Caleb... And then here comes Balaam in, the hireling prophet. What did he do? He walked right over every Word of God, after God showed it to him. He represents the denomination, today. We'll show that just in a few minutes; Dathan, what he was, and what the rest of them was. Now Balaam represented the denomination. A person who ought not... ought to know better. He knowed that was wrong. But what did he do after that? God gave him a warning, and still he walked right across that warning. He was so crazy about money and popularity that he could belong to them. And so is the churches doing today, walking right into that World Council of Churches. And every warning is blasting across the country, and signs and wonders in this last days. They walk right into it anyhow, because they love the praise of man more than they love the Word of God.

**138** I've got a good friend out there, that's preaching that message; a Pentecostal, out telling people, trying to unite the church together. Saying that "we must come into this, this ecumenical move." Why, some in them... the church of Christ. Many of these denominations that don't even believe in the virgin birth, and all these different things, and they all belong to that. How can two walk together unless they be agreed? Then, you said "Amen" to that, I wonder about this now: Then how can a man say that he's a Christian and filled with the Holy Ghost, and deny that that Word is the same yesterday, today, and forever? The Holy Ghost in you will punctuate that Word, every Word, "Amen. Amen. Amen." When the Word says anything, you say, "That's Truth." Amen! The... 'cause you're agreed with the Word. You're agreed with God. You and God are one. God is in you. You're His son or His daughter, makes you a messiah for Him, the anointed Word living out in you.

**139** Notice, Balaam walked right across these things. **He was a perfect denomination and a perfect answer to their taste.** That's what Dathan wanted. That's what Korah wanted. They wanted to make an organization out of it. Said, "We got holy men all out through here."

**140** I don't care how perfect two man would walk together, there's a difference in them. Our noses is not alike. Our thumb prints are not alike. There's many things about us... Yet we can give one another a blood transfusion, even into twins, and they still are different. **Then, you see, God just gets one person into that swing, and the other believes to that.**

**141** He made one man, and many man from that man. As all die in Adam, all live in Christ. He made one way of death, and they all walked into it. And He made a way of Life, and as many walks there has Life. Off of one Man, not a dozen man come dying. A dozen man didn't have to sin. **One man sinned one sin. One Man paid the complete penalty. It don't need any more crawling on your knees, and saying Hail Mary's, and all these other kind of things, and paying tributes to dead people. Jesus died that the Gift of God could be free. He paid the debt completely. But you see, we want to have something else to say into It.**

**142** Watch this now. These fellows walked up there and said, "Well, you try to make yourself the only man in the bunch. You think you're the only one."

**143** And Moses was wore out with him. He went back, said, "Father..."

**144** He said, "Separate yourself from them. I..."

**145** "All that's on God's side, come over here." And He opened up the earth and swallowed them up. Is that right? Just think of it, brother. Oh, my! Why did they not believe him? Why didn't they believe that this Moses was that leader, of God? Why did

they want to fuss with him? Always murmur and complaining, when they seen the hand of God and moved under... And Moses... God had proved that Moses was His anointed Messiah. You see? And then just... See, down in their heart, they were wanting something different.

**146** What happened to you Pentecostals? A few years ago you come out of that mess called denomination, to make yourselves Pentecost. Why did you want to go back in it again? The husk had to come. (The Grain wasn't here, yet.) See? Notice, that's just the way they did. That was in their heart. They had to do it.

**147** Now, see, Dathan had a idea that they could all make a great religion out of it. You know, even the apostle Peter had the same idea on Mount Transfiguration. He said, "Let's build three tabernacles here; one for Moses, and one for the law, and one for the prophets, one..."

**148** And while he was yet speaking, there was a Voice come down, said, "This is My beloved Son. Hear ye Him." That's when they looked back, they seen Jesus only. There He stood. He was the Word. That's all you have to hear, is that Word. That's Him in any age. See what the Word says for that age, and watch God anoint It, and go with It. That's all.

**149** They followed the Pillar of Fire to the Promised Land. Those that went all the way through did, the others perished. Notice, they wanted the Word mixed with the world... caused them to error. And notice what it did to them. The Word... They missed It because they wouldn't accept the anointed Word. See, you have to have the counterfeit... First you have to have the real one, to make a counterfeit off of it. And there they had it, and God showed that He wasn't with it.

**150** **Think how perfect the Word had been made known to them, by being made vindicated to them.** Everything that Moses prophesied would take place. That he had called to take them to this Promised Land. Everything that Moses prophesied happened, right there. Not a Word of It failed. What a privilege that that should have been, to know that you were walking in the wilderness... And there, after... When he told them the Message, they had to believe It first. But after he got them out of there, then God said, "I'll prove to them that I am that Pillar of Fire that you met in the wilderness."

**151** So He said, "Gather them all together around the mountain." And He come down on the top of Mount Sinai. And God begin to thunder out.

**152** And the people said, "Don't let God speak. Let Moses speak. Don't let..."

**153** God said, "I won't speak to them no more like this, but I'll raise them up a prophet that'll speak in My Name." See? So we find out that that's what God's always

done. Why couldn't they see that in the beginning? See all these things, and then murmur against the Message that was taking them to the Promised Land; that started them out right, and taking them to the Promised Land. But they still... they had to murmur against It. Think, how perfect... how they could've walked every day, walking with the Lord. What a life to live, right in the wilderness! At nighttime... Eat manna of a morning, that fell over the night.

**154** You know, it become so common to them till they said, "Our soul loathe this Bread." See? And that's the way it's been with us. I just think of the little groups that we... just in my own little ministry, across the nation. Seeing not only healing and things; that's always been. Healing; God always had a healing outlet somewhere. Even He had a Angel on a pool once. And He... all kinds of things. The brass serpent in the wilderness. You've always had symbols of healing. (That isn't what I'm talking about.) Healing is one thing attracts the attention of the people. Anybody will donate to a healing service. They'll donate to a song festival. But when it comes to a poor lost soul, they ain't got nothing to do with that. See, now isn't that about right? We got everything... to a poor lost soul. Don't want nothing to do with that. They'll let him grope out into anything. Say, "Well, that's all right, he belongs to the church. It won't hurt anything."

**155** But now, we find here... (Coming to a close as quick as we can here.) Think of how perfect it was. I look down through the days that we have been here on this earth. Look what the Lord God has done. **Started off in great signs, and wonders, and miracles, which we all enjoyed. Then watch... Then come the Message behind it.**

**156** Watch what's taken place. Walking along, not just by yourself, man along with you. See a cluster of Angels come from the Heavens, shake the whole earth, just stand there. And the newspapers write it up; when it's predicted months and months beforehand would take place. There He stood there, and said, "The time is at hand, return back. Open the Seven Seals of mysteries that's been hid all through the reformations and things, bring it out." Then comes preaching Serpent's Seed, and all these things like that. **And what does the clergy do?** Instead of saying... "Why, Luther said this or such." They just... They'll never see it. See? But what a privilege it is for us who believe; to walk in the Presence of God, every day.

**157** Stand there and see a whirlwind come out of the sky. It blowed a mountain half in two, standing there where we was at; cut the top of trees off and things like that. And a blast of Word come out and shook there three times, said, "Watch it go to the West Coast." Went right over there and shook down Alaska. And coming right down the West Coast now. Just exactly.

**158** Day before, I took a rock and throwed it up in the air, and said, "THUS SAITH THE LORD, 'The hour is here, judgments will start into the earth. Earthquakes and everything will be taking place. And all the West Coast will be shook and so forth.'" Look how perfect. Day by day, everything just exactly the way He said. How can we turn back, brethren? Let us keep our faith towards Him.

**159** They say, "**Who is this?**" **We know who It is. It's Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever, the Pillar of Fire.** When Moses time, look what It did; typed the Pillar of Fire today. It's always... Why did they not believe Jesus to be the Word? They had the wrong interpretation and understanding. Just as Eve did, so do they now.

### **63-0728 - Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed**

**12** And Paul, this great intellectual man, **never tried to express his great theological terms upon the people. He humbly accepted the Word of the Lord, and he lived the Word so that It expressed through him.** He lived so godly until they seen Jesus Christ in him, so much, till they wanted his handkerchief, to take it and lay it upon the sick. There is the Life of Christ.

### **63-0717 A.PRISONER**

**83** It's expressed one time where Jesus said, "The Kingdom of Heaven is something like a man buying pearls. Then when he finds that great Pearl, he sells all that he's got, to get that One."

**84** And that's the way here. You have an intellectual conception, you have a theological experience; but when it comes to a time that when you really find the real Thing, you just sell out everything else, and you close yourself in to This.

**85** Paul knew what it was. He found out that he was harnessed to Something. Like we put a horse in a harness, it's to pull something. And Paul knew, after this experience, and three years and a half of typing the experience he had, with the Bible, he realized that God had chosen him and had harnessed him by the Holy Spirit, the experience that he had, to pull the Gospel in the presence of the Gentiles. The Spirit, Itself, harnessed him.

**86** And, today, as servants of Christ, we become harnessed, hooked up. We can't go. We're logged in with It, harnessed to the Word. No matter what anyone else says, you're harnessed to It. There is something about It, that you just can't get away from It. You been yoked up with It, by the Holy Ghost, has yoked you to the Word. No matter

what anyone else says, It's the Word. That's always harnessed up with It, put in the yoke with It. To the Word, by the Spirit, he was harnessed.

**87** He had learned on the back side of the Arabian desert there. When, all his former things, and experiences, and ambition, that, he had been stripped of those things.

**88** Now, that's where we find, today, that we must be stripped, first. And people don't want to be stripped. The Methodist brother wants to hold to a little bit of his Methodist teaching. Uh-huh. The Baptist brother wants to hold to a little bit of his Baptist teaching. See? But you've got to absolutely be stripped of everything, and just born again, afresh. And take up from there, let the Holy Spirit lead. You can't say, "Well, now, my daddy said, when he got in, went in the church, he shook hands with the pastor. He, he's a good loyal member." That might have been all right for his race, but we're another race. See? Now we must come back to the Bible times for this day.

**89** The priests was harnessed, too. But, you see, they had come over into another dispensation, and they fail to strip off their old harness and put on a new harness.

**90** And the same thing we find today. We did come through a denominational age, as we proved through the church ages, the Bible, and so forth, but we come now to a free age, where the Holy Spirit Himself comes down and vindicates Himself, and makes Himself known, makes every promise that He promised, come to pass. Oh, my! What a great time!

**91** And he knew that, another thing, he knew he could not go to places. That, being harnessed to This, that he would not. That he did, but he wanted to go. He knew that his ambition drewed him amongst brethren where he was invited to come, and yet he was pressed in the Spirit to do something else. He wasn't his own.

**92** Maybe somebody could say, "Brother Saul, Brother Paul, we want you to come over here, because we got the biggest church. We got the biggest congregation. Your offerings will be great, and so forth."

**93** But being pressed in the Spirit, he thought, "I got a brother over there. I'd like to go over and save this brother, get him to the Lord." But, yet, the Spirit pressed him to go somewhere else. He was a prisoner. Correctly.

**94** O God, make us prisoners like that, from our own selfish ambition, and from our own judgments and our better way of thinking, to be a prisoner of Jesus Christ. I think that was a great statement, that, "I'm a prisoner to Jesus Christ."

**95** And remember, He is the Word. See? No matter what anyone else thinks, it's the Word. See? If you're a prisoner to the Word, no denomination can sway you from It. It's the Word. You're just... You're a prisoner to It, that's all. You must act the way It acts.

**96** Now, he could not go to certain places that he wanted, because (why?) the Spirit forbade him. Remember, many time, that Paul was trying to go some place, thinking, "There is where I could have a great meeting," but the Spirit would forbid him. Now, does that clearly state and prove that Paul was a prisoner? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] A prisoner to Jesus Christ, harnessed to His Word, by the Spirit! Oh! I like that. Uh-huh.

**97** He was bound. He was bound by a chain, and by fetters of love, to do the will of God, and that only. He was a prisoner. He was in a fetters of love. He was in the yoke with Christ. He could yoke up with nothing else. He was yoked with Him. And where the Lead went, that's where he had to go. Regardless of how green the pasture was, here on this side or that side, he had to go the way the Leader and the yoke went.

**98** Oh, tonight, if we, as the Branham Tabernacle, could only become prisoners; to our own selfish being, to our own ambition, that we could completely surrender ourself and be yoked to Him, no matter what the rest the world thinks, what the rest the world does. We're yoked with fetters of love. We are prisoners. "My feet is so yoked to Christ, it won't dance. My eyes is so yoked to Christ, till I, when I see these modern striptease on the street, It turns my head. My heart is so yoked in love to Him, till I can't have love for this world, anymore. My will is so yoked to Him, till I don't even know now what my ambitions are. Just, 'Wherever You lead, I'll follow, Lord.' I'll be a prisoner." See?

**99** Paul was correctly a prisoner. He wasn't making any wrong statement. He was trained by the Holy Ghost, again, to wait on the Word. Now, he had been trained one way, but God had trained him another way now. He was trained by the Holy Spirit to wait upon the Lord, no matter what his ambitions was.

**100** Now I'm going to, help by the Holy Spirit, show you something. See? Now let's just take an instance.

**101** One day, Paul and Silas, coming down the street in a certain city where they was holding a revival. And a little, demon-possessed girl kept following him, crying out after him. And no doubt but what Paul knowed that he had the authority, as an apostle, to rebuke that evil spirit out of that woman. But did you notice? He waited, day after day, until, all of a sudden, the Holy Spirit spoke to him, said, "This is the hour."

**102** Then he said, "Thou spirit, come out of her." See? He knowed to wait on the Lord.

**103** And there is where so many people today bring a reproach upon the Word. They go out with an ambition. How many revivals has been left flat because of a thing like that, because the evangelist don't wait to see what the Lord has got to say! Some of

them say, "Come over here," and they go right now because the association said, "Go." And the Holy Spirit would say something different. Yet, the ambition of the man to become the state presbyter, or something another, or some elder, or some bishop, or something would pull him, "You must go." And, yet, he knows better. The Holy Spirit saying, "Go here." See? He's yoked to his organization. He's a prisoner to the organization.

**104** But if he's yoked to Christ, he's led by the Holy Ghost. He...?... See? He, he's yoked, a prisoner. Don't make any different what anything else says; it's a sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal. He hears only the Voice of God, and he speaks only when It comes out. He says nothing.

### **33-3 THE.REVELATION.OF.JESUS.CHRIST - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.1**

We now come to a conclusion, such conclusion as we have already found in the Word. As much as we believe in trying to find the oldest and best manuscripts to get the best record of the Word possible, we will never get the true meaning of it by study and comparison of Scriptures, sincere as we may be. IT WILL TAKE A REVELATION FROM GOD TO BRING IT OUT. THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT PAUL SAID, "WHICH THINGS WE ALSO SPEAK, NOT IN WORDS WHICH MAN'S WISDOM TEACHETH, BUT WHICH THE HOLY GHOST TEACHETH." I Cor. 2:15. The true revelation is God interpreting His own Word by vindicating what is promised.

**33-4** Now don't let anyone be misled by what I have said and think that I do not believe in the accuracy of the Word as we now have it. I believe this Bible is accurate. Jesus completely authenticated the Old Testament when here on earth and it was compiled exactly as was our New Testament. Make no mistake about it, we have the infallible Word of God today and no man dares take from it or add to it. But we need the same Spirit that gave it, to teach it to us.

**34-1** Oh, how we need revelation by the Spirit. We don't need a new Bible, we don't need a new translation, though some are very good, and I am not against them, BUT WE NEED THE REVELATION OF THE SPIRIT. And thank God, we can have what we need, for God wants to reveal His Word to us by His Spirit.

**34-2** May God begin by His Spirit to give us continuous life-giving and prevailing revelation. Oh, if the church could only get a fresh revelation and become by it the living Word manifested, we would do the greater works and glorify God our Father in heaven.

### **54-1024 - "The Unpardonable Sin"**

**204** Listen here, men and women, now; my friends, and Christian friends. If the only thing that you know about, is just simply coming to church, you stop that right now. Stop just thinking you're all right. If you got imaginary mind, "Well, I believe I am saved," and you see that you're always picking fusses, or you're always griping about something, there is something wrong with you; if you see you just can't keep enmity out of your heart, if you see there is something like that.

### **55-0501E - "The Faith That Was Once Delivered To The Saints"**

And Abel rolled him up a rock and made him a church or worship place. But when Abel come, he, by faith...Faith isn't something that's imaginary thing. I want you to get it. Faith is a direct revelation. See, if you only accept Christ as your Saviour by a intellectual, you haven't got it yet. You cannot say that Jesus is the Christ, until the Holy Spirit has revealed it to you. See, intellectual faith, that...Oh, if I could only get that one point right now to go down home in every heart. I'm thankful for this place, position right now. See? Oh, if you can only see this, you'll see the greatest thing you've seen in years. Look, not because I'm standing here saying it, but if you can understand how it is that faith is not something mentally perceived, but it is a revelation, a revelation of God, by faith, not intellectual, but by his heart.

### **56-1207 - "Gifts"**

**14** Now, in the Book of Saint Matthew and the 24th verse of the 12th chapter, I wish to read this for a way of text.

And the queen of the south shall rise up in the day of judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.

And may the Lord add His blessings to the reading of His Word. Now, how many loves the Word? Do you love It with all your heart? Oh, that's where our faith is anchored: in the Word of God. And now faith has no other stabled, anchored place but in the Word of the Lord. And I'm so glad.

See, you can't be...Faith can't find a resting place on the imaginary minds of man's self-made theology. It's got to have its resting place in the eternal Rock of God's Word. There it's anchored, because God said so. He said, "Heavens and earth will pass away, but My Word shall never fail." So we can be assured that His Word never fails.

**15** Now, we're going to speak about gifts tonight and that's the reason I took tonight and to—for this purpose, that we could kindly explain and take my time, watching the clock and take my time, and explain to you what I think gifts are.

Now, the first place, the Bible said that "Gifts and callings are without repentance." It's something that God by sovereign grace put into the church. See? God does that Himself. It's a work and a act of God, and by foreknowledge He predestinates these things to happen.

Now, as I say, "God is not willing that anyone should perish." But in the very beginning God knew who would be saved and who would perish. Foreknowledge let Him know that if He's the infinite God. Why, He certainly cannot...He—He's not willing that any should perish, but He knew from the beginning. He knew every fly, every flea, every person that would ever be on the earth, He knew them before the foundation of the world, 'cause He's infinite.

### **58-0510 - "Have Faith In God"**

**48** And we interviewed them, Brother Arganbright, and many of the Christian Businessmen, and they said, "Are you coming home to the old homelands to die?" Said, "No, we've come to see the Messiah."

When the fig tree puts forth its buds...The six-point Star of David hanging over there, the oldest flag in the world, flying again for the first time for two thousand years, no, twenty-five hundred years. Think of it.

They said, "Where is the Messiah?"

And then when they read these Bibles, they said, "If this Jesus was the Messiah, and He claims here that He's raised from the dead, let us see Him do the sign of the prophet. We'll believe Him."

Oh, what a real thing. My heart jumped. I said, "I want a ticket, I'm going. I'll call thousands of them out."

Say, "Did you mean that?" They believe their prophets. And when I got to Cairo, Egypt, thirty minutes of Palestine, I'd had my ticket in my hand. They were ready to make the first call. Something struck, said, "Not now. The wrath of God has not yet come to the Gentiles. Their iniquity is not yet fulfilled."

I thought, surely, that's my imaginary mind. I started on out again; I thought, "I'll walk out towards the ramp." And I started walking out, and then there stood that Light, that you see on the picture.

**49** That's the same Pillar of Fire that led the children of Israel. That's the same thing that this...If that Light that you see there, which they got here in America, they got It in Germany, they got It in Switzerland, where they've taken the pictures of it.

That Light will bear record of what It is. And if that Light isn't of God, It won't bear record of God. But if It does the same works that Jesus did when He was here on earth,

that said, "He come from that Light," that was in the...Moses in the wilderness. "Before Abraham was, I am." When He was here on earth, look what He done in flesh. He said, "But I come from God, and I go back to God." And when He returned after His resurrection, Paul met Him on the road to Damascus, and here He was a Pillar of Fire again. Such a Light so close to Paul, It put his eyes out, and he had to be led.

**50** He would...come into the prison with Peter as a Light. He's returned back that. Here He is again at the end of the Gentile age to do just exactly to the way He did back there. Any vine bears fruit through the branch of what it is. If it don't do the same thing Jesus did, then it's not Jesus. Certainly.

If I told you the spirit of John Dillinger was in me, I'd have guns, and I'd be dangerous. If I told you the spirit of an artist was in me, you'd expect me to paint the picture of the artist. If I say, "The Spirit of Christ in me," then it produces the works of Christ. He promised it.

**51** And then, when I walked out to the ramp, He said, "It's not yet; it's for a season yet." And I turned and went up to Mars Hill, from that back to the Vatican, then back home. "Not just the time."

When those Jews receive the gospel, you Gentiles are finished. God deals with Jews as a nation, us as a people, the Jews always as a nation, the nation of Israel.

**52** We're at the end time. This is a call to the Gentiles. God be merciful. He's here. You have to be with Him, or He can do nothing for you.

What if Martha would have went out there, and said to Jesus, "Why didn't You come when I called You for my brother?" The miracle would've never been done, but she approached Him, reverently, said, "Lord, if Thou would've been here, my brother would not have died." But she said, "Even now, whatever You ask God, God will do it." Oh, how lovely.

Said, "Thy brother shall rise again."

She said, "Yes, Lord, he was a good boy. He will raise in the general resurrection."

He said, "But I am the Resurrection and Life. He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."

She said, "Yea, Lord, I..."

Said, "Believeth thou this?"

She said, "Yea, Lord. I believe that You were the Son of God, that was to come into the world." There's a real believer, in the presence of the real Holy Spirit, that was in Him. What's going to take place?

**58-0518 - "Tested Faith Produces Goods"**

**9** Now, if faith being the substance of things...It's just like this. What if I'm standing starving to death, and you come to me and say, "Mr. Branham, what could I do to save your life?"

I'd say, "If I had one loaf of bread, my life would be saved."

You'd say, "All right, Mr. Branham, a loaf of bread cost twenty-five cents."

"Yes, sir."

"Here is your twenty five cents." Now, the twenty five cents is not the bread, but it's the purchase power of the bread. And as soon as I get the twenty-five cents in my hands, I can be just as happy about my life being saved as I could eating the bread; because I've got the purchase power of the loaf of bread. And when you believe that God sent Jesus to heal you and you have accepted it, you're just as happy before you quit hurting as you are after you—I mean you're just as happy while you are aching and hurting as you are after you quit hurting, more so. If I had the twenty-five cents, it wouldn't mean that I got the bread. But I know as long as I get to the grocery, I'm going to get the bread. Now, I may have to go a long time. I may have to go through brier patches and over gates and down over across the mountains and through the valleys, but all the time I'm rejoicing, holding my twenty-five cents. I'll get the bread because I've got the purchase power. Now, that's what faith is. Faith is something you can show and prove that you've got it. It's just not an imaginary mind worked up in a mental state; it's something that you have in your possession. Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things you don't see, taste, feel, smell, hear.

**10** Now, many times...If there was anybody that should be equipped to have faith, is a scholar of the Bible, someone who has read the Bible, taught the Bible. That should be the person that has faith. But sometimes it's very much contrary. I've seen on the platform sainted people who lived a good life, walking before God, walk across the platform and not be healed; and a prostitute follow them and be healed. God doesn't heal you upon the merits of your salvation; He heals you upon the merits of your faith. You must believe Him. Because the Christian sometimes thinks that God owes it to them, that "I'm a good person; I've done so and so." When you get that in your mind, you'll never get anything from God till you get it out of your mind. You owe God, not God owing you.

## **62-1122 RETURN.AND.JUBILEE**

**E-46** The church now is like Israel. The church is like Israel when it come up out of Egypt. When Israel was down there in Egypt, God by His marvelous grace, without any organization or anything else, He called Israel to His health. He called them to their

inheritance. He... Grace furnished them a prophet. Grace give them a Pillar of Fire. Grace give them a lamb, sacrificial lamb. Grace give them power. Grace give them deliverance. Grace give them victory. Grace give them all these things. And they danced in the Spirit, and shouted, and praised God about it.

And little did they know when they were dancing on the banks of the Jordan there, or the Dead Sea, that they were forty years away from the land. They was only about five days away, but they made their rashal mistake in Exodus the 19th chapter where they accepted law instead of grace, where they turned down God's way to have a way for theirselves. "Give us something to do." That's been man's idea all along.

**E-47** Now, remember, it's been man's idea... That's the nature of man. Adam expressed that in the garden of Eden. When he was lost, instead of going back to God for grace, he tried to make hisself an apron. And ever since then he's tried to have something to do with redemption, when redemption is a free offer of grace by God, God alone. There's nothing you can do to save yourself; God saved you. No way at all you can do. But man wants something to do into it.

They accept it today. And as fifty years ago, when your mothers and fathers, you Pentecostal people tonight, when them old timers, and this one setting on the pulpit here tonight, shouted and praised God, they come out of them organizations. Why, you speak organization to them, they'd laugh in your face. They were free. Yes, sir. They shout and praised God; they spoke in tongues; they had signs and wonders and miracles. The Holy Ghost came down; they seen the literal form of Christ. They done great signs and wonders. They suffered; they bled; they went under persecutions, bitter, and everything for that cause.

**E-48** And now what did they do? The same thing Israel did. They made their rashal mistake too; they wanted to organize. And what did it do to Israel? What did it do to Israel? It... They wouldn't accept the leadership of the Holy Spirit. They wouldn't accept the leadership of Moses. They tried to even raise up Korah and Dathan and so forth to lead them. They didn't want the leadership that God had provided for them.

And today we don't want the leadership, or the church don't, that God has provided. They try to think of some other way. They go to seminaries, educate their men, come back out with a theological experience.

Oh, I'd rather have a man preaching to me that don't know his abc's, that never was in a theological seminary, and have a experience right here on a broom-side, sedge hill somewhere behind a stump and God fill him with the Holy Ghost. Certainly. Let him be led by the Spirit; God will make everything move right in direction towards him. He's

like a magnet: can't hide him. Like a house on fire in a high wind, you can't put him out, he will burn right on. He's burning for Christ. You can't do nothing about it. Yes.

## **65-0425 GOD'S PROVIDED PLACE OF WORSHIP**

**24** Deuteronomy being a Greek word meaning "two laws," the word Deuteronomy. And God has two laws.

**25** And one of them is the law of death, to disobedient to His Word. We find that, when Eve disobeyed His Word, it brought death. That's one of His laws, "The day you eat thereof, that day you die."

**26** And then He has another law, which is the law of Life, to obedience, if you don't do such a things. Why, keeping His Word, you'll live.

**27** It boils down to two things, to my way of thinking, that's, either keeping His Word or disobeying His Word.

**28** One of these laws was given at Mount Sinai. And the other was... That's the law of death. The other law was give at Mount Calvary, where the law of Life was given, through Christ Jesus.

He also has two covenants.

**29** He had a covenant with Adam, the first man on earth. And that covenant was on conditions, "If you do so-and-so, I'll do so-and-so." Adam would had something to do in order to keep this covenant alive before God. He had to walk in God's ways, keeping all of His Word, not breaking one Word.

**30** But then He made another covenant, and that was with Abraham. This covenant was not on conditions, but was unconditionally. God gave the covenant to Abraham, no strings tied to it, at all. Unconditional! Not, "I will." "I have! I've already done it."

**31** And that's the law that Christians must live by. Is not what we do ourself, but what He has done for us. Christ has already been sacrificed. Not, "He will be." He has been! It's a finished product. He lived, died, rose again, ascended to Heaven, has come back in the form of the Holy Ghost. So, it's a finished work, with God. Christ, knowing no sin, became my sin; that I might stand in His place, He took my place. I was in Him, at Calvary, when He died. There I must die with Him, to live. Because the law of sin and death is in the body, you have to die, to be reconciled to Him.

**33** And then we find out here that He does have one place, just one place only. "Thou shall sacrifice the sacrifice in the place that the Lord thy God shall choose." Now He's got a chosen place that He meets the worshiping children, and they were not to sacrifice anywhere else but in that one place. Any other place would not work. He had

one certain place that He would meet them. And one place, alone, is where He meets the worshiper.

**34** And then, if that be true, we better be very careful that we find that place. I think it's very behooving to us, that, as people who know that we are dying, and living in a dying race, living in a dying age, living in a dying nation, under the banner of death.