

A Lasting Peace Pt 1

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23 Now, this morning, just prior to the prayer for the sick, we're going to read some of God's Word. Which, we know that without this Word, it's impossible, there's nothing can be done. And only the Word can produce these blessings that we're asking for the sick and the needy. And I want to read some now from First **Peter, the 5th chapter**, beginning with the 1st verse. And then from the Book of Hebrews, I want to read **Hebrews 2:2-4**.

The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the suffering of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:

Feed the flock of God which is among you, take the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;

Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being examples to the flock.

And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be not clothed... and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.

*Humble yourselves... under the mighty hand of God, **that he may exalt you in due time:** Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.*

24 In Hebrews, the 2nd chapter, we read these Words. Now I'm pulling for giving for a text, "casting your care." I'm... My text is: He Cares. Do You Care? Want to read this portion now, while you're turning to Hebrews 2, that you might see the--the real meaning of these Words, what they, what this text means.

Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip.

For if the word spoken by angels were--was stedfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward;

How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him;

God also bearing... witness, with... both with signs and wonders, and... divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will?

25 I want to use the subject here, of, "He cares." And, "Do you?" When He was here on earth, He cared for the people. The thought of it rises in my mind just before

speaking or praying for the sick, not knowing just what kind of a--of a prayer line that we'll have.

26 First, and to approach this, the audience must be anointed with faith. You, if you do not have faith, then there's--there's no need of even coming to be prayed for, because it's going to take your faith and my faith together; my faith to believe Him, your faith to believe Him. So we don't forget this now as I go along. We've got to have something evidently, with evidence, I mean, that we can base our faith upon what we're trying to do. Cause if a man approaches anything that he wants to do, without sufficient faith, he's bound to be a failure. **But if he can approach it with sufficient faith**, then he's bound to succeed if it is according to God's will and purpose to do it.

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116 Sometime ago there was a... Up here in Indiana there was two boys that was raised out on a farm. And they were just as poor as poor could be, farmer boys. And they grew up together. And one day one of them got married. And a few days afterwards, the other one got married.

And one of them went into the city to live. And he had begin to play the stock markets, got away from his childhood teachings, went into the wrong thing. And he played them, and he got richer and richer, till finally he become a multimillionaire. And he moved up into Chicago, and got on one of the great streets and built himself a palace. Him and his wife run to nightclubs, and they drank cocktails, and they laid out all night. They had butlers and everything to furnish them anything that they wanted. And they thought they were really living.

118 **But a man that lives like that has no peace. There is no peace to a troubled heart. To a sinful heart, there cannot be peace.** If a man longs to drink, and he calls that life, he thinks he is having a big time, it shows his emptiness. Take a man, make a million dollars, he wants two. Take a man that goes to a party and drinks one drink tonight, he wants another. Take a man, lives untrue to his wife once, he'll live it again; vice versa. **See, it's something, and he never's satisfied.** He might have a million dollars in his hands or ten million in his hand; he lays down at night with a drunken stew on him; he wakes up the next morning, haunted, nightmares, troubled mind. And you call that peace? That's no peace.

But a man might not even have a pillow to press his head to; he might not even own a decent pair of shoes, or able to have a decent meal in his house; **but if God reigns in his heart, he goes to bed happy and wakes up happy. It's a lasting peace. It's something that God does.**

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E-43 "Abraham, you're old. You're just like a little baby. Why, you have no life in your body, and you're just... Your body's as good as dead. But I am the breasted One. Just take a hold of My promise and just keep nursing."

He nursed for twenty-five years. We can't nurse ten minutes, and then call ourself Abraham's seed. "Hallelujah, I'm Abraham's seed." **Take a hold of God's promise and stay with it. Just stay there, nurse the Satisfier.**

E-44 When a man hears (faith cometh by hearing)--hears that Christ died for his sins, and he's accepted, because God's knocked at his heart. **He's got an invitation to the wedding supper.** Then he just takes a hold with all that's in him and nurses, and nurses, until his spirit begins to grow. **He's filled with the Holy Spirit. He becomes a real borned again Christian.**

A man that's sick hears that he... Faith cometh by hearing; God is the Healer. You just take right to the other breast and just lay right onto God's goodness, drawing His promise, pulling it from the Bible, every day, reading It, believing It, taking God, praising Him, satisfied that you're going to be perfectly well...

E-45 There's a little woman was here last night in a wheelchair. I don't know whether... I don't see her here now. I went down to pray for her last night, a couple nights ago. She got up out of the wheelchair and went walking down through there. And some man wanted to help her, said, "Get away from me." She went walking on. Last night when I went down to pray for the wheelchairs, I thought I'd pray for her. She said, "Brother Branham, the Lord's already healed me." She said, "I'm just setting here resting, going to be up in a few minutes." Said, "I've walked four or five times today. I'm getting better all the time." She's probably setting out in the audience somewhere tonight, or some... **She's not here in a wheelchair anyhow. Why? She took a hold of that breast of God, and she's nursing back her strength.** Certainly.

E-46 Oh, I'm so glad to know that man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. **He feeds His little ones, pours His strength into His believers through His Word.** "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." **Then when the believer comes, he comes up to El Shaddai, and he leans upon His bosom, and he just draws His--he draws God's strength right into his own body by believing His Word.** Oh, blessed be the Name of the Lord.

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E-53 What an encouragement to an old man a hundred years old, as good as dead, and the wombs of Sarah, already closed when she was born sterile. **And what a--a message, "I am your strength Giver; I am El Shaddai.** You're a hundred years old, but you're just a baby to Me. Lay up here in My arms, and take a hold of My promise; and just don't you never get off such a promise. Then what can you do? As the whiskers get old, as the hair turns gray, you can still nurse and be satisfied that I'll keep My Word." The doctor can say, "You're getting worse and worse." **That don't have one phase to you. You're still nursing from the--the breast of El Shaddai. "God, You spoke it in my heart; You give me the promise. All the devils out of hell can't take it away from me. I'm satisfied that I'll be well. I'm nursing from El Shaddai."** Amen.

I tell you, brother, that takes the wishbone out and puts a back bone in there (certainly does), when you get a hold of God.

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73 Like I've told you before, **like the little baby that's fretting, and sick, and crying,** and it lays upon its mother's breast. And nurses its strength back from her, because it's satisfied while it's a-nursing, **because the only access it has and knows of is the mother's breast.** It knows no dose of medicine. You might give him a dose of medicine, he'd squeal and cry. Give him a shot in the arm, and he'd carry on. **But the only access to satisfy him** is the mother's breast.

74 And He said, "Abraham, you're old, your strength is gone, your arms are withered up, your manhood's gone, but I am your Mother. Just take a-hold of My promise, and be satisfied while you're waiting. Be rested!"

75 Now, that's the way every believer, **no matter how bad the cancer's got you, how long you been setting in a wheelchair,** any of those things, **just if you can grasp that revelation from God!** Then be satisfied, knowing that it's going to happen, because faith waits patiently for the promise. See?

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27 Now, I was thinking of Him caring. Last evening, somehow, strangely, I was led by the Holy Spirit. When I was waiting on some fellows to come to help Brother Wood to put a--a trailer that he had built on the back of his truck. I didn't know why I was trying to find my good friend, Brother Evans, and I went, started up the highway. Which, my wife and family sitting back here knows it to be true. And somehow, strangely, I turned around and went back to a place, a motel.

28 And, oh, how it thrilled my heart to see so many of my friends gathered there in about two minutes time, till it clogged the pathway, the cars couldn't pass through no more, just real friends, driving for hundreds of miles, from Georgia and Tennessee and Alabama, and all around, just to--to hear a service. Then that thought come on my mind, "Then what should I say to those people, knowing that in the Day of Judgment I'll have to answer for what I tell them?" And I too am a--am a lover of this great life that is to come, and I--I want to be there.

29 And then strangely I went to a place where I made an odd turn. Instead of turning around there, I went up to make a turn. The lights flashed on a lovely couples on the outside, two fine young ladies that I had just married to two fine young ministers. And Satan, after he seen the--the minister, one of them his ministry being set and he took a--a life's companion right here, this altar. They went away happily on their honeymoon, and--and the enemy jumped on to this young man. And I'm saying this to express what I'm saying, "Does He care?" **Somehow, with faith that would not take "no," they turned and returned back here,** knowing after they was all the way over in (way in the east) here somewhere on their honeymoon, returned back and was sitting, waiting. And I walked in, fine handsome young man; his wife sitting on the outside, crying, her and their little companion. And the other man and the other brother coming, running, which is a friend of this young man, saying, "Oh, Brother Branham, such and such has happened."

30 Went there and seen this handsome young man sitting there, just in the peak of his life, a leader of young men, sitting there, and Satan bound him. He never noticed, but I took my hand (left) to shake hands with his hand (right), to see if some disease had plagued him. But there was no sign of vibration. Coming right out of the room from praying and fasting, and waiting upon the Lord, the anointing of the Holy Spirit was there, and that's why It led us, see. And then seeing this shadow of darkness over him. I never said what I was doing. But in less than a couple of moments time it was all gone, the coldness of his hands had left, he was shouting and praising God, a few minutes to find himself. And here they sit right here this morning, sitting in the audience. **See how Satan was trying to upset that young man, by referring to him of some complex to be built back, which the Holy Spirit knew, and I seen it by the vision of the Lord. But God cared for that man. God cared for that young boy.**

31 Just coming in a few moments ago, a--a lady, I see her sitting here in the aisle, with no... just got her a seat some way, and set down. She said, "Nine years, Brother Branham, I've tried to get a hold of you." And she said, "I'm so desperate! I here late, and couldn't even get a prayer card to be in the line."

33 The lady moved back. And she said, "Brother Branham, just a word with you." Standing there, a vision broke over this fine-looking young woman, and see that her heart was burdened. And she was trying to work to make a living. And a--a great thing happened back, way back in the time of her parents, that had caused this great thing to happen to her, and the Lord Jesus revealed It and showed what it was. And there, in a moment's time, took it from the woman. She went around rejoicing. And now sitting here in the audience with us now, rejoicing, with tears, as she's wiping her eyes now, knowing that the truth of the thing was made known. And that, what, that poor little neurotic woman, that was so nervous she didn't know what to do with herself, and thinking that she was gone, and there was no Holy Spirit, and this is her last day. **She had tried for nine years and she was about at the end of despair, God cared for that little woman who no one cares for.** See? What a time! He does care.

34 When He was here on earth, as I say, He cared for the people so much till He healed their sick, comforted their hearts, told them about a--a place that where He would go and prepare for them, and would come again to receive them unto Himself. He cared for them. And notice, He cared so much until, when He knowed He must leave in order to bring this great thing to us, He said, "I'll not leave you comfortless, but I will send the Holy Spirit, and He shall continue My care for you," until He returns. There's no one cares like Jesus. Knowing that His body, as a High Priest, in a mediatorial work that He's doing now, that Body must be in the Presence of God at all times, for intercession, that God cannot see the sinner's sin; He sees only the Blood of His Own Son. And knowing that, He sent back the Holy Spirit to continue to comfort His people. Does He care? Certainly, He cares. **Now, He was to continue to care for the people, His people here on earth, in the same manner that He cared for them when He was here.** Because He said in Saint John, the 15th chapter, if you want to make... I got notes laying here with these Scriptures where I'm referring to, Saint John 15:26 and 27.

36 He said, when the Holy Spirit has come, **Who the Father would send in His Name, He would testify of Him. In other words, He would do the same thing He did. The Holy Spirit working through a tabernacle that He had sanctified, would do the same thing that He did. Now, what that ought to do for us! Then we know that right among us today we have the same comforting Lord Jesus in the form of the Holy Ghost, another office that God Himself is working in.**

37 He was a Comfort to Israel when they could look up and see the Pillar of Fire, and hear the prophet speak the Words that was true, and God vindicate It. That was their Comfort.

38 He was a Comfort when He was here on earth as a man, God made flesh. God representing Himself and expressing Himself through a--a Man, Christ Jesus, Who promised that "The works that I do shall you do also. And I am going to the Father, and going to send back the Holy Spirit, Which will be Me in Spirit form. And I'll be with you, and dwell in you. And the very same things that I've done here, the Holy Spirit will do again in My Name, when He comes." See? That's why He said, "To speak against That" now after the atonement's already made, was unpardonable sin, to "blaspheme the Holy Ghost."

39 **And He would do it in the same way, so that we would know whether it was a comfort from some earthly standpoint,** whether we'd know it was a comfort from some elderly person who could put their arms around us and hug us a little and make us feel good, or--or some theological term of a denomination that would say "now you belong to us, and we got it; and don't belong to the rest of them, 'cause they haven't."

40 **He made this directly sure, see, "He will speak in My Name. The works that I do will you do also, when He's upon you."** See, He would comfort in the same way, by forgiving all of our sins, healing all of our sicknesses, and speaking to us of comfort of a Kingdom that is to come. **See, proving Himself among us, as God proved Hisself among us by Jesus Christ.** And in--in Second Timothy... First Timothy 3:16, it's written this way, know about God, "Without controversy we realize that great is the mystery of godliness, for God was manifested in the flesh." We saw God in flesh. That was God's comfort, to know that He come so much (He cared for us) until He become one of us. God manifested in the flesh. Not just another person, but God Himself!

41 **And now to make it another step closer, He sends the Holy Spirit to care for our comforts, and He abides in us. Oh, He does care!**