
IMAGES OF CHRIST



That's mighty sweet of you, saying that.

I'm so glad to be in the house of the Lord. There's only one better place, and that's be with the Lord. Isn't it? When it's . . . All the hardships and trials and troubles of life shall blend away into a great, glorious tomorrow. And we certainly looking forward for the time that when we will see Him.

2 And someone was asking me, the other day, said, "Do you think, Brother Branham, that the Coming of the Lord is at hand?"

I said, "I certainly do."

Said, "Well, I've heard it for a long time."

3 "But," I said, "one day you'll hear it for the last time." See? That's right, 'cause He—He will arrive someday. And whenever it is, I just want to be ready. I . . . that's . . .

4 We were speaking, the other day, before some businessmen, that were attorneys, and so forth. And—and they said . . . One said, "What is your—your main objective in life?"

I said, "I have one."

He said, "What's that?"

5 I said, "Saving souls for Christ." That's the—the only thing that I . . .

6 My highest ambition, and only ambition, is to see Jesus Christ glorified. I live for that.

7 And I'm so happy, our testimony, that thirty-one years is in the making now, I have humbly served Him. If I should live a million years, I had that much life to live, I'd want to live every minute of it for Him. For I . . . And if I knew I'd be turned down at the end, it's such a privilege to live for Him! He is so real and so good!

8 And I have never found nothing, in all my travels of life, that would any way compare with the fellowship that we have together when we're alone, He and I. There's no sweeter communion. It's greater than the love for anything, for wife, children, or anything, is the love of Christ. It's so good.

9 Now, we're so glad to see this revival continuing on through the week. And heard that Brother Parnell, and others, has been doing some great speaking here. And we're trusting that during this revival . . .

¹⁰ Revival is sometimes misunderstood. Someone thinks that revival is to bring new members into the church. No. Revival results in that. But a revival is to revive what's already in the church. See? Is to—is to bring that.

¹¹ There was one time I stood by the seashore, and I—I guess I have quoted it many times, but is . . . it was long, years ago. And it was the first time I ever seen a, well, it wasn't a sea, it was Lake Michigan. Hope and I were up there when the World's Conference was there. That was in, I believe, about 1922, Brother Egan, the best I remember, when the World's Conference was at—at Chicago. It was my first time to see a large body of water. And I stood out there that day, and seen those great waves. It just as . . . Easter morning, they had sunrise service out there. And to see those great waves move in and out, and, oh, looked like they were so happy.

¹² But I got to thinking, "You know, there's no more water in that lake, and it going on like that, than it is when it's perfectly still. It's the same amount of water, not one drop more." But I thought, "Well, why does the—the winds come down and—and shake the lake up like that?" Is to get all the trash out of the lake. See? It throws all the stuff to the shore. When . . .

¹³ And then I think, "That's like the lake having a revival." See? It shakes it, and jumps it, and jerks it around, until all of the dross gets out. That's just the way a revival is, is to let us come into the Spirit of the Lord, and rejoice, and make wrongs right, and a closer walk, and reconsecration, and dedication, until all the things and doubts of the world are all throwed out onto the bank, you see. Then it's a good, clear running, from then on, when the old ship of life begins to stir through it. Oh, you don't have to watch so much, because everything is out of the way. That's good.

¹⁴ Well, tonight, we don't want to keep too long, this being Monday night, and the first night of the week, to our revival night. And I was so happy to announce that the revival goes on.

¹⁵ And I have many friends. I see some brethren here, and folks who has given me dreams that they have dreamed about, in the last few weeks. And the Lord has helped me to have the interpretation of those things now. I don't know who is in our midst, and how many strangers, or what-more. But the Lord God still gives interpretation to dreams. They're exact and perfect.

¹⁶ And He's the same God that was in the days of Joseph, when—when the king dreamed the dreams. And he interpreted for him, and it was exact. And some of those dreams even are lasting yet today. Their results still goes on. And, Daniel, in the days of Nebuchadnezzar.

17 And our glorious, little, humble pastor said, a few moments ago, well, he—he just didn't want to ask me to help out some more this week. He said, "I know you're tired, Brother Branham. But," said, "well," he said, "we're just waiting and wondering." That's fine.

18 By the way, I had to cancel the meeting to Sydney, Australia, on account of they wouldn't permit me a visa this time, see, to leave the States at this time. And, so, and other things, so I can't go right at this time. I don't know when I will be able to go. But soon I'll be able. But while we had to set it back a little bit, I'm going to Chicago now, to the—the meeting in Chicago, coming up. Which, they had advertised that I was to be there, but not knowing to me. The time that I was supposed to be there, I was to be in the Fiji Isles, where they said there would be many people gather out, too, in the islands. But I won't be able to take the meeting just now, there, because of visa rights. And, but, I will, soon. They're just waiting.

19 Now I will be in Chicago. Gene, do you know what dates that is? Does anybody know what that was advertised? I don't even know when it was. I just seen it in *The Herald Of Faith*. I believe it's beginning about the 4th or 5th of the month, or something like that. Or, it's the next, about a week from now, ten days. And so I been under lots of strain, and I desire your prayers.

20 Now, tonight, I have chosen for some Scripture reading, if you'd like to read with me, out of Saint John the 13th chapter, just a portion. You who keep your Bibles near, and likes to read behind, while we're reading.

21 And immediately after this service, tonight, there is going to be a wedding rehearsal here. So, as soon as we're dismissed, if we'll rush real quickly, as we can. Not rush; but soon as the building is empty, then they want to rehearse the wedding. And there'll be a wedding here, tomorrow night. Two of our children in this tabernacle fellowship is to be married tomorrow night, as you all know. Our lovely brother, David Wood is marrying, marry Marilyn Jefferies, tomorrow night, at the tabernacle, just before the services. And so this wedding is to be rehearsed. Just. . . It won't be a formal; be semi-formal wedding for tomorrow night.

Now, before we read His Word, let us pray.

22 Father God, as we come most reverently into Your Presence, bearing before us that all-sufficient Name of Jesus, we are assured that You will hear us. Because, He said, "Ask the Father anything in My Name, I'll do it." Therefore, we come, as Christian believers, boldly to the Throne of grace, knowing this, that, if our hearts condemn us not, then we know we have our petition answered by God.

23 And we pray that our lives be so satisfying to Thee, through our confession of our wrongs, and His righteousness to forgive us, that our desires will be fulfilled tonight. And, Lord, our greatest desire is to see Your great grace shed upon us, and it—it's, forgive our sins and to heal the sickness in our midst. And You might speak to us in the way of a revelation, or prophecy, or just anything that You would desire to say to Your Church. May our hearts be receptacles unto Thy Spirit. May we be so connected with the main line tonight, that the Holy Spirit could speak to our hearts, and get glory out of His Presence.

24 Now, Lord, we would pray for all that are sick and needy. For, just before coming, as our secretary brought to my desk, in the last two days, just long strings of names, across the nation, that's suffering, dying, emergencies wrote in red. And as I lay my finger on each of them, coming down the page, O God, in the presence of this church, tonight, I plead Your grace and mercy, for each. Thou knowest every one of them, and what they have need of.

25 And we would not forget those, Lord, who are convalescent, tonight, that's yonder in the homes of the aged and infirmed. O Lord God, many of those are Blood-washed children of Thine. Oh, when we are getting old, and our loved ones has forgotten, there is one consolation we have: God never forgets. All of our deeds are recorded on the Book of Life, and they are forever in His Presence. And we would plead for them, tonight, Lord.

26 We ask for mercy for our nation. And for those who are sinning and doing wrong, and for those in the barrooms and—and in the different positions of sin, tonight, we would ask pardoning grace, Lord. And we are praying that You will so sustain us, Lord, that our hearts will be so full of love for Thee, it'll be our utmost desire to serve Thee and to see those saved.

27 Bless the reading of the Word, and all that we do. Humbly we'll bow our heads and thank Thee, for we ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen.

28 Now turn to the Book of Saint John, the 13th chapter, we'll read for a portion.

Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of the world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

And supper being ended, the devil now have put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;

Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;

He rises from the supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.

After that he poured water into a basin, and begin to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

Then cometh he unto Simon Peter: and Peter said unto him, Lord, does thou wash my feet?

Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do now thou knowest not . . . but thou shalt know hereafter.

29 May the Lord add His blessings to His reading, of the Word. I want to take for a—a text, tonight, just for a short time, the subject of: *Images Of Christ*. And I want, for a subject, “What would this be? What does it take to make a Christian?”

30 Now, I know this is, altogether, not an evangelistic text, by no means. And, yet, it is an evangelistic text, because the Church can never progress until It knows what grounds It’s progressing on.

31 And I believe that before anybody can ever move or have real confidential faith, it’s, first, they have to know where they stand, and how to stand after they make their stand. I believe that’s essential. For, you cannot just headlong plunge into something, with faith, when you don’t know where you are plunging. You’ve got to know. And if our faith is set right, and in the right position, it gives a constant satisfaction.

32 It’s just like it’s been said about a woman that, maybe, when she is married, that she’s so—so anxious to embrace her first little baby, that she doesn’t hardly know . . . can wait. But she, her anticipations is so. But, behind that, there is a fear, if it doesn’t quickly show up, that she’ll not have this baby. Then that drives her farther away, all the time.

33 Now, there’s a remedy that they do in these days, and it’s worked in all ages, if that woman sees or believes that she’s not going to give birth to this baby. If she’ll just go out and adopt a baby, then, the first thing you know, she’ll have one of her own. Now, that’s proven correct, nine out of ten times. Because that strain of wondering, “Oh, maybe I won’t have it.” But that takes that little satisfaction there, and it’s maybe God’s way of getting her in condition. Then she’ll have her own baby, because that scare and anticipations will finally leave her.

34 That’s the same way it is about people who want to get healed, they, if they can just have one little visible evidence.

35 Like Elijah, when he said . . . Gehazi said, “I see a cloud about the size of a man’s hand.”

36 Elijah says, “I hear the sound of abundance of rain.” He saw the evidence.

37 That’s why, many times, I tell the people, “Go on, start praising the Lord.” See? Because, that is the adopted baby, ’cause it’s in their intellectual until it comes into their soul, that they’re healed, then faith makes it right.

38 You got to know what you’re doing. You got to have confidence in what you’re doing.

39 Therefore, so many times, we hear this expression, “Oh, what is a Christian?”

40 Some people limit it to joining a church. Someone said, “Well, a Christian is a—a church member, someone who takes up their affiliations with the church.” I believe that all Christians should do that, but I don’t believe that’s Christianity. See? That’s what a Christian does after he becomes a Christian. But it doesn’t mean, that, because he does it, that he is a Christian.

41 Then some say, “No. It’s going to church and serving a declaration of creeds, and being loyal to those things in which the church teaches.”

42 And then there are others that says, that, “Perhaps packing a little—a little something on them, a—a little cross or something, that that is the sign of a Christian.”

43 Well, and then there’s others who believe, that, “Perhaps, maybe, if they would burn a candle, or do some kind of a penance, that that’s a Christian. If they will merely be immersed in water, or they will do some sacrifice, or give some good to the church, or—or help the neighbor, buy some coal for the widow, or some shoes for the orphan.” That’s the acts that a Christian should do, but that still doesn’t make them a Christian.

44 And then some says, that, “If you pack an image of Christ in your car, or on your wall, that that is a sign of a Christian.” Well, them things are all right, but I don’t believe that packing an image makes you a Christian.

45 I believe that being an image of Christ makes you a Christian. It’s not what we do, outwardly. It’s what’s happened, inwardly, that makes us what we are. Then, therefore, if He is our image, and we are in His likeness and members of His Body, we should be images like Him. Then our lives should reflect the image of Christ, not in our joining church, or in our packing crucifix, or our emotions, but it should be in the living Presence of the living God that’s reflected through our life.

46 It’s been told me, by authorities, that . . . before they had the days of the smelter, to take the—the dross out of the gold, take the iron and

the pyrite. The pyrite is so close, like the real gold, till it's called "the fool's gold." But the way they got all that out, that they beat it out with a hammer. The Indians used to do that. And the old goldsmiths used to do it, beat it with a hammer, and turn it over and over, and beat until all the dross was out of it. And the only way that they knew that it was down to the gold, was when the beater could see his reflection in it. The one who was beating could constantly look, until he could almost shave, by his own reflection in the gold that he was beating.

⁴⁷ And when the Holy Spirit of God begins to beat on us, with the Gospel hammer, until all of the things of the world is beaten out, and we can reflect the image of the Lord God, then I believe we become Christians. For, the word *Christian* means "Christ-like, and to reflect Him."

⁴⁸ Now that doesn't mean that we have to grow a long beard, as the artists pictures Him having. And neither does it mean that we grow long hair, as the artists pictures Him having, or to wear a robe as He wore, for we're living in another day. We don't necessary have to be that, to reflect His physical image.

⁴⁹ But we must, in our souls, reflect His Spirit image and His manner of life. I do not believe that Christians consist of joining churches or creeds. I believe it's a reflection of Jesus Christ in a human being, for we are His members, the members of His Body, and we bear His image, the Scripture says.

⁵⁰ Now, what kind of an image was He? He came not to be some great somebody; yet, He was. But He came as a servant. He came not to be ministered to, but to minister. Our text, tonight, reflects what He was. That's what makes Him great, in my estimation. Yet, being the very God of Eternity, the very God Who created the heavens and earth; and when He came here, He took the lowest position, the most undesirable job that anybody could have, that was a footwash flunky.

⁵¹ In all the payings, of the early days, in the Oriental world, the footwash flunky was the lowest paid man of all. For, in those days animals walked on the highways, that, the little by-ways that they went by. And along the road, it stunk, all along the road, where the animals were. And the dust flew up and got on their legs and in their feet. And such an awful stink, as there was! And as soon as someone come to visit another, he could not come in in that manner. He smelt bad, from the stink of the road, and the dust, like around the—the livery stable.

⁵² So, the first thing he did, he had a little booth, a reception booth, and the lowest paid man on the place, just like some slave, stayed back in there, to wash the feet of this guest that was coming, and give him another pair of shoes to put on, a little sandals, to slip it on him. And

then he was anointed, and, then, with an oil. And he could go in then to be the guest of his friend. Cause, he'd feel all out of place, going in, so full of the stink of the—the roads, and sweaty, and so forth. And the footwash flunky was paid less than any man that there was.

53 And the God of Heaven, humbled Himself, to be . . . The greatest that there was become the lowest that there was.

54 What a difference, of the so-called, reflecting Christian today! What a difference! Why, the so-called Christian today wants to be served. Oh, he begins to think that he's somebody.

55 What a difference from, it was, when He reflecting Him. He never come to be ministered to. But He be . . . He come to minister. "Let he that's greatest among you be the servant of them all."

56 And we have seen, today, that our modern trend of Christianity is, "I'm somebody, and you're nothing." Oh, it's a . . . It's wrong. It should not be that way. We are trying to reflect Christianity in the wrong way. God doesn't want us to do it that way. He . . . We sang the song, *To Be Like Jesus*, but when comes to humble our pride, and to get down like He did, then we draw a line.

57 And in doing so, man has formed denominations, that they can separate themselves, "seemingly not having the Spirit," as the Scripture said. They separate themselves. "We belong to a *certain-certain* church. It's a—*it's a bigger church*. It's a better church. Our denomination is a greater denomination." That doesn't act like Jesus. That doesn't reflect His love and His personality.

58 He came to the lowest, to the street harlot, to the beggar, to the bum, and got right down in the dust with them. That's the Christian life. That's the way it should be, to reflect Him in that way.

59 Oh, I know people say, "That's—that's days are passed." It isn't.

60 If Christ still remains Christ, if His Spirit is still the Holy Spirit that was in Him, be in you, It'll make you take that position, too.

61 But, today, we try to think that we're different. How far it is from His prayer, when He prayed, that, "This would all men know that we were His disciples, when we have love one for another."

62 And instead of that, we fuss at one another. We despise one another, because we don't agree upon certain things. And we go out and—and accuse each other, see, where . . . and yet claim to be Christians. I know people who claim to be filled with the Holy Spirit, is guilty of such things, going out and—and really saying evil things about other Christians. When, they ought not do those things. Now, brother, sister, when we have that kind of a spirit, we might as well get in our mind that we're not Christians yet. Matter how much we confess, it's

what we possess that counts. See? We cannot be Christians and not love all peoples. We might differ with peoples.

63 But, Jesus didn't put in and say, "Well, now, here, all you Pharisees, you're all going to hell. And there's no chance for you, because of *this*, *that*, or the *other*, because you are a Pharisee." But He went to them, and He ministered to them, and He helped them. He done everything that He could, to help them.

64 But, today, the educations, and church membership, and ties of the world has brought the church together in such a way until the intellectual has taken the place of the spiritual.

65 You cannot get to God except by the Spirit. There is only one way that a man can come to God, and that's through the Holy Spirit. Jesus said, "No man can come to Me, except the Father draws him, first." That's just as true as it can be, Christian.

66 We want to take a little notebook, tonight, in our heart, and count up these things now. Let's think this.

67 Oh, some of us claim to have all the knowledge. We have those who say, "Now wait!" They love to be "doctors" and "holy fathers," and so forth. But knowing all of this, if you had all the knowledge, it wouldn't do you any good except you (was) had a Spirit in you, of love. The Bible said, "Though I have all knowledge, and have not charity, I am nothing."

68 And what good does our knowledge do, when someone say, "I wouldn't go to a revival like that, because those are not an educated people. I—I wouldn't associate with them?"

69 No matter whether they don't know their ABC's, or not, they can know Christ. Certainly never can get too low. May God always keep that Spirit in me. No matter how—how low, what he believes, what he doesn't, what creed, color, or what, I want to reach a hand out and help him. Sure. I want that Spirit in me. I will not think I'm better than somebody else; I could stick my chest out, and say, "All the people stand when I come in," or, "I have the greatest campaign of them all." Who am I, anyhow, but the clay that God has made? Let me humble myself, that His life will be reflected. Let's, all Christians, feel like that. Knowledge gets us nowhere.

70 For instance, what if there is a cage full of canaries, and the cage is the size of this tabernacle? And one little canary bird flies up in the cage, and said, "Gentlemen, I want to tell you all something. I happen to be just a little superior to you all. You see, I'm—I'm a canary that knows all about the human beings. Oh, I can explain it all. I've seen the lady walk through the house. I've seen the children play. I know all about it. Now you all listen to me."

71 And about the time he's spouting off his little brain, a Princeton University college man steps up, with the polish-ist of grammar. And he begins to carry a conversation with that little canary bird, using the highest grammar that he can, and speaking to this little canary bird. I'd imagine the little fellow would turn his head sideways. He would listen from one side to another, but he don't know a thing he's talking about. Yet, he can hear him. Yet, he can see him. But what does his knowledge amount to? Nothing. Because, he don't know what the man is talking about. Why? He has got a canary brain. He hasn't got a human brain. He just understands as canaries understand.

72 And that's the way the human is. I don't care how intellectual you are. We still got canary brains, because we're only human beings. God is knowed by the Spirit, and by the revelation by the Holy Ghost. We'll never be able to understand Him through intellectuals. You might talk, and enter and have intellectual meetings, and psychology as much as you want to, and people will never know God. They can't.

73 You can explain and say the people that cry and turn the other cheek are just the old fashion, but that's the man that's reflecting Christ in his life. A man who is humble, a man who will walk with God, will act like Jesus.

74 But, you see, the little bird couldn't understand, yet he thought he could. Because, he's not made that way. His intellectual will not compare with the intellectual of this smart student.

75 And neither will our intellectual ever match God. How can our little, infinite mind ever compare with the finite mind; or the finite mind of us ever compare with the infinite mind of God? That infinite mind of God is so far beyond human intellectuals until it would never be.

76 The only way that bird will ever know what the man is talking about, is by yielding himself and accepting it, and doing whatever he thinks that the man wants him to do.

77 That's the only way we know God, is to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. That's old-fashion. It's God's program. It's always been God's program. It always will be God's program. "Not by power, not by might, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord." That's where it comes.

78 Longfellow once said this, "The way to succeed is to find a worthy cause that's being talked about, a worthy cause that's being talked about, and then hold onto it." Sure. Something that's being talked about, turned down by—by science, and, if it's worthy, then hold onto it.

79 Do you know, in 1872, the Medical Association of the United States turned down bathtubs? They said, "They are absolutely in-sanitary."

And said, "They will scatter diseases." Bathtubs; they finally come to it.

⁸⁰ And this old-fashion Gospel that we're talking about, washed in the Blood of the Lamb! It may seem old-fashion, but they'll have to come to It, sooner or later. It's a worthy cause. Hold onto It, with all you got. It's a Blood-washed way that cleans a man up; not going out here, drinking and smoking, and rallying around and calling themselves "Christian" because they belong to a church. It's that clean, unadulterated Holy Spirit in a human life, that reflects Jesus Christ the Son of God.

⁸¹ That's why people today reject the new Birth. Oh, they've got what they call the new Birth, a way of shaking hands with the pastor, but that's not a Birth. The reason they . . . They won't accept It. That's why they go join churches, because they can come in some intellectual way.

⁸² God said, "Except a man be borned again, he cannot even see the Kingdom of God." No matter how intellectual you may be, or how good a Christian you claim to be, you've got to be borned again.

⁸³ You say, "Then, Brother Branham, I'll have to come to some little mission?" That doesn't mean that. It means you've got to receive the new Birth. You got to be borned again.

⁸⁴ This is a mixed audience, but I'm going to say something. What is a birth? If a birth happens on a straw tick, or if it happens on the floor, or in a hospital that the rooms are decorated in pink silk, it's a mess, any way you take it. That's right.

⁸⁵ And so is the new Birth. It's a mess, any way you take It, but It produces Life. Amen. It produces Life. What kind of Life? Servant Life, to humble yourselves, to deny yourself. That's the kind of Life. Oh, they say, "But I've seen them cry and boo around the altar and carry on." Sure. They're being born. It's a mess, I don't care where you go. You might get up, your face all full of tears, and your eyes red, and your hands raw from beating on the altar, but it's a Birth. It does something to you. It makes you a servant. It takes the starch out of you. It makes image, molding new Life, new creation. You may be all messed up, when you get up, but you're borned again. No matter where you are, it makes a new Life. It brings a new, image Life. It makes a servant out of you. You want to serve, then. Jesus want us to serve one another, love—love one another. And as we serve each other, we serve Him.

⁸⁶ Now, remember, it's only the sick that demands attention, service. Just the sick, they demand attention. And when you see a preacher . . . And may I not only limit it to a preacher, but may I limit it to every church member that wants attention, "I'm somebody," just remember, there is a spiritual sick person. They are needing attention. They need the attention of the Spirit of God, to give them something that'll take

that attitude out of them, and heal them from their selfishness and big ideas, and “big me and little you.” The Holy Ghost makes us all the same.

⁸⁷ Too much spiritual sickness, anemics! You know what anemia is? It’s someone hasn’t got any blood. They walk funny. They’re topsy, tippy-topsy, all the time. And that’s what’s the matter with many of our church members today. They are anemics. They need a Blood transfusion, of Calvary, that’ll give them rich, royal Blood, to make them walk in the old-fashion, Holy Ghost hewed-out way of God. That’ll give them something to live for, give them a confidence that’ll make them walk in the image of their Lord.

⁸⁸ For myself, if I had a choice to make, I want it to be like He was. He came to be a shepherd, and He was a shepherd. A shepherd is one who goes after his sheep.

⁸⁹ Famous picture, I don’t think we have it on our wall here, but I’ve set in my room and looked at it. I just can’t call the artist’s name at this time. But when he lost that little, black sheep, and he leaves the ninety-and-nine and goes to look for it, what does he do? He strays through the wilderness. He cuts himself with briars. He pulls through the dangers. Prowls all through the night. Until, finally, way down on the side of the mountain, hanging by a little bush, risking his own life, he reaches and takes the little fellow out of its fallen condition, then he brings it back to himself.

⁹⁰ And another artist painted a picture of him bringing it home. Now, it looks like that the shepherd would just stick his arm under the sheep, and start bringing it like *that*. But did you notice how the spirit caught the artist’s brush? He didn’t put it under his arm. He put it over his shoulders. Now I want you to see the care of this shepherd.

⁹¹ Now, Jesus, when He was casting out devils, He said He done it with the finger of God. Now, if a devil is bothering you, the only thing it takes, of God, he’s—he’s just—just so insignificant till He just takes His finger and casts it away.

But when a sheep comes home . . .

⁹² Where is the strongest part of a man? Across his shoulders. You notice how a man, always, his shoulders is the biggest? Where can he pack his greatest load? Across his shoulders. Where is he the most surest of? When the load is across his shoulders.

⁹³ So he takes the sheep, lays it around over his shoulders, and gently walks back with it. All the powers of God, wrapped up in that little, lost fellow, bringing him back. But a devil, so easy, He just casts it out, with His finger. He’s a shepherd.

⁹⁴ A shepherd has to stray, to find the straying. And a good pastor is a shepherd. Frankly, the—the word *pastor* means “shepherd.” And sometimes, in the church, a—a little cult or a little clique will rise up in the church; one side will get one way, and one side the other way. A real, good shepherd will go with that clique, (What to do?) to bring them back. A real, true shepherd, what’s he doing? He’ll stray, himself, (What to do?) to bring back the lost. What’s he doing? He’s reflecting the image of the good Shepherd, trying to win that soul back. Yet, they got off in some place, brother, like they was going to tear the world up, overnight. That pastor will go right along, in order to get them right, win them right back this way again. That’s a good shepherd. He’s reflecting the image of Jesus.

⁹⁵ Brother, I know it’s called heresy. It’s called fanaticism. But if I had a choice to make, tonight, my choice would be to be like Him. I want, if anything in my life, to reflect the image of the Lord Jesus, my life.

⁹⁶ I’m going, after tomorrow night, after this wedding, I’m going into the wilderness. I mean to stay there, because, way down in my soul, I feel that I need a close walk with God, than what I am. I don’t want to just walk. I try to walk right, before Him, but I—I want a closer walk with Him. While the Branham Tabernacle is having a revival, I want one, myself. I just don’t want it to happen in the building. I want it to happen in me. I want a closer walk. I want more of the Holy Spirit in me, to reflect Christ in me. I want to be like Him. I know that every true—true Christian wants to be like Him. That’s my heart’s desire, to be like Jesus. He . . . Why, I want Him to be my . . . I want Him to be the . . . He is the example of what I want to be.

⁹⁷ And, look, it’ll take the Holy Ghost to do that. That’s the only thing can do it. I’m not interested in seminaries and what somebody has got to tell me. I don’t care about kissing crucifix, or pull them to your heart, or saying prayers to the dead. I’m interested in one thing, that’s, more of the Holy Spirit to take over William Branham. I’m not interested in joining a greater church than what I belong to. I belong to the real Church of the living God, the Firstborn. I was born into It. And I want more of the Holy Ghost in my life, to reflect Christ Who I love. I don’t care what plane or level I have to come onto, to get it. I don’t care if I have to go *here* or go *there*, be called “fanatic, holy-roller,” whatever it may be. I want more of His Life to be reflected. I’m not interested in the plane I have to come on. I’m interested in the Holy Ghost, so I can be more of a servant like He was. He was the Lord’s Servant. Never come to be served, or to minister to, never come for He to be ministered to. But, to minister to, He took the place of a servant.

⁹⁸ And if the King of Heaven could do that, and we’re the members of His Body, let’s all be likewise; not be different, but humble ourselves

in His Presence. No matter what the world has got to say, or the intellectual people, think nothing about that. Just receive more of the Holy Ghost, and be like Jesus. Humble, meekly, lowly, take His place, and He'll take yours at the Judgment.

Let us bow our heads just a moment.

⁹⁹ Would I see, tonight, a group of hands in this building, of the members of this church and other churches? When I say, "this church," I only mean . . . There's only one Church, that is the Church of the new Born, the Church of the Firstborn, the Church of Jesus Christ, who is not born of the world, but borned of the Spirit of God. Could I see a bunch of hands go up, and say, "God, make me like Jesus. Mold me, O Lord. Wash me, O God"? God bless your hearts. "Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow."

¹⁰⁰ "Lord, there's little kinks and curves in my life. I've been setting, listening at Brother Parnell, and Brother—Brother Neville and other fine ministers, and Brother Collins and many of those brethren who are preaching. I been listening. But, Lord, tonight, I just come to this conclusion: What are they telling me? What are they trying to get over to me? I see that they're trying to get me to be like Jesus. And there's no way for me to do it. I—I'm a leopard. I got spots, and, if I lick them, I just make them whiter. They just become more plainer to the world. Lord, let me lose myself. I don't care what kind of a mess it looks like, to the world. I want to be borned again, of the Spirit of God. And I want You, Lord, to fill me, tonight, with Your Holy Spirit. Wash me. Sanctify me. Take the Blood of Jesus, sanctify me, cleanse me. And fill me, until I lose myself, and find it, Lord, in Thee."

¹⁰¹ O Lord God, the Creator of the heavens and earth, Who brought again the Lord Jesus from the dead, brought Him by the quickening Spirit of the Eternal God, brought up that body that You dwelt in, and has raised it to the Throne of Heaven.

¹⁰² He come to the lowest that there was in the earth, the prostitute, and become the lowest servant, went to the lowest city, dealt with the lowest people, received the lowest name, and become the poorest of the poor. Even to nature, "The birds have nests, and the foxes had dens, but the Son of man had not a place to lay His head."

¹⁰³ And, yet, that quickening Spirit Who honored that true Servant that made Hisself a servant, that we might have an example to go by, It raised Him up from the pits of hell, brought in by the grave. And brought that body out, and set it in the Heavens of heavens, until He's exalted so high till He has to look down to see the heavens. And give Him a Name above every name that's named, both in heavens and earth.

104 Lord, may we receive His Spirit, tonight. May that be the hunger of every heart in here. You seen the hands that went up, Lord, not to say creeds, or not to join churches, or—or fuss upon *these* things, or *that*, but to be humble in our hearts, to be made conformed to the image of God. May it be done by the Holy Spirit, Lord. May God's Holy Spirit make us. Not by intellectual's conception, that, "We should be, and we'll act like it," but, that's the adopted baby. But, Lord, may it really happen by the Holy Ghost, and a new Birth that transforms us, by the renewing of the . . . of our spirit, to make us like Him.

105 Hear my prayer, Lord. It's feeble. I know, Lord, it's feeble. Not only am I praying for those who held their hands, but for my own hands who went up. Make me like Him. God, no matter what You have to do to me, what planes I have to come on, make me like Him. I want to be like Jesus, in my heart. Grant it, Lord. And not only me, but make all these here, tonight, thus. Grant it, Father, for we ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen.

106 Church membership is all right. I have nothing against it or any of those things. But, brother, to be a Christian, means to be conformed to the image of Christ. We want to be living images; not pack an image, but be an image of the Lord Jesus.

107 There's a little song that I want you to help me to sing right now. I don't know. I can't sing it, but I'm sure you all can. Help me. *To Be Like Jesus*. How many ever heard it? I know we all want to be that way, so let's sing it to Him.

108 I'm conscious that the great Holy Spirit is here. You couldn't hide. David said, "I make my bed in hell, yet He'll be there." And He is going to be everywhere. So, He's right here, tonight. He knows every move, every action, everything that we do, every look, every thought. He knows all about it. Don't you believe that?

So to be like Jesus, to be like Jesus,
On earth I long to be like Him;
All through life's journey from earth to Glory
I only ask to be like Him.

109 Don't you like that? Listen to this now:

From Bethlehem's manger came forth a Stranger,
On earth I long to be like Him;
All through life's journey from earth to Glory
I only ask to be like Him.

110 You know what goes back in my mind right now? Yesterday, I picked up the old ledger of the church. It's been . . . I haven't seen it. Well, frankly, it's the first time I ever looked into it. I had to use it when the church was first founded. And there was Brother Seward's name

on there, and there was Brother George DeArk, and Brother Weber, all them names on there. I seen down, the little Sunday school classes. I seen our total offering, of five classes, was a dollar and sixty cents, for this tabernacle, with hundreds setting here; dollar and sixty cents. See? Then I look at the chart for today. I thought, "How many has gone!" I seen Brother Frank Broy there, ma. That's my father-in-law. I seen all them old-timers, Mrs. Weber. All them old-timers, they've all climbed up the ladder, gone Upstairs. They're all gone. I remember when we used to stand here. And I thought, "Lord God, our church may look a little better, and we're anticipating of building one, but, Lord, do You love us any more now than You did then?" No, I don't believe He does.

¹¹¹ When we used to stand and sing, "I only long to be like Him, all through life's journey." I can see little old George with his collar open like *that*, and the sweat running off of him, winding his handkerchief between his fingers. I can see those dear, old sainted faces back there, crying, with their hands up.

¹¹² Preachers walked into the building and said, "Hey, boy! How do you get people in one accord like that?"

¹¹³ I said, "I have nothing to do with it. They were formed and transformed to the image of God, down on an old saw-dust bench, down yonder somewhere, where they found Christ in their heart."

¹¹⁴ What a sweet-smelling savor, those prayers, as it went up, constantly, all night long. We'd sometime come in, and go to one another's house, and go home at the break of day; pray all night long. We don't find that sincerity no more. Seem like it's all gone. What's the matter? What's the matter? Let's go back to the first love we had.

And just be like Jesus, to be like Jesus,
On earth I long to be like Him;
All through life's journey from earth to Glory
I only ask to be like Him.

¹¹⁵ Would you really? Let's sing it with your hands up.

Just to be like Jesus, be like Jesus, (Conformed to His
image!)
On . . .

Love one another.

. . . to be like . . .

We are members of His Body. We must be like Him.

All through life's journey from earth to Glory
I only ask to be like Him.

¹¹⁶ Do you really mean that? Say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen."—Ed.] Now isn't that a sweet spirit? I'd rather have It than

anything I know in the world. I . . . You can take all the rest of the world, and its fancies, all your intellectuals, all your doctors, rabbis, bishops, holy fathers. Give me Jesus. That's right. Just let me have Him, that old-fashion way. I feel Him way down in my heart, and watching my lives, and see my desires is to serve Him, humble, meek and lowly. That's what we need, friends. Is a re- . . . That's Jesus. That's the Jesus of the Bible. Not a Jesus of the intellect, but a Jesus of the soul. He's here, tonight.

117 How many is sick and needy? Raise your hands, needs Christ. You're sick and want to be prayed for? Raise your hands up, high, so I can see who you are.

118 Well, how many has a desire in their heart, to pray for somebody else that's sick? Let's see your hands go up. All right. There's quite a few of them.

How many believes that Jesus is still the same?

119 We don't have no prayer cards out. I don't. . . There's no prayer cards, is there? I don't think they was around.

120 Do you believe that Jesus our Saviour can come, tonight, to us? And if we sing, and I talk of reflecting His image, what would He do if He stood here? Do you think He would do like He did in John 4, where He seen the woman at the well, and told her, know what was on her heart, and explained it to her, and told her? And she knew He was the Messiah. You believe that? You believe that same Jesus that—that is a High Priest. . . [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] . . . hand of God. You believe that same Jesus, tonight, that walking along one day. . .

121 And there was no prayer line, but there was a little woman who had a blood issue. She pressed through the crowd till she touched His garment, went back and sit down. And Jesus turned around and said, "Who has touched Me?" You believe that Jesus is still the same Jesus today? And her desire, in her heart! See, she was scared. She went back and sit down. She waited. And Jesus said, "Who touched Me?"

122 And the—the . . . Peter, the apostle, rebuked Him, and said, "Lord, why, everybody is touching You!"

123 He said, "Yes. But this was a different touch. Virtue went out of Me. I—I felt it." And He looked all around, through the audience, until He seen that little woman. And He told her that she had a blood issue and her faith had made her whole.

124 Is that the Jesus? Would . . . Could we humble ourselves, tonight, and become transformed by renewing of our spirit, by the Holy Spirit, that we could yield our lips, our eyes, and your faith, and my faith, that He would come out in the audience and move in you, and move in me,

to fulfill His Word, that He's a High Priest of our confession? He sets at the right hand of God, to make intercessions upon our confession. He also is a High Priest that can be touched the same way He was when He was here on earth, by the feeling of our infirmities. Do you believe that? ["Amen."] That same Jesus.

¹²⁵ How many in here has a need for yourself or somebody else, some of you that I do not know, somebody that you know that I don't know that? I'll say it like that. I do not know nothing about you or your request. But you believe that Jesus is here to conform Himself, to make Himself visible to us, to act in us the same way He did when He was in Jesus Christ. Do you believe that? Raise up your hands, any of you that knows I don't know you now. See? I don't know you.

¹²⁶ Well, let's see. Where can we concentrate, first time? Now be reverent. If He will do this, will you believe Him, with all your heart? See? I just feel. . . I was going to call you up here and lay hands on you. Don't believe I'm going to do that. I believe Jesus is here.

¹²⁷ We, not to—not to pack an image of Him, but be an image of Him. That's the Jesus we want. Isn't it? To be an image! All right.

¹²⁸ Now, Lord God, here's a great statement. But it is You, Lord, Who made the promise. Now we must press forward. Now something must be done, though we are not even a denomination. We're just a little, humble, poor bunch of overrun people, that, many of us would be kicked out of big, intellectual churches. If we went, we couldn't dress like they did. And then, another thing, if we would raise up, and the Spirit would bless and we'd say, "Amen," as the Scriptures says, we'd be turned out, immediately. And many would not be received: some of them, because of their color; some of them, because of their creed; some of them, because that they love You so much. And they—they got the Spirit. They're dead to the things of the world, and has been born anew. But they got new Life, servant's Life.

¹²⁹ But we have gathered here, Lord, under this little roof that You've give us, that we appreciate. Now, Lord, let it be known that You're Christ, the same, and that this great One that we're speaking of, He is present now to make known and to do just as He did when He was here on earth. Grant it, Father, that they might see and believe. For I ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen.

¹³⁰ Do you believe that, what you ask for, you get? What is faith? Faith is truth. Faith is something that you know positive of. Faith is not nothing you guess at. Faith is what you know, see, something that comes down into your soul.

¹³¹ I wish those who doesn't know me, and I don't know you, and still you have a request or desire, would you raise your hands again. I just

want to get a—a general idea, every person in here that I don't know. All right. It's just everywhere. I don't like to speak to people that I know, because some would say, "He knows them." But there's many hands that went up, that I didn't know. Now, if the Lord Jesus will grant this, will the rest of you believe it with all your heart, and accept your healings and whatever it might be?

¹³² Please, let's—let's just, in our hearts, pray, "Jesus take all the doubt away." Why, Jesus can't doubt. If we're in His image, we believe. He believed God. He come to do the will of God. He didn't care what man said, or anyone else said. He come to do one thing: to be a servant to His Father. And His Father dwelt in Him. We come to be the servant of God. The Holy Spirit dwells in us. We want to serve Him.

¹³³ I'm going to concentrate on a woman, a—a colored woman setting right back here. I believe she raised her hands, that I didn't know her. Being that—that . . . Well, there's two of them there. All right. Neither one of you ladies know me, or I know you? If that's right, raise up your hands, that I don't know you. Raise up your hands. All right. All right. We're strangers to each other. In the Scripture, there was spoken . . . The reason I noticed, you're . . . You were colored people. See?

¹³⁴ There was a woman, one time, in the Bible, the 4th chapter of Saint John. Jesus came by the well, and there was a Samaritan woman. She was a—a woman of a different race. And Jesus spoke to her, just a few moments, till He found out what her trouble was, and told her what her trouble was. And when He told her her trouble, she said, "Sir, I perceive that You're a Prophet. Now, we know, when the Messiah cometh, He'll tell us these things." But they didn't understand who He was. "Why," she said to He, "who are You?"

And Jesus said, "I am He, that speaks to you."

¹³⁵ She went back into the city, from whence she come, and said, "Come, see a Man Who told me the things that I done, told me what's wrong. Isn't that the very Messiah?"

¹³⁶ Did you women ever read that? Sure. Saint John, the 4th chapter. Well, if . . . Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever. And you're standing twenty yards from me, or setting, rather. Do you believe that same Jesus, speaking between us, could reveal to me what you're wanting, from here? If I've told you the Truth, this Bible being right, He can do it, can't He? If He will do it, you'll believe it?

¹³⁷ The woman at the end, looking to me, *this* a way, she is suffering with a back trouble that she wants to be healed of. That's exactly right. If that's right, raise up your hand, lady at the end. There you are.

138 Now what about you, lady? Do you believe, too? I believe you said you was a stranger to me, also, next to her. You have trouble with your head. And you got a skin trouble, too. If that's right, raise up your hand.

139 Now, go home. You both may be well. Your faith made you well.

140 Do you believe that Jesus is here, tonight? What about some of you, rest the building? Somewhere else, believe.

141 Here's a woman setting here, praying. She's a warrior. I know her, but I can't help 'cause that Light is hanging over her. That's Miss Bruce. Now, Miss Bruce, I don't know a thing about what's wrong with you. You were healed, with a cancer, one time. But right there at that door, the first time I ever sold . . . told . . . saw you standing in that door, the Holy Spirit told me something that nobody know besides you and the doctor. That's right. Isn't it? Do you believe He can tell me what's wrong now? I know you, but I—I don't know what's your trouble. I have no idea. Cause, you're healed of the cancer. But I can't help that Light hanging over you. See? It's staying right there.

142 Now, I see somebody else arising up. It isn't for you. It's for somebody has got cancer. That's exactly right. And then I see a woman, or something. She's a sinner, or something, have a habit of drinking, or something. And you are packing two handkerchiefs on you, for me to lay my hands on, for their—for their deliverance. That's THUS SAITH THE LORD. That's exactly right. Now you be the judge. Is that right? If that's right, raise up your hand.

143 Somebody back in *here*, that I don't know, raise up your hand, somebody that I don't know. Here, there's . . . What is that? Raise up your hands again, right there in the corner. There's four or five women setting there. Do you believe me to be His servant? Do you believe that what you see is operated by the Spirit of God? You do? If you can believe.

144 The woman setting, looking with me, with a little hat, glasses on, white-looking earrings. Yes. It's not for yourself. It's for somebody else, and they're in serious condition. It's a inward bleeding. They're in a hospital. That hospital is New Albany. That's the truth. THUS SAITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

145 The young woman, did you raise up your hand? The woman, *this* other side, looking at me this way, do you believe me? You have a desire on your heart. You believe that God could reveal it to me? All right. You are praying for somebody else, too. It's someone has got cataracts on their eyes. They're afraid they're going to go blind. That's true. Now, if you'll believe for her, she won't go blind if you'll believe it.

146 The woman right straight back, on the end there, back behind the woman that raised up her hand. You got a nervous condition. That's

right. Your nervousness is in your throat. That's right. Isn't it? Then raise up your hands if those things are so. You women there, I'm talking. All right.

¹⁴⁷ What was that next woman there? Was you raised up your hand, too, sister, there? Raise up your hand, that elderly. . . All right. You got rheumatism that you want prayed for. That's right. Isn't it? Raise up your hand. You believe?

¹⁴⁸ Somebody—somebody in the back of the church, believe, have faith.

¹⁴⁹ I see a woman looking right straight at me, is looking between two women right here. She's got her finger up to her mouth. She is facing an operation, for appendicitis. That's exactly right. If that's right, raise your hand, lady. There she is.

¹⁵⁰ Do you believe? What is it? It's Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Do you believe with all your heart?

Now, just a minute, sister.

To be like Jesus, to be like Jesus,
On earth I long to be like Him;
All through life's journey from earth to Glory
I only ask to be like Him.

¹⁵¹ Now you see the deadness of the church of this day. What would have happened in the days of the Lord Jesus, when took place? That woman, so thrilled, she dropped that waterpot, and into the city she went. She said, "The Messiah is here!" But, today, yes, you haven't got messy enough, down at the altar, to receive a new Birth yet. There is something wrong somewhere. That would send the Holy Spirit through this place here, would set a revival, the reflection of Jesus Christ, His image conformed here, moving amongst the people, to do that. What's the matter? There's something lacking. We need a revival.

¹⁵² How many others are sick? Raise your hands, that's sick and needy.

¹⁵³ Lay your hands on one another. Let's pray. Right quick now, put your hands on one another, be ready to receive your healing. If you'll believe with all your heart, you can be healed right now.

¹⁵⁴ I was amazed. We was talking about a woman, a birth. I've never had yet, in my life, one woman, as I know of, ever walk to the platform, desiring a baby. . . What happens? If I could see her, and see it happen, her longing desire for the right thing, I say to her, "Lady, you're seeking a baby."

She, "Yes, Brother Branham."

¹⁵⁵ I know of a woman, forty-nine years old, got a little boy baby now. All of her life, she lived with this man since, well, since about sixteen

years old. She is forty-nine, and he is fifty something. As soon as said, "THUS SAITH THE LORD. That's right, you shall have this baby." She went home and bought the clothes for the baby. Three years later, being fifty-two years old, she gave birth to the little boy that she longed to have. Why? When she heard it spoke, she knowed it had to happen. What'd it do? It put her in the right attitude. If these . . . The Holy Spirit is so good to come and speak these things to the people. If it'll . . . If you'll get in the right attitude now, the healing is finished.

¹⁵⁶ O Lord, You're God, and You're God for evermore. And we're—we're so happy to know that You promised that You would have a remnant when You come to the earth. Regardless of what goes or comes, there is going to be people that's going to be ready. We know that there is a tithing that man gives to God. And there is a tithing amongst the people. Perhaps, maybe we would say, a tenth, of all the world's harvest through the ages, will be that Elected that's been called.

¹⁵⁷ O Father, we pray, as we are laboring here, all of us together, searching through the city, trying to bring in sinners, trying to do something for the Kingdom of God. We go down in the city, we watch the indifference. We see it. And as Lot, in Sodom, it vex our souls daily, to see women smoking cigarettes and—and claiming to be Christians, and drinking, and carousing, and wearing immoral clothes. And—and men lusting. And, oh, the sin of Sodom! Our hearts are grieved within us, Lord.

¹⁵⁸ Oh, no wonder faith comes at a low ebb, when people are like that, lacking the Blood of Jesus. That would sanctify their souls and set them afire for God, yet they will not receive it. And the little missions on the corners, of beating the tambourines and the drums, are in their corners, and they're laughing at us bringing in the saints of the living God.

¹⁵⁹ Oh, how we thank You, Father, for some plane, somewhere, that'll preach the Gospel, that'll reach out the hands for the people. Grant, Lord, just now as we pray, and know that Your great Holy Spirit and the Angels are—are in their positions here in this church.

God, forgive every sin.

¹⁶⁰ The people are sick here, tonight. There's many of them. You've showed Yourself to be here, Lord, through Your servants. Many of them out there who was reaching and calling and pulling. And, Lord, You know that—that You're the only One Who could permit this to be done. You're God, and God alone, and You do it for the very purpose that You promised that You would do it. And it's the last sign to the church, as You spoke. The end time is here.

¹⁶¹ Then You asked this question, "Will I find faith when I come to the earth?" You never asked, "Will I find church members? Will I find

creeds? Will I find sincerity?" You said, "Will I find faith when I come to the earth?"

¹⁶² Lord, may these sick people let their faith loose, come away from the flusterations, and doubts, and fears. May their faith be turned loose just now. And if they turn their faith loose, the sickness will have to turn loose, the devil will leave his hold, and they'll be set free by the Power of Almighty God. Let the Holy Ghost surge every heart, baptize every soul, and heal every body that's in Divine Presence. Grant it, Lord.

¹⁶³ For this I ask, that the devil leave every person that they're tormenting in here, tonight. In the Name of Jesus Christ, Satan, turn yourself loose from these people. As a servant of God, I cry in their behalf, asking for mercy for them. Amen.

¹⁶⁴ How many believes with all your heart now, with all that's in you, that Jesus Christ is reflecting Himself on the earth today among His people? Do you love Him?

¹⁶⁵ Then let us sing this old song together, *I Love Him*. "I love Him because He first loved me." All together, while we stand now. Everybody now, all together. How many knows it? Raise your hands. *I Love Him*. Let's worship Him now.

¹⁶⁶ All the sick, all the afflicted, stand up to your feet now, receive your healing. I believe, and with all my heart. If you'll just let your faith go, right now! The Christ of God, Who is present, is to. . . What is He doing? Making us His image. See? His Spirit here, reflecting Himself right out to you.

¹⁶⁷ Now, you know it isn't me. I don't know those people, ever who they were, that raised their hands. They raised their hands, that they didn't know me. And I raised my hands, I didn't know them. But God knows them. What is it?

¹⁶⁸ It's the Christ reflecting Himself. It's your faith to believe it. It's my faith to a ministry, that He confirmed it to me by an Angel; Whose picture you see, that hangs in the religious halls of art, and where It's all over the world, It's known, the Pillar of Fire that led the children of Israel.

¹⁶⁹ When It was made flesh, It was in a form called the Son of God. He said, "I come from God and went to God, go back to God."

¹⁷⁰ After His death, burial and resurrection, Paul met Him, on the road to Damascus, in a form of a Pillar of Fire, in a Light that put his eyes out. Paul said, "Who are You, Lord?"

¹⁷¹ He said, "I'm Jesus. It's hard for you to kick against the pricks."

¹⁷² Jesus said, "A little while, and the world," kosmos, the world order, the church members, and so forth, "won't see Me no more, yet ye shall

see Me. For I," personal pronoun, "I, the same Jesus, will be with you, even in you, to the end of the world. And the works that I do shall you do also. More than this shall you do, for I go to My Father." Amen. Oh, my!

I love Him, I love Him
Because He first loved me
And purchased my salvation
On Calvary's tree.

¹⁷³ Oh, while we sing that again, I want the Methodists, and Baptists, and Pentecostals, and Nazarenes, and Pilgrim Holiness, church of God, all, all of you together, I want you to shake hands with somebody in the front of you, and back of you, and the side of you, while we're doing it now. All together.

I . . . (God bless you, brother, pastor.) . . . love Him
Because He first loved me
And purchased my salvation
On Calvary . . .

¹⁷⁴ Now this is the order of the resurrection, "We which are alive and remain shall not prevent them which are dead, for the trumpet of God shall sound and the dead in Christ shall rise first. We which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them, meet one another before we meet Him. Meet one another before we meet Him, be caught up together with Him, with them, to meet the Lord in the air, all together."

¹⁷⁵ Now we've met one another, shook one another's hands, now let's greet Him.

I love Him, I love Him
Because He first loved me
And purchased my salvation
On Calvary's . . .

Slow it down.

¹⁷⁶ A young woman fell right out of the line, come right up and knelt at the altar, sobbing and crying. Would there be others here that feels that same conviction, would like to kneel with her? We'd be glad for you come right up and take a place. God bless you, brother. Would someone else move right up? That's fine.

I . . .

Mold me, Lord, and make me.

. . . I . . .

Go down to the Potter's house. Someone else come to take the place?

Because He first loved me
 And purchased my salvation
 On Calvary's tree.

Oh, isn't He wonderful?

177 Blessed Lord, this young woman Thou knowst. I do not. But there is some strange thing struck her just a few moments ago, that out from that audience she come, without any persuasion. That was You, Lord. She's knelt here at the altar, while loved ones near, with their arms around her. Asking for mercy, and for guidance, and for spiritual strength, to her. Let it be done, Lord. It is written, now let it be done, that, "You will withhold no good thing from them that walk upright before You. Your promises are yea and amen, to all those who will love You and will follow You."

178 Let the young woman know this, definitely, tonight, that there is nothing in the Heavens, that's promised in the Word of God, but what God is more than willing to pour it right into her heart right at this time. May there be such a satisfying portion given to her, while she has knelt prostrate at the altar. May the Holy Ghost give to her those things that's desirable in her heart. Grant it, Lord, for we ask this in Jesus' Name.

. . . He first loved me
 And purchased my salvation
 On . . .

(. . . ? . . .)

179 Dear God, may this woman's desire be given to her, for her loved one that she loved so dearly. May the great Holy Spirit perform the work, that only He can do at this time. We commit it all to Thee; pray that . . . Your loving-kindness is better than life. David said so. "Because Thy loving kindness is better to me than life, my lips shall praise Thee." Give to her the desire of her heart, Lord.

180 As this church, and I, Your minister, will . . . and the other ministers that's in the building, sincerely ask for her request. In the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

We claim it, sister. Bless you.

181 Now while these people are consecrating themselves, concentrating them, themselves, to the Lord, while His Spirit is moving in the building, I would that we'd stand still just a minute. The pastor is a dealing with them at the altar. Let's be in prayer, just for a moment now. He's coming along. And let's us be singing now. He's speaking to each one.

182 Let's bow our heads, so we be in prayer.

And purchase my salvation
On Calvary's tree.

I love Him, I love Him
Because He first loved me
And purchased my salvation
On Calvary's tree.

I can, I will, I do believe,
I can, I will, I do believe;
I can, I will, I do believe
That Jesus saves me now.

I can, I will, I do believe,
I can, I will, I do believe;
I can, I will, I do believe
That Jesus saves me now.

I'll take Him at His Word,
I'll take Him at His Word.
He brings to me salvation free
And I'll take Him at His Word.

I can, I will, I do . . .

¹⁸³ Look here, young fellow. You want a deep walk with God? You believe that He would give it to you? [The brother says, "Yes."—Ed.] If you'll believe with all your heart, you can have it. See? You believe it? ["Yes, sir. I do."] Accept it? ["Yes, sir."]

. . . believe that Jesus saves me now.

¹⁸⁴ All that love Him, raise up your hand. Say, "I love Him, with all—all that is within me." Isn't He wonderful? While we bow our heads, just in the closing prayer . . . Remember the service tomorrow night. I'm going to ask you, is . . .

¹⁸⁵ If you will now, as quickly as possible, each one of you that raised your hand for salvation, closer walk, believe you have it. If you can't feel it, take the adopted child. See? Keep saying you have it until it becomes a reality.

¹⁸⁶ You that accepted healing, and you don't feel any difference; you say, "My—my faith is not enough to move it right now, Brother Branham."

¹⁸⁷ Take the adopted-child way. Just keep saying, "Lord, I am healed. I believe it." It'll come. It'll get you in the right mood, you see, and then your faith will be right. It'll take it. You just believe it with all your heart.

¹⁸⁸ Now, tomorrow night, the services will begin at seven-thirty, regular time, tomorrow night, and every night this week. Come out and

hear Brother Neville and these other ministers, and all of us, together, that's trying to bring forth a revival. God bless you. We can't bring it. You've got to—you've got to bring it with us, by praying, coming, making your presence here. God be with you.

¹⁸⁹ Now, I wish you would, just as soon as it's dismissed, as quick as you can, to . . . out of the building. We got about a half hour's of rehearsal here to take place. And some of the men are working. And we're going to bow our heads.

¹⁹⁰ And I believe I heard Brother Junie Jackson back in the audience. Brother Junior, are you here tonight? The brother from New Albany, Methodist church. All right. Brother Jackson will you dismiss us in a word of prayer?

[Brother Jackson begins praying. Blank spot on tape—Ed.] . . . ? . . .
to be in the wedding, come forward right quick now.

¹⁹¹ The Lord bless you. We'll see you tomorrow night.

Child of sorrow and of woe;
It will joy and comfort give you.

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