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Let's bow our heads in prayer.

Gracious Father, we're so thankful, Lord, that You are with us today, and Father, we just ask You, Lord, that we might get ready, just ready in ourselves, that all of our attitudes toward life are not too lax or not too caught up in this world.

But, Father, may our focus be upon Thee, and, Lord, help us to be ready for any time now, we can go home. In Jesus Name we pray. Amen.

You may be seated.

Now, no offense to parents, I love you all like my own children, but as our brother mentioned before, we have a fire hazard when children are laying on the floor. And it's to my chastisement, because I should have mentioned that years ago, but we let it go on for a while, but it started getting worse. And so, I would like to see the children sitting in the chairs, learning to participate in the service. Not coloring, not playing with books, not playing with toys, take the toys away for the church service.

And before service begins, before the song service begins, did the brother cover these things?

So you understand I would like to see, the children learn Bible verses, learn Bible stories, or even Bible songs. I think it would be a good thing. And if one of your sisters has a real desire in your heart to teach children, that would be good. And then the song leader can work with them and come get them and everything be in order.

Well, this morning we're going to look at The Marriage Covenant, The Forth Covenant, which is Time off Together.

This morning, we shall continue our mini-series on The Marriage Covenant. Thus far we have taken the Ten Commandments of God in which I believe it was God's way of showing us how to establish and keep sacred our relationship between God and man.

I believe also these Ten Commandments which God gave to man were not only meant to show us how to establish and hold dear our relationship with Him, but with our family as well.

I believe that these Ten Commandments are also a vital means whereby we may hold dear and build up our own relationships beginning with the relationship established in marriage.

The first two commandments we examined were, "***I am the Lord Thy God, and Thou shalt have no other***". And so we focus on thou shalt have no other, and the second Commandment was "***Not in Vain***".

These commandments not only apply to our relationship with our God and Father, but in our relationship with our spouse as well.

Not only did the Lord Jesus tell us "***Thou shalt have no other God besides Him***", but He also told us that we should make no thing an object of our worship or affection that would get between He and thee.

And we found that principle applies to the marriage covenant as well, if we are to not only establish it, but build up our relationship.

Last week we examined the 2nd Commandment that the Lord God said, "***Thou shalt not worship the Lord thy God in vain, nor use His name in Vain***".

We found the words "***in vain***" to mean a carefree or **careless** attitude where it becomes common to you.

In other words, if you got some common ism that you're saying about your wife, and it's not a good common ism like honey bunny or something like that, but, it's more like, as I mentioned about my brother's ex-wife, who called him turkey all the time, ever since they were married.

And those are disrespectful words. And so when people use the Lord's name in vain, they're using it without meaning. So they say, oh God, or even GD, and so it's just in vain. And so they shouldn't be using His Name.

That's why the Jewish people, they called Him "Ya ha veh", I mean, it was actually YHVH, which is not pronounced. You can't pronounce all syllables.

Okay? So they wouldn't use the Lord's name. And so, we have to be very careful that we respect God in that way. All right? And respect one another in that way.

We found the words "**in vain**" as you know, to mean "A **careless** attitude where it becomes common to you." This will ruin any relationship when your spouse no longer thinks she rates for your attention.

As we applied this commandment to the marriage covenant we found it essential to keep the marriage relationship alive and vibrant by never allowing our relationship to become old and worn out.

He said, "**Not in Vain**" and vain means useless, or "to take it lightly". In fact, the **AMPLIFIED** translation says,

"You shall not use or repeat the name of the Lord your God in Vain, that is, take it lightly or frivolously, in false affirmation or in profanity, for the Lord will not hold guiltless the man who takes His name in vain."

Jesus told us, "*How be it in vain do they teach for doctrine the commandments of man, and by your traditions you make the Word of God on non-effect.*" And the same holds true of the spouse in our marriage covenant.

That is why if we apply this commandment to our marriage covenant, we will never take our marriage covenant lightly. To do something in vain shows there is no thought being placed upon what you are doing.

You take it lightly, and you do not think of what the consequences will be, until after you have opened your mouth and inserted your foot.

Therefore, we should always be striving to better our relationship, not only with our Lord but with our spouse as well, because that person is going to spend an eternity together with you.

We can see then how God has given to us the Ten Commandments, not as LAW to be obeyed, but rather they were given to us to establish and confirm our relationship with the Father.

These Ten Commandments help to guide us and protect as well as to show us the proper way to establish the atmosphere of Love and respect that is needed in not only our relationship to the Father, but our relationship to one another.

But it is also necessary to not only establish but keep our relationship with one another. We have discovered in our study that these Ten Commandments were also given to us and that we might apply them in our Marriage Covenant.

This morning, we shall examine the Forth Commandment in view of the Marriage Covenant as well. In order to do so, let's open our Bibles to **Exodus Chapter 20**.

Exodus 20:8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

9 Six days shalt thou labour and do all thy work.

10 But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:

11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

Now I know people who raise up their children to play ball on Sunday. That's absolutely against the 3rd commandment. And it shows that they don't have the proper respect for God. I played football, I played soccer, I played a lot of sports, and never did I once play on Sunday. I felt Sunday was a day to keep the Sabbath holy.

The greatest athlete, or one of the greatest athletes in the Olympics, I think you've all seen the movie about the man who was a missionary, but he was a good runner. (I believe it was call Chariots of Fire)

Eric Liddell was his name, and he refused to run his heat on Sunday. So a Jew traded places with him and he won his heat and went on to win the gold medal.

So you see, there are ways around things. God always gives you a way, but let's face it, we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers.

And so, this nation, when I was a child, even on a Wednesday night, we were not permitted to play sports. We had to attend some type of catechism class, for the Catholics and for the Baptists, it was some type of Sunday school. But Wednesday nights were not given for you to just go out and have fun. They were actually meant to keep the Lord always before you.

As we examine this **Forth Commandment**, we find that there are several things that God is telling us here. First of all, he says, *Remember the Sabbath Day, to Keep it...*

Then He tells us this is not to be like other days, where we labor and do all of our work. **It is to be a special day, a day of rest, a day of remembrance.** Now the first thing here is that God calls for us to simply remember this special day.

The Word **Remember** here is a Hebrew Word **Zakar**, which simply means: **to remember, or call to mind or make a memorial.** It seems, however, in our culture we are much better at making memorials to our dead people, than we are to our living. That's where we fall down as a society.

In almost any city, not only across America but throughout the entire world, we can see statues in the center of the town which have been placed there to remember some figure that was considered an important person in that place.

We have the Vietnam Memorial. We have the Washington Memorial. And the Jefferson Memorial. And we have the Lincoln Memorial. These are all memorials to someone who is dead. Every graveyard across this great country is strewn with memorials to our dead.

We mark the place of their final rest, but why not a memorial to the living? Why not mark the place of the Living?

Why not remember the living? It seems the closest we come is once a year when we celebrate an anniversary and that is supposed to make up for a year of un-attachment and labor.

I don't think God meant for it to be that way. He says to us, you labor and work 6 days per week, and on the seventh I want you to do nothing. **No plans, no work, no labor.** In other words, just take that one day a week and focus on your relationship.

I want you to simply remember the week, remember the labor, and remember the work and rest. This is a time you have set aside for your relationship to be strengthened. This is a time of remembrance.

It is a day of memorial. It is a memorial day. He says, first, I want you to remember this day, and then I want you to keep it. That word Keep that God used is the Hebrew word "**qadash**" and it means **to set it apart from all other days.**

In other words, that one day between you and your wife should be the most important day of the week. Not, well, I got this done at work. You know, that's the most important day. No, it's your time with your spouse. It's the most important time because it's a day of remembrance.

To honor and observe it as a special time. To keep it or consecrate yourself on it. To regard it with the utmost honor and respect. God worked six days and labored in His creatorial work, but then on the seventh day He ceased from all His Work, and He rested.

Vines Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words says, "**The Word Sabbath means to cease or desist**". The idea is not that of relaxation or refreshment, but of "cessation from activity."

As I have already stated in this series on the Marriage Covenant, I believe these Commandments of God were not to be taken as laws in a legalistic fashion.

Rather they are meant to help us create, establish, and maintain a relationship between God and Man. And thus, you apply it, to the marriage. You and your spouse.

But what happened is that men made these commandments into law and then the law became a burden rather than a refreshing memorial to a wonderful relationship.

And I think we have done the same in our marriage relationship, and I am guilty myself. So I'm not saying, you are bad people. No, I'm saying, hey, I've done the same thing.

We have taken our relationship between us and our spouse where we began, by hardly standing it, to be apart. And we have taken this Union in vain.

I can remember I enjoyed just listening to my wife breathe on the phone. You know, I mean, it's things like that, that you just forget about.

Because of years and years and years of marriage together, and you become common to each other, but you got to go back and refresh yourself with those times, that that person was the most important person in your life.

Where we used to plan time together, to enjoy the company of each other because we love them. Where we took time to court each other. We took time to get to know each other better.

And it did not matter if we planned out our time, or if we just sat together and listened to the wind blow and the grass grow.

It was a special time, when we were oblivious to everything else but each other. A time when we could actually talk on the phone and say nothing but hear them breathe.

It was great just to hear them breathing on the other end, and it meant something special. But what has happened to those quality days.

We hang up, before we even said goodbye. When we're done saying what we want to say, we just hang up. I don't think that's remembering or making a day of a memorial. What if that is the last time you ever spoke, and God takes one of you home?

Where is the memorial to those wonderful days of heaven on earth? I will tell you what has happened. We had to break the second commandment first, and that is "**Not in Vain**". So now we got two commandments we've broken.

We come home from a long week of work just to find more work at home. Instead of a day of honey in the rock, we have a day of Honeydew list.

Honey do this and honey do that. We put work before play. Work before time together. As if the work actually needs to be done.

I like how Noah's wife was depicted in the Bible. In the six-hour version of the Bible. She ranted and raved about Noah building that silly ark.

If he believed it was going to rain, she said, then get up on the roof because when your rain comes it will leak into the house. She didn't realize the whole world was going to be swept away.

She was so unaware of the day and its hour. She was too focused on living today, and not what the promise of rain really meant.

And because we have allowed our lives to become so complex, we can live together for 50 + years and never spend any time together alone like we did in the beginning and just listen to the breathing of the One we love.

God used the dew of heaven to bring forth manna to feed His hungry people. And we read in, **Numbers 11:9** *And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell upon it.*

The significant thing about this passage is that the time when the dew settles down upon the earth is the time when all is at rest.

It is in the earliest stages of the morning, when everything is sound asleep when the dew comes. And God likens His dew to His Word, coming in and saturating all that lay at rest beneath it.

Deuteronomy 32:1 ¶ *Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.*

2 *My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass:*

Notice the tenderness in which the Lord shall bring forth his Word. *"It will distil as the dew, as the small spray upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass."*

I like the **Amplified** Translation here. **Deuteronomy 32:2** *My Message shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the light rain upon the tender grass, and as the showers upon the herb. For I will proclaim the Name and Presence of the Lord.*

That's why I appreciate Brother Peter's work, because every day we get a little bit dew. We wake up and there's dew on the ground, and there's a quote for us. And then before we go to bed, there's dew on the ground again.

And so I appreciate that. And by the way, I forgot to tell you that he wrote me this morning and told me that Joshua's doctor, after the brain scans and stuff like that, said that he's perfectly whole now. So we just want to praise the Lord for that, okay?

God is telling us that His Word is most effectual when we are at rest. Notice a dew comes when the ground is at rest, okay?

When our condition is where we are not busying ourselves with other matters. He says, Look, You work six days a week, but on the seventh day I want for you to do nothing, to plan nothing. I want this time to spend together, building your relationship by simply laying in my Presence to Ripen.

And we are to be in each other's presence. And we will be for an eternity. So, begin now cherishing the days you have together, and plan for the future in His Kingdom.

You know, I think sometimes we should be sitting around with our spouse and talking about, what are we going to do for a million, billion, trillion eternity? What's it going to be like? Who do I want to visit?

And we should be spending time not programming our mind, but planning in our mind our life, because that's what we do when we sit and we receive the Doxa of God, the opinions, the values, and the assessment of God.

We're now conforming our life to His life. So I think as a spouse, well, we've been married ten years, 20 years, 30 years. But what are we going to be doing as husband and wife, as brother and sister for an eternity?

Just think of the possibilities that are there. It's just wonderful.

Exodus 33:10 *And all the people saw the cloudy pillar stand at the tabernacle door: and all the people rose up and worshipped, every man in his tent door.*

11 And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his servant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the tabernacle.

12 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.

13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people.

14 And he said, My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest. 15 And he said unto him, If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence.

16 For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? is it not in that thou goest with us? So shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth.

In other words, you are my wife, you are my husband. I will go where you go. I will, like Ruth said, your God will be my God, your people will be my people.

In other words, spending time together. And he says, how do I know that I'm your favorite? How do I know that I'm your lover? Well, because you're my best friend. I don't want to live without you. I want to be with you. I want to spend time with you. All right.

As we know Jesus is the fulfillment of the Word of God. In **Matthew 11** we hear Him tell us that if we would just come into His Presence we would enter into rest.

Matthew 11:28 *Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.*

I believe that Jesus showed us how we might enter into this relationship with the Father that we so long to have. And in doing so, He has also shown us how we might build up the relationship we have with one another as Husband and Wife.

He says, I am your Sabbath, I am your rest. Come into My Presence and rest. Not come into my presence and do the dishes, not come into my presence and mow the lawn. All right. Come into my presence and let's have rest and relaxation together.

Now the thing we must not forget is that God said because you have labored and worked all week long, I want you to take some time to rest.

In **Hebrews** we read, **Hebrews 4:9** *There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. 10 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his.* In other words, the same thing, the same as He did.

11 *Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.*

Now, the key to *entering into this rest* is that we have been laboring, because you wouldn't enter into rest if you haven't been laboring. If you've been laying around all week long, you're not going to go enter into rest. In other words, you enter into rest because you've been laboring.

That is the problem I have had in the Ministry for 43 years. I have never taken time to rest. I go someplace only to preach when I'm there. And I wish that it hadn't been that way.

My mind thought if we just sat around the house all week long, or go on a vacation to get away from it all, and we aren't doing something for God, then the rest is not a refreshing, but just more non-productive time.

That was my thoughts and I regret spending my life thinking that way.

Oh, to go into my last years with the love of my life all aflame would be like heaven to me. But I always thought I would get my rest in the Millennium. But Brother Branham said, What are we waiting for is the Millennium.

We're sitting in heavenly places right now. As Brother Branham said, "Why wait until then, we are now sitting in heavenly places with Christ Jesus.

God worked for 6 days and then on the 7th, He sat back to enjoy what He had accomplished in the other 6. Therefore, before we go any further, I just wanted to make this point lest we get the wrong idea and become sluggards in our Soul.

In **Hebrews 4:11** we read, ¶ **Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest,** (Notice. Let us labor to rest, doesn't it sound like an oxymoron,) **lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.**

And that is what I have done, thinking the rest will come when Life's toils are all but over. But another thing I would like to point out here, is that just as we need to be in the Presence of our Lord Who is the Word.

He said come unto me and I will give you rest. And He is the Word. We find rest and a ceasing from our own works when we come into His Presence. So too the presence of our spouse ought to offer us a time together when we cease from our work.

In the message **Flashing Red Light of His Coming** Brother Branham said, *"Notice, there is nothing that God could give a man outside of salvation better than a nice wife."*

There's no man can console; no person can console a person when they're tired; they'll won't confide in anyone like they do their own wife.

And what a fortunate thing you brothers are when you've got a nice little wife that's clean, and upright, and moral, and you can come in when you're tired and weary and set down, and she can talk to you.

She can do more with you than anybody else. That's right. She's a jewel; she's a queen.

Instead of the honey dew, it's honey will you do this and honey do that, we need to consider that time together doing nothing is more important to our relationship than continuous work.

It takes a Presence to bring true rest and a refreshing. **Acts 3:19** *Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord.*

Now, this word **refreshing** is a word which means *to recover from the effects of, or to revive*.

And we see here that spiritually it takes the Presence of the Lord to bring us into that atmosphere which will bring us this refreshing.

Then If this is true of our relationship with the Lord, there must be a similar pattern that we may partake of in our marriage relationship. A refreshing that comes from the presence of our spouse.

I truly believe that the Lord would have us keep a special time that we can spend together doing nothing. We seem to be in such a rush in our society today that we run around all day long and get very little accomplished.

And even when we got to do this or we got to do that. Is it really necessary? Is it really necessary?

Letting Off The Pressure 62-0513E 35 *We are living in a neurotic age, nervous tension. Everybody's racing here and going there and going nowhere. It's just at that kind of an age.*

And I know this church would be plagued with it as everywhere is plagued with it. Tabernacle's plagued with it, everywhere, the whole world.

36 *It's a day of pressure. Hurry, hurry; hurry, hurry; hurry up and wait. Drive ninety miles an hour, and then to get home for supper, and wait two hours till it gets ready. That's right. It's a time.*

And in that rushing and speeding, it gets you to a nervous tension. The wife say something a little contrary, you want to fly off: temper.

Husband say something, you'll pat your foot and tell him to get in the room. See? "Well, now, husband, I don't want no words with you. Go out there."

37 *"Wife, oh, I'm so nervous." See? Why? What's the matter? See?*

38 *All this, together, this tension building up, then the results of it is: doing something wrong, and acting out of place. That's right.*

Now, it'll make the poor act that way. It'll make the middle-class act that way. It'll make the rich act that way. It'll make the wrong act that way. It'll make the pretty good act that way. And it'll make the good act that way.

Because, it's tension, steam, built up. Got to blow it out somewhere. See? You don't, you blow the boiler up.

39 *Now, we find that. It builds up as the day goes. You talk to your boss, if you're working, "Oh, so-and-so!" And if you speak to the kiddie, "Come in here!" "Mama! I'm..." See? There you are. It builds it up. Oooh! My! See?*

You feel like you're going to...head is going to come off. I know. I'm with it, every day, so I know what it means. It builds up. I was...

40 *Thought of this, the other night. I was at a certain hospital. And our pastor, I thought he was sick, but he had just wore out. Run, run, run, run, till he just exhausted.*

And some of them said, called up, they called in the office down there, asked if I'd make his calls. Well, I had been with business acts all day, and ministers from different places. I said, "Yes." Well, I went to make his calls.

41 *And I went to certain hospital. And they give me a woman's name, and a number where she was at. I goes up to this room. I went over to the lady. And it was about fifteen, twenty minutes before receiving time for visitors.*

So I went over and told the lady I was a minister and would like to see certain, certain woman. She looked me in the face. And she was doing something. She turned around, first, and said, "What do you want?"

I said, "I would like to know where a certain-certain lady is in this ward." She said, "I don't know." I said, "Well, I was given a number, a certain place, and I thought I'd ask first." Said, "Well, if you got a number, go see it." "Thank you."

I goes down there and set at the door of the ward. I said, "Is there a lady in here, name So-and-so?" "No." Well, I went back and looked at my ticket. That's where it said. So I goes back, and the lady was standing there.

I said, "That was the wrong number." "What'd you say her name was?" I said. Said, "She is not on this floor." "Thank you." I said, "I'll go upstairs then." So, I goes up to the next room.

And I went to the...First, there was a doctor setting at the desk, and setting there, scratching his head. Said, "How do you do?" He just looked up, looked down. Well, I thought, "I better leave him alone."

So I went on down the row a little farther, and I found a lady at the desk, a nurse. Said, "Pardon me." Said, "What do you want?" And I said, "Is there a lady up here by a certain-certain name?"

And she said, "I don't know." And I said...She said... I said, "I was supposed to have a room number 321 or 221." And I said, "I went to that room, and there was no one there. And the lady said, 'There's no one down here named that, so,' said, 'maybe it was upstairs.'" And she said, "Well, then why don't you go to two...321 then."

I Said, "Thank you."

I goes down to 321, I...or two-twenty-...321. I said, "Is there a lady in here named So-and-so?" "No." There's a lady laying there, said, "She was across the room, across the room over on—on the other, thirty-one." Said, "Thank you, lady."

I walked over, I said, "Is lady So-and-so here?" "No. They moved her out. She is downstairs." I thought, "Oh, my!"

I goes back downstairs again. I—I...And she...They did give me the room number. And I went downstairs, and I looked all...I was afraid to go to that desk again. So I looked all up-and-down, trying to find that room number. And I—I looked, and I couldn't find it.

They got little wings and things cut up in this hospital. So here come this doctor walking down, with his stethoscopes in his hand, and satchel. And I never did see a man was four foot tall and four foot wide, but he just about matched the...

He was walking along there. I said, "Good evening, sir. Could you tell me where room number so-and-so was at?"

He said, "Up this way and out that way." I said, "Thank you for your information." That's the truth. He said, "Up this way and out that way." And I said, "Thank you!" I thought, "I haven't got anywhere yet."

42 *I looked back and there was a kind of kind-looking lady standing at the desk again. I walked over to her, and I said, "Good evening." She said, "How do you do?"*

43 *I said, "Lady, I'm all confused." And I told her my story. I said, "There's a lady here somewhere that's going to surgery in the morning, and she's near death. I'm a minister, and our pastor up there couldn't make his calls, and they give me this number."*

She said, "Just a moment, Brother Branham, I'll find out." She... "Well, I thank—thank the Lord." She laid down everything and walked over there, and got... "Oh," she said, "yes, Brother Branham, she is in room so-and-so, to your left, right there."

44 *I said, "Thank you, very much." I turned around and looked.*

45 *I thought, "That's it, letting off the steam." Everybody... It's just becoming a—a neurotic age. Everybody is all built up. Haven't got no time. And that builds up to a place that it breaks up things. It causes people to have hard feelings, when they snap them off, and—and say things you don't mean to say.*

46 *Now, everybody is guilty of it. I'm guilty. You're all guilty. We, we do things under pressure that we wouldn't do otherwise, so there's a—there's an excess pressure built up today. I believe... Before I go any further, I might say this. I believe it's the enemy coming down and pressing. I believe it's the devil.*

47 *And we know the Coming of the Lord is at hand. And the Bible said, in the last days, that, "The devil would go about like a roaring lion." And if he could get you under pressure, hurrying, running over something, you will make decisions that you wouldn't make if you'd set down and think it over.*

48 *About three years ago, I was on a hunting trip, and I had an Indian guide. And I hunt real fast. It's just, that's just me, you see, one of them pressure-builders.*

49 So I was hunting with the Indian, and I jumped off the horse. And there was some elk up on the mountain, and I started around the bend. The old Indian was about ten years older than me. He was just a puffing, coming behind me.

I said, "Come on, chief. Come on!" Said, "Too fast! Too fast!" I thought, "Oh, well!" I said, "Come on, and start."

50 He said, "It's too fast!" I slowed down, next gear. "Too fast!" I got down to a walk. "Too fast!" Oh, my! I said, "Chief, the elk is up there!" He said, "Him stay there. He were born there." I said, "I guess that's right."

"He stay there, he were born there." He said, "Preacher hunt too fast, scare all the game away." Said, "Do like Indian. Walk'em once, look'em nine times."

51 Well, I wonder what kind of a gear I'd have to get in, to get down there? Where, I was on a run, up the mountain. He said, "Walk'em once, then look'em nine times.

Look all around, over everything, nine times, before he'd make another step." Oh, my! But, you see, he's in no hurry. I thought of that.

52 And my precious old mother, that's in Glory tonight; someone said, "Why don't you wear a white flower today, meaning your mother is dead?"

53 I said, "My mother is not dead. My mother is living." And then I'd wear a red one, and then people say, "I thought your mother died." So to keep from confusing them, and building up more steam, I just left it all off. See? She's not dead. She's asleep. She's with Christ.

54 And then the nervous neurotic age that we're living in! And you know, in all of this, the doctors don't have the answer, 'cause they're plagued with it, too. They don't have the answer. They don't know what to do.

You say, "Oh, doctor, I'm just about to blow my head. I don't know what to do. I..." "Well," he'd say, "I am too. Well, there is nothing you can do." He would give you a tranquilizer.

When that wears off, you're more nervous than you was in the first place; like a drunk man, taking an extra drink, to get over his drunkenness. You see? So you can't do it. There's no answer. They don't have it.

***55** But, God has the answer. That's what we want to take, talk about, to have the answer. God has got the answer. He is the answer. Christ is the answer to every problem we got. Now, we're going to talk about Him now.*

*You know, God made man in His Image, male and female made He them. And if Jesus is the firstborn amongst many brethren, and we are to be conformed to the image of God's only begotten Son, (**Romans 8**).*

*Then if He could say, "**Come unto me ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest**", then the True believing husband or wife ought to be able to do the same for one another.*

***He Cares For You 60-0301 55** God gave man a wife to comfort him, to touch him. And any man knows, that's got a good wife, there's something about a good wife that can... A man be upset in his business or his walks of life, and can come home; no matter, there's no one, no doctor...*

***56** It is that way with me. When I come from overseas or somewhere, and I'm so nervous and upset, and loss of sleep. And hear the cry, and seeing the little hungry children on the street, and, oh, crying and going on, it just kills me.*

Then when I come home, if wife will set down on the arm of the chair, put her arm around me, and say, "Oh, Bill, I understand it, you know."

***57** And just a few little pats from the wife mean so much: same thing, a husband to a wife. That's the way God want it to be.*

Let's just bow our heads in prayer.

Gracious Father, we're so thankful for these words. They're very tender words to our heart. And, Lord, they just help us to sit back. I like the old Indian chief to look nine times before we make one action.

And, Father, we just ask that You would help us to do so. Because if we look nine times, well, maybe the second time or the third time, we'll realize that if we

did that action, it's going to hurt this one. Or if we do it this way, it's going to hurt this one. And so, Lord, just help us to look nine times before we act.
In Jesus Name we pray. Amen.