

#19 I come to do Thy will O God

1 Hebrews 10:1 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect. **2** For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins. **3** But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. **4** For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. **5** Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: **6** In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. **7** Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God. **8** Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law; **9** Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. **10** By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. **11** And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: **12** But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; **13** From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. **14** For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. **15** Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, **16** This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; **17** And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. **18** Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. **19** Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, **20** By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; **21** And having an high priest over the house of God; **22** Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. **23** Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) **24** And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: **25** Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. **26** For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, **27** But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. **28** He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: **29** Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?

2 This morning I would like to speak about how Jesus was totally dependent upon, and obedient to the will of God His Father and any time that a person is dependent upon another shows that person who is dependent is not sovereign. Because one who is sovereign is not dependent upon anyone outside of self. One who is sovereign is totally independent of all peoples, places and things.

3 When Jesus taught his disciples how to pray, he showed them the importance of not only acknowledging God's will but yielding to it as well. Luke 11:2 **1** And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples. **2** And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Notice Jesus showing us that in our prayer we should begin by acknowledging the supremacy of God our father, and then the very next thing he brings us to is to acknowledge also God's sovereign will. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be

done, not only as it is in heaven, but even so as it shall be upon the earth. And once you have acknowledged the supremacy of God's will, then you can ask your petition from God. Because then your petition is governed by the principle of sovereignty, as in God's sovereignty, not yours, you have none. 3 Give us day by day our daily bread. 4 And forgive us our sins; as we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

4 Again we see in the book of Matthew 6:1 this same scene unfolding again. Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven. 2 Therefore when thou doest thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. 3 But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: 4 That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly. 5 And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. 6 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. 7 But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. 8 Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him. 9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. 10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. 11 Give us this day our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen. 14 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: 15 But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

5 Then in the book of Luke 22:39 we see Jesus put his instructions into action with his own prayer to God. And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him. 40 And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation. 41 And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, 42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. 43 And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. 44 And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. 45 And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow,

6 Again in the book of Matthew 26:41 we see this same scene take place again. Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. 42 He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done. 43 And he came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy. 44 And he left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words.

7 Matthew 7:21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

8 Matthew 12:50 For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

9 John 5:30 I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

10 John 6:37 All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out. 38 For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. 39 And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. 40 And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

11 John 8:28 Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things. 29 And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.

12 The NIV says, Who is blind like my servant, and deaf like the Messenger I send? Who is blind like the one that is committed to me, blind like the servant of the Lord? You have seen many things but have paid no attention, your ears are open, but you hear nothing. You Pleased the Lord for the sake or righteousness, to make His law great and glorious.

13 Total deliverance 59-0712 pp. 55-56 55 Jesus was completely, totally man. He could cry like a man, He could eat like a man; He could become like a man. He was completely, totally man in His physical being. And in His Spirit, He was completely, totally God, so He made His flesh submissive to the Spirit that was IN Him. You see, He was tempted in all manners like we are. He was man, not an Angel. He was a man. He had desires and temptations just like we do. The Bible said He did. He was a man, not an Angel above temptation. Hebrews 1 said that He was... Hebrews 1:4 said He was made lower than the Angels. He was man, completely man, that God took a complete man to bring total deliverance; and He filled Him with His Spirit; the Holy Ghost was in Him without measure. And He was tempted like we were. And He was completely God. He proved it when He raised the dead, when He stopped nature, the roaring seas and the mighty winds. When He spoke to the trees, and so forth, they obeyed Him. He was God inside. And He could've been man, for He was Man, but He totally and completely delivered Himself as a Man into the hands of God for the service of God. And He is our example. 56 We are men and women. We're also Christians. If He's our example, let us completely deliver ourselves into the hands of the Holy Ghost, that we might be subjects of the Kingdom of God. He was totally man; He was totally God, but He surrendered His natural parts and His physical parts, and His Own thinking, and His Own doing, and His Own cares, and "I do only that which pleases the Father." There you are. Totally delivered from human beings... The priests come to Him, the great men, and said, "Rabbi So-and-so," and tried to bribe Him into their affiliations and denominations, but He was totally delivered because He trusted in God. Did not the Psalmist say, "Thou will deliver Him, for He has completely trusted in Me"? See?

14 Jesus was so committed to his Father, that he did nothing, but what God showed him to do., he spoke nothing but what God commanded him to speak, he taught no doctrine but what doctrine God gave him to teach and he did not do his own will, but the will of Him that sent him.

15 John 5: 19 Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.

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John 14: 10 the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

John 14: 24 the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

John 14: 31 But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.

John 12: 49 I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.

John 7:16 Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me. 17If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself. 18He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.

John 4: 34 Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work.

Hebrews 10:5 Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: 6In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. 7Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.

16 Now, this was taken from the book of Psalms 40:6 Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou opened: burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required. 7Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me, 8 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart. 9I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest. 10I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; I have declared thy faithfulness and thy salvation: I have not concealed thy lovingkindness and thy truth from the great congregation. 11Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O LORD: let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me.

17 Now, let's get back to Hebrews 10:8 Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law; 9Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. 10By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. 11And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: 12But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; 13From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. 14For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. 15Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, 16This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; 17And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. 18Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. 19Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,

20By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; 21And having an high priest over the house of God; 22Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. 23Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) 24And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: 25Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. 26For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,

18 Now, how can you possibly forsake the assembling of the saints when you see the Life of God openly manifesting in flesh today. The problem is that the people have lost focus on what God is doing right now. Brother Branham said they miss God by always looking back and always looking forward but failing to recognize what God is doing now. And when it doesn't come to their little group then it doesn't come all according to their perception, but that doesn't mean that it's not happening right now.

19 You see, what I believe to be taking place in this hour is that God is coming more and more into His church, and sons are becoming more and more in the image of their elder brother, which means they are coming more and more into the image of the Source of Life which is their Father. Now, if Jesus, our elder brother in a vast family of brethren came forth in the exact image of His Father, which is Hebrews 1:3, then if we are to be conformed to the image of the eldest son in a vast family of brethren, then we are to become the very image of our Father also.

20 Isaiah 42: 19 Who is blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger that I sent? who is blind as he that is perfect, and blind as the LORD'S servant? Seeing many things, but thou observest not; opening the ears, but he heareth not. 21The LORD is well pleased for his righteousness' sake; he will magnify the law, and make it honourable.

21 Speak to this rock 53-0512 P:40 Now, He said, Saint John 5, that He couldn't do nothing. They was questioning Him, I suppose, about why He didn't heal all those people, see Him pass through the pool of Bethesda. I was noticing them checking the prayer cards here of these twisted and afflicted laying here. Don't be weary. Now, if a--some unbeliever come by and say, "Heal that man that's crippled up, twisted up, then I will believe it." Look at Jesus going through the pool of Bethesda where the lame, halt, blind and withered was laying: never healed a one of them, walked right by every one of them, full of love and virtue. Is that right? And walked over to a man laying on a pallet, and said... For Jesus knew he was laying there, the Father had showed Him. And He healed that man, went away.

Results of Decision 55-1008 P:91 And we find Him going through the Pool of Bethesda, and many places, or other places in the Scripture. And we find Him there at the Pool of Bethesda, going through there; a few days after that, woman touched His garment. There that had a great multitude, hundreds of people of lame, halt, blind, twisted, withered, waiting for the water to move. And Jesus went down through them, never said a thing, and went over... For He knew... See, the Father had showed Him. That... He knew where there was a man at was going to be laying on a pallet. So He found him and said, "Will thou be made whole?" He said, "I have no one to put me in the water." Said, "Take up your bed and go unto your house." He picked up his bed and went walking away. The Jews questioned Him. And He said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing in Himself, but what He sees the Father doing: that doeth the Son likewise." Now, if Jesus told the truth... You believe that? Yes, sir, we could take it from Genesis to Revelations. No prophet, no time, no time did Jesus, at any time, ever done anything without first it being revealed to him.

Who do you say this is? 64-1227 P:61 God had called Moses. He didn't want to go. Those prophets had such things to do till they, It was a hard thing to do. They didn't want to be going out and be scorned at. They wanted to have fellowship, and go in with the rest of them, and go along with brothers. But you see, just like... I believe... I forget what prophet it was, said, "If... I don't want to do this (in other words), but my whole heart will catch afire. God has spoken and I must deliver it." Whether they liked it; whether they crucified him; whether they stoned him; whatever they did, God has spoke in his heart, and he must say it, not to be different, but be obedient. "Obedience is better than sacrifice; hearkening, unto the fates of rams." See, It was in his heart. He must do it. It was his life. He couldn't hold it. There was something, a pulsation, that pushed them. They couldn't bless it or curse it. God had so much complete control of them till He was their voice, their action. Hallelujah. Give me a Church that's so completely anointed with God till their every action and move is THUS SAITH THE LORD, right in that Shekinah Glory, I'll show you a Messiah (anointed one of God) standing upon the earth.

22 You know these words brother Branham are remarkable, but he is not saying this would be a desire, he is telling us what that church would be like. And yet in the Spoken Word if the Original Seed, he said the bride would come to the place that she had this "thus saith the Lord" or she would keep still. Now, that is harmony with God. That is the true oneness with God.

23 Spoken word original seed 62-0318E P:175 Notice, what harmony. Jesus never did anything until seen of the Father or the Father showed Him first: (Harmony between God and Christ. See? John 5:19) So will the Bride, and He shows Her His Word of Life (He shows Her), and she receives It. She never doubts it. Nothing can harm Her, not even death; for if the Seed be planted, the water will raise it up again. Amen. (Now, I got a great big "Hallelujah.") Here is the secret: the Word is in the Bride and the mind of Christ to know what He wants done with the Word, and She does it in His Name. She has THUS SAITH THE LORD. Then it is germitized; so the Holy Spirit waters it until it is grown and serves its purpose. They do only His will. (Amen. I'll believe that.) No one can persuade them different. They have THUS SAITH THE LORD, or they keep still. Then they will do the works of God. For it is Himself in them, continuing His Word to fulfill as He did complete in His day. All things when He was here--He did not complete all when He was here, for it was not time yet.

24 Now, I ask you, what did he just say? Did he not say the bride will do God's Will? Did he not say that She does it in His Name? Did he not say, They do only His will. Did he not say, They have THUS SAITH THE LORD, or they keep still. Then they will do the works of God. For it is Himself in them, Now, seems to me that this is not one person he is talking about here. It is a bride that is so surrendered to the Spirit of God in them, that they have laid their own will on the altar of God and have come to the place of complete obedience and submission to God that He can use them as He used his own Son, and as he used his end-time prophet William Branham. Men who were so surrendered to God that his will was the preeminent will in their life. Emptied out vessels yielded to God to do his bidding.

25 This is not latter rain, this is what brother Branham said would come into the Bride. A yielded vessel, yielded to God. Now, I know it looks like we may never see this in the bride, because there is so much intellectualization of the Message that the people are stone cold to the will of God anymore. But it matters not if there are only a handful that will so yield themselves to God, just make sure you are among that handful.

26 There was only a handful of people that were yielded to the Holy Spirit when Jesus came on the scene.

There was Anna, Simeon, Elisabeth, Mary, Joseph, and the few believers that were so yielded to the Holy Spirit that their hearts were in tune to the Coming Son of God. And my prayer is that we will see a bride who will be so yielded to God that when He leaves this earth to go meet His Son, that we will go with him.

27 We find in Isaiah 42:19 that the Scriptures teach us that the Son of God was blind to everything except God's Word. And he was deaf to everything but God. And we just read where the Bride is to be the same way.

28 KJV Isaiah 42:19 Who is blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger that I sent? who is blind as he that is perfect, and blind as the LORD'S servant?

29 Rothetham Translation Who is blind if not My servant? Or deaf like my messenger that I send? Who is blind like an intimate friend is blind, or blind like the servant of Yahweh?

30 JERUSALEM BIBLE Who so blind as My servant? So deaf as the Messenger that I send?

31 In other words, it should read Who in all the world is as blind as my Servant? Who is designed to be my Messenger of Truth. Who is so blind as My dedicated one, the "servant of the Lord"?

32 So we see here that Jesus Christ was absolutely blind concerning anything that was contrary to God's Word, God's Will and God's purpose.

33 Patriarch Abraham the 64-0207 P:2 What a promise because of obedience. Obedience is what God wants. It was once said, "Obedience is better than sacrifice." To obey the Lord is better than any sacrifice that you could do. We're facing now a grand text tonight: "The Patriarch Abraham," which was called the father of the faith, because that God made him the promise to inherit the earth, and his seed... And it's through Abraham, we, being dead in Christ, become Abraham's seed, and are heirs with him according to the promise.

34 Souls in prison now 63-1110M P:94 May no woman's blood be upon me at that day, or no man's. I've told you the Truth. I've hated to do it, not hating because I don't want to do what God tells me to, but I love you. I don't want to hurt you, so what am I going to do? But pure Divine love will drive you to do it. Jesus even prayed to dodge the cross. "Is it possible that the cup should pass," said, "nevertheless, not My will, Thine."

35 Communion 57-0418 P:14 Now, if God did not spare His Own Son from the cruel testing, then He will not spare you or I from the cruel testing. And Jesus was here confronting the greatest test that He had ever had. Gethsemane laid just before Him, where that once and final all-sufficient test must come, when the burdens of the entire world laid upon His blessed shoulder. There was no one in all heavens or earth could ever stand it but Him. And to know that all of the sins, of past sins, and present sins, and future sins, rested upon this decision. And it was one of the most greatest victories that Christ ever won or proved His great Messiahship, as when He said to God, "Not My will; Thine be done." That was the greatest victory He had ever won. All the demons of torment was around to tempt Him and try Him. And when we get right with God, when our hearts become pure and the

Holy Spirit has taken Its place in our heart, it's the most glorious thing to have testing. The Bible tells us that our testings and trials are more precious to us than silver and gold of this world. So we should be thankful.

36 SPOKEN WORD ORIGINAL SEED 62-0318M P:23 The Word of God continually goes on. I'm told that if we could pick up an instrument that could catch it, that a man's voice, my voice that I speak today, ten thousand years from now could still be picked up in the air. It's like dropping a pebble in the middle of a pond. And the teeny little waves after they fail to be seen by the eye, continue on till it hits the bank. And the air-wave of our voices continually travels around and around the world; therefore, then our voice, what we say will be our judgment. Our testimony will rise right against us. Our own voices will echo in our own ears at the judgment bar of God when His great instrument catches every voice that's been spoke--every word that's been muttered.

37 You know people today think they will bypass the judgment because they believe that "I believe the Message, therefore I will not go through the judgment". Listen friends, You will be judged for your backbiting and character assassinations that you do on the telephone or from lip to ear. It matters not if a human records what you are saying, it is being recorded and you will be guilty, unless you ask forgiveness for your transgression. And don't think that asking God to forgive you is enough. When the woman had committed adultery, and came for prayer, brother Branham refused to pray for him, she said I asked God to forgive me, and he said, but you didn't sin against God you sinned against your spouse.

38 And so we are guilty if we get on the phone to talk about others, and not go to that person and ask forgiveness. The Bible way says, "If you see one taken in fault, you are to go to him and him alone" and then if he will not hear you, then you are to take two, and then after twice trying to get the brother to come right, then you can tell it to the church. But what if you tell it to the church first? Without first going the way God ordained for you? That becomes a transgression in itself against that person, and against the church for gossiping. Too many preachers use the pulpit to gossip and then try to justify themselves with Scripture taken out of context, saying they are watching out for the peoples souls? How about watching out for your own soul. William Branham prophet of God said, "One word off and is Satan's kingdom." Therefore, "one word off" either get's you tribulation or your name taken from the book of Life.

39 But what do they do? They tell it to the church first and then explain it later in detail to those church members who have itching ears who want to know the details on the latest gossip. But will these brethren approach the brother they are trying to destroy first, before talking to them? Are you kidding? And why not? Because they are afraid to lest they find out what they heard about that brother is not exactly what was actually said. You see if you Love one another you will always give that person the benefit of the doubt. The Bible says, we are to "believe all things," and Paul said "we are all things in Christ".

40 QA God being misunderstood COD 61-0723E P:30 You see, we misjudge these things so many times. Let's always try to think the very best of anybody who's trying to do what's right. Let's express our very best to them. Oh, they're trying. We don't know their heart, unless you have a discernment. And if they're wrong, then if you got... The Bible said, "If a brother be overtaken in a fault, let them which are spiritual go to that brother in a spirit of meekness, considering your own self lest you be tempted, and see if you can't reconcile that person (See?) back to God." Don't say that they haven't got the right spirit, 'cause...

41 Why are we not a denomination? 58-0927 P:128 If a man's in the wrong, go to him and be reconciled. If you can't be reconciled, take somebody with you. No wonder God can't discipline His church, 'cause you're not doing it right. Instead of getting on the phone and talking about this one, what taken place, and little cults and so forth, around like that. Instead of doing that, why don't you do what the Bible says? If some brother's been overtaken in a fault, go to him and see if you can't get reconciled with him. "Well, now he did me..." I don't care what he did, go to him anyhow. It didn't say for him to come to you. You go to him if he's wrong. You say, "Well, he was in the wrong, he ought to come to me." That's not what the Bible said. The Bible said for you go to him. If he's wrong, you go to him. And then if he won't listen to you, then take somebody with you as a witness. And then if he won't see that witness, then, say, now I'll take your pastor. Then you tell him, say, "I'm going to tell it to the church, and in thirty days from now, if you brethren haven't made that up... This brother here's willing to be reconciled. You won't do it. And if you won't make that up within thirty days, then what's going to happen, you're no more one of us."

42 Galatians 6:1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

43 Now Paul said "Love is not easily angered", that means Love has a long fuse. And Paul adds to this, and "love keeps no record of wrong"; That is one of the greatest attributes about the Love of Christ is that "love holds no grudges". It does not keep a record of wrongs Love has a capacity to forget.

1 Corinthians 13: 1 If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3 If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing. 4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices in truth. 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. 8 Love never fails.

44 Way to have fellowship 55-1009 P:18 I'd rather have a church... Listen, just a moment. I would rather have a church that knows nothing about any spiritual gift, and just be so in love with each other and with Christ, I'd rather have that than every spiritual gift operating in the church. Now, that might sound hard in a Pentecostal group, but I would rather have it. Where there is gifts, they'll fail. Where there is gifts, they'll bring confusion. Where there is gifts, they can be questioned. But where there is love, it is perfect. That's right. And if you had perfect love you'd have perfect gifts. That's right.

45 So what Life are you echoing today? What words are you echoing today? Because what you echo today will be played back at the white throne judgment. Then if all our words are the Words of our Father, God, then won't it be a wonderful experience at the White throne judgment? Won't it be wonderful for our Father God, and all the saints, and all the angels to hear our Father's words being repeated back at that time as our Life is reviewed before all to see? Then what will your echo be? Will it be His own words being spoken from your mouth? Or will it be worldly echoes? Worldly songs of lust and sin? Will we all hear songs of praises at that day? Or will we hear country song lyrics when your life is played back for everyone to hear?

46 1 John 5:12 that says, He that echoes the Son echoes life; and he that echoes not the Son of God echoes not

life.

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In other words our life in Christ becomes an echo of the Father's Words for everyone to hear. For the Son of God echoes forth the Words of the Father and when we echo His Words we are echoing the Words of Life.

48 And did you know that the Son of God was so single focused that He shut out everything that was not from the Father?

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Remember when we spoke on the parable that Jesus told. Matthew 6:22 The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. I and remember when we studied this parable we found that he is not speaking if we have but one eye like a Cyclops, but rather when he says : if therefore thine eye be single he is speaking of our being single focused. And if we are single focused as Jesus was single focused, then we will be full of light. 23 But if thine eye be evil, (that means if your focus becomes deviated from the Truth) thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!

50 To see Jesus 54-0718E P:52 Now, you know me, that I only have a grammar school education. I know nothing of psychology. I know nothing about medics. I know nothing about the anatomy. Only thing I know, I love the Lord Jesus Christ with all my heart. That's all I know. I'm uneducated, illiterate, and I have no abilities of my own, not even, a normal personality. That's right. But I know one thing, and I'm thankful for that: I know how to submit myself that Jesus Christ can work through me. I'd rather have that than all your education that there is in the world. I'd rather know how to submit myself to the Spirit of God, and say, "Lord, here I am." I'd rather have that secret in my heart, than have the secret of every hydrogen and atomic bomb in the world, or could be made. For it's more powerful than all the atomic bombs that could be thought of. So under His everlasting wings, I take my refuge tonight, and in the Name of Jesus Christ, I minister to the sick. The Lord bless you.

51 Questions and answers COD 54-0103M P:67 Now, look, if there's... If this church... If I'd say, this morning in this little group of people and I... God say, "Now look, William Branham, I'm going to make you answer for that group of people, what you tell them. Now, do you want them all to shout?" "Sure, I want them to shout." "Do you want them all to speak with tongues?" "I want every one of them to." "Do you want them all to dance in the Spirit?" "I want every one of them to." "All right, well, that's very good, but what would you rather have them to do?" Uh-huh." I'd rather have a church that had such a burden on their heart for prayer that they just stayed at this altar and would be here day and night, and everything else; and in their house, was constantly in prayer, and humble, and trying to get people to come to God, and making calls at the hospital, and visiting the sick, and trying to get people to come to church and do right. I'd rather have that than all the other put together; although the other is right, it belongs in the church."

52 I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision 49-0718 P:12 I'd rather be poor and live in a shack and have favor with God, and the feeling that I had the satisfaction I love Him, than all the wealth the world owns.

53 Abraham and his seed after him 61-0423 P:23 Now, there's many people that actually think that they're right. But if they'd just stop and watch your life, you'd see the Spirit of God isn't in there. If it doesn't cope with this Bible, then there's something wrong with the experience that you have. So you must come back and line up with

the Word to see if the Life of God is in you. If you love the world better than you love prayer meeting, if you'd rather watch a television program than to pray, there's something wrong with you. If you'd rather take a Sunday afternoon ride instead of going to church, there's something wrong with you somewhere. "Because where your heart is, there your treasures are also," said the Lord Jesus. Your heart is built into it. You're a part of it. You become a part of Christ, because you're built into the structure of Christ, because you're the Bride of Christ, if you love Him.

54 What is that in thine hand 55-0611 P:43 I'd rather have a old experience... I rather my boy would get with a man that didn't know his A-B-C's, and take him out him on a hillside by an old stump somewhere, and pray him through to an old fashion Holy Ghost experience, than to send him to all the schools there is in the country, that would take the power of God and the blessings of God out of his life. Amen. Right. Yes, sir.

55 God perfecting His church 54-1204 P:37 No wonder we see this great civilization that we live in a crumbling and falling. It's because they have blasphemed and walked over the principles of the doctrine of the Lord Jesus Christ. And they set up great big, cold formal churches. Walk into them, the spiritual thermometer goes seventy below zero. Somebody say, "Amen," they stretch their neck around like it was a gander somewhere dying, and look around. And they don't know no more about God than a rabbit knows about snowshoes. And they get out there and claim to be something with a D.D.D. double L., Ph.D. on the back of their name. Why brother, that don't mean you're any closer to God. I'd rather have an old plow boy couldn't say his ABC's, teaching my children the salvation of the Lord Jesus Christ, than all the D.D.'s in the world that knows nothing about God. Nothing to your theology...

56 Law having a shadow 54-1203 P:78 If there's anything I never want to meet God, I'd rather meet Him a sinner, than a hypocrite, for I'd be lost either way.

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Will I find faith when I return 51-0508 P:43 And if there's anybody that I didn't like, why, I would try to make it right with them. And I'd try to be as sincere and act like a Christian as much as I can, be at my home or anywhere. Everywhere I go I've always tried to do what was right, and try to live what I speak about and talk about. And I'd rather any man would live me a sermon than preach me one. For we're written epistles, read of all men. I'd rather live right, and have my name up clear, where my Master could say, "He's a Christian," and the people say, "He's a Christian. I don't know one thing I ever seen him do wrong." And or something on that order...

58 Works that I do bear witness of me 51-0413 P:29 I said, "Brother, I know the Author better than I know His Book." Amen. I'd rather have the Author anyhow anytime. His Book's fine. That's right. But I'd rather know the Author. Wouldn't you? And you know Him by the love..."Though I speak with tongues as men and Angels, and have not charity, it profits me nothing." That's right. Now, I'm not against speaking in tongues; I'm not against any of God's gifts, or any of His blessings, or the Holy Spirit. I'm just saying, we're leaving off that one thing that's more important than all: That's the love of God (Amen.) that makes us one in Christ Jesus.

59 Presuming 62-0117 P:89 If I wanted a man to teach my children, to leave them under his tutorship, and things like that, and my brother, my mother, and someone that I'm expecting to meet over on the other land, I'd rather have a man that didn't know his abc's when it comes to the intellectual standpoint. I'd rather he'd know Christ (That's right.) as Saviour. Yes, sir. Whether he could preach, or stand up and slobber and everything else,

wouldn't make me no difference. If he wore overalls in the pulpit, what difference does that make? Trouble of it is, we got too dressy, and fashion, and... Pentecostals. We just...It's just all of us. We're just going to be consumed if we don't do something about this. We need prayer meetings. We need back to the power of God. Yes, sir.

60 Presuming 62-0117 P:83 I'd rather separate myself from a group of people that calls themselves Christians that'll call me old fashion (if I was a woman) 'cause I had to wear--wear long hair and decent looking clothes. I'd rather separate myself and be a fanatic, than to associate with such people that would laugh and make fun of such things as that. Why, it's an abomination in the sight of God. That's right.

61 Getting in the spirit 61-0428 P:47 I don't care if the man's wrong. If he's wrong and sincere in his heart and you're right in your belief and you're wrong in acting the way you're acting. I'd rather be in his place than be in yours. That's right. I'd rather be wrong in my doctrine and right in my heart. God will respect it more. So if a man is wrong, what of it? Help him. He needs help. Love him. If you can't love your enemy the same as you love those who love you, you're no better off than the publicans. That's right. That's what the Church has failed to get. I hope you get it tonight. I hope you see what I'm talking about.

62 Be not afraid it is I 61-0123 P:38 I had another call said, from a group that said, "If you let another group set on the platform with you, we'll have nothing to do with it." That's worse off then ever. What's the matter? Gone off without Him. The love of God in our heart constrains us to reach to every denomination in every place. When it gets to a spot that you can't have a tender love for every human being, something's happened to you. God so loved you when you was a sinner, an alien, away from God, a enemy of the commonwealth of God, He so loved you that He gave His life for you, sure. If you get a spirit in you, you're better than someone else, then you're worse than anybody else that I know of. I don't care if you're ever so correct in your theology; your motives and objectives is wrong. I'd rather be wrong in my theology, than be wrong in my heart. That's right. Spirit of God dwells in your heart. In the garden of Eden man took his--go--his... He compromised. Now, in the garden of Eden there was a choice made by the man. The devil took his head; God took his heart. Then he sends him off to a seminary, freezes him up with some good theology and dehydrates him in there, and he comes back out, his head all puffed up, too big to wear an ordinary hat. Then he comes out with bitterness in his heart against the fellow citizen of the Kingdom, that ain't God. That's right.

63 Queen of Sheba 61-0119E P:21 "I'd rather be down there begging and drinking branch water, than eating chicken three times a day, and my name in gold on this temple here, and know I was in error. I'd rather be truthful." "

64 Uncertain sound 60-1218 P:58 I'd rather be a pastor of a little old rackled-up building like this, where the power of God meets with the people, where the Church comes together with those things like that, than to have the biggest cathedral there is in all the world to preach in, with a lukewarm bunch of cold, professed, so-called Christians, that have to watch what every word you say. And you can't preach by inspiration; you have to have it so-so, and watch every judge and every doctor and everything in there, so you don't say something to hurt their feelings, because they're big payers on the church. I'll take the way with the Lord's despised few. See? You can't evaluate it. There's no way of doing it.

65 What hearest thou Elijah 59-0609 P:27 If God called you to preach, preach if you stand alone. Preach

anyhow. God spoke to you. Stand out there and preach. It's your God given right. I'd rather listen to a man like that, than have all--one that had all the D.D.'s and Ph.D.'s behind him. That's what's ruined the church today. It's went after class, and cults, and societies. Them things are all right, but it don't belong in a house of God. God wants God sent men, anointed from heaven that's heard the story of God and been filled with His Spirit, that stands upon the convictions of his heart.

66 Jehovah Jireh 58-0127 P:30 I'd rather have someone preaching in my church, that didn't even know his ABC's or knowed split peas from coffee. If he knowed Christ in the power of His resurrection, I'd rather have him, than all the students and scholars that these incubators could hatch out in their theological machines.

67 Thirsting for life 57-0613 P:56 I wished I had the love of God in my heart in such a way, that's what I want, to present the Gospel to the people in such a way they'd just fall and receive Christ. I'd rather have that, than all the gifts of healing and everything else there is in the Bible. Give me love and take the rest of it. Let me love Him. That's what I want to do, is love Him. I'm thankful for the little portion.