

#48 Resurrection no 5 Transforming faith

1 Before we read from Genesis 18 for our text this evening, I just want to say we will be examining that portion of time during the resurrection season where there is to be a change of the body. And there had to be an Alpha event take place in order for there to be an Omega event take place. So let's turn in our Bibles to Genesis 18 for our text.

2 Genesis 18:1 And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: (alright, so we are looking at the alpha event here, and we see it begins with the presence of the Lord or the Appearing of the Lord.) and he (The scripture is speaking of Abraham here) and he (Abraham) sat in the tent door in the heat of the day; **2** And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground, **3** And said, My Lord, if now I have found favor in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant:

3 Now, this is important here because he saw three vessels but only acknowledged one to be Lord. Abraham saw One Lord, not two, not three, but one and this is the pattern for all sons of Abraham. So Abraham says, My Lord,.. Abraham acknowledges only one Lord.

4 And of course we know that we are Abraham's children if we have the same nature and do the same things as Abraham as we hear Jesus say in John 8:39 They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham.

5 **4** "Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:**5** And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said. **6** And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes upon the hearth. **7** And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetched a calf tender and good, and gave it unto a young man; and he hastened to dress it. Notice, Abraham was not a sluggard. It says, Abraham hastened into the tent, and Abraham ran unto the heard, and Abraham hastened to prepare the calf ready for their meal. So he was not a laid back sluggard of a person in any measure of the word.

8 And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat. **9** And they said unto him, Where is Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent. **10** And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard it in the tent door, which was behind him. **11** Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. (in other words, Abraham was 99 years old and Sarah was 89 years old, and she was an old lady.)

6 **12** Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, (notice she did not laugh out loud, but she said within herself, in her heart) After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also? **13** And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall "I of a surety bear a child, which am old?"

7 In other words, Sarah, when she heard the promise said in her heart, "how can this thing be, me being an old woman and all dried up concerning reproduction." "How can I at 90 years old, and my womb is all dried up, and I

am way past the years of fertility, How can it be possible for me to have a son."

8 But notice the sign of Messiah right there. And there is only One Messiah, and that is God. And the sign of the Messiah is the Sign of God, that His Presence is on the scene.

9 And God, Who is the only Messiah, is also the Word, and in Hebrews 4:12 we read, "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. 13 Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

10 So what we call it the sign of Messiah which is actually the sign of God who is the Messiah, It is the sign of His Presence with us.

11 1 Corinthians 4:5 Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord arrives, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

12 And of course after reading the very thoughts of Sarah's heart, God said to Sarah 14 Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.

13 Now, God is not saying I will return unto thee, as though God is going to visit them again, and when he does visit them again, He will bring forth a son. No, that is not what it says here. It says, "I will return thee unto, according to the time of life, or according to the season of life when you are able to have a child, and Sarah shall have a son.

14 So we are dealing with a promise that God made to Abraham and Sarah that they would be brought to the place of a body change bringing them back to that season of life where they were full of life and in order to do that he promised them that He would have to change their bodies back to bodies that were full of life, as they were at the season of life, the season when they are able to produce offspring. So we are looking at two promises from God here. 1) A promised son, and 2) a change of the body in order to receive that promised son. And we as the seed of Abraham have the same promises given to us, for God said,

15 For we read in Acts 3:39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

16 Now, in getting back to our story in Genesis 18 we will pick up at verse 15 Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh. 16 And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way. 17 And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do; 18 Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? 19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

17 Notice, God knew Abraham would be able to receive the promise that God had made to him and Sarah, and that promise was for a body change in order to receive their promised son.

18 And the apostle Paul tells us in Galatians 3:7 Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are

the children of Abraham.

19 And in verse 29 Paul tells us And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

20 And the promise God gave to Abraham was concerning a promised son, and then God had to make a way for Abraham to receive that promised son, and that was a body change. Therefore if we are the seed of Abraham, then we have the same promise today that was given to our Father Abraham. For the Scripture tells us, Acts 3:39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

21 And of course we know that we are Abraham's children if we have the same nature and do the same things as Abraham as we hear Jesus say in John 8:39 They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham.

22 And if ye are the children of God ye will do the works of God. For God gave us the law of life in Genesis 1:11 that "every seed will bring forth after its kind". Therefore don't even bother to tell me you are a son of God unless you have the same life as the son of God. "for every see must bring forth after its kind." That is the law of life.

23 In his sermon Countdown 64-0209 P:40 Brother Branham is praying and says, "Our heavenly Father, You see their hands. I'm only responsible for preaching the Word. They are Yours. I give them to You. They are Yours. Let the Holy Spirit now...And may they see that these achievements... They see it in the natural. Then if we look back, we see it in the spiritual. You're here, Lord. You promised just before the end time come, that as it was in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah. And we'd look back and see those days, look then and see where two ministers, outstanding, angelic, anointed men went down in Sodom and preached in the days of Abraham, calling out Lot. Then there was One stayed with Abraham, and that was the One Who done a sign to Abraham.

24 (And we know that sign that was done to Abraham was the Sign of Messiah, where the Lord spoke of the very thoughts and intents of Sarah's heart and called her out in front of Abraham.)

25 He continues, "The others in Sodom did their sign. (And what was their sign? It was to blind the people by the preaching of the Gospel.)

26 So let us return to the Alpha in order to see what that sign was. Genesis 19:1 And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground; Now let's skip to verse 11 And they smote the men that were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.

27 Now, brother Branham tells us how they smote the men with blindness in his sermon, Modern events made clear by prophecy 65-1206 P:86 Now, notice, there was two people that went down into Sodom with a message, and they preached to the Sodomites. They didn't perform nothing, but blinded them; which, preaching the Gospel does blind the unbeliever. But watch what kind of a sign the Abraham group received. Now, we are supposed to be the royal seed of Abraham; Isaac was the natural seed. But the faith seed, the faith in the promised Word, the promised Word (Don't miss it.) was that royal Seed; that was the seed, Abraham's faith. "We be dead in Christ, we're Abraham's seed, heirs with him according to the promise." Notice when all that was taking place, down in Sodom there was two ministers down there preaching with a great message.

28 Now, from his sermon, Why cry speak 63-0714M P:21 Brother Branham said, "Now, hundreds and

hundreds of years before God had said that Israel would sojourn and be mistreated in a strange country and would stay there four hundred years, but God, with a mighty hand, would bring them out. So you see with this burning bush, Moses knewed this intellectually, and the seed that was born in him was laying in his heart. And he tried through his intellectual experience with the Word to try to bring them out, to deliver them, because he knowed he was born for that purpose. He knowed that the time the Scriptures all said that they'd already been there four hundred years...Just as we know now, as a man asked me a few moments ago about the coming and the rapture. We know we've lived the time out. The time of the rapture is at hand. And we're looking for a rapturing faith that can pull the churches together and give it some supernatural strength that can change these bodies that we live in. We see a God that can raise the dead off the floor, or out in the yard, and bring him back to life again, and present him before us. When we see a God who can take a cancer that's eat a man to a shadow, and raise him up to a strong healthy man, that ought to give rapturing faith to the people. That when that Light flashes from the sky, and the trumpet sounds, the Body of Christ will be quickly gathered together, and changed in a moment, and taken into the heavens. Yes, there's got to be something like that happen, and our schools of theology can never produce that, yet they intellectually are all right; but you've got to meet that Light. You've got to find that something.

29 Now, with that in mind, what he is telling us here is that we have seen what God can do. The God who can speak the word and bring eyeballs into a child's head that had been born without them, and the God who can speak and Squirrels will appear where there were no squirrels, is the same God that can take a gutted fish and give it back its life, and rearrange its body again to swim off like nothing had ever happened. That is the same God that with a loud Voice will bring forth the resurrection and a change of the body for the living.

30 So it is not about how much power we can muster up, nor about how much faith we can build up, but simply knowing that God is able to fulfill His word in its season.

31 Israel at Kadesh Barnea 53-0328 P:41 And I believe we're on the borderland tonight. I was wondering about all my meetings and things, how I had to cancel them out. I truly believe, before the church can have the rapture, it's got to have rapturing faith. We can't even have faith for Divine healing, let alone rapturing faith. Got to have a faith that'll change and quicken this body, and be taken away. I believe there's a church on its road tonight, a power of the living God, that men will speak the Word here and there, and it'll flash like lightning. And a church is coming out, not a psychologist, not some of this put-on, make-belief; but a real, true, genuine, anointed Holy Ghost, called-out church. Amen. **42** Here they are standing at Kadesh-barnea. They said, "Go over. The land was given to us hundreds of years ago by God, through our father. We are the seed of Abraham. God has led us safely this forty-some-odd miles from Egypt, up to the borderland at Kadesh." They had got up there in a few days, but, remember, because of their unbelief, made them wander for forty years. Unbelief... Notice, the church I'm speaking of, parabolic speaking. What the Old was, the New is in a more magnified way. What the natural was, the spiritual is.

So we are dealing with Faith and unbelief. Faith in the promise vs faith in what can be seen. Faith in the invisible God and the invisible God's Word vs, Faith in circumstances and the visible world you live in. That is what we have come to just as the children of Israel came up to the land of Promise.

32 One group saw only the physical insurmountable giants in the land, while just two, Joshua and Caleb saw the promise only.

33 So what are you focused on? What you see? Or what you see through the eyes of God?

34 From his sermon, Easter seal 65-0410 P:53 Let somebody try to put you off the land and say he belongs, and you with the abstract in your hands. Let him try to do it. There ain't a law in the land can do it. Because you hold

the abstract, and there's no devil, no church, or any theology that can overstep the boundaries of God's proof and abstract that the baptism of the Holy Ghost has recognized us in Jesus Christ. We're just as sure to raise as He raised, because potentially we have already raised in Him. Amen. The whole thing... What does it do to our mortal bodies? It turns our opinion, changes our notions. It sets our affections on things which are above, and the smoking, drinking, gambling, the things that you used to do is dead. It's beneath you, and you are quickened, and this quickening power brings your body into a raptured condition already.

35 Now, this evening we are going to look at this Faith that is necessary to receive a change in our body. And this Faith we must have is not different than the faith Abraham had to have in order to receive a change in his body and the body of his wife.

For the Apostle Paul said, "For Abraham believed God and it was imputed unto him for righteousness," and you can not have righteousness without a right doing.

36 1 John 3:7 Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he (God) is righteous.

37 And of course we know Jesus taught us that "By their fruits you shall know them."

38 And in 1 John 2:29 we read, "If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.

39 Therefore, When God told him I am going to change your mortally dying old body back to a young and healthy body again so you can receive your promised son, Abraham believed God and God imputed it unto him for righteousness and God changed His body from old to young again. In other words, His believing God was imputed unto him for the actual work in the body. because righteousness comes by doing what is right, therefore when Abraham believed God but could not perform the physical act Himself to change his Body, God took his belief and did the work of a body change for him.

40 Now, that is not to say that the cart comes before the horse, because you cannot do right unless you think right in your heart, and therefore the actions of righteousness is doing what they know to be what is right.

41 Therefore, the apostle Paul said in Galatians 2: 20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

42 So you see it is by His Faith that we are to live. For our Faith means nothing to God.

43 The scripture says, "what man by taking thought can add one cubit to his stature." And we know in Zechariah 4:6 we are told, that "it is not by power nor by might, but by My Spirit saith the Lord." And the Apostle Paul said in Romans 9:16 So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy.

44 And we also read in John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power (to them gave he exusia, to them gave he an ability to make a right decision) to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: 13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

45 So Paul told us we are to live, not by our own faith but by the faith of the son of God, and therefore if we are to receive a change in the body it will not be by our faith but by the same Faith Jesus had to be raised from the dead.

46 Never forget, brother Branham said that the cross was not Jesus victory, but the battle in Gethsemane is where Jesus received the victory. For had it not been for the Faith He received from the Father, there could very well have not been a Calvary experience. For after wrestling with his own mind, and his own will that night, he obediently declared, Father it is my will that you take this cup from me, but nevertheless, not my will, but Thy will be done." And that is the Victory right there. When Jesus gave over his own will to the will of the Father.

47 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.

48 Therefore, The Faith of the Son of God is a Mystery to most, but to the seed of Abraham is a mystery that is revealed to them.

49 Brother Branham taught us that "Faith is a Revelation, it is something that has been revealed." It comes by hearing the Word of God. Therefore Faith is God's Word revealed to us. And if it is God's Word revealed to us then it is no longer a mysterious thing, but rather it is something that has been revealed and opened up to us.

50 In Deuteronomy 29:29 we have a promise that says, "The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law."

51 Now, if it is revealed to us then it becomes ours. For as long as it remains hidden or secret it belongs unto God, but once God reveals it to us, then it becomes ours. So once it becomes yours, then God wants to know what you are going to do with it.

52 Conference 60-1125 P:43 Now, Moses cried to the Lord and the Lord said, "Rise up and go forward." And when Moses went right straight and stepped his foot into the water, when that taken place, the Red Sea opened back, and Israel crossed over to a great victory. They had a conference. That's the way we always have to do, is have conferences. Now, I want to speak of another one right quick. There was a conference. There's many of them we could speak of, but let's just not pass this one by. There was a Gethsemane conference one time. When it had to be brought after a victorious life had defeated sickness, defeated everything in the world, He came to Gethsemane, and Father had to check up to see if He really wanted to go through it or not.

53 And from his sermon, Rising of the sun 65-0418M P:88 brother Branham said, "Now, notice this Quickening Power, "Zoe," bringing the Word, the mind that was in Christ was in you then. I'm trying to show you, that you, when God raised Jesus from the dead, He raised up you also, and also quickened to Life with Him (You are now quickened to Life.), although then you were but an attribute in His thoughts, but God had saw all in Him at the finish. See? When God looked down upon the body... (The Spirit left Him in the Garden of Gethsemane; He had to die a man.) Remember friends, He didn't have to do that. That was God. God anointed that flesh, which was human flesh, and He didn't have... If He'd went up there as God, He'd have never died that kind of death; can't kill God. But... He didn't have to do it, but remember, He went there with you in Him. See? God had never separated the Bride from the Groom yet. So when God looked down upon the Body of Christ, He

saw both male and female. It was all redeemed in that one Body. See? They are one, the same, same Word. the same Word spoke of the Groom speaks of the Bride.

54 Notice, Brother Branham lets us know that God had revealed it first to Moses, but Moses was expected to move on it or step into the vision before the vision could become into materialization.

55 For without him moving forward and putting his foot into the water, that portion of the Word could not have become materialized. So Faith has to do with the unseen being seen by that sixth sense we call Faith. And that sense can see what your physical eyes can not see. And God revealed it to Jesus what he must do, but until Jesus acted upon it, it could not become a reality. It could not have become manifested Word. So Faith has to do with the unseen Word, being revealed and then acted upon which then the action becomes the revelation expressed and when that Happens, the Word is dressed or clothed for all to see.

56 Therefore, Faith does not come by seeing in the physical, but Faith comes by hearing, not by seeing, because after it has been heard then it may be seen once we act upon it. And once it is seen it is no longer Faith but has become manifested Word, or the interpretation of the Word of God. And that is what the Scriptures teach us.

57 Galatians 3: 2 This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? 5 He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

58 Romans 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

59 So then it is not just hearing, but hearing the Word of God that brings faith or releases the Faith of God to us.

60 Why cry speak 63-0714M P:65 Moses chose what God said. Now, notice, faith sees what God wants you to see. See? Faith sees what God sees, and reasoning and senses see what the world wants you to see.

61 2 Corinthians 4: 13 We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;

62 So when God believed in Himself, His plan, He spoke and then His Faith became manifested into materiality or reality. Now, if Faith is something that was hidden, but has been revealed, then Faith is like setting out on a journey not knowing where you are going, but knowing who you are going with.

63 Hebrews 11: 8 tells us By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

64 And if you walk in the light as He is in that Light, then you are walking with Him, and it should not make any difference where you're going. That's what Faith is all about. Walking with Him, and trusting Him. In fact the very evidence that you are believing what He's revealed to you is that you are walking in that revelation. Especially when no one else knows that you're obeying the hidden voice of God to you. Not hidden to you, but revealed to you what is hidden to them.

65 And we know that there's only One Faith, because there is only One Lord. That's Ephesians 4:5 tells us "One Lord, one faith, one baptism," And if One Faith, it is because there is only One Lord. And that ought to tell you that Faith is not in something, but rather in One Person, because our Faith is in that one Lord. Therefore as the Apostle Paul taught us in Hebrews 11, Faith is the Substance of Someone, and it is not a substance of some

thing.

66 We see in Hebrews 11: 1 Now faith is The substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. So we see that Faith is both a substance and an evidence.

67 Now, The substance is not The evidence, no more than having an experience and having an evidence are the same thing. When brother Vayle and brother Branham discussed the evidence of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost brother Vayle kept bringing up experiences such as brother Branham's experiencing a rain like experience in the shed. But brother Branham kept going back to the evidence, because they were discussing evidence and not individual experiences that one may have.

68 And so Brother Branham said, "br Lee, "we don't go by experience we go by the Word of God." Now, that does not do away with the fact that everyone should have an experience with God, but evidence and experience are two different words and they mean two different things. And since they were discussing evidence brother Branham was sticking with the topic and brother Vayle was not, so brother Branham had to tell brother Vayle the evidence is a genuine belief in the Word for the Hour. But many have taken that and ran with it and misinterpret that to mean that a person doesn't need an experience as long as they believe in the Word for the hour. Nut brother Branham's quote here makes it very evident because the children believed the message but he said they also need an experience with God.

69 Brother Branham never taught that you do not need an experience. He said after the book was written that you must have an experience with God.

70 From his Questions and answers COD 64-0830M P:120 354. which if you notice the date, this was after the writing of the Church Age book, brother Branham was asked the question, "Do your children have to have an experience to have the Holy Spirit? If they see the end-time Message, do they have the Holy Spirit? And notice brother Branham's reply. Everyone must have an experience. Your children cannot go in on no other way but the same way you do. See? They've got to be born again. There's no grandchildren in the Kingdom of God; they're all children. They must have it, must have an experience with God to go in, just the same as you.

71 And we know that the experience must be a Biblical or Word experience as well.

72 From his sermon Witnesses 54-0303 P:41 All of you that's got the Holy Ghost say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen"--Ed.] All right. You're a witness God will keep His Word. Is that right? Well, if He will keep His Word there, why don't He keep His Word in healing? He will heal if you'll believe it. Amen. Take it, believe it. Be His witness. That's what He wants. A God-called witness, must have an experience, Word experience. Yes, sir.

73 Now, that brings us back to Hebrews 11, where the Apostle Paul tells us that Faith is both The Substance and The Evidence. "For faith is The Substance of things hoped for, and The Evidence of things not seen."

74 And I want to show you that Faith is not the substance of something but it is the person of God Himself. Faith is the revelation of God Himself who has revealed to you His plan for you, and the evidence is your stepping forward into that plan, that which God has revealed to you by His Personal Presence.

75 Notice that Paul said Faith is not a substance but Faith is The Substance. And that word the is the article the which changes it from a thing to a person, God Himself. In Scripture when it speaks of The Spirit it is speaking of the person of God Himself, but when it speaks of spirit it speaks of the essence or life. SO the article The is very important in understanding what or who it is speaking of. So Paul is not speaking of faith as a substance but THE

SUBSTANCE.

76 And this word substance was translated from the Greek word hupostasis which was also translated in Hebrews 1:3 as the very person of God. 3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, (person, hupostasis, the very substance which is God) and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

77 And again we see this word hupostasis translated as the word confidence. Not confidence as an adverb but confidence as a person. Hebrews 3:14 For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end;

78 Not hold our own confidence in ourselves, or in things but our confidence in Him and what he has promised. That is the confidence this is speaking of. Confidence in a person, Christ.

79 Now as I said before, Faith then is having a confidence in The person, not a thing. Abraham by faith started walking because God told him to walk. We walk in the light from day to day and from week to week not knowing exactly where we are going but knowing with Whom we are going. And that is what Abraham did, and that is what Enoch did. He walked with God. And does it really matter where He is leading you if you fully trust Him? I do not think so.

80 Jesus said we must be like little children to enter into the Kingdom of God. And little Children have complete trust in their Parents as long as their parents are with them.

81 Now, another thing about this Faith we're talking about tonight, is that there is but "One Faith" because there is but "One Lord". And that Faith is "The Faith of that One Lord".

82 In the beginning there was only God, and in Him were many thoughts of how He wanted for things to be. Now, God had to have Faith in Himself to bring to pass His entire plan. And so that Faith He expressed in bringing to pass His thoughts is the same Faith Jesus had to have in order to step forth into the role of The Sacrificial Lamb. And Jesus expressed Faith in the Father's plan when he left Gethsemane determined to fulfill God's will.

83 So, although Faith is an invisible thing, yet when it becomes active, that active expression is Faith materialized. Therefore, Faith is like electricity in a way. The same electricity that operates this microphone is the same electricity that operates these lights so we can see, and is the same electricity that operates the boiler to give us heat, and the air conditioner to cool us down. Now, the electricity is not different from one power receptacle to the next in this room, but the operation or manifestation of that electricity may be different from one to the other depending on the vessel that is plugged into it.

84 Therefore, the same Faith that is needed to heal the sick is the same faith that is need to forgive sins.

85 Jesus shows us this principal in Mark 2:5 " When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee. 6 But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts, 7 Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies? who can forgive sins but God only? 8 And immediately when Jesus perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, he said unto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts? 9 Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk? 10 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (he saith to the sick of the palsy,) 11 I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house. 12 And immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went forth before them all; insomuch that they were all amazed,

and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion.

86 Notice Jesus shows us here that the same faith to forgive sins is the same faith to heal the sick. And he says, what is easier to do? It's the same.

87 James 5:13 Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms. 14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: 15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. 16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

88 And then James goes on to show that the same faith for healing and for forgiving sins is the same faith to change the weather.

89 17 Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. 18 And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit. 19 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; 20 Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.

90 And my question to you is this: Do you think it took any more faith to call for rain than it took to call for healing?

91 I can tell you from my own experience because I have seen God heal the sick and I have seen God stop a storm and also change the temperature by 30 degrees in a matter of minutes, and the atomic power to do that is more than man can understand, yet the same God that changed the weather by 30 degrees is the same God that grew back a man's heal that had been cut off. And it is the same God who allowed a couple to have four children after being prayed for who could not have children for more than 8 years of marriage before they were prayed for.

92 And I can tell you, it felt no different in my soul when I experienced the power of answered prayer and seeing the results.

93 And Jesus told us the same Faith you have for healing is the same Faith needed to move a mountain, or as brother Branham demonstrated in creating squirrels. It is not a different Faith, because never forget, "There is only One Faith". Therefore the difference is not in the Faith, but in the vessel that operates that Faith.

94 In other words, like with the electricity, it is the same electricity that operates all the fixtures we spoke of, and yet each fixture or vessel has its own way of manifesting that power. And the same thing with God. The same dynamics of God works in each vessel according to the gift that lays within that vessel. Therefore, the same Faith that we have for healing is the same faith we have for our finances, and our safety, etc.

95 Paul makes this clear when he writes to the Colossians 2: 12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

96 The Apostle Paul makes this even more clear in 1 Corinthians 12: 6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

97 Colossians 2: 12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

98 Now, this word operations was translated from the Greek word *energeia* meaning ("energy")--operation, (effectual) and working.

99 The Apostle Paul also speaks of this in Ephesians 1:19 And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, The *energeia* of His mighty power.

100 And again in Ephesians 3:7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power. Notice, The *energeia* of His Power.

101 So we see that the operation of God's power operates through gifts, and with a different gift there are different manifestations of the same energies of God. And with each gift there is a different measure of how this energy of God works, just as there is a different amperage of electricity being pulled through or channeled through each fixture that is utilizing the same electricity running through the same

102 Again we see the same thing in Ephesians 4:16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

103 But Paul tells us that God operates through the measure of our faith, Romans 12:3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith 6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;

104 Now, what does this mean, "not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think;" It means just this, No son can do anything except what the father shows him to do. Because it is not you doing anyway, but God doing through or for you. I know of three to four brothers overseas who were handed a dead child and they did not know what to do, so they just bowed their heads and prayed for the child and gdo raised up those children from the dead. Now, that is a very humbling experience to be used by God to be the vessel that he Channeled his energy through. And if you have truly experienced that you do not think anymore of yourself for having been used, than you would if he had used someone else. But you realize that you were just a conduit that God used.

105 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith So we see this faith working in us in whatever measure we've been given, works to the total benefit of the body of Christ. Like each fixture here makes life a little better for us to come and worship in this building. The microphone makes it possible to pick up the sound and transfer it to the computer which then uses the same electricity to record the sermon, and the lights use the same electricity to give us light and a little heat, and the furnace uses the same electricity to give us more heat or to cool us down so we can stay more comfortable so we can devote our human energies to hearing the Word of God.

106 Now, as I said, the same Faith that operates each gift is the same faith that heals, that saves, that creates body parts, and that can create squirrels, or multiply fishes and loaves. And therefore I want to get across to you this evening that It is not a different faith you need for the change of your body, but it is simply a yielding of your body to that One Faith, to that Faith of God, to that Faith of Christ to have preeminence over your body.

107 Romans 4:16 Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,

108 I know that we talk about not having enough faith to receive our healing much less receive a change of the body, but it is not the amount of faith we have, nor is it another Faith because there is but One Faith, and Jesus victory in Gethsemane was not getting Faith, but stepping aside and allowing the Faith of God to operate in His body.

109 And that is what the Apostle Paul said in Philippians 3: 21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working (the energea) whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

110 You see, it is not you subduing your body, but the subduing of your body is God's doing by His Faith. And if you have a God who does not have enough Faith to change your body then you do not have the God of Abraham because God changed his body back to youth again in order to bring forth Isaac. And the same God that could change his body to bring forth his own promised son, is the same God that change your body to meet His Promised Son.

111 Colossians 1: 29 Whereunto I also labor, striving according to his working, which worketh (energizes) in me mightily. Notice Paul says, my striving is to allow his Energies to work in me. Then what we are lacking is not Faith, for we have enough faith to move Mountains if we have the Faith of Christ, His Faith. But what we are lacking is a vessel that is so plugged into or focused upon the Faith of Christ that we will let Him do whatsoever He wishes to do with our vessel.

112 Colossians 2: 12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

113 You see, it is God who operates His Faith in Us. So just let go and let God, or just get out of the way and let God take over your vessel. You see it is not our faith, but His Faith for there is but one faith, and that Faith is God's Faith that Jesus received and that God was waiting on Him to acknowledge in the Garden of Gethsemane. And through his great struggle he finally let go and Let God, and said, "Not My will be done, but Thy Will be Done."

114 Galatians 2: 16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

115 Now, think of what Paul said here. Our justification does not come via what we do, but via His Faith. Then it is not our faith but His faith that justifies us. Then justification is a work of Grace, something that is totally out of your hands, and is a gift from God. For that is what Faith is. It is something that is revealed.

116 Romans 4: 16 Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,

117 Philippians 3: 9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith

118 Romans 3: 22 Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:

119 Now, the problem we have with Faith is not that we do not have it, nor access to it, but that we do not

recognize what it is that we do have. Basically Faith is the Revelation of God's Word and His Will. And it is in black and white if we would just read our Bibles. And the second thing that limits our faith is that we do not believe what God has said about us. We are told that by the Faith of Jesus we have been given access to God.

120 Romans 10: 8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;

121 Look what Paul said in Ephesians 3:12. In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him. So what more can be said than we have access to God through Jesus Faith in God. And this access is not something you have control over. It's already a done deal.

122 So your unbelief is not going to stop the plan of God. Paul said in Romans 3: 3 For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect?

123 Even our righteousness comes through His Faith. Romans 4: 13 For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. And we know that we are heirs not because of what we do but what we were in Him before the foundations of the world.

124 Romans 10:6 But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down from above:) In other words, don't give into asking stupid questions, just let go and let God.

125 Galatians 3: 22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

126 So as you can see our Righteousness comes from His Faith.

127 Hebrews 10: 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.

128 Romans 1: 17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

129 Show us the Father 59-0419E P:71 The thing to do is know that you're coming to fulfill a promise that God made you. ... You have done something that God give you a promise what would happen. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. You go right out of this building testifying that you're saved. What if you go out of the building saying that, "Well, I don't know." Then you're not saved. But God will make your body obey your confession. See? And He's the High Priest of our confession. Before you can be healed, you have to confess it first. You have to believe that you are healed. And then when you believe you're healed, God makes your body obey your confession. So now when you come by here, just let it be settled; say, "God, this is Your command. I believe I'm healed," walked off the platform say...

130 Attitude and who is God? 50-0815 P:35 And when the inspiration of the Holy Spirit is here to inspire you, remember, God will make your body come into your confession. If you say you're a drunkard, and want a drink. Don't worry, you'll soon be one. If you say you're a sinner, and want to sin, you'll be right into it. If you say you're a Christian and believe it all along, God will bring... Your testimony will bring you right into it. If you believe in healing, and believe that God has healed you, confess it, and God will make your body obey your confession, for He's the High Priest of your confession; setting at the right-hand of the Father now with His own Blood to make

intercessions for any confession upon anything that He died for. And He died to rid sin. And sickness is the result of sin. "He was wounded for our transgressions, with His stripes we are healed." Remember that. Have faith. Don't waiver. Stand on it.

131 And now God promised you John 14:12, he promised you Mark 16, he promised you Adoption in Ephesians 1, and manifestation of sons in Romans 8, he promised you a change of the body in 1 Corinthians 15 and that you will be conformed to the image of the eldest son in Romans 8:29, so just believe it, and confess it like Abraham did, and watch God's power of transformation take a hold of your body.

132 Let us pray.