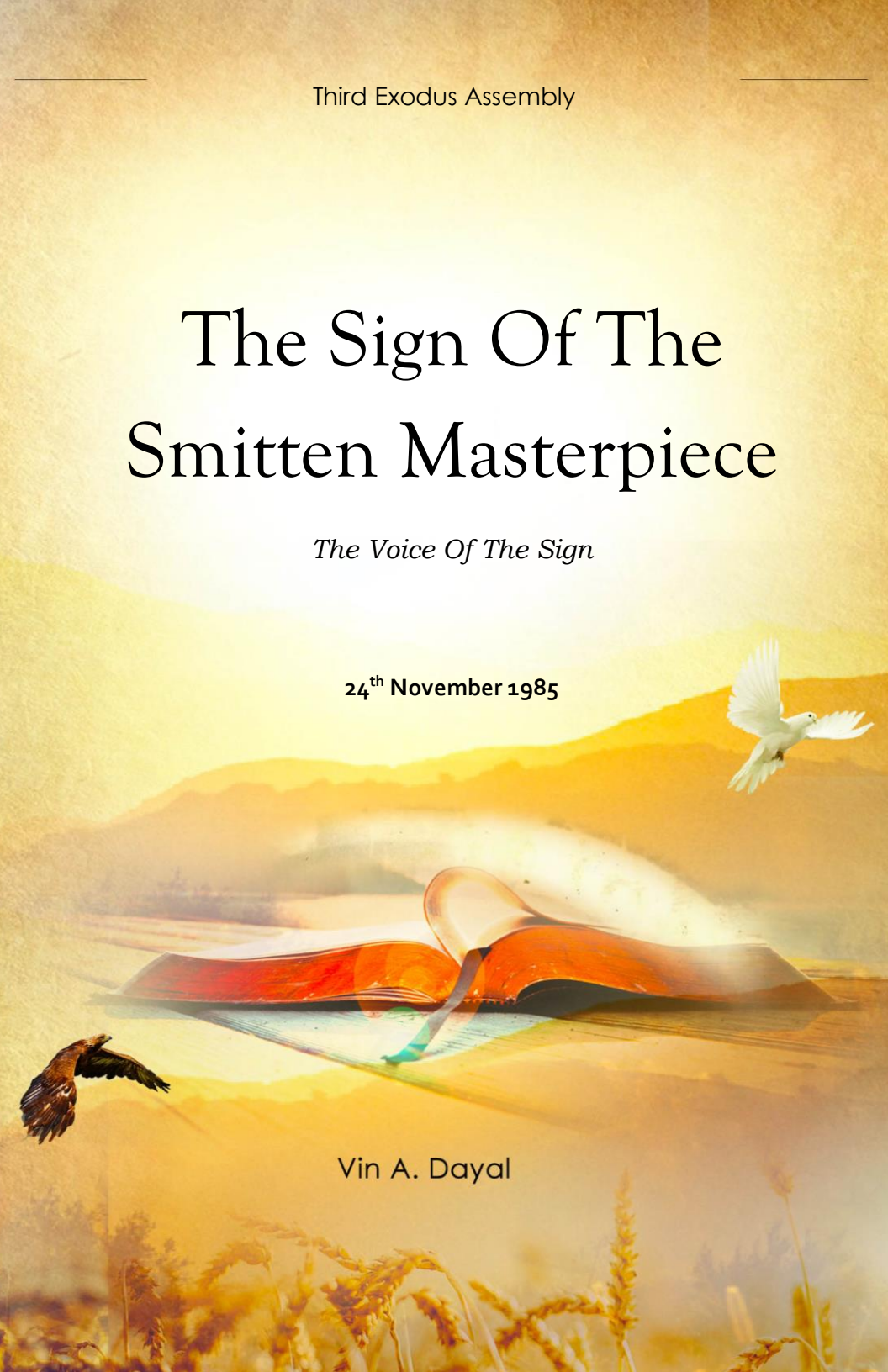

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Do you think we alone know that? Jesus knew that. He said, "The woman came beforehand. She is doing this beforehand to signify what I am going to go through. And what I am going to go through is what I preached to you, and what she is doing is confirming what I preached to you. And what we are going to go through is the Scriptures, because we have reached to that time. Because this is not the 'healing revival' part of the ministry. This is not the 'preaching to the lost' part of the ministry. This is between the opening of the Scriptures and the Squeeze; the Voice of the Resurrection. This is between that time. This is the time when religion and politics and these things are gathering together. This is the time when demon powers are taking over the people, to bring a complete rejection of the Word that Elijah introduced. And here is the Word that Elijah introduced, the Message of the Hour, in flesh." Amen. See.

Look what stage it had reached. He was going to be smitten. The Masterpiece that was built, was unveiled to a few; the mystery that was preached about the corn of wheat and all these things: about oneness, I and My Father are one, if you have seen Me, you have seen the Father, and all these things. He had even preached the delivering up to be smitten. See? [Page 42 to 43]

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... severe gas pain: Bro. Keith Stephens.

Also prayer is requested for—Sis. Marie [Barneveld -Ed.] is requesting prayer for a friend's daughter, Marita Jones, who is constantly hemorrhaging in her stools. The child is five years old. She is also praying that the father, upon seeing the child healed, would come to believe on the Lord Jesus. So maybe the mother is already believing.

Bro. Keith is requesting prayer for his son, Cornelius, who is suffering with a severe cold and has difficulty breathing.

Bro. [inaudible -Ed.] is requesting prayer for a sinus condition that has been troubling him for the past seven years.

These are the written requests. If there are any others who are here this morning that have a special need upon their heart: somebody may need the baptism of the Holy Spirit, somebody may need deliverance this morning from oppression of devils; somebody may have domestic problems. The Bible said, "Whatever you ask the Father in My Name."

Many times we just think that a request could just be a physical need for a physical body. But the body will get sick again, if God would tarry and we spend more time upon the face of this earth, but that soul, if that soul is saved, the change is irreversible. It will never be lost again. Whatever the stain, by the Quickening Power of the Holy Spirit, if this is what our real need is this morning, that we'll come here and we

could pass from death unto Life, and the old things could pass away and all things can become new.

These who have sent requests here in the service this morning, come forward. Let's sing: *The great Physician now is near, the sympathizing Jesus*. If there are any others who would like to come forward to be prayed for at this time, just come quietly; reverently. Come with faith, believing. Don't just come because you say, "Well, let me try something this morning." Come with faith in God's unfailing Word of promise, amen; whatever your need is this morning.

[#38 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

*The great Physician now is near,
The sympathizing Jesus,
He speaks...*

*He speaks the drooping heart to cheer,
Oh, hear the voice of Jesus.*

*Sweetest note in seraph song,
Sweetest name on mortal tongue...
Sweetest name on mortal tongue;
Sweetest carol ever sung,
Jesus, blessed Jesus.*

Your many sins...
*Your many sins are all forgiven,
Oh, hear the voice of Jesus;
Go on your way in peace to Heaven,
And wear a crown with Jesus.*

*Sweetest note in seraph song,
Sweetest name on mortal tongue;
Sweetest carol ever sung,
Jesus, blessed Jesus.*

All glory to the dying Lamb!
*All glory to the dying Lamb!
I now believe in Jesus;*

I love the...
I love the blessed Saviour's Name,
I love the Name of Jesus.

Sweetest note in seraph song,
Sweetest name on mortal tongue;
Sweetest carol ever sung,
Jesus, blessed Jesus.

His Name dispels my guilt...
His Name dispels my guilt and fear,
No other name but Jesus;

That is the Name that we are going to pray for you in, this morning. Have faith and believe.

O, how my soul delights, when we come in that Name.

O how my soul delights to hear
The charming Name of Jesus.
Everyone now: Sweetest Name...
Sweetest note in seraph song,
Sweetest Name on mortal tongue;
Sweetest carol ever sung,
Jesus, blessed Jesus.

As we are standing here before the altar this morning, if you know that you have sins to confess, you know if you stand here, it wouldn't do you any good. We could anoint you with oil, we could pray for you, we could scream, we could holler; nothing will happen. You have to confess your sins first. But if you are standing here with faith believing, you know that God is more than able to meet every need. No devil will be able to stand before the prayer of faith, when we come in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Have that confidence this morning. Let that Name dispel all your guilt, all your fear. If you know you've become cold and lukewarm, backslidden, whatever your condition might be this morning, let His precious Blood be applied to your heart and wash it all away.

Rededicate your life, knowing that the baptism of the Holy Spirit, standing here with faith believing because if there is something in your life that the Holy Spirit is witnessing to you, that *that* thing needs to be made right or you need to put that on the altar and sacrifice it, be more than willing to, this morning. Come unreservedly unto Him, holding nothing back; nothing between, this morning, your soul and your Saviour and watch that effectual fervent prayer, watch it avail this morning, in your heart and in your life, to bring to pass what you are desiring God to do for you this morning. Blessed be His Name.

He said when we stand praying, believe that we have received what we asked for and we shall have it. Many times you would come to this altar, we would take oil and anoint you. This morning we will not do it. It's not that we don't believe that it should not be done but just to lift your faith in a little higher realm this morning. Let your faith be centered upon His promise. Hold the promise in your heart. The promise that you are coming and believing God, that He would bring to pass *that* promise in your life, hold *that* promise in your heart.

Pray in your heart, "Lord, that is Your promise, Lord. I'm approaching You on the basis of this promise, Lord." Amen. If it is 'I will restore', if it is 'I will heal you', if it is He promised to fill you with the baptism of the Holy Spirit: "They that hunger and thirst shall be filled," whatever the promise is (amen), if it is a need in your heart, He promised to supply all your needs, according to His riches in Glory. Amen. Whatever it is, hold *that* promise in your heart and let your faith be on His unfailing Word. Say, "Lord, that is Your Word; I am believing It this morning." Amen.

You out in the congregation there, if you have a need out there this morning, before we preach His Word (amen) whatever it is: in your home, it might be in disorder, you might have unsaved family, whatever

it is this morning, we know that we are in the last days, that is why we have come in the house of God. We didn't just come to take up time; we came here to meet with God. He promised, "Where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there I am in their midst." That is true this morning, and we are gathered here according to that promise, and God is obligated to His Word.

So let us approach Him as a believing people, with confidence in His Word. Let Him look down and see in our hearts, that our faith is holding on to that Word that He has spoken and His Holy Spirit will meet every need that you would have.

Everyone in reverence, out in the mother's room also. You may not have a seat this morning; don't be discouraged. You may be outside the building right there but you are in His Presence. It is not to be in the building, it is to be in His Presence, with faith this morning. Have faith and believe God. Every head bowed and every eye closed.

Heavenly Father, it is by the leading of Your Holy Spirit, You are showing us to do these things. We have been exercising it, service after service, that it might take deep root in the hearts of the people, that they might know, dear God, that Your promises are true, and that when they approach You with faith, on the basis of Your spoken Word promise, Father, they don't have to look at the symptoms, they don't have to look at the threats of the Devil, they don't have to be intimidated by circumstances. Lord God, all they have to know is that You cannot lie; You will mean every Word. Hallelujah!

Father, as these have come this morning, their needs are many. Lord, they have all different kinds of needs but how thankful we are that You said, "I AM that I AM." Hallelujah. You promised that You shall supply our needs according to Your riches this morning. There are some, no doubt, who have need of

healing, this morning. Some need to be restored. Some need a brand new touch; their strength from yesterday is gone. Some, oh God, are waiting upon the Lord, that this morning they might mount up with wings of an eagle. Some, Lord, need the Holy Ghost. Some want a refilling of the Holy Ghost. Some, Lord, need revelation in their life. Some have domestic problems; some have financial needs. Some oh God, Lord, have unsaved families this morning. But Lord, that Blood that was shed has redeemed everything. That Lamb that died, He was worthy, oh God. His Blood is covering everything that we can have need of this morning.

Father, as we come as a believing people, uniting our hearts, fearing Thy Name this morning, oh God, calling upon You, humbling ourselves under the mighty hand of God. I pray, dear God, even now, as the people are breathing a prayer before You and it is coming up, oh God, in Your Presence, I pray, dear God, that You will meet their needs this morning. I condemn every devil, Father, that is holding these people; that is hindering them. Oh God, through their confession and the prayer of faith, they are subject to Your blessing. I renounce every evil thing this morning. I renounce every devil. I adjure thee Satan, in the Name of Jesus Christ, take your hands off of God's people this morning. Hallelujah!

Oh God, let the Holy Ghost move upon the people, Lord. Brood upon them today, Father. Give them strength in the inner man. Let it be settled down in their soul. Let them know once and for all, it is settled this morning, Father. They have met with You. You have met with them in Your Word, Father, in the Place where You have placed Your Name. Hallelujah! You cannot lie this morning. Father, I pray that they will go out with the assurance, with the confidence, with the praise on joyful lips, knowing, dear God, that it is settled this morning.

We thank You, Father, that we could gather in an Hour like this. That privilege will be taken away from us one of these days; they will close down this place. But Lord, we are thankful for every soul that has come through these doors this morning. May You speak to them, Lord. May Your Word go forth and bring faith and strength in their hearts and lift them up. Those that don't know You, Father, may You show Yourself so alive in the service, so great and mighty, that Your Power will strike them, Lord, it will bring them to their knees and there could be such a moving of the Holy Ghost in this place.

Bring us to a Divine realization of the Hour, of the time, where we are at in the journey, the lateness, Lord; let it strike our hearts right, Lord, realizing that the Door will swing shut at any time, and he that is filthy will be filthy still. But Lord, while there is time for repentance, Lord God, put the right attitude in our hearts. You said, "Be zealous and repentant" in this Age. "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten."

Bless Your people, Father. Oh God, let Your Love be made manifest one more time in this service. We don't know if it is our last, Lord, so we come with a desperation. We come with an attitude like it is our last service. Oh God, the last opportunity that we have, we come with that kind of sincerity, Lord. Receive it this morning, and bless Your people, and get honor and glory. We thank You and we praise You for it, in the precious Name of Jesus Christ, amen.

Hallelujah. Amen. Just praise Him. Lift your hands and praise Him. Hallelujah. Renounce every devil this morning. Let it be settled in your heart. Be fully persuaded. Hallelujah. Oh, thank You, Jesus. Thank You, Lord. Thank You, Lord. Worthy, worthy, worthy art Thou, Lord. Oh glory, and praise, and blessings, and power, and might, and dominion. Blessed be Thy Name, oh Lamb of God. Thank You, Jesus. Thank You, Lord. Amen.

God bless you. It is finished. It is settled. Don't doubt. Go believing.

Turn in your Bibles to St. Matthew 26; St. Mark 14. We are reading from verse 1, St. Matthew 26.

¹ And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said unto his disciples,

² Ye know that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified.

Now look at all those things right in that one verse. He said:

² Ye know that after two days...

He was looking at a particular Feast, something that was going to happen. He knew the time, He knew what Feast it was and He knew what was going to happen. He said, "After two days is to be the Feast of the Passover, and then at that time, the Son of Man would be betrayed to be crucified."

³ Then assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people, unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas,

⁴ And consulted that they might take Jesus by subtilty, and kill him.

Now look at that. Jesus said it, just by looking at the Scripture, looking by what Feast it was, what day it was, what was going to happen to Him, without, maybe, seeing the people. And then, right there at the very same time, he said, "And then the people began to conspire, began to make plans to try to trap Him" because He knew what was supposed to happen in the very Hour.

⁵ But they said, Not on the feast day, lest there be an uproar among the people.

⁶ Now when Jesus was in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper,

⁷ There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he [was eating].

⁸ But when his disciples saw it, they had indignation...

Now He had just spoken and identified the time, identified what was going to happen, identified all these things, and now they were there in the house eating and this woman came in and anointed Him.

...[and the] disciples saw it, [and] they had indignation, saying, To what purpose is this waste?

⁹ For this ointment might have been sold for much, and given to the poor.

¹⁰ When Jesus understood it, he said unto them...

Notice, He didn't say anything right away. The Bible said, "When He understood it." Maybe He saw it just like they did, but He wasn't quick to jump and say anything; He waited for inspiration. You see? He knew all things but you see, it came by vision from the Father. That was how the ministry was. So when He saw it, He said:

...Why trouble ye the woman?

Maybe, you know, in St. John's Gospel, I think it was, he said, Judas was the one who said it, but no doubt he might have had all the other eleven: "Yeah, yeah, that is true; that is true," you know, persuading the rest of them. So all of them now, 'got down' [put pressure -Ed.] on the woman and began to try and show the woman, you know, maybe she didn't have love, she wasted; she was not conscientious enough.

The woman was doing this thing by inspiration. She didn't plan to do it. She didn't, maybe, even know what she was doing. She didn't know it was the Feast of the Passover and you were supposed to do that for

the burial. She didn't know that. Sometimes God makes you do things that you don't even want to do.

"When Michelangelo struck that masterpiece," the Prophet said, "if he had thought, he would have never done it, because that was a piece of stone. It had no life in it. It had no veins and blood and arteries and organs. It was a piece of stone. But he struck it because he did something out of reason." Under the inspiration, it caused him to behave in a way that reasoning would have made him behave differently.

So here the woman was doing something by inspiration.

10 When Jesus understood it, he said unto them, Why trouble ye the woman? for she hath wrought a good work upon me.

11 For ye have the poor always with you; but me ye have not always.

12 For in that she hath poured this ointment on my body, she did it for my burial.

St. Mark 14. It is the same account but I just want to get verses 6 to 8 because there is one little word I want in here.

6 And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me.

7 For ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always.

So, sometimes you have to see about the Word before the poor. Do you see what I mean? He said, "You always have the poor but you wouldn't always have the Word."

8 She hath done what she could: she is come [beforehand]...

That is the word that I want to get - 'beforehand'.

...she is come [beforehand] to anoint my
body [for the burial].

Let's bow our heads and close our eyes.

Heavenly Father, we have read this portion of Your Word this morning, that out of It we might receive inspiration for this present time, this present stage of the journey, that might serve to be an influence to our lives and the direction that You have ordained for us to go, the path You have ordained for us to trod, knowing, dear God, that there are prophecies laying in the Scriptures that must be fulfilled. Because it is timely now, the time and the season have come for it to happen in the lives of those who are ordained and raised up in this Hour to make those promises live, to make those promises history, there must be things happening in their lives to vindicate to them the times and the seasons that they might move, Lord, into the inspiration and act upon Your Word with haste; not letting It bypass them.

Lord, we realize that these things were written for an example and for inspiration. Lord, may it serve for that very purpose this morning, as we will focus our attention into it and trust that the Holy Spirit will take it and correctly apply it, that it could create faith in our hearts, where we can have confidence that it is You in us, fulfilling Your Word in this very Hour. Grant it, Father. We ask it in Thy precious Name, amen.

You may have your seats.

God bless everyone this morning. It is wonderful to be back here in the house of God. As the Day grows nearer, the conditions change, the people who have been trained, could adjust themselves to any condition.

I trust, by the grace of God, that you've heard we've said that we have just come back from El Salvador and Honduras and what we had, and you sat down there and you enjoyed the testimonies. I trust that it was a

blessing to you. And you realize then, that some people have it really hard, and when we think that we have it hard, we don't have it hard at all. We go to America and we say, "Oh, these people up here, there's ease in Zion." Then we go to some of those places and we say, "No, it's not they alone have ease, but we have ease in Zion too."

Then we went to Guyana and said, "Oh, these people have it really hard." And we went in there and we thought, "Well, I prefer to be in Guyana than be where those people are." And it is like that. But we realize that all make up the Bride of Jesus Christ. And God has us in different places, for different purposes; not so much for the condition or for the environment, but for the witness He wants us to give, in the place where He puts us. Amen.

Jonah was thinking differently. He said, "Me, go down to Nineveh, a foreign city, to give a message there; cry out against it; cry out against everything? No, it is going to be too hard. It is going to be rough. Let me take the easy route. Let me go where it is easier and everybody is patting me on my back [*Gesture of comfort -Ed.*], everybody raises you up, where everybody has a nice time and has it nice and easy."

He said, "He tried to take the easy route, not looking at the urgency of the Message but comparing the circumstances." But here, we are beginning to find out that we are not to be influenced first by the circumstances; we are to be influenced first by the urgency of the Message. Because it was a message of judgment. God said within forty days, He was going to sink that place; destroy it.

We saw an Angel come down in Revelation 10. How we love to read that Scripture. How we love to talk about the Seven Thunders! How we love to talk about the Seven-sealed Book is open and all the revelations. But how we fail to realize, It also says, "Time shall be no more." How we fail to realize that when time shall

be no more, he that is filthy will be filthy still; he that is holy will be holy still.

How we fail to realize that 'time shall be no more' means grace will be over; judgment is going to follow. How we fail to realize *that* in the Scripture, which was what was said first, before the revelations. Before He even said, "Eat the Book," He said, "Time shall be no more." Though it was going to come afterwards, God put it first. He let you know that He was not going to come down to have a nice picnic. He was not just coming down to have a nice time; He was coming down to reveal these things, strictly for gathering the redeemed subjects, strictly for pulling them out, because judgment is going to follow. Time shall be no more.

In another place, where we see a furtherment of the revelation of that Coming, in Revelation 18, where It said, "A mighty Angel comes down from Heaven," which is the same Coming, Revelation 10, and He said, "Come out of her My people and be not partakers of her plagues because her sins have reached up," where? "Into Heaven." And God is fixing to pour out wrath upon them. Is that correct? [Congregation says, "Amen." -Ed.]

Then there is another part of that same Coming injected, Revelation 16:15, He said, "Behold I come as a thief," right in there. Amen. And we find out what was happening at that time, three unclean spirits like frogs were coming out of the mouth of the false prophet. Amen. And what was it? It was to deceive the people.

So here, He came down right there as a thief: "The one shall be taken and the other shall remain"; steal His Bride away; pull Her away from all this deception; bring Her into a place where She could be fed, where She could be nourished; where She could be prepared for great Translation Faith.

So, what we are doing here, we are being prepared for great Translation Faith. What are we doing here? We are being shown how to enter into Rapturing Grace. Amen. We came here to get White Raiment, Eyesalve and Gold tried in the Fire, amen; to have our lamps trimmed and filled with Oil. That is what we came here for. That is the objective in our hearts. That's the very purpose that we have before us. That's why, with that attitude, we take our service seriously.

If we just came here to meet with one another, just to congregate, just to go through the religious motions, then it wouldn't matter what attitude we came in. Amen. But because we know the objective, we know the time is running out, and the Holy Spirit will complete His work in that time. And those whose hearts He is touching by giving them a Divine revelation, is bringing them into a realization that He is here amongst us.

We are not walking by sight, but we walk by faith. Amen. The Light has come to show us where we are going. Amen. Arise and shine your Light has come. What for? To show you where you are going; to take you out because darkness has dropped down upon the world. Demon powers are taking over everything and God has dropped down to give you Light in your dwellings to take you out.

That is why, you are going to make sure that nobody outs [Extinguishes -Ed.] your Light; nobody takes your Light away from you. Hallelujah. You are going to be inside of there, under that revealed Word, regardless of the circumstances. You are going to stand there and defend that Message with your life. Hallelujah. You are going to stand there and make sure, nobody compromises with that Message, nobody waters-down that Message, nobody distracts you from that Message, (hallelujah!) because without that Light, you will be in the darkness and overtaken by the darkness, just as everybody else!

From the time you cannot 'rise and shine', it shows that you thought you had the Light but the Light has been taken from you. Because, if you have the Light, you will rise and shine, and the Glory of the Lord is risen upon you. It will be seen upon you also because you have received that Light.

As we showed back there in Exodus, in the type, of the progression of those plagues that were coming in. It started with the locusts and the locusts darkened the earth. Amen. The locusts came early one morning at daybreak and darkened the whole earth. The place was dark. All the land was dark. Then the darkness moved from the earth to the people. There was gross darkness upon the people but the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

Then as you look over in Revelation and you are seeing the End Time, when it is repeating again. You see all those demon powers like locusts, coming from the bottomless pit and darkening out the Sonlight. Amen. And in darkening out the Sonlight, it threw the Moon into darkness. If the sun is dark, the moon will be dark because the moon has no light of its own. The moon depends on the sun for light. And when the moon was thrown into darkness, that is a type of the Church because the sun is Christ. The natural sun is the light of the world, and Christ is the Light of the world. And without that natural sun, nothing can live. And He is the Light; without Him, nothing can live. See.

In the night time, the moon reflects the light in the absence of the sun. But if they darken the sun and they block the sunlight out, then it will throw the moon into darkness. And we will find out what happened to the Church in this Day – it was thrown into darkness. What did it? Those locusts that came out.

Then what was happening? While that was overtaking the peoples and the earth, the children of

Israel began to realize that it wasn't affecting them because of their obedience to the prophet that God sent. Moses was a prophet. Egypt had no prophet; they had two impersonators of Moses. Do you get that? Oh, thank You, Jesus. Amen. See?

Denominations have no prophet. They have no real Scriptural prophet. They have two impersonators of a prophet. They tried to... You see, Goliath tried to tell David, "I will pick you up and let the birds and the fowls eat you." But that didn't intimidate David. David didn't say, "Let me go back and study my Scriptures." David knew, "The Scripture for him, he is trying to apply it to me." So David turned around and said, "I will feed you and the host. I will feed you to the fowls of the air." [1st Samuel 17:46 -Ed.]

They try to take St. Matthew 24:24 and say, "In the last days there shall be false prophets." We know that but we don't get intimidated with that. That is their Scripture. Hallelujah! Hallelujah. That is their Scripture. Amen. "Jannes and Jambres," the Bible said in 2nd Timothy 3... You said, "Well, that was in the Old Testament." In the New Testament, 2nd Timothy 3, It said, "Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these in the last days, (hallelujah,) reprobates concerning the faith," in that time of the Exodus.

'Exodus' is *'going out'*. And just before the going out, before the church went out, before the church was delivered, look what was happening. Look how those locusts moved in. Look how they darkened the earth. The people didn't realize what was taking place. Today it's spiritual locusts because it is a spiritual darkening. And if that is happening again, there must be a little group with Light in their dwellings.

Then, the next thing that happened, watch the children of Israel there again because it was a type before the 'going out', to prove that all these Scriptures and all these prophecies... Like Isaiah prophesying

‘darkness and light’. That happened first back in Egypt, showing that those things were going to repeat in the last days.

Look at Paul, talking about light and darkness: children of light and children of darkness. He injected it right there, in the Coming of the Lord; when the Lord shall descend from Heaven with a Shout and a Voice. He injected it in 1st Thessalonians chapter 5. In 1st Thessalonians, chapter 4, he was speaking about the Coming of the Lord, His Second Coming, amen; the Lord coming down from Heaven to gather His people together, and right in there, He injected it and showed that there will be Light and darkness at the same time; some will be drunk and some will be sober.

Back in Egypt, you looked at that and you saw how darkness overtook them. Then the next thing that followed darkness was death. But the light that the children of Israel received... They received light in their dwellings, then that light... The next thing that followed the light for them, was they had the ‘life’ of the lamb on display. And when the death came, it couldn’t touch them. When the darkness came, it couldn’t touch them because they had the light. Do you understand that? And when death came, it couldn’t touch them because they had the ‘life’.

Your Light had better become the Life now. You don’t just need to walk with the Messenger: “Oh, we have the Light; this is the Light”; it is supposed to produce the Life in you now; on your house. Do you get it? On your house! You have to have the Life of the Lamb displayed on your house; on this house. It must be there to be seen, hanging there, to show that you are in the Covenant.

You don’t have to ask a person, “Are you in the Bride? I feel that I am in the Bride” and “I know that I am in the Bride” and “I’m going in the Rapture.” You don’t have to talk those things. Amen. Death can’t come near you. Amen. Your life – there is something

there, hanging there, that the world can see. They don't look for it, you know, it is there where it can be seen. The position was specified when God gave the instructions, and it was specified to be in a place where it could be seen.

So we realize we are back in that time again and these things are moving upon the people very rapidly. We have to know what is happening. That is why there is an urgency about the Message. There is something taking place and moving and it is being identified from the Scriptures. That is why it is important to get a revelation from the Scriptures because it is the Word being preached. Something is happening and then the Scripture makes plain to you what is happening. So it is no longer events to you, but it becomes prophecy being fulfilled, because you look at the events through the eyes of the Word.

If you just read the newspaper like that, without knowing the Bible, it is just news. If you knew the Scriptures and you read it, then you would see the signs of the time; the handwriting on the wall. You see, because you are looking at it through the eyes of the Word.

That is why the person who doesn't have a revelation in this Hour, you know, they are just wandering around; they are groping in the darkness. And if you have been groping in darkness and you are kind of confused in your mind, the entrance of His Word giveth Light. [Psalm 119:130 -Ed.] "Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet and a Light unto my pathway." [Psalm 119:105 -Ed.]

You pray and ask God, "Lord, let it come into my heart this morning. Let it light up my life this morning." Amen. "Let it show forth as a reality this morning. I want to see. I want to understand. I want to get ahold of these things because within my own life, I know there is something missing; there is something halfway." See? "I know I don't have the

desperation; I don't have the urgency about it. I'm not serious enough. I tried to work it up, but it didn't come that way because I slid back quickly into the old formal things, so Lord, I realize I need a revelation, not just a knowledge. Lord, quicken it this morning. Let Your Holy Ghost make it real in my heart." As a believer that is what you want. See.

This morning for a little title, I want to take **"THE SIGN OF THE SMITTEN MASTERPIECE"**. Amen. "THE SIGN OF THE SMITTEN MASTERPIECE". I believe that this is an Hour when there is to be a ministry of the Spoken Word. I believe that. Through reading, I understand that.

Like Daniel, he was reading Jeremiah's writings down in Babylon and he said, "Through reading, I began to understand, there are seventy years that are determined. I began to understand that sixty-eight years have passed. I began to understand that there are two more years. I began to understand that God made a promise, that when His people seek Him with all their heart, He would think thoughts of peace towards them and not of evil, and He would bring them back into the land where they were taken from." And he began to understand those things, through studying the Scriptures.

Through studying the Scriptures, in the Message of the Hour, I see that the ministry of Jesus Christ, that ministry of the Son of Man, was promised to be manifested in these last days. How many understand that that was so? [Congregation says, "Amen." -Ed.] There are many others that understand that here this morning.

They understood that there was a promise of St. Luke 17:30 in the Bible. They understood that Revelation 10:7 was not a heavenly angel, as some people try to make it, but it was the earthly Angel. They understood that that was the Devil through theologians, trying to confuse believers from recognizing the Last Day Prophet-Messenger, because

they knew that the Last Day Prophet-Messenger was going to uncover the scheme of the Devil. He was going to uncover Satan with his five 'I wills': I will ascend to the Most High, I will be like the Most High God; I will be worshipped as God. The plan that he had, his deceit, how he worked to achieve it, it was going to be uncovered. His time is short (see?) and he's ranting and raving. See? But now has come salvation. Now has come the Kingdom of God. Now has come the Power of His Christ.

There is Something that has come amongst us that could break the power of the accuser, the accuser that had people divided: accusing one another, pointing their fingers at one another, condemning one another; cannot minister grace but condemnation – that is all they could have done; discouraging one another.

Now Something has come, they could provoke one another to love and good works. [Congregation rejoices -Ed.] Hallelujah. Something has come, they could look beyond the person's faults and they could see their needs. Hallelujah. Glory! They could go after Lot. Even though he is in Beersheba and they have to travel from Dan, they could go from Dan to Beersheba. Hallelujah! They don't mind it. Even though Lot came back and went back into the world when Elohim came to bring judgment, they could still go and pray for him again. Hallelujah. Why? Something has come to break that power; to break that evil influence.

Here we are this morning, as we come and we recognize that Something is here, Someone is here. There is a Person (amen, hallelujah!) Who has come for that very purpose. Many people feel that, you know, the Lord came but He is not going to think about them. He has to pass this way. Not because the distance was shorter but because there are seeds lying there. It needs be that He goes through a certain place because of that seed lying there. He wasn't thinking, "Well, I'm tired" and maybe "It's going to keep Me

back” and “I’m going to go out there and get Myself involved in a lot of unnecessary things.” No. He was thinking, “I can leave the ninety and nine and go for one.”

If for all these years the Rapture couldn’t take place, waiting for the last one to come in, and we had to wait back here about twenty-something years, waiting for the Bride to come in, every member, do you think God will study one half an hour service, that He wouldn’t go for one person alone? Amen! Hallelujah. And many a time we want God to go but God wants to go in us. Hallelujah! “As the Father sent Me, so send I, you.”

A lot of people have the revelation off of their book and paper. They sit down and study it and read it and argue about it. But the revelation is to put you into action: to make you go, to make you say, to make you do; to make you live. That is what the revelation has come for. Amen. The revelation has come to make you a co-worker, going to hunt the lost (hallelujah) in this Hour of Redemption; a ministry of Adoption: “Adam, where art thou?”

The Message that you have received is not a message of doctrines to fight the denominations; it is the Word of reconciliation that you have received. The ministry is the Ministry of reconciliation. And seeing that we have this ministry, we faint not because we have received mercy. We were Sodomites. We were out in Sodom in the world (hallelujah) and God came and God pulled us out. We were down in Egypt, down in the world in Egypt, and God: “Out of Egypt have I called my son.” Hallelujah. We were part of the generation that crucified Him. Hallelujah. See? Look at it. But inside of there, before He could wipe out the whole generation, He thinks, “Well, even that one is precious to Me. For that one’s sake. For that one’s sake.” Hallelujah. See?

As we look and we see the rapidity of the time, and things moving and happening, we are watching for these things to come to pass. Because God said it! There would be a ministry of the Son of Man repeating itself. And many looked and they couldn't recognize it. Many had their own concept of how it was going to come. But then, when it appeared on the scene, it appeared with the very same identification, it appeared with the very same characteristics, that when it was being identified by the Bible, it was already happening and the Scriptures were only supporting and approving and identifying that that was what it was.

You know, many times people like to preach things and then look for something, you know, to make the thing something else afterwards, or when something happens, they try to make it something. Now, that is false. God isn't in that business at all. God's things are always true, and God's things don't need any help, and God's things are always on time, and God's things are always according to the Word.

That is why it brings faith. Because it is laying there and it is revealed, and when it is revealed, it is not just something that you see, it is the Scriptures coming together; it is the Scriptures becoming plain, so your faith is anchored in the unfailing Word of the Bible. It's not an object somewhere; on the Bible, your faith goes back to.

Some people preach about their children, and they preach about their house, and they preach about their car. Now all that would change, (hallelujah) but the Word will not change. I am not saying God might not use those things; God does use those things. But those things only point you back to the Word. It's the continuity of the Word that has to be opening up. Any sign, anything that happens, must come in the further part of the Word, always. It must always be the Word.

So look at it here. We are in a changing of time. And here in this time, as we look in the Scriptures,

Jesus Himself, that very ministry... Because if we study that ministry, then we could be able to recognize what is happening today. God has laid out His Word in such a way, It doesn't need reasoning, It doesn't need figuring out; It doesn't need trying to work out mathematically and sit down there and study. It doesn't need that. All it needs to do is see what He said, see what He did, see how He did it before and know He is the same yesterday and today and forever, and He cannot change. Hallelujah.

Then here we find ourselves, laying here upon the face of this earth, a people who have been called, a people who have received a revelation; a people who have received a Scriptural understanding of the time, of the Hour positionally where they are, positionally in God's economy, where God has come down to, what they should be under expectation for; what are the things to come to pass. Not what people think or what people dream and figure out, but what God said in His Word; what a Prophet said and a Pillar of Fire came from Heaven and vindicated that to be the Truth. Hallelujah.

That is why when something happens, I want to make sure it is according to the way that the Prophet said it. It must be in accordance to the Word that he has already spoken. Because our experience cannot be anything, other than what was already written in the Bible. We must not be ambitious to try to get something that the Prophet never got. We must not be ambitious to try to get something that is not written in the Bible.

Micaiah had his revelation before he checked what Elijah said. Elijah had given the message. He got a revelation and they asked him, "Say it," and he said, "No, I am not going to say it yet. I'm going to go back and see what Elijah said first." Because this here, must go back to what Elijah said. And if it is done that way, then you don't have to backtrack, you don't

have to change around, you don't have to try to figure out a new thing. You don't have to lie down in your bed, day and night, because you're studying the Word, you are studying something now, to back up on; you are studying now to get something now to fit a next part, and next thing, you end up pulling wool over the people's eyes. Amen. It's better if we recycle history, rather than do something like that. Amen. Hallelujah.

Here this morning, believing and seeing in the Word, where the Holy Spirit (amen) has spoken all these things but giving witness, giving confirmation now, identifying that these things are nothing but the Truth, so your faith could be anchored, your faith could be settled, your faith could know that the Hour has come; that these things are not down the road somewhere.

All through, in my journey... I was preaching there in this last season and proving from the Book of Revelation, where all those things that we are reading about, it's not down the road; it is already happening here, and taking those Scriptures. You know, I preached that here many times and showed how demon powers are feeding the people already.

That is why you look at a church, how did it get in that condition? The people sit down there; they are not being taught so they don't know what is going on. But it got in that condition because of the rejection of the Word; disobedience to the Word, bringing people back into bondage, after they were set at liberty; all these things. And showed where God's judgment has always been executed, for failing to go on with His Word. And the fowls of the air and the beasts of the field, have always come and fed upon them.

The more we would get into the Word and get the Spirit of the Word and get rid of our own spirit, is the more we realize that God means exactly what He says. And God doesn't have any spoiled children. A lot of people feel that God loves them, and they are going through their own thing and their thing doesn't mean

that, their thing means something else, and God deals with them differently. That is nonsense. That is exalted flesh; rotten, stinking flesh, that wants to lift itself up in God's Presence.

The Bible said, "Humble yourself under the mighty hand of God. How shall you hear without a preacher?" You answer God. How shall you hear without a preacher? And any preacher, how shall he preach except he be sent from God? And how shall we do the works of God, if we don't believe on him, whom God has sent. How shall we be saved? It is by the foolishness of preaching we shall be saved. [1st Corinthians 1:21 -Ed.]

Any time the mind in this Age, they become heady and high-minded, and they try to devise ways and means and little things that they can work out their own way, and they have left the only provided way – God's provided way, until God had to send a Prophet to humble this generation, and when they wouldn't be humbled, God condemned them and promised to destroy them for rejecting that Prophet because they were exalted. Amen. So watch. It comes to a time that you have to accept God's Word. You must accept it. You must believe it with all your heart, regardless.

So notice. Look at Jesus here in the Bible, St. Matthew 26, something happened. He was down to a place in his ministry, as we study the Scripture a little bit and parallel it for today. I preached a message years ago, *A Sign Of Confirmation*, back there on this very same Scripture, "When Jesus understood it," showing that God gives you signs; showing how God deals with people. This morning, I just want to maybe broaden on that a little but make it very personalized, and show the very Hour that we have come down to.

Now watch. Here in the Bible, as we study the ministry of Jesus Christ, how He started off with a healing ministry, and we never knew those things were phases in the ministry. We never knew that each

phase was for a purpose, and each phase attracted a certain kind of believer.

There are three kinds of believers: an unbeliever – they would be around the Word. When they see nice, little signs and different things, you know, they like those things because they want to be entertained.

Then you have a make-believer: oh, that is the guy who is on ‘competition’. He wants to outdo everybody but he’s working by the power of human ability because he’s not Born-again. See. It doesn’t come by real inspiration, it comes by being a shrewd thinker, trying to figure it out. See? So once it goes into the realm of revelation, they get a blackout; they don’t know what’s happening. And then they turn around and deny the very things that they were claiming to believe. See? They always get themselves trapped.

Then you have the believer: he was born to believe it. It is really sent for him. And when God sends those things into the earth, they are the ones that He’s thinking about; they are the ones He’s trying to get ahold of.

Look at Jesus here, the first phase of His ministry was healing. And if the Bible wasn’t opened up in this Day, we wouldn’t have realized that that was the first phase of His ministry and it was solely for attracting the attention of the people. He went forth healing the sick. It was healing in the physical realm.

The same people, like the ten lepers, nine never came back. It was showing that in their hearts, they were ungrateful. Oh, they were crying, “Unclean. Help us! Jesus, Son of David, help us. Heal us; touch us.” But they wanted it for themselves, to do their own thing. They didn’t want to come back and serve God. They didn’t even have time to be considerate enough, to be thankful enough; (see?) to realize then that if there is power to clean you from a leprous condition that instantly, (see?) then that kind of power, maybe,

could change you, could help you; could do something for you, more than just healing your body.

You see, maybe that flesh kind of gave them a bad image. They couldn't socialize, they couldn't be in public, they couldn't move around with the crowd, they couldn't go to all the parties because their flesh stinketh and people were scorning them, and they kind of felt bad and pushed back in a corner. So, they longed to get back in that kind of circle because that was where their real satisfaction was. So they were only thinking, "If only a way could come for me to be healed: take an operation, get a facelift, do over my hair, get some special treatment for my skin, maybe it could help my personality a little better; take a course; go and get my spirit refined." You see? That was all they wanted.

A real believer, that humanistic realm, it doesn't really have a pull on them so much. The real crave that they want satisfied, is that longing on the inside – a longing for God; for reality. That's what they want. See?

Now a Pastor is different. You see, I have to get down to the problems right away. I'm not here to pat you and recycle anything to you; I've come here to deal with problems. See? So, don't feel bad and say, "You know, we were having a nice time laughing." We are coming down to help you now. Amen. This is to deliver you from your sins. Amen.

So notice. So, that first part of the ministry went out there and it was proved right here in the church. It always has that in every church. People don't realize it, but they walk into an Assembly and they say, "Brother, I want to fellowship here," and this and that and the other. And, "I want to get baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ and get my sins remitted," ooh, and they might think that they are a Christian but they are only in the outside court. They may get the front row in the church, they may get a

seat in the platform, but as far as God is concerned, they are in the outside court.

As long as there is that human spirit: anger and temper, and pride, and jealousy, and covetousness, you are still in the outside court. You could have on a three-piece suit and testify, it doesn't mean anything. See. In God's Temple, in God's Sanctuary, you are in the outside court. To get in the Presence of God, you have to come through the second court now, where the Blood has to sprinkle you.

Now the carnal church member wants a front seat See? They want a little special privilege because, like through these things that the physical eyes could see from the people around them, oh, they are being approved, they are being accepted, they are being elevated, so they get a certain standing now, among the people. Because they sang four 'specials', so that means that they are one of the spiritual ones in the church. That doesn't mean that at all! Not in God's business. That doesn't mean anything. You see?

In God's business, He has to prove you by trials, by testings; by conditions. And sometimes, nobody sees when you are being approved. Hallelujah! Glory! Nobody sees when you are being approved. Nobody has to pat you on your back. But when you walk out and God chooses to display that masterpiece, (hallelujah!) and God proves (amen) and God wants to show, "Look one who is a prisoner," look one who He has preeminence in, it is something different altogether.

When God was saying, "This is My beloved Son," where were the seven thousand? They were nowhere around. Amen. When the Pillar of Fire came down to approve Jesus, only John alone saw It; nobody else saw It. You see?

So then, many a times, people's ego feeds on that kind of physical attention; feeds upon that kind of physical association, and they find themselves now,

striving in a carnal realm and they end up being, what you call 'pushy', to do this and to do that because they want to be seen. You see? And they think maybe through that now, everybody would say, "Oh, Bro. So and So and So. Oh, Bro. So and So. You know, tell me about So and So. Oh yes, I know So and So." That doesn't mean anything. And through that kind of thing, man ends up approving man. See?

Now that was only the first pull. And when Jesus went out there healing the sick, that was a stage of it, and it attracted many people. Who had 'eyesight', they said, "My, I'm going to follow this thing. There's to be a power here." And if you are following this thing because there was a power there, you're still in the first realm. If you say, "Well, I went to that church the other day and they prayed for me and I got healed, so I started to fellowship there, I'm staying there," that doesn't mean anything. Only your flesh was touched. That man could be preaching a lie and your soul is still in darkness and you can't see it is a lie being preached because you don't know the Word, but you're hanging on because your flesh got healed.

All those witch doctors can't heal people, but people get healed going to witch doctors and all, because the Spirit is poured upon all flesh; all kinds of false anointed ones. See? There's no sign or no evidence of anybody being saved. And this is the type of Age that we are living in.

So how much more we have to focus into the Word and make sure that when we lay our faith down on something, it is the unchanging God, standing by that unchanging Word. [Blank spot on tape -Ed.] ...Faith is nourished. Faith becomes strong. Faith is strengthened because it is pulling from a Source that is ordained to energize faith. Amen.

Now look, then from there He went to preaching the Gospel and when Jesus began to preach, that was when the trouble started. Because by the preaching,

His ministry had changed and many didn't realize the ministry had changed. They found, well, He was no longer dealing with the long, long prayer lines. And then, many of the people weren't getting prayed for, so they weren't coming to the meetings anymore. And they found, well, they weren't understanding anything that was being preached anyhow, and they really came to get healed, so they had no time to wait in that long service. But they didn't understand now, that the ministry had changed and now God was dealing with the souls of the people. See?

The Word that was coming forth there, It began to sift-out [Separate -Ed.] still, and all the carnal members who were there hanging around for healing, and just the popularity of the thing that was taking place and trying to be associated with it, then for those things, they began to drop off, because the preaching began to get strong. It started off as nice, little parables, "A sower went forth to sow," you know, little, nice things. "A shepherd had a hundred sheep." You know, "A man threw out a net." It started off as nice, little things and everybody felt like a sheep, and everybody felt: "I'm the one that He left for." And they were feeling so nice and they liked those little stories, you know, and all those little things.

Then He said, "I and My Father are one." See? "Except you eat My flesh and drink My Blood, you have no Life in you." And they said, "No! Well, now You are overdoing it. How did He get like that?" But that was the change. And that was being purposely done, when the crowd was getting big, to throw off the flesh from around it.

Now if a man is a genuine Minister, he will not be happy with flesh around. Now he will be happy if the place is packed and the roof is tearing off with souls that love the Word, you know. But if there is a lot of flesh around, that is just around for the sake of being

around, then he will know that he will have to throw that flesh off.

God told Gideon, "You're not going one place." [Anywhere -Ed.] He said, "Pull aside and park, and try everybody right here. See how they are drinking that water." Did you see that in the Bible?

Jesus was going to Pentecost and seven thousand wanted to go to Pentecost. He said, "The crowd is too big. They all can't go to Pentecost. The upper room can't hold them. There is only room for one hundred and twenty." Amen. You see? Now, a few people might have been thinking, "Well, we will build a bigger church and we will build a bigger upper room." But God had it all planned.

God might have said, "Alright, from here, we are going to go this way." You see? Gideon got certain messages, told them about their wives, who loved their wives so much, to go back home and take care of their family. Told them about all those who had fear: "After all you could give your body to be burnt and aren't bound to be saved, so it makes no sense that you go out there and die, because if you die out there, it makes no sense still, you know; that doesn't mean that you are going to be saved." And little things that he knew were deep down in the people, that they could get something to identify themselves with.

You know, years ago there was a spirit in the Message, (maybe we still have it,) they used to read the books to find where they could wear an earring. They would read the books where they could find that they could wear a necklace; where they could have their dress a certain length because there was a taste in them for the world still. So they were not interested in knowing the deeper things of God; they were interested in finding something to keep the world on them.

That was why Elijah was telling Elisha, "Stay at Gilgal. Stay at Jericho." But there was nothing in him for Jericho. There was nothing in him for Gilgal, at the

school of the prophets. He wanted to go to the Jordan. And you are going to find a real believer that way.

A real believer, the Word is looking like It is telling them, "Well, you could have it, sister. I mean after all, I can't tell you where you can't shave your legs, you know, but..." And she says, "Well, after all, seeing I haven't gotten a quote for it, where I could do this or maybe shave my eyebrows or I could..." So then she thinks that she is justified. But then, she doesn't want to stay at Jericho. God called Rahab out of Jericho. What do you want to go back to Jericho for? Amen. God threw down the walls of Jericho, God destroyed that entire city. You don't want to go back there. You see?

So you find people today, when the time comes, God knows just what to say, that the 'deep' in their heart would cling to it. And they don't realize that they are being trapped right there because they are not real lovers of the Word. They're quick to harbor some spirit that would show them a fault of the Word or find something wrong with the Word, (see,) to point some finger or something, as long as somebody is in the wrong place. See?

If you were sent here to find a fault, then God sure didn't send you to find a fault. God's people are not interested in knowing how much fault this one has and how much fault that one has. Amen. Because if you are seeing faults and you are doing nothing about the faults or to the people who have the faults to help them, or have the solution to their problems and offering a solution, then you are in a worse state than the people you are trying to find a fault in. You see?

Jesus had to contend with those things. Under the second pull, they tried to stone Him. He never got stoned in the first pull, He was popular. Under the second pull, they tried to throw Him off a cliff. All kinds of things started to happen to Him. Why? The Word was shaking up. Not the man was shaking up;

the Word was shaking up. Because they had things that were rattling. Now, good gold doesn't dread going to the testing machine, you know. And before the carriage could be sealed, the inspector has to make sure that nothing is rattling. And nobody likes to be shaken to see if they have something rattling, but God shakes it.

Then from there, it looked like the ministry began to go to a failing place; it began to come to a rejection. But the thing with Jesus, He never feared rejection. He had a faith that lifted Him up, beyond where rejection could pull you down. He despised the shame; Who for the joy that was set before Him, He endured the Cross.

Now, do you know where your real strength as a believer comes in? Do you know where your real maturity comes in? When you begin to see that rejection coming to you but you have faith in God's Word still. You are not feeling sorry for yourself and pulling aside. Because if you are a believer, you will have to go through rejection. Whether you go through it in your school, you are going to go through it. Whether you go through it in your job, you are going to go through it. Whether you go through it in your neighborhood, you will go through it. In your own home you will go through it, but you must go through rejection. You must go through that very thing. Because there is no way to come into that ministry without rejection. And there isn't anybody who could claim that they have it, without being rejected. It has to come.

Rejection paralyzes people, puts a fear in them, because people are so accustomed to being a 'social' being: so accepting, and laughing and hugging everybody, and talking to them nicely and everything else. And especially if rejection comes for telling the truth! Especially if rejection comes because of your stand for the Word. A lot of people compromise on the

Word because they don't want rejection. Because they want to keep their friends who are lovers of the world and haters of the Word of God. I don't want those kinds of friends.

Do you mean things are so hard with God that God can't give you better friends than that? Amen. Weak faith, weak faith, causes people to be friendly with the world. Because it is faith that can't trust God to supply their needs, so they have to hold on to worldly connections because they are seeing worldly connections as their source of helping them on, in this life. Because their real faith, they think doesn't really come from God.

When those people find themselves in that kind of test, what are you going to do? Because you have to pass there. You are coming down to a Squeeze. You are coming down to an economic condition where you will not be able to buy or sell. It's either food for the belly or belly for food, or you love God more than everything else. You see? That is what it is going to come to. You must come to that place.

You must be the kind of Christian to be honest with yourself. When you see that fear wants to run out of the corners of your life and garrison together against you, and hold you back in unbelief when the situation comes and things make you think you are going through a crucial situation, (you might lose your job or some little security that you have,) and then reasoning wants to tell you, "After all, God didn't tell you to be a fool, you know. You can't testify yet in that way; wait until the Squeeze comes." You know, and you could find some logical kind of thing to give yourself an excuse. But you see, even though you bluff the other person, yet you aren't bluffing God, because God knows why He sent the test, and when you fail it, He disapproves you. Regardless if you bluff the whole world, He disapproves of you right there.

If you realize, your situations, your conditions, are ordained to bring you to perfection. That is what God is interested in. It is not to destroy you. The enemy wants to make you feel that it is going to destroy you; you are going to be left alone. It is not to destroy you at all, but rather it is to help you. It is to reveal God in your life in a greater way. That is why He is doing it. He is purposely sending those things. Because He knows that is what it will take to bring you to the place He wants you to be.

That is why when the Word comes... If It really has an entrance, when the Word is coming in many times, and It meets an unbelief that wants to disbelief that, and fights with It, and reasons with It and quotes things, other things, to keep its stand, but if you recognize that that Word is God coming in there, you will move everything aside and say, "Lord, take over!"

It's those kinds of attitudes that have hindered people for years. They are in service for years but no growth. Because it's always something that wants to push the Word back out, when It's coming in. They have locked doors: "Don't go in that door, Lord! Don't go in that door; those are private doors. You could talk about this here. You could talk about my coming to service early or late, you could talk about how long I pray, but those certain doors, don't go in there."

He must go in every door. The Hour is here. It's either He has preeminence or He can't stay. Real submission, real submission, is when you come to the place where you could give yourself over so unreservedly, regardless of how much rearranging you have to do. You'll say, "Lord, Thy will be done." Real submission will bring you to that place. Because a life that doesn't live for Christ everyday, is not worthy of the Gospel, is not worthy of the Message; is not worthy of this ministry. No way!

When He began to preach, it looked like He was coming to that rejection. But you see, He lived in the

Word because He was the Word. He knew He was the Word in that Day. In this Day, you all, who are part of God, you will know, as He was in the Father and the Father in Him, so He in you and you in Him. His whole purpose was to make that known to you in this Day.

He is going to give you experiences to discover that in yourself. It wouldn't be just a thing preached to you, and tell you that is so; you will have ordained experiences, to discover it, that it is really so. When you walk on the earth, you'll know it is the Word inside of you. You'll know that you are part of the Word. You'll have the assurance and the confidence that you came from God and you are going back to God. There'll be no doubt. Doubt is out of the picture.

These past few years, that is what God has been doing with believers – moving back the dark clouds, bringing them to know as they were known; changing them and transforming them into the very image of the Word. They began to behold the Glory of the Lord. It wasn't just a Scripture they quoted, it was a Divine revelation in their hearts, (amen), that they knew they grew into that very Word. Amen. Why? Their appetite, their taste, their thinking, their affections, is that very Word.

God even gave them certain experiences to make them behave unconsciously before they could even reason and think, and they lived the Word out like that, that God could come back around and show them, "Look how deep the Word is inside of you." Amen. "Look how far the Word has reached inside of you." Amen.

Then they could lift their hands and thank God for the hardships when He had to break their 'flesh' down; the experiences that changed their thinking; transformed them by the renewing of their minds. Amen. They could trust that Unseen hand when It said, "Go back in a blizzard," and they could go right

back in the blizzard. Amen. Hallelujah! Whether they fished all night and caught nothing, and He said, "Go back right there," they could say, "Nevertheless, at Thy Word, I am going back. Even though my experience is this, even though all my faculties declare this, even though I just came out of the water and I'm still soaking wet, nevertheless, at Thy Word, I'm going back in." They've come to that kind of place. And that is the kind of place that you have to reach with the Word.

That is why a lot of people try to anoint down 'power' and 'roll on the floor', thinking that is power. That's nonsense. When you get real Power, it is God walking, thinking, acting, speaking; everything. It is God inside of you. That is why after a while all this make-belief falls back to the ground, until people start to keep making excuses and keep rearranging the Word to back it up. Why? It is false. It is not of God to begin with. See. It is God in people that has to be doing these things. God has to be doing it in His Own sovereign way, according to His Own Word, the way He said He will do it. Amen.

We have a few more minutes. Okay now. Then Jesus came down to this place. Why I am taking this, is because I know it is the very same ministry reincarnated in this Day. It cannot miss. He proved in the first pull, he went out healing in this Day. He proved in the second pull, he was beaten in the organizations. He proved in the Third Pull; it would come to the preaching to the lost. He proved the Squeeze, and the Resurrection, and all these things, the very sequence and the order of the events that they were going to happen. He even tied the Seventh Seal, right into the very Squeeze and all these things.

He said, "When He died on the Cross, He cried with a loud voice. That was the Voice of the Archangel, the Voice of the Resurrection right there." When He preached the Seals in St. Matthew 24, that was the opening of the Seals, the opening of the Scriptures

right there. And here we see this, between the opening of the Seals and between the Squeeze. St. Matthew 26, Jesus between His Shout and the Resurrection, St. Matthew 28, the Trump, because the Trump was the Resurrection. They all came out and appeared to many in the city. [St. Matthew 27:53 -Ed.] So right here between His Shout and the Trump, between 1965 and 1985, here we are, something is happening right there. And we look back and see it repeating itself again.

Jesus had come down to a place, His ministry was at a changing time. All those who were trying to anoint, maybe, a healing revival, a big campaign to sweep across the world and get the whole world excited, It didn't promise that. It wasn't going to happen. All those who thought He might have gone and maybe, won the organizations now, a second time; go back around and preach to them now, maybe they were going to hear it right now. They didn't hear it the first time, they were not going to hear it anymore. That was finished.

He had come down to that point and time, and He was getting ready to enter into a new ministry. A ministry that hadn't operated from the time He went into the Temple and they handed Him the Book, to where He had come to now. He was getting ready to go to preach to the lost. Right in there, He began to look at the signs of the time. He began to see that the Church world had rejected Him. He began to see how they adored their big structures, their temple, that they were so beautiful. He began to look and see how they couldn't recognize their day and their visitation. He began to see the association between religious organizations that weren't even together.

Here He was with a few disciples and He began to speak. And He said, "You know after two days it's the Feast of the Passover." Because He knew that those seven Feasts in the Book of Leviticus, were prophecies for His people. He knew that He Himself was the very

Passover because John said, "Behold the Lamb of God, Who taketh away the sins of the world." He Himself a little later in the same St. Matthew 26, coming to the 26th verse, where He took the bread and said, "This is My Body," knew that He was the Unleavened Bread. He knew it. He knew He was the Feast of the Firstfruits, Who was going to be offered up because He prophesied that after three days He would rise again and they were going to meet Him in Galilee. He preached that He was the Corn of Wheat: "Except a corn of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it abides alone."

He had preached all these revelations about Himself out of the Word. It wasn't something new. He had already preached those things about Himself. And even though He didn't have the sign, His inspiration had declared that that was the Hour. Because after St. Matthew 16, He told them, "The Hour has come when the Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of sinful men, to be smitten and scourged." He went up on the mountain and He told them, He said, "Don't tell the vision to any man because what they did unto John, they will do unto the Son of Man likewise."

Without a sign, His inspiration had revealed those things and correctly declared what He was going into. You say, "Well, they didn't need a sign." But God was going to confirm His inspiration. God was going to identify that His teaching was correct. God was going to prove that the time for those things are really here.

You see, teaching alone doesn't do it. Because, if it's just teaching... Like when he saw the vision, oh yeah, he saw the vision: he saw the caribou, he saw this, he saw that, he saw the other, but he had no faith to say anything, until he saw that checkered shirt; until he saw a sign to let him know, "What I saw in a vision, what I talked about, is now really coming to pass." God confirmed it.

While they were there, He was speaking, identifying to them, He said—He began to preach and show them that the Son of Man *was* the Feast of the Passover. He said, “You know, after two days is the Feast of the Passover, and the Son of Man is betrayed to be crucified,” because they killed the lamb at the Passover. And He now, was going to be betrayed, to be crucified at the Passover because He was the Passover Lamb.

So look at Him. He knew the time. He knew exactly what time that Feast was going to come. He knew they were moving into that Feast: “In two days and we will be under the inspiration of that Feast.” In God’s economy, that Feast itself, the behavior, all Israel would behave a certain way, from the time they hit that day. Why? Why would they behave that way? Because they knew in the Scriptures, what Moses gave them, that was the Feast day.

On that Feast day, they couldn’t walk up with a sheaf; they had to come with a lamb. And every Israelite would be coming with their lambs because all the nation, under the inspiration of the Word for the Hour, recognized that it was that Word now being fulfilled. And Jesus knew on that day what would happen to Him because He was that Lamb.

Now, you’ve gotten up to there. Now listen here carefully. Now John, a prophet, had declared that Jesus was that Lamb. And Jesus’ Own revelation of the Feast, knew that He was that Lamb too. And He knew the time and He saw His very life and ministry unfold down to the very hour, that He was in Jerusalem and the people were right there and everything was laid in place. The church world was coming together, the politicians were coming together, the people were in the atmosphere, being stirred up by the church leaders; He was going through the agony and the sorrow. Under Isaiah 53: His soul was exceedingly sorrowful. He was fixing to eat the last

Passover with them and He was in a whole atmosphere of the Scriptures.

He was in a whole atmosphere of all those types. Because the Bible reads: here were Joseph's brothers getting ready to throw him in prison. See? Here was Abel, going to be slain in the field for his revelation now. Here was Isaac, going to go up on the mountain now, with the two sticks on his back. Here it was, they were going to buy Him for the thirty pieces of silver; Judas. See. It was all laying there. He was in the inspiration of it. That is why when they broke the bread He said, "He that eateth bread with Me will lift up his heel against Me." He didn't just say something; He quoted the Scripture, expressing how conscious He was of what was going to happen.

Are we living in that world? Don't look for anything to be fulfilled in your life, if you are not living in that world, you know. Your coming to church would mean something else. If what is in your heart pulsates in you and moves you and pushes you on, and makes you make decisions and makes you do things, is that Word inside of there, then that is where your influence comes from. You do something because you found it in the Bible, not because two or three people got together and talked something in your ear. No. See.

He was telling them, "Look, it's two days again." He said, "The Feast of the Passover is coming; the Son of Man will be betrayed." He knew the event - His betrayal; it was in the Scriptures. That was the event. He knew the Scripture - the Feast of Passover. He knew the time - the next few days. Everything was coming together. It was drawing a picture for Him. He was anointed; He was there. Could it be that God was going to give Him a sign right inside of there? He didn't really need one but you see, God always gives signs because that's His unchanging ways.

Let me read it for you quickly. *The Super Sign*, Shreveport, page 4 [1963-1129 - para. 22-38 -Ed.]: *You know*,

His people, God's people of the Bible, has always been warned, of God, to watch for the signs of the time. Jesus, when He was on earth, He said to the Pharisees of His day, He said, "You blind Pharisees." Said, "You go out in the evening and you look and see the skies are clear and red," said "Tomorrow, you'll say, 'it'll be a clear day.'" And He said, "Then you go out and they're lowering, angry looking, then, 'Tomorrow it'll be foul weather.'" He said, "You can discern the face of the skies, but the sign of the time you can't discern."

See. He said: ... I want you to notice the unchanging continuity of God's Word and His works. See, He never changes His program. He never changes His ways. Just as perfectly, the Scripture is in perfect continuity. Everything that God does is in [perfect] continuity with what He done. ... And what He did first, that's, [what] He'll do ... the second time the same way.

And just to prove it to you, He has made laws in the earth. And He has always given His people a sign before the event happens.

Do you think we alone know that? Jesus knew that. He said, "The woman came beforehand. She is doing this beforehand to signify what I am going to go through. And what I am going to go through is what I preached to you, and what she is doing is confirming what I preached to you. And what we are going to go through is the Scriptures, because we have reached to that time. Because this is not the 'healing revival' part of the ministry. This is not the 'preaching to the lost' part of the ministry. This is between the opening of the Scriptures and the Squeeze; the Voice of the Resurrection. This is between that time. This is the time when religion and politics and these things are gathering together. This is the time when demon powers are taking over the people, to bring a complete rejection of the Word that Elijah introduced. And here is the Word that Elijah introduced, the Message of the Hour, in flesh." Amen. See.

Look what stage it had reached. He was going to be smitten. The Masterpiece that was built, was unveiled to a few; the mystery that was preached about the corn of wheat and all these things: about oneness, I and My Father are one, if you have seen Me, you have seen the Father, and all these things. He had even preached the delivering up to be smitten. See?

Then the other part, to preach to the lost and the Resurrection, all those things, were laying there in the Bible, to be made manifest in His ministry. And He wasn't really looking for the sign but when it happened, He understood it. When it happened, He understood it. He understood it because it confirmed His teaching.

And He has always given His people a sign before the event happens. Now He has always done it. And He will always do it, because He is the unchangeable God. "I am God," He said, "I change not." The way He sets His program at the beginning, that's the way it is in each age. He never changes it.

He said: ... [Notice] some of His laws. *"When you see the trees putting forth buds," He said, "you know that summer is nigh." Springtime is a sign of the introduction of summer coming on. That's a law. It always happens that way. You don't have summer, and then about the time it gets winter then the leaves come on. No, you have the leaves first, because it's an introduction of His laws of nature, that springtime is coming. It never fails. When you see the trees begin to get tender, around on the bark, and the little buds begin to swell, you know that it's a sign that springtime is here, is coming in.*

When you see the fall of the year before we have frost or anything, and the leaves fall from the trees, you say, "Well, autumn is near." How do you know? Because the leaves are falling. Nature is getting ready for it.

You see, God put that in nature.

So he said: ... As I have often said, "If there was no Bible, I'd know there was a God, just to watch the way that nature works." It's His laws, they're all in continuity with one another. His Word is in continuity; It cannot fail. His signs are in continuity with the time.

Now I'm speaking about "THE SIGN OF THE SMITTEN MASTERPIECE". The brother was testifying how the Masterpiece was smitten by the very State. I preached here about *The Building Of The Masterpiece*, *The Unveiling Of The Masterpiece*, *The Ministry Of Jehovah's Masterpiece*. [1983 -Ed.] That has been my message for the past few years right here. That has been the theme of all my preaching, until each part came to pass. Regardless of how many sermons I preached in-between, that is what is going to happen.

Then at the beginning of this year, January 10th, when I went through the experience, I came back and I testified right here, and I said, "I saw something in the Message that I'd always overlooked." I just thought God would give me the inspiration to speak on it one of these days, and I found out it was not so; that there would be a smiting of the Masterpiece and Isaiah 53 is the rejection, the bruising; most bruising and murderous picture in the whole Bible and that was what the Prophet took. He didn't take, *Why Cry? Speak*, to preach *The Masterpiece* [1964-0705 -Ed.], he took Isaiah 53, showing the smiting of it and what it was going to take to bring that ministry. It couldn't be smitten, unless it was formed in the image.

I preached and I saw it unveiled, and I said, the proof that it was unveiled was that it opened up the Unknown Language, revealed Revelation 10:8-11; showed the Bride part of the Message, the Principal Theme, the feminish spirit, and all these things. And I said, "Look at this part here." And then the Holy Spirit, to prove it, began to open up Joseph in prison, the widow and the meal offering with the two sticks, all these things, and I began to preach these things here.

When I left here the last time, I said, “Look, for ten months, I haven’t come out of my inspiration. And I came back here in the 11th month and I am still preaching what I began to preach at the beginning of this year. For eleven months I have not changed that one thing, in preaching, that started at the beginning of the year.

I preached different phases to the Masterpiece; will preach to Hell, and I proved that Hell is on the earth. I said the Masterpiece will be a ministry of adoption and I preached *Adoption*, to show you what it was going to be. I showed you that it will be a ministry of judgment; showed you the Throne of mercy and judgment must be in the Bride. And I showed those things; everything that went with it, to prove...

Then I showed that that very same sanctuary, “Thy will be done on earth,” is in Heaven again, right back down here, and so, God’s order is still being reflected on the earth in these last days, and here these things are taking place. And we preached and proved all those things because it is one thing showing you that the Masterpiece is to be smitten; for ten months.

Now we know what the Masterpiece was. That came out of the very Book here. When I went to Arizona, the Holy Spirit revealed that in 1982. It spoke that in my heart. I preached *Masterpiece* all these years, like many of us, but when God revealed it in that way... And I told you, that was the message on the field: *The Unveiling Of Jehovah’s Masterpiece*. Wherever I went, I would preach that message, showing that there is a time when it is going to be smitten and the State is going to do the smiting. What was going to happen?

God always gives signs to forerun His events. But it can’t be any kind of sign; it must be the sign with the characteristics of the prophecy that is going to come to pass. The woman had to bring the type of anointing that they will anoint a person to be buried with. She couldn’t come and give Him a rose or give something

else. No! She had to do something according to the Scriptures. The Son of Man will be betrayed because of the Feast of the Passover. Do you understand what I'm saying? The wise men brought a gift of gold because He was going to be a King. They brought frankincense because He was going to serve. They brought myrrh because He was going to die. The gift, the sign, must always carry the characteristics of the prophecy itself.

Now watch. See if the sign carries the characteristics of the prophecy! Are we looking for a ministry of the Spoken Word? You know, the Third Pull will do great things for us; will start the Rapturing Faith. Well, the Bride can't speak until She is smitten. She can't be smitten until She is formed. It is being preached that it is formed. Many people might doubt it, but it is formed; it is unveiled.

Those formed in the back-side, can't backslide. As Bro. Joe [Bro. Joseph Bernard -Ed.] said the other day, "Backsliding never came one day in my thought. I might have my ups and downs but backsliding never came one day, not for one moment." You see, a lot of people are so leery [Cautious, careful -Ed.], they would go to this church and fall apart, they would go to that church and fall apart; they'll go in this church and it goes contrary. This Minister is living in sin. And everybody is kind of frightened so they don't want to take a chance.

If you have a revelation and you know the leadership of Eternal Life, you have not been hearing sermons. You have not been hearing some man trying to pull you and put your mind in some influence. It is the Message of the Hour that has been preached to you; have been declared to you, Word by Word, all these years.

Look, for ten months we are still preaching on one thing; for ten months. And when I started to preach without my books or anything, I said, "I don't know

what I'm going to preach on after." I said, "I'm saying this, I am starting here but I don't know what is going to happen." And revelation, upon revelation, upon revelation came, until God opened up the Word. Went back out now, when I'm going, I had too many books to carry now; too many notes to carry to preach now. I had to leave it back.

It was God doing something. We are staying in God's provided way. We are not trying to be a super-duper, we are just trying to walk in obedience as the Spirit would lead. If the Spirit says, "Stay here," we want to stay here. We don't want to impress anybody. If the Spirit says, "You have nothing to say; go and sing," we want to go and sing. When He says, "Pray," we want to pray.

We don't want to play, we know it all. If we are doing that, we have the wrong attitude. If people want that kind of thing, then they are looking for the wrong thing that God never promised. If they are being impressed by that, they don't know the Scriptures. Amen. Because it is not a show for people; it is God leading His children into the fulfillment of His promise for this Hour.

... His signs always foreruns His events (amen), just as that does.

Just like nature, His signs are always in continuity with the time; always foreruns the events.

When you see the geese going, [and you] see the buds coming on, see the leaves falling off, see, it's the continuity of nature blending [together]. God's law of nature blends-in, and He foreruns His events. It always has been, it never has failed, and it never will fail.

Amen. *Uniting Time And Sign.* [1963-0818 - paras. 33-35 -Ed.] I'm just showing you a little bit about signs, the workings of signs, how God works with people, and how He always gives that to forerun the time. In this message, He took the very same Scripture: the

Pharisees, discerning the signs of the skies and couldn't discern the signs of the time. Amen.

Now, [the clergy] has always been a great thing to the people, see, to be able to discern the sign of the time that you're living; because God writes it plainly so nobody could escape it.

What better sign than the smiting of the Masterpiece could God give? God took a real, literal masterpiece that is inside the Book itself. We still have the picture with the Michelangelo—we have the picture there and He took that, and He actually smote that very thing, and He let the State do it in the very Hour it was supposed to happen. God went so far, He went to the very place the Pillar of Fire was photographed and rejected and challenged; the very same place.

Why didn't it happen in Honduras when they came from El Salvador with it? Why didn't they think in Honduras that there were drugs? See. We were supposed to go back through Miami. We all had return tickets to Miami and we changed our tickets to go through Houston. Do you understand what I'm saying? We changed our tickets. I now thought of that. It now struck me. We changed our tickets to go through Houston and God knew we had to pass that way. It was for a sign.

Let me tell you further. Many people heard the testimony but they don't know the fullness of what Bro. Tony [Hudson -Ed.] went through. When they bought the first masterpiece... You know, they saw one... I have one at home which I had bought a year ago. Last year, I think it was in June when I was preaching those things, I talked about my sheaves of wheat, and my masterpiece and my different things. So then, they went down there and they saw this masterpiece and they wanted one. So then, there was only one in the shop and Bro. Joe had enquired first, so he bought it. And then they told Bro. Tony, well, they were going to

have one ready in a couple of days. But we had to leave the same day, to go back to Honduras.

So, some brothers were going to come over for the meeting in Honduras, so they decided that they were going to bring it for us, when they came. So Bro. Tony was only behind those people, like a nuisance almost, every five minutes, "Bro. Elias [Barjun -Ed.], look, the brothers. Find out if they are coming, and if they got the masterpiece," you know, and had them busy; only checking on the masterpiece.

On Thursday the meetings started and they didn't come. Friday, they didn't come. Saturday night, the brothers appeared in the meeting. When they appeared in the meeting, and he thought that he was going to get the masterpiece, what happened, when they went up by the place where they left it, the house was locked up, nobody was there; there was no key. The people couldn't get in the house, so he couldn't get it.

So on Sunday morning, when he came out, he began to tell Bro. Joe, you know. He kind of watched him, how he was a little excited. So Bro. Joe was telling him, he said, "The masterpiece has to come out on the Sunday. It is on Sunday it has to come out, to be displayed" and different things. And then he got it in the evening time, you know, so he said, "I got it in the Evening Time," and all these little things he was talking about.

Here in the night now, we were getting ready to pack up and leave to go to the United States, and he just put it in a bag, and we took Bro. Joe's and we boxed it up in a real box and everything. And he took it there. And when he went into the room, they asked him, "How is it you know the man who bought that and brought it for you, didn't bring heroin? Because you didn't buy it yourself." Do you see what was happening there?

So all those things were in my mind, “Could it be now? First time you’re ever meeting this brother in your life. You just accepted him as a brother, and was believing that he is truthful, and maybe it was not by accident the wrong thing ended up in your hands. And the test is proving positive, until they are getting more confident that they have the right person they want now.” See?

God knew all of that awaited us there. He had the woman with the spirit. We could have gone through the same immigration officer but we went through three different officers like that. Not because we did that for anything, but because we got out of the plane first. So when we got off, there were three vacant places, so we went to all three places. And we went by two men, and he went by a woman, one painted face Jezebel. And she sat down and she watched him like that, and the spirit that was upon the woman. You see?

When I began to see those things there... All the while we were sitting down on the chair waiting, you know. We said, “Well, he is going to come through, you know.” So then I saw the woman say, “Take your hands off the desk!” He stood back up, you know. So I was telling Bro. Joe, I said, “Why did the woman—what is she going through all of this for? What was the matter with her? Why is she keeping us back here for?” I was becoming annoyed because I said, “Well, man, this is unnecessary. Like they can’t see it’s Christians? They don’t know Christians when they see them?”

God had a purpose. My indignation rose up: “To what purpose is this? Why is this going on here?” You see? But God! All that time, it was nothing about the masterpiece yet, you know, it was just him going through their thing, you know.

Then this other officer came and they took him. And when the officer took him, since they were taking

him and he had the bag and he rest down the bag there, Bro. Joe went to pick up the bag. And as he was going to pick up the bag, the man turned around and said, "Leave that bag right there." He jumped back too, you know. So we sat down on the chair.

These people it's like: "What is the matter? What is happening? It is only a masterpiece in a bag," you know. But you see, it was delivered into the hands of sinful men. They had to smite it. All that time, we didn't know they were going to smite it, you know. We said, well, maybe they are going to question him and eventually they will find out that 'Penal' [Local village -Ed.] is where he's living in Trinidad. And then after that, do you know what happened? When he was inside there, Bro. Joe looked and said, "Oh gosh [expression of surprise - Ed.], they've cut the masterpiece." Well, he was kind of scared because he was inside the room too, you see.

So right there it struck me, I said, "The Masterpiece had to be smitten." I said, "It had to be smitten. It is a sign." I told Bro. Tony right there—I didn't know what I was going to preach, but I told him right there, I said, "There is a message in that right there for us. I am going to preach it, about that Masterpiece being smitten."

Here this morning, I am taking these things to show you that the sign, the characteristics of the sign, the time of the sign, you see for yourselves and judge if that was what was supposed to happen; if that has not been preached for ten months here in the church, if Jesus didn't declare all those things before it happened; if it was not supposed to happen before the ministry of the Masterpiece. You see, if there was a ministry of the Masterpiece promised; of the Spoken Word for the church here. If we have to have that, could we have it before it has been smitten? See, if God is proving these things here.

It should be easy to receive because it has been preached and explained, all through the Scriptures,

back and forth, for these past few months. Look at this here.

... it's always been God's way, to give them a natural sign of the time, [a natural sign of the time,] so that everyone would know just what time it was. And these Pharisees should have known their time. They should have knowed what the time was.

He said: *... And now we know that the God that made the heavens and [the] earth and so laid out His work that He would describe His time by sign, that same God lives today. ... As we see the time that we are living in, there must be something that somebody's overlooking, somewhere. See? Because God would never let these things happen without giving us a definite sign, ... that we'd understand.*

He would never let it happen without giving us a definite sign, that we would understand. Amen. I just wanted to give you these things and close out. I'm finished. I'm cutting it short because I think it doesn't need much impressing upon your heart, to know that those things are the truth.

I wanted to show you that Jesus knew He was that Feast. But then, don't we know also, that there is a mystery between the Feast of the Trumpets? You see, He knew the Feast of the Passover hadn't taken place yet. It was now going to take place, that first Feast. And the second one that was going to happen, the breaking of the Bread, and the third one, the Firstfruits. And He was going to tie the next couple of days, all those, into His life.

Then, don't we know that there is a mystery between the Feast of the Trumpets and the Feast of the Atonement; between Israel being gathered together and Israel recognizing the Atonement; that there are two folds of the Word there promised to the Gentiles, a one-man Scripture, a little group of the true Seed, and that one-man Scripture had been fulfilled already?

Then with this smiting of the Masterpiece... [Blank spot on tape -Ed.] ...because between the Sixth and Seventh Trumpet, there is a Shout and a Voice. And the Shout was a prophet, and the Voice of the Archangel was when He was smitten on the Cross, then He preached to the lost. Then could it be that *that* mystery there, between those Feasts, could we say in the next couple of days, would be that fold of that mystery between those Feasts and the Bride will have to be smitten, and this sign is a sign for us because it is timely with the Bible; it is in continuity with the Scriptures?

On *Shalom* page 34 [1964-0112 - para. 209 -Ed.], he was talking about the woman at the well: *She was looking for that change, from a church denomination to a vindicated Messiah. And here He stood, the Messiah that Moses spoke of, "The Lord your God shall raise up a Prophet like unto me." There He is. The rhythm changed, the vindicated Seed recognized It.*

And when the real Word of God falls upon the vindicated, upon the Seed, and they see that vindication of the Word, they recognize It. They're looking at that Word, they know the junction, they know the time, they know the change, they know the beat that's supposed to be in that hour. [Amen.] Hallelujah! They know the beat, they know the time, they know how it's supposed to go. See, only the Elected knows It.

He said, "We are at these times, for these greater works and all these things to happen." We are at these times. This Third Pull you see, thoroughly identifying His Presence among you, will be used. When the council begins to tighten up, it will be used.

Here came that woman walking by inspiration and those disciples didn't even recognize that she was doing that by inspiration. Jesus said, "A memorial would be preached." Do you know why? It had to be preached because she did it by inspiration. She was moved by God to do it. She didn't do it through, maybe, just that she had alabaster anointment to

waste, because it was costly. But she was moved to do it. She didn't know it was according to the Scriptures that what she was doing, had a significance.

Do you think those men knew that we as believers... Like when the man took my books there, and began to go through it and he came across that thing there with all my quotes, he said, "God being..." That was the one that he read. He did so [Bro. Vin demonstrates -Ed.], he said, "*God Being Misunderstood*. [1961-0723e -Ed.] Are these sermons that you preached?"

I said, "No, these are quotes that I use when I'm preaching." I said, "But that is exactly what is happening here this morning - God being misunderstood."

Then after he passed that one and he picked up the next one, then he said, "*The Uniting Time And Sign*." [1963-0818 -Ed.] Yes, church and State, they are all gathered together to bring a Squeeze. Everything's uniting now right there. They didn't know what they were doing, but they did it by inspiration. They had to do it.

Just like the one... He said, "He that eateth bread with Me will lift up his heel against Me," [St. John 13:18 -Ed.] and Judas had to do that to fulfill the Scripture. So in this very Hour, they had to do that to give us a sign because God had to describe it to us. He had to forerun His event that is coming. Those coming events had to cast their shadows before them.

Like any good road builder, he will put signs to identify he is building a road and he's putting an exit because he doesn't want you to pass where you're supposed to get off. He will put the junctions. He doesn't want any accidents. He will put the bridges. It gives you signs of the curves. It will tell you, you know, 'Steep Curve' or whatever it is. And he will place those signs along the way, so that you will be able to follow the signs and get safely to your destination.

The Prophet said, “So does God give signs to believers who are following His road map because the Bible is the road map, and faith brings us to the power and the power will produce the promise.” He said, “And here the Holy Spirit will lead us along the way.” [1960-0626 paras. 79-80 -Ed.] And God put in these things – which signs we would have wanted in this season, to identify the season.

Jesus had preached it. It has been preached and proven. And for those who might be wondering in their minds: “Well, he wants to be saying that because he lost his books” or something, no, it was for a purpose. Look, God is proving these things here.

I started off there preaching and showing, *Always Delivered Unto Death By The Determinate Counsel Of God*. [1985-0117 -Ed.] Joseph didn’t do anything to go into prison. Jesus didn’t do anything to be delivered up. It was by the determinate counsel. God determined beforehand that it ought to be done and He put the spirits on the people, who were to do that to Him.

Then I preached for you, *Travailing In Birth And Pain To Be Delivered* [1985-0120 -Ed.], and showed you that weeping and lamenting and wailing, all these things come after the baby is formed and before it is born. And showed you that after the Masterpiece was built, and before the ministry of the Masterpiece, there was a smiting. It was a time there, where it was to be crushed. Amen.

Then I preached, *Tried By The Word Of The Lord* [1985-0124, Pt.1 & 1985-0127, Pt.2 -Ed.] – prisoners; Joseph in prison. In other words, Joseph in ‘penal’ – that was what it was – in prison. See?

That is what he [Bro. Tony -Ed.] told them. He said, “I’m a prisoner, yes. I am a prisoner of Jesus Christ.”

She said, “Oh, you are a ‘smart alec.’” [An obnoxiously conceited and self-assertive person; pretending to be smart or clever -Ed.]

See? But she didn’t understand. God was being misunderstood. He was speaking the truth. He was

speaking the season. He was giving a confession of his faith. See?

Then: *The Bride And The Meal Offering*. [1985-0131 -Ed.] It had to go on two sticks. Then: *The Sign Of Jonah The Prophet* [1985-0203 -Ed.], and I took it up right there, showing you prisoners, responsibility and self-sacrifice. I said that those three things are to come to that ministry. See?

Then I preached, *He Had To Pass This Way*. [1985-0228 -Ed.] He was heading down towards Jerusalem where He was going to be crucified; where He was going to preach the last part of the ministry. He was coming down to the last phase now. It was a changing time; a changing of ministry. He was picking up the last ones and twos on the way. Same thing I preached before I left here, *Going Back For The Honest In Heart* [1985-1027 -Ed.] – the last ones and twos out there. You see?

Then, all this was being done, that it might be fulfilled what the prophets had spoken, showing how even the disciples had part of fulfilling the prophecy. He told them, “Go and loose the donkey.” They didn’t even understand what they were doing but they were doing it anyhow. It was part of the Word to be fulfilled in the very hour, in the very season before He came down to that stage.

Then back there we took *The Ministry Of The Masterpiece* and we went to Tucson, and came back and I began to preach *Souls That Are In Prison Now*. [1985-0421 -Ed.] I said, “If that ministry has to be preached, then Hell has to be here.” You can’t have a ministry of the Masterpiece and no Hell. There has to be people in Hell, it must be preached to. And we took that and showed how through rejection of the Word, devils become incarnate in the people. See.

In there I preached, *Hell Followed Death* [1985-0519m&e -Ed.], all these things inside of there, showing how Hell is here. Then, *The Throne Of Mercy And Judgment* [1985-0606, Pt.1 & 1985-0609, Pt.2 -Ed.], *Rahab*, with this *Line Of*

Scarlet Thread [1985-0602 -Ed.] outside there, (see?) showing it would be a ministry of judgment. Everything would be judged but there is a—for a little portion of the True Seed. Amen.

Then, I preached *The Throne*, Revelation 4: “Look, the scene is changing.” And judgments: thunder, lightning and voices coming from the Throne, and that Throne in Heaven was only speaking of the Throne on earth, the real sanctuary; how Abraham was catching a revelation, looking at Elohim, His feet being turned into brass; His face like the sun. And Abraham began to weep and said, “Oh, Thou Judge of all the earth,” and called Him Judge, after the Word had opened up. Before the last part of the Third Pull, when Elohim went to Sodom in the finished pull, Abraham had called Him, Judge. He had the revelation he was in the Lord’s Day. He was the Supreme Judge. Amen.

Then I came and preached, *This Is My Beloved Son*. [July 1985 -Ed.] I said, “If there is going to be a ministry there on the Masterpiece, there has to be adopted sons.” And I took that Scripture with Joseph and I said, “I’m setting the Scripture in order because when that prison door is opened, we will come out into this ministry.” Look what we are coming out into.

I took that Scripture there and I began to preach, *This Is My Beloved Son, I And My Father Are One* [1985-0721 -Ed.]; *We are No More Children*. [1985-0726 -Ed.] That whole season on Adoption: *This Is My Beloved Son In Whom I’m Pleased To Dwell In* – elected, called, anointed and placed; *And David Behaved Himself Wisely In All His Ways* [1985-0804 -Ed.]; *A Man Approved Of God Among You*. [1985-0801 -Ed.] All those messages I was preaching there, coming down. Amen. Then, *Looking To The Unseen*. Then we began to preach and showed the Angel came down to Jesus there and began to strengthen Him, anointing the Word, before It went through the last part.

Look here how the Bride, where that Mercy Seat is again, and the guards guarding it and being anointed, and God's order is established on the earth. And that very same Throne, out of it is coming forth mercy now, but will come forth judgment, and showed, they who are with us are more. He said, "I could call for legions of Angels." Amen. *They Who Are With Us* [1985-1013 -Ed.] are more; *The Realms Of The Unseen World* [1985-1017 -Ed.], all those things have been preached, showing how they've crossed and gone into Hell right here, and Heaven right here, and everything is taking place on the earth.

Then I preached there and showed you, *Going Back For The Honest In Heart*, until that time comes. Because while that time is still to come, I must continue in evangelism until that time comes, and showing, all these things are developing, developing; developing. Here it was, God came and brought a very sign there: a perfect sign, a Scriptural sign, a timely sign, a sign forerunning the very next event itself.

Eleven months after, God is confirming and proving and showing, truly we are in a changing of time; we are in a changing of ministry. Something is really happening. Many didn't know; didn't have an understanding of the Scriptures. They felt the 'pull' as they came in here. They felt the Power and the Presence of God, and they gave their hearts to the Lord and they got baptized. They don't really know. They saw a move of the Spirit of God.

May this morning, as we took the Scriptures here: "Jesus, when He understood it"... He had to get that sign beforehand. He had already preached it. It was at a change of the ministry. It was entering into 'the preaching to the lost'. The churches were coming together. The world was going through its rejection. Everything was right there. The Hour had come; God needed to give that very sign.

Here a sign of the smitten Masterpiece. Not just a sign, but the Voice of the sign. That was my subject, **“The Voice Of The Sign”** – what it means; what it is saying. If it is a scriptural sign, it has a scriptural voice. If it is a sign in season, it will identify the time according to the Scriptures. It can’t be just something out of season from the Bible; it must be something timely, in step, that we can know what is happening. And God will describe it in such a way, that we’ll know what is happening.

Let us look now as we... We are finished, but let’s just think... Just let me leave this thought with you to go on to your homes. What happened to them who were looking for a sign and saw a sign? What happened to the wise men when they saw the sign? They saw one to identify to them, an event was going to happen on the earth, according to the Scriptures. They went on the move: *“Where is he that is born King of the Jews?”* [Matthew 2:2 -Ed.]

I don’t think I bypassed a quote. I had something here to read; I didn’t even read it. *The Super Sign*, page 9 [1963-1129 - paras. 53-54 -Ed.]: *How many wise men were there in Babylon, studying astronomy, when these three wise men knew that when, though, in that solar system, when them three stars lined up, it was a sign the Messiah was on the earth? They knew it. They believed it. And they was the one who saw the stars. The rest of them didn’t see them. They were in their right constellation, but they saw them in the way that God had presented them to them.*

Those same men could tell how they cut open a masterpiece of Moses They could tell what we told here this morning; it doesn’t mean anything to them. When they crucified Jesus, that was their normal work. Crucifixion wasn’t a strange thing; that was the normal public thing. But behind the life of that One, had all the mysteries of the Bible, in the Hour, coming to pass; that Elijah, the prophet, had introduced That.

That was connected to a ‘preaching to the lost’ and a ‘resurrection’, that was going to take place right away, when that was happening there.

To all the rest, it was capital punishment. That was what it was. “All those other men,” the Prophet said, “God didn’t present the stars, the way He did to the wise men. They looked there and they saw a set of stars,” he said, “but they [the wise men –Ed.] were the ones who saw those stars in a constellation saying something.” See, it was in a certain pattern to them because of their birth path, and where they came from and how they were looking at it. You could look at the same Bible and see nothing in It; read It and see that Elijah of this Day was John the Baptist. It’s how you are looking at it and how God presents it to you.

That’s the way the Gospel is today. It can only be seen in the way that God presents it to you. And if it’s presented to you outside of the continuity of the Bible, then it’s not God telling you that. ... You can’t make the Bible lie.

God must present It in the continuity of the Bible, when It is being presented. When the first One was presented, it was presented in the continuity of the Bible. When this one was presented, it was presented in the continuity of the Bible.

THE SIGN OF THE SMITTEN MASTERPIECE. When they saw the sign, their faith was so anointed, they said, “Where is he born King of the Jews?” They didn’t go along like they were uncertain now, (they had a revelation,) but when the sign came, they had no more uncertainty; they had no doubt. They said, “Where is He? He has to be somewhere here. We have seen His Star. And we didn’t come here in vain; we have come to worship Him. Where is He?” Amen.

When Elijah told the servant, “Go and pray seven times,” he said, “I don’t see anything. I don’t see anything in that. I saw a little cloud, the size of a man’s hand.”

He said, "Is that what you saw?"

Amen. He began to jump and shout. He outran Ahab's chariot. He, who couldn't walk up the hill, told the servant, "You go up the hill and look." The Prophet said, "He who was so weak to walk up that hill, he outran Ahab's chariot, after just seeing the sign."

"I hear the sound of the abundance of rain," he prophesied, when he saw the sign.

When that man sat by the pool there, waiting for the water to be troubled, and just saw that water move a little bit like that, he didn't ask another man, "Does that look like the water is moving there, partner? Did you see the water moving there?" No! He charged straight into the water.

What about you, who are kind of maybe wondering, "Where are we? What is to happen? According to the Scriptures, where is the Bride at? Who are we looking for? What is the promise for the Hour? Where have we reached? What was supposed to happen at this time? If you see your sign, how is it supposed to make you behave? Not just seeing a sign or hearing a story but I'm talking about catching the Scriptural understanding. I only use that to reveal the Scriptures; speak the Scriptures. It's the Scriptures I'm talking about.

Within a few days, it could be the Feast of the Atonement, and before the Feast of the Atonement, there must be that last part for the Gentiles, the Voice part, fulfilled, before Moses and Elijah preaches the Last Trump. And we are gathered for the sounding of the Last Trumpet. And the Voice of the Archangel was the Masterpiece being smitten - what has been a revelation all these years.

Does it mean that my brethren? When you look, what do you see? You say, "Well, I see a rock." He saw the Son of David coming to smite the nations and

set up His Kingdom. That was the 'Rock cut without hands' for him. It wasn't just a rock.

David said, "I see the wheel in the middle of the wheel." He said, "I am tired of seeing wheels with small wheels inside of it." But to Ezekiel, that was more than just a wheel in the middle of the wheel. Amen. He saw that that little Wheel there, was what everything had to move by. Without Him there was nothing, and there could be nothing existing without Him. Amen.

When you look, what do you see? When I saw the masterpiece being smitten, I see a ministry of the Spoken Word that my heart longed for, that I craved and cried for; that all this shaping and molding was to bring us to a place that God could show (amen), the complement of His Own work by striking it; showing that it has come back to the very image that He had in His Mind; that a very ministry of the Spoken Word, would be the vindication that the Bride had been formed back in the image.

We have a revelation, we make a claim, but God has a vindication to put to that. Amen. It would be a ministry of the Spoken Word itself. Does that put an incentive in your heart to consecrate your life, to press into it; to desire it more? Not to slack your riding, not to take it lightly, not to think nothing is happening, but to be encouraged (amen) and press in there? And if you don't believe the sign, believe the Scripture because the Scripture is true. Amen. The Scripture is true! But God gives you the sign to let you know it is happening. The Holy Spirit wants to move. Oh, we can feel It, but how many are willing to let go, to let Him really move?

Let us stand to our feet.

When you look this morning, what do you see? Looking to the Unseen. Great things happen in the spiritual realms. God is describing His time by a sign; forerunning His events by signs – signs with the

characteristics to identify the prophecy, to identify the time; presenting it in a way that believers can see it and know what time it is.

Wake up this morning. If you might be slumbering, why slumber when the end is nearing. So, let's get ready for the final call. There will be a quick, short Message, that will shake this nation one of these days. Think about it. It is a promise. There will be dynamics to mechanics, to write another book of Acts. God is fixing to strike.

What is that striking of the Masterpiece for the Bride here, in this Hour? When the Squeeze comes, watch the Third Pull then. He will cap off the pyramids of your lives with that great Capstone – a huge portion of Heaven that will make and bring to pass that tremendous victory in the Love Divine.

While many of us might be wondering around, look how far up the road we are. The wise will understand. Have your senses exercised to discern the Body of the Lord, to discern the Word of the Hour; to see where we're at. If you lack revelation, pray for it; it is more necessary to you than your very own food. We could never overemphasize the importance of it. The Prophet prayed, he said, "May God give us life-giving, and prevailing, and continuous revelation, by which we could become the Living Word of God, made manifest for the Age that we are living in."

Isn't that what you want; what your heart cries out for? Shouldn't that put you into action? Shake yourselves. Gird up your loins and rise. Don't let anything hinder you now. We are too far up the road to let trivial things, unimportant things, preoccupy us the way we let them do. Set your priorities right this morning, recognize the Hour, recognize the working of the Holy Spirit. You, who are spiritual, who know how God works in your own life, gives you signs in your own personal life, is giving us here, a sign, identifying

a season in the continuity of His Word. May it encourage your heart today.

If there be a stranger, a visitor, may God help them. May they recognize that the Scripture is not just something to read as history but it is prophecy for this Hour. It is repeating itself again in the lives of the Elected believers. God is making it personalized, that they can have a true identification with what they read, with what they believe; with what they understand. May the Spirit of the Living God move upon them and open their eyes, that they would desire to see and to understand, and know what God's will is. May the grace of God grant it unto them today.

Heavenly Father, just posting the people this morning to the very Hour and the time, the junction; You coming down and confirming Your Word amongst us. When You opened up the Scriptures, when You laid it out, it was so plain for us, long before the sign that we couldn't deny that that was the truth; that was Your Word. Then Lord, to see for ten months, under continuous inspiration, Your Holy Spirit placed us in that season, and was anchoring us and crystallizing to us, making real to us what was fixing to happen, what is our part in it, how we should relate to it, that we could have a clear understanding of the things round about us, Lord.

Lord Jesus, now You have come and given us the sign, confirming these things, Lord, bringing it in the continuity of Your Word, in the characteristics of Your promise, in the continuity of the Message; a double confirmation. "Let everything be established to be the truth, in the mouth of two or three witnesses," You've taught us in Your Word.

I pray Father, as these things are being presented, make it... [glitch in tape -Ed.] ...see and they would know, Lord, and it would serve as an incentive to keep their faith anointed, to keep their expectations upon Your promise, to keep Lord, their faith concentrated on the

objective, to keep them moving steadfastly in that channel of revelation. Oh God, may You grant it today.

Make it clear. Make it real. Deal with them in a way, Father, that in their own personal lives, they could be part of it, Lord, for we know no true believer could really have that substance faith, unless they see that Word becoming personalized in them. For Lord, we have seen You in Your Word, we have seen You in Your creation, we have seen You in Your Son, but now, Lord, let us see God in His People.

We cannot look for You outside Your people, Lord. For Lord, this is how You are revealing Yourself now. The final interpretation of Your Word is always in flesh, that the Word could be made flesh and dwell among us; that what was prophecy, became a revelation, was inspiration for us, could now become a literal manifestation in our lives to become history, Lord, and prove that You have kept Your Word; You have remembered Your promise; You brought It to pass.

Father, I pray that these things that have been spoken, will so enlighten Your people, not only in this, but will show them how You work, even in their lives. Make them sensitive to things that they bypass sometimes, they'll realize that everything is for a purpose. "Every happening is a spiritual sign," Your Prophet said. "There is nothing without reason or purpose."

Make us sensitive, Lord, that we could understand, that we could see how You work in our lives, for many a time we bypass... The things that You put there, fails to inspire our faith. We bypass the vision many a time. How we need Your hand of grace to touch us, shake us to the realization that we are in the vision. Oh God, put us in the rhythm of Your Word. Bless Your people. Continue to have Your way amongst us.

Lead us and direct us and let Thy perfect will be done. We pray and we ask these things, Father.

We thank You for Your leadership these past few years. It encourages us now, to know that those things were by the leading of the Holy Spirit; were by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Many a time under the pressures, under the oppressions, oh God, in weakness, in trembling and fear, coming to have to act upon our inspiration, to have faith in our own anointing; to step out, Lord, and do things by the leading of the Holy Spirit. How You love to bring us to a place like that but yet, You never fail to come around and confirm it, to show us, oh God, that's the way You deal with us; to perfect what is lacking in our faith; to bring us to that perfect faith in a perfect God, Who made a perfect promise in His perfect Word. Hallelujah.

May it lift us in the Power of God this morning. And Lord, may it bring us to a greater urgency, a greater steadfastness, Lord. Like those, when they saw the sign, it caused them to go into action. May we, who might have been slacking our riding, hold the reins tight, oh God, and press on. Hallelujah. We thank You, Father.

May You keep us sensitive, alert, watchful, vigilant, at all times, examining all things with the Token, that nothing in the simplicity of God, would ever bypass us, but at all times we can be in the rhythm of the Word. We thank You, Jesus. We thank You.

When we look, we see Your prophesied promise in a symbol form, fixing to come to pass. We see coming events casting their shadows. Our longing and our hope, the joy that we have looked forward to, is now breaking forth to us; breaking between mortal and immortality; the pressing coming of this great thing that will start a Rapturing Faith amongst us. Hallelujah. Thank You, Jesus. Thank You, Lord. Thank You, Jesus.

Oh, lift your hands and praise Him this morning. He is worthy. God has been gracious unto us. Hallelujah. Thank You, Lord. Glory to Your Name, Lord. May it make you sensitive today. May it lift your eyes Above. May it bring you under inspiration of this Hour, of His promise; of this season. May it put you in the channel. Hallelujah. Oh thank You, Jesus.



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