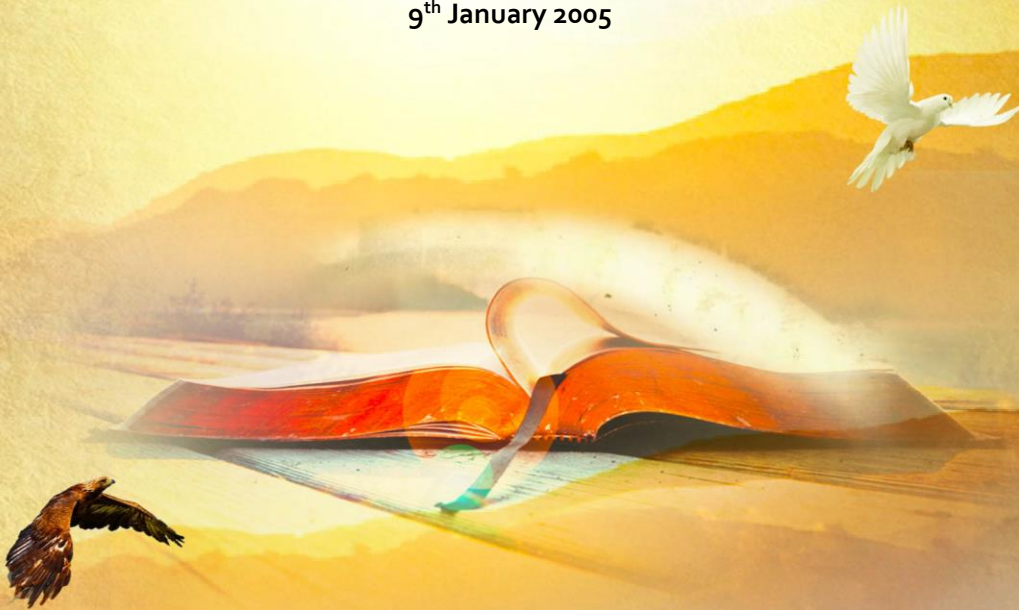

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[#695 - Songs That Live -Ed.]
*... shall be changed,
In the twinkling of an eye.*

Now, let us try this verse: Right now we are groaning.
*Right now we are groaning,
And the whole creation...
The whole creation is moaning,
Oh, waiting on our Lord,
... on our Lord,
Oh, to claim what He has restored;
... what He has restored;
Can we confess it?
We are His purchased possession,
... are His purchased possession,
Oh, by the Blood of Redemption,
By the Blood of Redemption,
We are a New Creation,
Through His Divine revelation.*

*The Trumpet shall sound,
Oh, my!
And the dead shall rise,
And our Lord will be waiting in the skies,
Then we who remain, shall be changed,
In the twinkling of an eye.*

Praise His wonderful Name. We certainly will like to greet all that are gathered in His Presence today, in the precious wonderful Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. It's such a blessed privilege to come and to worship God in these closing days of time. Amen? Aren't you thankful for Truth? Aren't you thankful to know that the promised Light has come? That even though the Hour is so dark, the Bible said, "Rise and shine thy Light is come." It shall be Light at Evening Time, friends. And what a beautiful thing it is to have Light in darkness. Amen! We can never overemphasize the value of what that is.

When we see the world and its condition, we see the formal church and their condition, we see the Bride and Her condition. Amen. We see what God is doing. He sent a Message for preparation. There are a people who have been enlightened, that they know that the hour has come. The Rapture is on. The Bride is being gathered. Is that why you are here? Is God gathering His people? Amen. Blessed be His wonderful Name.

Was that a promise in the Bible? "The Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a Shout." It's a uniting time. Can you see nations uniting? Can you see churches uniting? Can you see in the political realm, in the religious realm; even businesses are uniting? Amen. But while all that uniting is taking place, there is another uniting. Amen! The Bride is uniting with the Bridegroom. The Bible said, "Let us be glad and rejoice, for the Marriage of the Lamb is come." That is the greatest uniting. God and man are uniting again, friends. How many know He prayed, "Father, that they may be one as I and You are one"? Did Jesus pray that? Amen! And here it is happening in this Hour. Blessed be His wonderful Name.

That's a great thing because when there is union, there is life. Amen? Even this little couple here, that stands here, one time they were a young man and a young woman in the Assembly, sitting down there, came

and was married, they came into union, and then there was life, and now they have come for dedication. Blessed be His wonderful Name. That's a wonderful thing.

Bro. and Sis. Heulan Morales came to dedicate their little baby boy, Malachi Joseph. Amen! 'Malachi' – '*My messenger*'. And 'Joseph' – '*He shall increase*'. God increases, friends. Amen. From faith to virtue, to knowledge, to temperance, to patience, to godliness, all these things, coming right up, bringing you into the very image of Jesus Christ. God is increasing. Amen. He shall increase. Amen. God is not in the subtraction business; God is in the addition business. That is what 'Joseph' means: '*He shall add; He shall increase*'. He shall increase you. Amen.

You started off, you are coming along, you just had maybe, you know, "I'm a sinner," but then God increased that. You know, there is a way to take you out of sin. Then God increased that; that He wants to come and live in you, amen; then to place you out in service. And He is increasing you all the time. Amen. And you are adding every Word until you become the very expression of all of His Word. That is a great thing this morning. Amen.

I would like to read a little Scripture for dedication here. It says [Psalm 127:3 -Ed.]:

³ *Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward.*

God has rewarded them. People are going to all kinds of doctors, doctors are taking all kinds of tests, people are looking through microscopes, people are trying to, you know, try to do things; who gave up; trying to go to the adoption agency. People, you know, are just spending money. People are buying children illegally at the side, from who are trafficking in children and everything else. But when God can reward you...

Sometimes people don't just want cars and houses; a woman wants a child to embrace in her arms. She

wants to bring forth something for her husband. And that kind of desire becomes intensified sometimes. How many remember the quarrel that Jacob and Rachel had? He said, “Am I God?” She couldn’t have a child and she provoked him and tried everything else, you know, to get a child. But then the Bible said, “And God remembered her.”

So, there is something in a woman, God makes her up to be a mother. A little mother: here she was, when she was ‘small’ [young -Ed.] playing with little dollies, and so on, you know. Getting the bottle and mimicking everything else around them. Getting a little stroller and pushing it around the house and you watched her and said, “One day she will be a little mother.” Amen.

Today, here, (God gave her conception,) she came with her own child. She has a husband; she didn’t get it out of wedlock somewhere. Is that right? She didn’t get it outside there. She didn’t come with somebody else’s baby.

How many know, in the Bible, a woman tried to steal another woman’s baby? She so wanted to be a mother and raise a child, even though she couldn’t take care of one. She killed her own but she realized, “Oh God, it happened because I’m so slothful, I’m so negligent; my child got killed.” But that motherhood was so strong, she went after the other woman’s child.

Motherhood is a powerful thing, friends, but how nice it is when it is just God’s provided way. You are just coming with it because He blessed you and you are happy. Aren’t you happy? [Sister replies, “Yes.” -Ed.] Amen! Praise His wonderful Name.

[Psalm 128:1-5 -Ed.]

¹ Blessed is every one that feareth the LORD: and walketh in his ways.

² For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee.

³ Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table.

There are so many Psalms: David talked about his desperation, he talked about his praise and worship before God, he talked about so many things, but in this Psalm here, he was seeing the blessedness of fruitfulness, of marriage, of a home; of a family. And God even took it and put it down here, in the Psalms. You see, even that, God's Mind is upon us. Amen!

⁴ Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the LORD.

⁵ The LORD shall bless thee out of Zion: and thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem all the days of thy life.

You know, when you think that sometimes some of us who didn't know the Truth, our parents, you know, hadn't the blessings that we have had to have Truth, and so, they carried us by the priest and he took some water from the font and threw it upon us and called it 'infant baptism', and sprinkled the child and they say they have a christening. This big man, David Beckham, christened his child and the godfather was a homosexual: world renowned, openly declared, out of the closet, homosexual. He made him the godfather of his children. Do you understand what I mean?

But here it is, we can see the beauty and the simplicity, that in the Bible, they brought children unto Jesus that He should take them in His arms and bless them. And that's the Bible. And if Jesus was here, (He is the same, yesterday, today and forever,) He would take the children and bless them because He knew God's provided way and what He did was an example for us.

Joseph brought his children to Jacob, his father, for him to lay his hands and bless them. Is that the Bible? Hannah took her child up to the priest and offered it up

unto the Lord there. All these things are Scriptures in the Bible that we see.

And so, God, even mindful of our little ones, has shone back the Light on these things and threw Light upon the Scriptures so that we will not come with tradition in this great Age; in this Age when He is coming for a people whom He had blessed, whom He had called, whom He had chosen, and who is to reflect His will, and to express what His economy and His Kingdom is. And we are privileged today to be children of God walking in Light. Blessed be His wonderful Name.

You might have gotten the wrong christening, but you can have the right baptism this morning. Is that right? You can get the right baptism this morning. So, if you kind of missed it there and kind of got all bent out of shape that you can't relive your life because you got christened when you were 'small' [young -Ed.], but you are grown up now, you could be baptized.

Because that is just until they come to the age of accountability. At this age, babies can't repent, and baptism requires repentance, so they are dedicated into the service of the Lord, and placed there under the Lord's care, until they grow to the age of accountability, that when they come, they can make their own decisions.

That is at the age of twelve. And so, if you have passed twelve and you have not made that decision, realize that not just God wants you, Satan is going to try to get you before God could get you. And that is why it is a battle. And that is why you get there under a struggle, and you want to give your life to Christ, but there are so many things now, you are entangled in the affairs of this life. And that is the fight of the enemy. The greatest thing you can do, is for your Creator to live in you.

Because the reason the Devil is fighting after you, he desires to live in man just like God. But the only thing is, he can't create, so he will find anybody who is

confused and he gets to them quickly. And as a matter of fact, he lays that confusion all around your life. He holds you in darkness. He desensitizes you to the things of God.

So, we don't want to be like that, this morning. You too can be dedicated, by offering yourself a living sacrifice. Amen! That is why we are here in the house of God. That is God's provision for us. Aren't you glad for that? Amen! Blessed be His wonderful Name.

Gracious Father, we thank You, dear God, for this young man and his beloved wife, and the stand that they have taken, oh God. And remembering, oh God, how they came here, not knowing You nor Your ways but there was a desire in their hearts, that even though their minds were not illuminated, their hearts had a hunger for God. And we are grateful for that, Father, oh God, that You can do these things. Lord, and they sat there and they grew in their understanding and then they got baptized and they waited upon You, Lord, and got things in place for their marriage.

Today, they are fruitful, and no doubt they've come back in Your Presence with joy and thanksgiving, Father; not as a ritual for dedication but as a joy for the grace and the blessing of God, coming oh God, to offer up the firstborn from the womb back unto You. And to know it is a blessing – a man-child has opened up the womb. Oh God, this is a great blessing, Father. The dear wife can present her husband, Lord, with a child of his own seed.

And Father, I pray in the Name of Jesus Christ today, that this little boy, Malachi Joseph, Lord, that has been brought here in Your Presence to be offered up unto You for a life of service, that dear God, You Who joined this couple, You Who called them to serve You and You Who have given them this great blessing, Lord Jesus, will now inspire them today to raise this child for the glory of God, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

It is a new role for them as parents, Father, but we know, You, the great Parent, knows how to reveal Yourself in the lives of Your children. And dear God, that You will do that and by Your Divine understanding and revelation, they will, Lord, understand, Lord, this little boy, how You have designed him, and what You have designed him for, that they will know how to raise him for the glory of God. And Lord, we know that in this vocation, Lord Jesus, they will grow stronger in their faith and the knowledge of You, because everything that You give to us, is that You might make Yourself better known to us that we might take the place You ordained for us. And so, I pray that You will bless them in all these things.

And now, may You bless little Malachi Joseph as we offer him up unto You for a life of service, in the Name of Jesus Christ. May You bless him. May You overshadow him with Your Divine Presence. We commit him into Your mighty hands. Keep him in peace and safety under Your Blood, Father. May Your Presence and Your protection ever be with him and may he live to Your honor and glory and to the blessings of his family. In the Name of Jesus Christ, we now dedicate him to You for a life of service, amen.

Amen! Praise His mighty Name. It's so nice that the parents can be happy. A newborn boy is always a joy for young parents; new parents. And this is the way that God designed, this was the very commission in the Garden of Eden. Though they come a little different today but Jesus Christ died to make provision so you can come back in that original place. But while we're in the testing ground, these things are preparations for the world we are going to, by God's grace. Amen.

Do you love Him? [Congregation replies, "Amen." -Ed.] Praise His mighty Name. We have a prayer request here for a young boy, I will like to have that now as we sing. Let's just sing: God is moving, God is moving; signs and wonders...

This boy will need a little touch, the son of our Bro. and Sis. Adrian Harangee. They are requesting prayer for their son Anton who had been hospitalized for an inflamed kidney, but they allowed him to come out for a couple of days. They had been running some tests on him because of the kind of swelling and they know the problem is with the kidney. And so, they called and asked that prayer could be offered for this young boy.

And anyone else who needs a touch from God, while there is faith and while believers are here. Because this also is the Bible. In the Book of James where It says here in verse 14, Chapter 5:

14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick...

So, the anointing of the oil, almost anyone can do that, but the prayer of faith that goes with that, that is going to take the Holy Spirit, and we believe. Because that is what elders in the house of God have. That is what God gives them, that makes them elders. It's not just being in the church but He gave them faith, a revelation. And then knowing that elders will be used in this type of service, because it is written in the Bible here; that it is required of elders to anoint with oil and pray the prayer of faith. And so, God promised that *that* will bring deliverance. And if he had committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. And so, God is faithful. So we want to pray and just help me and unite with me for this young boy, you know. Amen. Praise His mighty Name. [Bro. Vin speaks to the boy -Ed.]

Lord Jesus, as we, the church of the Living God have gather here today for service, and knowing our gathering is unto You because You have called us and revealed Yourself to us, and You have instructed us that we should gather, Father, and You know that we will

have needs in our midst because You are the One Who ordained the path that our life takes in this earthly journey. But dear God, You gave promises because of different junctions and when we'll have these circumstances, we don't have to fear. That is why You give us Your promises, Lord.

And so, dear God, here is a situation, our young brother, Lord, of a believing family, their young son, Father, who had been hospitalized with this kidney problem but, dear God, You even work in all these things to allow him to be here today, that the doctors will release him for a couple of days, and the alertness of the parents to bring the boy up into the house of God that prayer could be offered when we will gather in Your Presence.

And now, I lay hands upon him, he has been anointed with oil, and together, we, the church of the Living God unite, creating such a wall of faith round about him. In the Name of Jesus Christ, we take authority over this devil, Father, that is trying to afflict the kidneys of this boy, and in the Name of Jesus Christ, we rebuke this devil. Satan, depart from this boy! Take your filthy hands off of him, in the Name of Jesus Christ!

And Father, we ask that Your Quickening Power will move upon his kidney, dear God; You will heal him and make him well, for the glory of God, as we, the church of Living God, believe and ask for this blessing for this boy! May he be released from this condition and be restored to his health and be well for the glory of God, that Your Name will be magnified and the faith of Your people, Lord, will be inspired to know that You are the Living God in our midst. In the Name of Jesus Christ, we pronounce Your blessings upon him, for the glory of God, amen. Thank You, Jesus. Thank You, precious Lord.

Just believe Him as you stand here in this part of the service. Is there anyone that is sick right here in their body? Just lift your hands, if you are sick in your body

and you have need of healing. Almost all of you look like physical sickness. [Bro. Vin speaks to someone -Ed.] Praise His mighty Name!

Will you just help me with your faith? Some of you I know have strong faith standing here. If you are a believer, just... Praise God. This dear one here is a young lady who used to be among us as a child growing up and she has been so badly afflicted. I talked with her recently. And I trust that you all will believe here together with us. Amen. I will reach out my hands over you all and these brothers are standing around you and the church. Faith is all around you this morning, so just believe with all your hearts.

Just shut all unbelief and fear and doubt and reasoning from your minds right now, just push it back, as this great wall of faith is being created around you, because we gather here as believers in the Presence of the Living God Who is not far away, but Who promised that where two or three are gathered together in His Name, there He is in their midst.

And healing is a finished work and no man has any power to heal. You know that. Gifts stimulate faith but your faith is tied to a finished work on Calvary. And this is what goes into operation and this overcomes that defeated enemy every time. Because that work is where he was stripped of all power and the price for your sickness was paid. Now believe with all your heart.

And those of you who might have a need and are standing there, out in the side rooms, out on the outside, in the building, even you, believe Him right now. Because this is a spiritual thing. We can link up with faith in a union right here, standing upon the precious infallible Word of Almighty God.

Gracious Father, we stand, Lord, as believers, a believing church that has been taught, that has been trained, that You have blessed, that You have revealed to us, Lord, it is thy Faith, the power of true confession

and, Lord God, You have shown to us the approach when it comes to healing.

And dear God, even as we stand here, in James 5:14, these who have been anointed with oil, and the elders standing here, four of us, dear Lord, that is double confirmation, oh God. Oh God, and so we believe with a believing church for all of these, Father! And oh God, we know that faith in one heart is more than sufficient, but dear God, when believers can stand united in love and consideration for those who are sick amongst them, sickness is defeated! And we drive it back! Satan, you are defeated! We rebuke you! Come out of these people! In the Name of Jesus Christ, take your filthy hands off of them!

And Almighty God, may Your Quickening Power move, dear God, the Spirit of revelation into the hearts of these. May their faith be anointed. May the Word tie their souls to the finished work and may they walk out of this condition as that faith waxes strong, as it draws virtue. And may they be healed in their bodies, may they be quickened in their souls, and may all sickness leave them completely and they'll be well to live for you and to serve you and to magnify you with a healthy body, in the Name of Jesus Christ, we ask it, thanking You for Your grace, Lord. Thank You, Jesus.

Let's lift our hands and praise Him. He is faithful. He is a wonderful God. Faith in God can move a mighty mountain. Faith calms a troubled sea. Faith makes the desert like a fountain. Faith is our victory! Amen! Believe with your heart, confess with your mouth; you shall never be ashamed. Thank You, Jesus!

We appreciate Your grace and Your power and Your Presence and Your faithfulness to Your promise, and the responsibility as a Father over Your children, a Husband to Your Wife, the Bride of Jesus Christ and the provision that You have made. We thank You, Lord. Blessed be Your Name!

Now, dear God, lead us in Your Word. Bless us in this service. Supply every other's need through your Word. Both: spiritually build us up; let there be such deliverance. Let there be such awakening and realization, in the hearts and minds, of this evil Age, that we can flee it and flee to the Refuge, oh my God, that we can fight the fight of faith in this Hour and fulfill Your Word.

And all our brothers and sisters out in the region, may this blessing, may this Presence move through, oh God, again, Father, even when they would sit around, Lord God, the recorded version of this very meeting and Your Presence with Your people here. And not only that, but may they have a very visitation from You, this morning where they are gathered, Lord, to minister unto them also and let great faith rise in their hearts and, dear God, may they become sensitized to the Living Presence among them in this late Hour, that we can rise up, Lord, and take a rigid stand for You, that Your will could be done in our lives. We thank You for these things, in the Name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Now lead us and direct us in the paths of service, in Jesus' Name, amen.

God bless you. I'm glad to see our Sis. Shabazz out. She had this operation recently, and God bless her. I'm so glad to see her in church. And to all the strangers and visitors, may God bless you. I understand Bro. Rawl has his brother and his family here. May God bless them.

And may every one that has come in the house of God for His help, His blessing, may you find it. And as you who feel impressed of the Spirit of God in your own life in this Age, at this time, you who want to draw closer, you who want to be more filled with the Spirit, you who are looking for deliverance, you who are halting between two opinions, may God be gracious to give it to you. You who have decisions to make and need His wisdom, you

who are at a place where you need leadership in your life, may He give it to you. Amen!

You, who are seeking a mate and you have to wait a little bit, may He give you patience to wait. You who, you know, are trying to go your own way to get things done, may He take you out of your way and may He give you faith to believe in Him that He will make everything right for you. Just trust Him and walk sometimes, (amen,) and do what you have to do also. Amen? Is that alright? Does everybody feel fine? [Congregation replies, "Amen." -Ed.] Amen!

Let's just open up the Word and I will like to invite your attention to the Book of Galatians. I will like to read back there, what I read last week, but I will like to add a little more with that and go to Ecclesiastes 9 and that may suffice, and maybe Jeremiah 5. And we'll take a little reading out of there first, then I will get you in your seat and we will continue on. Galatians 1, Ecclesiastes 9; Jeremiah 5. Just one verse or two verses out of here; I will like to take a little reading.

I so enjoyed the service on Friday and it was just such a tremendous blessing, I believe. And you know, it's not so much that you want to preach or you have things you want to say, but it is the Presence of the Lord in the midst. For when the Lord can breathe in His Word and through His Word, that is what is important. I could stand up here and talk all these things and if I'm not anointed, not directed, not inspired, and the Spirit of God is not there, it will just be something mental. But when the Spirit of God is there you can just say "Good morning," and that just lightens up somebody's day. Amen?

And so, that is what we need – the Holy Spirit. And He promised to be with us and that is what we so desire – to want to have Him in our midst. I feel so naked without Him because I have no ability of my own. I depend upon Him. I struggle when He is not around, and I'm so glad that He is a good God Who cares for us.

Galatians 1. And you remember what I have been speaking on? *A Woman in Travail* [2004-1229 -Ed.] and then *The Conspirators And Their Conspiracy* [2004-1231 -Ed.] and *The Realization Of This Insane Age*. [2005-0102 -Ed.] And I'm continuing on that focus: **“THE REALIZATION OF THIS INSANE AGE”**, **Part 2**, this morning. And Galatians 1, I am going to read out of verse 3.

³ Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ,

Paul was writing to the Galatians. Remember the Galatians? The Book of Galatians was that they were trying to go back to works; to do something to feel justified before God and to become accepted before God, and to see some success in their lives, and Paul came and said, *“O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you?”* [Galatians 3:1 -Ed.] You can't do anything; it is not by your might or by your power; Jesus Christ has done something for you. Learn to line up with what God has done and work with what God has done, rather than struggle with your own self.” So, that's why this greeting is this way.

³ Grace be to you and peace be from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ,

⁴ Who gave himself for our sins...

Because they were trying to do something for their own sin, to justify their own selves.

... that he might deliver us...

So, he started already to tell them it was Jesus Christ Who gave Himself for them. They couldn't do anything for themselves to come out and it was He Who did that because He was determined to deliver them.

... from this present evil world...

And that word is really... There are two words that are used: one is 'eon' and one is 'kosmos'. But this is 'eon' here, because it is a time word, speaking about the Age; defining the spirit of the Age that makes it evil. So 'evil world', in the sense of how the Age is evil because there are certain evils of this Day.

In the last days they will be heady. In the last days they will be high-minded. In the last days they will be lovers of pleasure. In the last days they will have a form of godliness but denying the power thereof. In the last days they will be rich and increased with goods and say, "I have need of nothing." And their self-estimation, the sins of the Age, the evils of the Age, that makes them reject Him. Because they are lukewarm, He spewed them out of His mouth. See?

That is the spirit of the Age. It is not like in the Age when they walked in the arena and gave their lives because they loved God so much. Today, if they get persecuted for wearing a long dress, they would go and wear a short one and they'll pull it up closely. Back there when they got persecuted for that, brother, they stood firm, nothing shook them and they were willing to give their lives and all. Back there they beat the apostles. If somebody criticizes you, beats you for the Gospel, you hide your Bible in a bag; you don't want to come out and serve God. Back there they came back, they prayed, they rejoiced that they suffered persecution for Jesus' sake, and they got filled with the Holy Ghost and they went back out and preached with boldness again.

But this Age is a characterless Age. That is why Boaz is looking for character in the field. Eliezer sweat it out to find character at Evening Time. Because in this Age, they want more clothes on the outside to look good outside but have no character inside. This world, they are on an outward show to please one another and impress one another. That is the spirit of the Age.

... our Lord Jesus Christ,

⁴ Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world...

If you are in this world, you need deliverance. If you were born in this Age, you need deliverance from this Age.

... according to the will of God and our
Father.

That's the consolation right there. He gave Himself for us, according to the will of God. It was God's will to deliver us from the Age. And God saw what it was going to cost to deliver us, and God became flesh and gave His life. "No man takes My life; I lay it down for you." That is why the judgment is so harsh in this Age because look what God was willing to do to get you out, that if you refuse that, look what you are turning down. Do you get that? That's the reading of that Scripture right there, friends. If you can read the Bible, not like a newspaper, but catch what the Holy Spirit said there, that is the embodiment of what he is saying right there.

⁵ To whom be glory forever and ever.

Amen.

Ecclesiastes 9, verse 12:

¹² For man also knoweth not his time...

That is the thing about man, he cannot recognize his day, he cannot recognize his message; he doesn't know what time he is living in.

Ecclesiastes... I thought you found it when I called all three. You looked for one and you waited!

¹² For man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare; so are the sons of men snared in an evil time...

In an evil Age; in an evil Day.

... when it falleth suddenly upon them.

Man knoweth not his time. They don't know what kind of world was prophesied in the last days – when everything will be deceived; that if God didn't send a Prophet to open the Seven Seals to see what kind of world we are living in, Satan's Eden, we wouldn't even know how to come out of it. Do you get that?

¹² For man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net...

How many know there is an evil net today that has taken the world? Yeah! It is called the Internet; the Worldwide Web. That is right.

... and as the birds that are caught in the snare [birds that are caught in the snare]; so are the sons of men snared in an evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them.

Do you see why now, He had to give His Son to deliver us out of this evil Age? Because the world, this time it is a snare taking people unsuspectingly. Why? Because man knoweth not his time. They can't see the insane Age. They can't see Hell being created. They think the world has gotten really nice, so there are plenty of things to do and enjoy. They think the world is a really big pleasure place, a big arcade to enjoy themselves.

They don't know Hell has come here. They don't know it is a prison house; it is a cage. The world has—Babylon has become the cage, and before you can get in the cage, you have to be hunted and trapped before you can get in the cage. And what does It say here? "Men are snared. Men are taken in an evil net, in an evil time because they don't know the time." But He gave His Son to deliver us from this present evil Age.

Jeremiah 5, verse 26:

26 For among my people, are found wicked men...

The conspirators and their conspiracy.

... they lay wait, as he that setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men.

That is how the world ended up in the cage. That is how they get in the debt trap, like the creditor had trapped the widow and her two sons in the debt trap to take them into captivity. Do you get what I am saying?

... they lay wait, as he that setteth snares.

He said, "There are people sitting down and thinking in big board meetings; they call them 'executives'. They call it 'micro-management.'" Do you understand what I

am saying? And they are sitting down there but it's men setting snares. By the time they are done, they are ruling you with rigor – the taskmasters. They break your spirit and you can't serve God. You are trapped in a system, building up a system for Pharaoh. And Moses came and you are down in the brick-pit only making bricks and you can't hear what the Prophet is saying. And you know Egypt is under judgment and that whole world is falling. Do you get what I'm saying?

... they lay wait, as he that setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men.

Men taken in an evil net; men taken in a snare in an evil time.

²⁷ As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit: [a cage full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit]: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.

How did they become rich and increased with goods and have need of nothing? How did she become decked with pearls and precious stones? How did she come to a place so rich that she'll control the wealth of the world? Is Babylon going to control the wealth of the world? Are evil men a secret society there, all those Knights of Columbus and those C.I.A. and those Illuminati and all those people; all those arms of the Vatican; all those Jesuits who infiltrate the world? Has Roman infiltrated the world and uses kings and merchants in her deadly schemes?

How do they have those corporate take-overs? How do they buy out countries and manipulate countries and their resources? They set business snares. They lay wait for them. They know how to read the economy. They know how to watch the stock market. They know how to manipulate and falsify the balances by deceit. They know how to take the poor and needy. They know how to reduce people to poverty who have something and scheme them out of what they have. They know how to put pressure and arm-wrestle in those big corporate

meetings, to make people restructure their economy and these things. And then they become rich and you become poor. Then you become their slave and they become your master. Are you getting me? Are you thinking with me? I could preach a little 'I love Lucy, Jesus message', you know.

May the Lord bless the reading of His Word! You may have your seats.

You know, you look at the Word, friends, and I tell you it's... You know, right now my heart is so burdened. I'm under a lot of pressure because I'm trying to go against the current; I'm trying to go upstream. I am seeing a promise and every inch of ground I have to get, I have to fight for it.

And sometimes when I see the necessity to have certain things now, you have a lot of people who say, "Well God promised and God will give it," because they don't know their time and season. They don't know that to travel the next part of the journey without that, then they can't face what will be there, and they'll have to fight battles here to acquire that to walk into that next phase. And they have to lay aside certain weights and sins they travel with, that when we reach another junction, they can't have that weight and sin there. Do you get what I'm saying?

But you find a lot of people don't live their lives that way, because they are in a kind of generalized God: "Well, if God said so and God will do it and..." And they go along there. But you see, the Prophet, he was watching the signs. He was reading the handwriting on the wall. He was watching the symphony of God's Word. And when he used illustrations like that, he was saying, "We are at this junction. It is a change of beat; we must have this now." And people couldn't see it. If they are not in the symphony, they can't see any junction, so they are not seeing any need to change and do that. They find they are getting success here, they are

prospering here, so they can do this here. Do you get what I'm saying?

And this is where, when you are a prisoner to the Word and you are living your life for the Word, sometimes your own human mind will tell you, "You are unreasonable. You are a fanatic." But you see, in the long run, you know what Age you are living in, and you know the end of the Age, and you know the results at the end. Do you get what I'm saying? And you know what the Age is going to come to.

And that's why God gave us a Message to make us look forward. Not just present and backward, but to look forward; to see what's coming; to see what it is. And God gave us a Message that can reveal to us, times and seasons. God throws light on times and seasons. Why? So we can understand the purpose of God, because to every purpose under Heaven, is a time and season.

A woman may have her clothes to wash and she is in the rainy season and she gets some hours of sunlight, and if she doesn't realize—and she got a space where there is water in the pipe, but if she sticks to her routine and realizes, "No, no, well, I wash on Thursdays, and she doesn't realize, water is going regularly; they are shutting it off and it is not available as it used to be, because they have to distribute water in other places, and she doesn't realize all nature is taking a tumble and the weather is not reliable as it used to be; you have freak weather, (do you get what I am saying?) she has to know, "I have to get out of my human program. I have to be sensitive to my opportunity. Things haven't shut down my opportunities but now I need to be flexible and be able to adjust, to utilize the privilege that God makes available to me."

And this is the same way with the church. You are in places, and sometimes in a Spirit-led life... That is why the Bible said, "Man that is led by the Spirit, that's the man that God works with," the believer. Every believer has to be a Spirit-led person. The man that is born of

the Spirit, he is a Spirit-led person. He is like the wind that bloweth; he can't tell where it is going and where it is coming from.

But we live in an Age that structures us, to hold us in the time element, and we got a Message that told us that we are outside of the time element. You have to keep your balance. You have to learn to manage your time, but then at the same time, you have to learn that time equals opportunity. And when the opportunity for certain things that God wants to give you comes, and that is conflicting with another time, you have to learn how to get from God because God is expecting to be sovereign and supreme in your life at that time.

Because He is not coming to work with you; you are working with Him. And you can't explain to Him, "But God, You know," and, "I can't do that now, Lord." Because He knows the future and when He makes that move to you, He knows, "That is the best time for that." But you look in your reasoning and you see, that is going to upset your plans. That is going to upset your program and then you find out, "Well, no, I can't cooperate with that." Because that conflicts with your program, but you are not sensitive to know, "I am set in my ways, and I am not really sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit, and I am not enquiring further to see the mind of the Spirit."

And that's why sometimes we have to make certain moves because you can't relive your life and you can't regain a lost opportunity; when you had a time to do something.

You had a time to get married and that girl was waiting there for all those years. You talked to her and she is there, and she said, "I will wait for you," so and so and so. And you dilly-dallied and you dragged your feet, and you did this, and you didn't want to be a man and you didn't want to rise up, and you were just carefree and careless.

And then she realized, you are a dead-end street, and she has a life to live, and she has a future. And she has more faith than what you are exercising there. And she realized you are already showing you are going to tie up her life. And she gets out of that one-way street—that dead-end street, rather, and she gets on God’s Street and you missed your opportunity, friend. You bypassed the vision. Do you know why? With your dilatory thing, you sat down there when you were supposed to be moving and the vision bypassed you and went. You had an opportunity and you didn’t capitalize on the opportunity.

This is the way people, in their lives with God, they can’t relive things. Sometimes you say, “When I was in school, they offered me a job, but you know, I really didn’t want to take that job, you know, because I kind of figure, the pressure, and I had an interest down here, other than what I was working there and what my responsibility was. I had another interest and I kind of stayed back hoping this, and I missed the leading of God.”

Do you know that you can miss the leading of God? How many know God told the prophet, “Preach, but don’t stay and eat and drink here.” Is that right? But how many know, man talked him out of the will of God? [1st Kings 13 –Ed.] How many know man talked Balaam out of the will of God?

How many know man gets in a place where they kind of think they have the franchise on God and not knowing that God gives them opportunities? Because those places, it takes faith to walk in the will of God; it takes trusting God. And then afterwards, sometimes people could get in a grouse and get bitter, and get in a dead-end street and start to blame people and find that God is so hard.

Like all these people here said, “What happened to God?” There you have hundreds and hundreds of thousands of young girls in prostitution, in brothels; in

slavery. They created the country with an image and a commodity of sex-tourism. And it got so powerful, it was pulling so much money in that economy and they developed those beaches and they made it a little paradise. And they have all those young girls and they shoot them with hormones and things. Their minds haven't even got to that level yet but they are controlled by people who have organized prostitution and these things. And when God swept away tourists and sucked away all those people and these things, they started to say, "God, how can You do this to us?" [Bro. Vin refers to the 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami -Ed.] Do you get what I am saying?

And those things, those are legislations. That is man who sit down and decriminalize prostitution; decriminalize homosexuality. That is their university wisdom, how to develop the country. Like what Barbados wants to do right here - they want to decriminalized homosexuality and prostitution. Why? Because they too are a tourist industry, right here, next door in the Caribbean. But this is the kind of world they are creating.

And the big powers, who have restructured the world, made all the islands who have nice beaches and tropical climate, they use them for tourism. Casinos started to spring up. They got cultured with lottery and 'whe whe' [once illegal gambling, is now legal -Ed.] for that. And then they are bringing in... They built nice, big airports so they can bring in big carriers. And they fixed up their harbors so you can bring in the big steam ships, the big cruise liners. Then they equate, if they get a European thing, the Euro is strong, so how much revenue that is when you sign contracts with the big liners that can bring two thousand passengers. Do you get what I am saying?

And they spend so much money and then it looks like your country is developing: nice hotels, nice malls; nice things. Do you think that is for the local people? They are getting trapped in that, but that is to bring in

tourism, that when the people come, they don't have to descend into a lower order. They can come in your country and find the same standards that they want and the same pleasures to enjoy. And when they start to increase the nightclubs, don't you know they have to look for young girls to put in there? Do you think everybody is coming and looking for 'hippopotamus' and 'rhinoceros'? They want young 'deer'.

And what is happening? These are architects building a new society. These are the big international bankers and the architects of the New World Order who are telling you, "Your country will have to diversify now and develop your economy for tourism. And then now, when your business is going badly, you will have to get down to Latin America, which is nearby to you, and get some 'high-colored' Colombians and Venezuelans and different—some more variety of the species.

And then the people in Woodbrook [Place in Trinidad -Ed.] are complaining that cars are parked all in front of their houses, two men walking out drunk together, in cars, parked up; next thing they are by their gates and the little children... It used to be a residential area. And people start to say, "But the world is bad, isn't that so? But you don't see things...?" And they make it some little political issue, some social issue, and they are trying to get a placard and wear a T-shirt and take a march around the savannah to fight that. And after a while, they get frustrated for their cause because the authorities can't have any ear to that cause because they are watching the kind of revenue coming into their countries.

And then the more—the cultural scientists sit down and analyze the Carnival: "How can we make it more attractive? How can we make it... Because we find that some people come down here and they find the 'tents' [venues where calypsonians perform -Ed.] and they are a certain way, or they find the shows and them, they don't feel safe. And sometimes they want to get involved in the 'mas'

[dress up in costumes and parade in a band -Ed.] too, so we have to bring out the bands now a certain way, and bring it more appealing so we'll draw more crowds and we'll keep the reputation. Because if somebody else, Rio starts to do up theirs, and in France, they start to do up theirs, and London Carnival, Nottingham Hill and them start to do up their Carnival, then you will lose your rating; that you don't have enough sensuality. There is enough pleasure and there is a shortage, you know, of amenities that they came for."

And so, they went off at that time of the year. They hold back the money to spend it in another month when London is having their Carnival. Or they find Barbados is better, so then you have to study how yours is operating to equate with Barbados, see why they are pulling in a big piece of the crowd and then you have to put out some of the same kind of 'food' on your table, to buy into that market.

Because the man who sits down there, calls that 'market strategy' – to boost your low income and to bring an upsurge in that economy. He has a degree for that. But he is not educated; he has no intelligence. I should say, he is educated; he has no intelligence. Education only teaches you to perform a task, and outside the box of that task, if you can't think, you are a robot.

That is why the school system is designed to cram, cram, cram, cram, cram; cram. "Learn Spanish, learn this, learn this Math, learn this," and they train them to pass a test and when they come out, that is what they know. If you talk in that little box, they know that. And they get a job and they go and they teach them one or two functions to operate this pump: "Do this, do that, do that, write this, take this sheet, put this data on this computer, put it on that file," and that is that.

Then they come out there. While they are walking around proud in their heart they have this degree, they have that degree, they have that degree, brother, and

some little, old girl with Aids, in a hot pants in a party with a wet T-shirt or something, throws all of that down the garbage dump. Do you get what I am saying?

Am I talking fiction? [Congregation says, "No." –Ed.] What am I talking about? This present evil Age! Do you think it just became this way? I'm trying to show you, it was constructed. I'm trying to show you why a Prophet said, "Education is of the Devil." He said, "I don't mean literacy; you have to learn to read and write, but then you need the Spirit of God to apply knowledge." You need the spirit of wisdom and revelation to think beyond the robotic stage of your life. Because all of that education is only a robotic stage of your life.

When you walk in the world now, you need discernment. You need to know, "Who am I? What was I made for? What time am I living in? What is the plan of God? What are the morals I should have? What gives me favor with God?" Because in the end when the time comes and it runs out on earth and you are getting ready to go down, brother, if you don't know Jesus Christ, that was a wasted life.

Because all that a man does to build up a system, brother, they say, "The economy is bad." They sell that out, and they have to diversify and it becomes something else. They bulldozer that and make it a playground, an amusement park. And that was your life, and that was your big commitment, and that was your big job, and that was your position, and that was what you went to work for, and that was what you labored for, and that was what you resisted God for. And another man comes and pays a few dollars and buys it and bulldozes that place and makes an amusement park because they said, "The economy is bad; that business is not working anymore." Why? Because life to you was just robotic, because your education influenced you.

Friends, learn as much as you can learn, but make sure you fill up with the right things. Make sure you fill

up with the things that that knowledge will produce a faith. Any knowledge that doesn't produce a faith, any knowledge that doesn't make God's face clearer to you, any knowledge that doesn't reveal to you, God's purpose in your life, you have wrong knowledge; you have useless knowledge. When you have that knowledge in you, when you are doing a work in a place, brother, even what you are doing in that function, you will see God in it; you will see God in it. Do you get what I am saying?

They can't trap you and enslave you because you are governed by the Other Knowledge. But who designed the education system? The educational system is to fit the world that it was designed for. It is a part of the brainpower to run the... It is the software to operate the system. So, you need that type of education to operate in a certain type of world.

Why do you think we have to die to our own thinking and the Mind of Christ has to come in? Because if that doesn't come in, we can't get into the Other World at all. What if you only had denominational knowledge, what would happen? God would have bypassed you, like in this Age. You would have turned around with that denominational knowledge and rejected the Word and called God, the Devil.

Didn't the Jews do that? Hasn't denomination rejected the Word in this Age, claiming to be Christians when the Word said they were not even Christians to begin with? Then can you see those kinds of snares? What level are those men thinking on? Is that human knowledge? No! That is a supernatural knowledge they have, coming from a supernatural Devil – a far more highly civilized being. Because they are really building a civilization – a science civilization. Do you think that?

What was I preaching on Old Years night? *The Conspirators And Their Conspiracy*. [2004-1231 -Ed.] My! Satan is building a kingdom just like God is. Turn with me; I want to go to another Scripture. Revelation 18. Let

me get Genesis 10 first, Genesis 10:8-12 and Revelation 18:1-5. Oh my!

Brother, I tell you, this is the result of Evening Light, friends. Had we been in an organization, I would have been looking to get a Doctor of Divinity. I would have been trying to get my PhD. and come with my turned-back collar, and then every time I would advertise in the newspaper, I would put 'Doctor' before my name. And then you would have had a classical group of people who would have looked at you and kind of said, "Well, our Pastor is better than that Pastor because that other Pastor didn't get his degree as yet, but our Pastor got his degree. So, we are more secured because we have a certified Pastor." Do you get what I am saying?

You would have found a basis to have a little pride about your Pastor. That is where a lot of people get their pride from for their Pastor – out there. "Our Pastor is on the T.V. and the radio." That's right. Then sometimes, why when you get that educated, you look back and say, "Those Message people are backward. They are backward.

Like Oral Roberts, he said... "If Bro. Branham did like Oral Roberts, he... The man lost all our crowd." They said, "The men came up there and got tied up with... You should read some of what the historians and the contemporary people for this Age, looking at Bro. Branham in the light of the other evangelists, they see him as such a failure and so inadequate. And yet every move is, Jesus had to thin down the crowd, and we are seeing the Bible, the Bible, the Bible, the Bible, the Bible; the Bible. Do you get what I am saying?

And when the leader of those things died, you tell me—you show me one, that the work got greater after the leader died. It doesn't have it. This got greater after the leader died. This thing produced Ministers that could put all of those people with their degrees, to sit down at their feet and learn.

Genesis 10, verse 8. I'm trying to bring a little setting here of this text for you, to show you how this Age is cultured. It is called an Eden. He said Satan is building this; building a kingdom, building a world – the 'kosmos'. When the Bible speaks of the world, we don't realize what the Bible calls 'the world'... What we call 'the world' and what the Bible calls 'the world' is two different things.

Because when the Bible speaks of 'the world', It speaks of it so specifically: order, and arrangement, principalities, powers; rulers of the darkness. It presents an organized world: in the realm of military, in the realm of politics, in the realm of science, in the realm of medicine, in the realm of education, in the realm of sport; in the realm of communication – an organized world; so highly organized.

Why? There is a super intelligence behind it – Satan: "I will be like God. I will build my world." And men are being anointed with this super intelligence. And the only way for God to combat that, God has to come down and bring a Super Intelligence for us too. And the wisdom of God turns the wisdom of the world to foolishness.

Genesis 10, verse 8:

⁸ And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth.

⁹ He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD.

Three times here It tells us: "A mighty one in the earth"; "A mighty hunter." And even in Moses' time, when Moses was writing Genesis, his reputation had still existed in the earth after all that time. Think of it. After six hundred years after the flood, the man's reputation was still on the earth until It said:

... Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD.

And those words, 'before the Lord', 'Nimrod before the Lord', is speaking of, '*in opposition to the Lord*'. He was putting himself before the Lord. This is a spirit of exaltation. This is a spirit that wants to exalt itself above the Word. This is a spirit now, that wants to put aside the Word to establish their own thing.

But It tells us, this man was a mighty hunter. And you notice in the Bible, from the few illustrations I read out of Jeremiah 5 and Ecclesiastes 9, 'hunter' is being used for setting snares and traps. It's religious connotations are speaking about people; snaring people. They catch men. Because for a little subject I have, ***"Hunted, Captured And Caged In The Prison House."***

The world has become a cage. But before it can become a cage and a hold of every foul spirit and a habitation, they had to be hunted, they had to be snared, and then they had to be caged. That is why there is a battle in your mind. Do you understand that? When you lose the battle, when you get deceived, and you get in the trap, you come into the cage. Why? You lose the battle in your mind.

She started to see the tree was good for food. He manipulated her senses. He laid a trap; he got her across the line of the Word. He brought her from innocence to knowledge. She was stalked.

Have you ever seen young girls get stalked? A fellow sees you taking that maxi taxi one day, two days; three days. On the fourth day, he stands right there: "Let me take a walk with you. So where are you going? Where are you living 'cutie pie'? So, you don't want to talk to me?"

See! She is trying to resist that. First she says... But down inside of there she likes that attention. Oh! But she kind of looks at him with a little contempt because he isn't dressed too well. But she kind of figures, "I can get better clothes than that on him, so I'll play smart because he's kind of cute. I like his nose, and he has

curly hair.” Stupid! She is already hunted; she’s stalked.

Next day she stands up there, he is right there again. He has a nice little pen. She doesn’t know if he picked it off of somebody, you know, but he’s giving gifts now. He is a wise man. And he said, “You know, the wise men brought gifts.” Whoop! She said, “He is talking Bible.” She kind of says, “Well, he has some potential.”

“So when are you carrying me to church with you?”

Next thing Cosby walks in with Zimri. She’s bringing Zimri to church. Hunted, stalked, then in the trap.

¹⁰ And the beginning [verse 10] of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.

The beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and out of Babel come Erech and Accad, and Calneh. The beginning of his kingdom was Mystery Babylon, and out of her, the great whore, came Lutherans and Methodists and Baptists and Jehovah’s Witnesses and Seventh-day Adventists. And he was building cities after cities after cities.

When Babylon was first built, it was first called ‘the gate to Heaven; the gate to God’. But after the overthrow, when he tried to build the tower and God confounded them, it was called ‘confusion’. And then it was known as ‘confusion’ all the way afterwards. But first when it was built, it was called ‘the gate of God’.

Because you had the ‘woman’s seed’, the impersonation ‘woman’s seed’, building this, ‘the hunter’, giving them a religion, giving them something to give them a misinterpretation of the promise. Do you get what I am saying? He went forth conquering and to conquer. He went forth with sayings that became a deed and a doctrine, and he became the false prophet of that doctrine. Then he became the Beast; he had an empire under him. Nicolaitanism, Balaamism and then the doctrine of Jezebel. He built an organized religion, and

then the whole world had to bow to that. He built the cage. He built the cage. He changed the world.

Because after the flood, you see Noah planted a garden. The next time you see something, he built a city. This man built a city. What are you seeing there? What are you seeing there? A man is going forth now, to change the world from the way it was.

What did Cain do? Went forth to change the world from the way it was. You see Abel, a shepherd, and Cain rejected the Truth; went out of the Presence of God. And then what did he do? He began to mine. He began to build cities. Are you getting me? I want you to listen to me. What was going to happen? He now was going to bring man to live in a different way than they were designed to live in.

Listen closely: someone is getting a thought to restructure, re-culture, refocus, change the way of a person's life, by giving them a lifestyle that seems more upgraded and better than what they were in.

He's a hunter; he's going to bring them to that kind of cage: a pleasure cage; a fashion cage. In that cage there is fashion, until everybody outside of that cage looks old-fashioned to you. Isn't that something? Everybody outside of that cage looks like an oddball. Because in that cage, you can party. In that cage, you can sing anything you want to sing. In that cage, you could be 'funky'. Do you get what I am saying? In that cage, you can serve God today and don't have to serve God tomorrow. In that cage, you can hug up God and hug up Lucifer.

In that cage, you are being stripped of principles, and you become one that blows with the wind. You have no conviction, you have no morals, you have no principles; you go with anything. You get talked into anything in that cage. Because in that cage, it is designed to take those things away from you and make you easy to be manipulated; easy to be manipulated.

Now, watch yourself while I am speaking; you are going to find out if you have been stalked already and you have been caught and if you are in the cage. You say, "What do you mean? Can you be in this church and be in the cage?" This is a building. This is wood and stone. The only way you can't be in that cage, you have to be in Christ through the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

He has to get justified, sanctified and get the Holy Ghost to get you because that is the way you came in here. And by the time he gets justified, sanctified and gets the Holy Ghost, he becomes your brother. So, he can't come in here. You are in a place where he is sealed out. But if you are just in this church, (sure!) you can be in the cage.

Because this church is a building. There are many people who have buildings and preachers and congregations and talk about 'open Bible' and talking about God. You don't get caught in that kind of thing. Right now this morning, there are people talking about—right now there is man preaching and 'sweating for Jesus'; 'Sweating in the Spirit'. [Bro. Vin refers to a 3-in-1 workout program -Ed.] Right now there are churches taking out their handkerchiefs and waving, because they are singing Christian lyrics with the same thing that they are singing outside there as the whole country is getting in the Carnival 'fire'. And the anointed ones out there are catching their inspiration and bringing their 'fresh fire' for 2005. Do you get what I am saying?

Do you see why my battle is hard? Do you see the fight I'm fighting? Do you see what I am trying to stand and hold, friends? If you believe God sent me, I'm looking for people to stand with me, you know. I am looking for people to fight this fight, you know.

God started to talk to me this morning about something, and then I said I want to have Youth Services again. Because I have so many of them here; they are all in-between. I can't afford to put up the tent and pay that kind of money to rent the tent for them.

And then they are down here and they could take half an hour and then they are tired and then they can't really catch half of the things, and then it frustrates them.

And right among them, there are so many gifted ones, and so many deposits of Eternal Life, but they need the Water to come down and get right down to the Seed to germinate it. So, if I can develop that untapped resource that is inside of them... Do you hear how I am thinking about it? Because you see, I want to fight this fight and I need an army to fight this fight.

When God told Gideon... After he blew that trumpet and gathered them, he was getting an army ready for a battle against three powers that were devouring their increase over and over and keeping them in famine, you know, and having them living below their God-given privileges. When the Angel came down, He came to quicken them to recognize that they could do it and he could do it as one man. But he had to get people to believe that God was sending him as he sent the prophet.

Because God said, "Have not I sent you?"

And he was sitting down there saying, "You know, when the prophet was here, if God be with us, then where are all the miracles? Where is this here?"

So, I am not trying to point you backwards, you know. Your eyes must be on the Prophet. You know that. And when I am talking with you, I'm not talking about myself, you know. But none of these here, who is Bro. Branham to them? Do they know this man from the States, Kentucky? Do they know what cherry pie is? How many of them ever ate cherry pie? Do they know what red hots are?

They don't need that. They need to know, "Bro. Vin, did God send you too? Did you meet God too? Is that same God with you too?" That is what they need to know. They need to know: "What is it that makes you stand this way? Why do you have that conviction you

have? We went around some other Message churches and saw. Why are we not like that? I only heard a little about thirty-two years ago you are standing, and since I was growing up, I know you the way you are. What is it that you met? What is it that has you this way?"

I want to tell them about the cause that I'm standing for. Do you know why I am standing this way? Because I saw those Angels that came to that Prophet. I saw God sent a Prophet. I saw Seven Angels come to that man. I met that God Who sent that Prophet. That is why I'm standing this way. That is why I preach this Message that way! That is why I make the sacrifices I'm making. But I want you to know that that same God is here. And I want you to know... I want to get you to believe in this cause.

When they are going to have a revolution in the natural, do you think a man comes and tells them, "Che Guevara [Argentina-born Cuban revolutionary -Ed.], Che Guevara, Che Guevara, Che Guevara, Che Guevara"? He is dead and gone. This man is going to lead these people into battle and their lives are going to 'get shot' [get rid of -Ed.] by the system if they are going to overthrow the government. So they want to know, "Do you know what you are doing? Don't give me a book on Che to read. Were you raised up to continue Che's work?" That was why Fidel Castro [Cuban revolutionary and politician -Ed.] went and they believed in Fidel. That's right. And he had a revolution.

And that's why I want to have some young people's services. I mean service is for everybody, but it's designed to make—to get the church sealed. This is not just young people's services, you know; this is to get the church sealed; the unsealed ones sealed. This is to minister, to usher them into the same faith, to live and walk in the same sphere, to see with the same vision; that the feeling I have in my heart about this Message and this conviction, they could have the same feeling in

their heart, with the same conviction about this Message.

Because if I stand up here and I don't have the faith to walk there and tell them about Bro. Branham, they can never get there. I have to have that faith to walk in there, otherwise the Word I'm saying is going to be a dead, empty, educational Word. But if that Word is alive in me and quickened in me, then that same God has come, and when I speak that Word, it's just on the lips like it was on the Prophet. Because the Bride under Her Messenger will have **THUS SAITH THE LORD**. She will be the Final Voice. The same Spirit on the Bride will say the same thing!

That's where I want... And some of you elder ones here, I'm expecting you to understand me and this cause in this church family here, in this move of the spirit here, that we'll begin to fight our battle in these places, to release from the cage and the power of the cage builder, and set Eagles free who are trapped and can't break those bars of that cage. I will get to it just now.

"One of the saddest sights," he said, "is Cincinnati." I was thinking of that, Bro. Joe – Cincinnati, Ohio. He said, "There are two cities in the whole world that are on seven hills: Cincinnati, Ohio, and Rome." And Rome, Mystery Babylon, is the one who has the cage, what I'm reading there. In her is found the blood of the saints and the martyrs.

But I was thinking how God used Cincinnati, where he saw the eagle caged in the zoo. Because Rome has the cage! Babylon is the cage! And he said, "Oh God, I want to free it. If I only had my hacksaw. I wished I could buy him. I want to pawn my Ford to get him out of that cage."

Later on, he saw it in a dream. He saw the people behind big bars in a cage called 'the house of Hell', the prison house, crying for deliverance! When we started in 1978, to go out beyond our doors, that was the cry.

Sis. Ann Marie got the dream. And I used to be saying, “We hear them in the house of hell crying, ‘We want to be delivered.’”

That is from the cage, friends. That is what I am trying to bring to you here – the cage; the realization of this Age. This whole Age has become that cage. This whole Age has become a world designed to hold you here! It’s a kingdom. It’s a prison house, and the man here doesn’t open his doors. But there was a mighty Angel with a strong voice Who came down and said, “Come out of her, My people!” A mighty Angel came down.

And when I get that, you’ll see how this ties together and where this is, friends? So, you think on what I just said there a little while ago. I slipped that in because that is in my heart behind my preaching. But I let what is in my heart, making me preach what I preach, come out, so you can understand me and my objective and my motive, and what I’m trying to achieve, and why I am doing what I am doing.

Because sometimes, people can misunderstand you and then they are more trying to analyze you. So, when you open your heart to say, “This is why I am doing that,” then they understand; then they understand what you are doing and what it means to you to get that done now. It’s like the woman I talked about, washing the clothes.

See, man knoweth not their time; that is why they get in the snare. Man knoweth not their time. When you see these things begin to come to pass, look up and lift up your heads. We are not of the night; we are of the day. When you see the birth pains, the labor, you know what we are talking about.

Let’s get the feeling of it. I am trying to catch the feeling. I don’t just want to get the knowledge part of it; I want to get the feeling of it. Because if I can impart the feeling through what I am saying, then we will have the same spirit here. Then with all that spirit pooled

together, it will get concentrated directly to the bars of those cages to burst that thing, and we will see deliverance.

Why did the Son of Man come back in the Age of the cage? To deliver us from this present evil Age. Only in this Age he is called the god of the Age. And in this Age, he has blinded their minds to the world; from the cage. But in this Age, we had one who said, "Come up a little higher." And began to show us, "The Millennium is coming. Look how over six thousand years he has built his Eden."

Look what is happening. The psychiatrists don't have the answer for what is happening. The psychologists don't have the answer for what is happening. The rehabilitation centers don't have the answer for what is happening. The denominations don't have the answer. The politicians don't have the answer for what is happening. Social workers don't have the answer for what is happening!

The answer to get out of here, is the Message. Because that Day has come like a snare upon the whole world. But you be accounted worthy to escape that which is coming, because like a snare, it will take the whole world! And that escape is the Rapture. The Rapture is the only way out. And that has started with the Lord descending. And another Mighty Angel came down Whose glory lightened the earth, and a voice on the earth was saying, "Come out of her." Because that One came down to this one saying, "Deliver the people."

He said, "Jesus was standing there with Rainbow lights around Him, talking to me." God and His Prophet were outside the cage. In Revelation 3:20, He was outside the cage. They put Him out. He's outside the cage! In Revelation 10:1, the Rainbow-covenanted One came down.

He said, "Oh God, how to deliver them?"

"Speak it! I will give you a mouth." Seven Thunders uttered their Voices. "I will unlock their minds. I will

bring such revelation; I will give them faith to rise up.” Because faith is the victory that overcometh this world!

God has a plan but we have to understand God’s plan. When we understand God’s plan, we’ll know God’s provided way; the way He wants to bring the deliverance. So, we will not be trying bush-bath. [A ritual bath using potent herbs and spices intended to ward off illness or bad luck –Ed.] Do you get what I am saying? You will not be using calabash and aniseed and spring water. No, no, no! God has a provided way. You are starting to understand God’s way. You are lining up with the Word. Oh my! Jesus!

Revelation 18. So, in Genesis 10, you see where this mighty one, this hunter, went forth – Babylon in the Old Testament. Babylon is in the middle of the Bible, that same Babylon. Do you remember in Daniel, the beginning of the Gentile dispensation? Babylon was the head of gold, a great kingdom. Doing what? Ruling the whole world. Israel was in the cage. It went and hunted Israel, it captured them like it captured the other nations, (is that right?) and it brought them in that cage. And when they came in that cage, what did it do? It forced them to the worship of an image. Is that correct?

But there was a Supernatural something happening. God took Daniel out of the cage. God took Shadrach and Meshach out of the cage; the influence of that cage. He delivered them from the present evil Age. It doesn’t mean He takes you out of the world and puts you on another planet, but He separates you from that influence and the power of that influence from around your life. Amen! So, you are in the world but you are not of the world.

Revelation 18. Now Revelation 17 is the great harlot. You know that! This is between the Vials. Revelation 16 is the Vials, and Revelation 20 is the Millennium. Chapters 17, 18 and 19 is a mystery put there. Chapter 17 is the great whore, the Catholic church, who drunken

the whole world, seated on the scarlet-colored Beast, the god of force, Lucifer – the power that carries this woman, Mystery Babylon.

This is the same religion of Nimrod because... I am going to show you that. Nimrod's religion was intermingled with Christianity. The mysteries of Babylon went to Pergamos, and from Pergamos it went to Rome and the religion of Nimrod is still here. Pontiff Maximus is still here! The cage is still here! Babylon is still here. The hunter and his arts of deception, and his methods of manipulation, exploitation and hunting and capturing and caging, is still here!

Revelation 18 shows God delivering out of there. She has the whole world drunken in surfeiting and drunkenness and the cares of this life, but God came and took some out who was worthy to escape the cage. God is taking out of the cage. We don't have to sit down there: "What can we do? We try to..."

The Prophet had to walk away from Cincinnati, and leave the eagle in the cage and just tell a sad story about an eagle that he couldn't get out of that cage. But when he came to the end of his Ministry and he saw the people in the 'house of hell', the Voice burst up that cage, and the ones who had to be delivered, came out. Do you get what I am saying?

We don't have to try the hacksaw blade. We don't have to pawn the Ford this morning. We have the same thing that could burst up the cage that anyone is caged with. There is a chain around some lives that have them there. Satan said, "You are going to stay there and this is where you are going to serve me here. You will be my comedian. You will be a clown. Your whole life will be spent thinking about jokes, and out of your mouth will only come all kinds of jokes to make people laugh. You are going to be a clown." Do you know he makes pulpit clowns too? Do you know that? Yes, sure!

That is why God is not too much... God has a sense of humor but He is not in the clowning around

business. Because when you get in the Presence of God, you know God is a Holy God, you know God is close, you know God is serious, you know God is all powerful, you know God has all Love, you know God has all understanding; you know God has all willingness to help you out of your condition. And the thing is, when God stretches out His hands to you, God is expecting you to put out your hands and receive His deliverance.

So, Revelation 18. Watch! Revelation 17 is Babylon, okay?

1 And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.

Because John had wondered with great admiration, when he saw this woman: how she was drunk with the blood of the saints and the martyrs, how she was ruling the kings of the earth, how she was riding this scarlet-colored Beast; how she had the whole world under her control. He marveled! And that Angel with the Seventh Vial said, “Come, I will show you the great whore,” and so on. He had shown him.

But now, John was seeing—after he saw her, he was seeing a mighty One coming down from Heaven – the Lord Himself descending, Whose Glory lightened the earth.

2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and [the] cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

What did Jeremiah say? [Jeremiah 5:26-27 -Ed.]

27 As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.

26 For among my people are found [what?] wicked men: they [lie in] wait, as he that

setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men.

And here now, Nimrod was a hunter in the natural Babylon, and that was how he captured them. He was the first one that changed the world by war. He took his military prowess and he captured nations and he conquered people and he subjected them to his system, like what is happening today.

Now watch! But here we are seeing in Mystery Babylon, which, one is in Genesis, one is in Revelation, notice that... I showed you Babylon in the seed Book; I showed you Babylon in the Harvest. Genesis is seed; Revelation is Harvest. One is the first Book in the Bible; one is the last Book in the Bible. And I show you what Babylon has become. Nimrod was ruling the world back there. He got the whole world to become, what? Of one language and one speech. He had conquered everybody.

Now watch it here. Because Babylon is in the beginning of the Bible, the middle of the Bible, and in the end of the Bible. There is a reason for that. So, the Prophet said, "It has to be in existence today."

That is the great thing about Revelation! Revelation, this Book of mystery, this Book of prophecy, this Book that reveals the End Time, reveals that there is a system on the earth, this morning, that has caged up the whole world. And how is it that the whole world doesn't see it? How is it that the whole world believes that that is Christianity? How is it that all the nations, that is what they recognize as the authority for Christianity – the Pope in the Vatican? Even Israel said that is the leader of all Christianity. Think of it! Then if that is so, friends, are they not caged?

Now remember, I said, in that cage, gross darkness has come upon them. In that cage... To get in that cage, the god of this world, what? Blinded them. When they captured Samson, did they hunt Samson first? Did they capture him? Did they cage him? Did they take his eyes out?

Are we getting somewhere? We are getting somewhere! We are getting somewhere. Let me convince you this morning. Will you let me convince you? Am I not speaking the truth? Am I not bringing God's Word? Am I making up this?

This is not about me. I am trying to tell you: Hear what God says. God is giving that revelation of His Word. Hear why a Prophet was sent. Look at the condition in the world. This is not about you sitting down there and watching me and saying, "Hey, don't you hear that? Don't you hear what he is saying?" Understand what I am doing! Understand what I am saying! It is either this is so or this is not so. It's either this is so or it's not so. Then if this is so, then look how strong that control is. Jesus never argued with him when he said, "I will give You all the kingdoms of the world." It belonged to him.

Jesus! [Bro. Vin taps the pulpit once -Ed.] Umm! A whole thing flashed there, but that is to go another way. That was just for me.

This Angel came down Whose Glory lightened the earth. Was there something in this Day that went into Africa, the 'Dark Continent'; went into India, the land of paganism and thirty-three million gods; that went into Mexico among the Aztecs and the Incas and them and all these ancient civilizations; then it went into Europe, into Germany and into the Scandinavian countries, Norway and Finland and those places, and then it went over into the United States and Canada, the civilized places of the world; science and education, cultured, refined people, the heights of civilization?

And did God shake it? Did God shake it everywhere and show that the Bible is still true and there is one true, Living God; His Name is Jesus Christ, and there was a Prophet there proclaiming that Word; that the dead was raised eight times and hundreds of thousands were healed and saved, and millions were witnessed to by the Power of God, and signs were on the earth and

in heaven; shook medical science and all these things and manifested every sign in the Bible?

That Glory filled the whole earth. That Glory lightened the earth, friends. But did they accept that Light? Did they come to the Light? What is the condemnation? Light came and they rejected it. Then could you reject Light and stay in Light? They went into darkness. Gross darkness is upon the earth and upon the people. And look what the earth has become today.

But that Light did once shine. That Light did once shine. That Light found a place to lodge to. That light found a place when the world would not receive it. He said, "If you will not receive it, I will go on the highways, I go in the byways; I will get the harlots, I will get the publicans; I'll bring them to the Kingdom of God!"

Stalin [Joseph Stalin - Former Premier of the Soviet Union -Ed.] knew about that. When He healed Congressman Upshaw, Stalin knew about that. King George knew about that. Nehru [Jawaharlal Nehru - First Prime minister of India -Ed.], India and they knew about that. He went into Africa; Ian Smith [Former Prime Minister of Rhodesia, now Zimbabwe -Ed.] and all of them knew about that. Is that right? They knew about it around the world. But then what did they do? They rejected the Light. This is the Light that lighteth all men, Who cometh into the world. He came unto His Own and His Own received Him not. The Light shone in darkness and the darkness comprehended it not. They rejected the Light! They turned it down, so they could build the cage; so they could build the cage.

² And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying...

With a strong Voice! That Voice, brother, when He spoke, He even spoke to the storms. He spoke to California: "Los Angeles, you will go in the bottom of the ocean!" That voice stopped the... "Storm, go back where you come from!" That voice was so strong, it created. That voice challenged all those religious leaders: "Get

your Bibles and come and stand here in the Presence of the Pillar of Fire.”

That voice stood down there in that meeting and those men who were claiming they were F.B.I came, those backslidden Methodist preachers, he said, “If I am a soothsayer and you have the truth, you come to the platform. If I am a soothsayer, I will fall dead; if you are the soothsayer, you will fall dead.” They found them running out.

Those girls were so frightened, (they got healed,) they said, “Oh, Bro. Branham, Bro. Branham, please you know, the F.B.I. wants to expose you. The F.B.I. is coming to expose you.”

He said, “Honey, the F.B.I were in all my meetings. Captain Al Ferrar, I had him there in the shooting gallery on his knees, praying to receive the Holy Ghost.” He said, “He is an usher in my meetings.” He said, “I have nothing to be afraid of.” He said, “You saw Him as a healer last night; come tonight, honey, you will see Him in battle.” He said, “You will see him in battle.”

When Doctor Best and them in Houston, Texas there, January 1950, brother, they came against him there and they tried to destroy him and say, oh, he is claiming to be a divine healer, and brother, he tried not even to go and fuss with them, the Holy Spirit said, “What are you doing here? Go up there.”

Billy said, “Daddy, I thought you said you were not going? Are you going to fuss with those men?”

He said, “I am not going to fuss, son, I am going to guard the Mercy Seat.” He said, “God told me to go up there.”

He came in the meeting, he said, he sat down with a big overcoat, hat, dark shades and he was sitting down because, you know, he just wanted to kind of observe. And after Bro. Bosworth tied that old Baptist unbeliever, that theologian in a knot, he said, “I think Bro. Branham is somewhere here. Maybe I will ask him to come and close the meeting.”

Oh my! He came to the platform, he said, "Friends, you know, I came here; I never claimed to be a divine healer." He said, "Because I think people misunderstand that I wouldn't call my dear Bro. Best here, who is claiming me to be a divine healer..." He said, "I don't think he will call himself a divine saviour because he is preaching salvation. I am preaching healing; why should I call myself a divine healer. Jesus Christ did both. He is the Saviour and the Healer." He said, "And how many people here were healed in the meetings? And how many people are Baptists? And how many here are from Doctor Best's church?"

Oh my! Hundreds and hundreds were raising up their hands here. Sometimes we have a bad Minister there, have the church strangled and carrying on, using the pulpit for politics and all kinds of things, because he is just living like a parasite off those people. That's right.

And then, after that came, brother, he stood there, and here came that Pillar of Fire coming down, and the man took the picture. And the only Supernatural Being examined by the F.B.I. that they looked all around there and they took all their tests and then they authenticated it. The examiner of questioned documents, George J. Lacy had to authenticate that That was a Supernatural Being that struck the lens. Because the Prophet had told them about that Pillar of Fire. That was the One that was doing the healings, doing the discernments in the meetings. He said, "I am one just standing close, but He is here." Then the camera caught It, and It was shown there.

Oh my! Not just that there, but when He came in Seven Angels, up twenty-seven miles high, far above moisture. Moisture exists up to nine miles; here it was three times that. And a Cloud, a Supernatural Cloud, that they photographed was sent all around the world. God was shaking the world. The Glory was lightening the earth.

And one on earth was reflecting the voice of the Heavenly Angel. That Heavenly Angel, Revelation 10:1, was coming to the earthly Angel, Revelation 10:7, in the Age of Babylon. What for? To call out from the cage; to expose the cage; to expose... What did Elijah do? Expose Jezebel. What did Jezebel do? Bewitched the nation and put everybody in the cage, and killed the prophets, and caged them up in Baal worship. Is that right? But Elijah came to burst that cage and take those Eagles out! Hallelujah! Oh my!

Can't you see the Bible? Can't you see the Hour, friends? Let us be like Elijah. Let us be a witness in this Hour, friends. Young people, let us be like little Elishas and Micaiahs. Let the Spirit that is on me come upon you. This is the Spirit that you need, friends.

Let me tell you, you can't sit down there and want to serve this God Who I am talking about, with your spirit. You have to get the Spirit on me that I am talking about to serve this God, because this Spirit came off of that Spirit. That's right. He is the Head. It came from the Head and It came down the Body. And this Spirit here has to come down on the rest of the Body. Otherwise, if you have your own spirit, you will live in defeat. When I say, "Go right," you can't go right; you are getting a fight with that. When I say, "Go left," you kind of want to reason why I should say, "Go left." You are still in your own spirit.

Let this Spirit come upon you. Let the symphony come in the Spirit of the director, who is in the Spirit of the Composer, then you watch God do things, amen; then you watch a church, Eagles that are not in the cage, they can fly! Come fly with me this morning! Fly in these places in the Word. Fly in the Power of God!

We are not of this world. In times past we walked after the course of this world. 'Course' is the same word there like 'Age'; the spirit of the Age. 'World' is '*kosmos*'. The world, highly organized and it's evil spirit that organized it in a form to trap and cage and hold captive the

inhabitants of that world. But a New Birth puts you in a new world, and you are no longer an inhabitant here. We are pilgrims and strangers here, not an inhabitant.

Whew! Whoo! I can take a walk. I feel to go for a walk here and come back. Oh my! Jesus. I am going to close.

All nations, they have become the cage of every unclean and hateful bird. That's devils. That's evil spirits. People in that cage are possessed with spirits: they have a drinking spirit, they have an alcoholic spirit, they have a promiscuous sex spirit, they have a lying spirit, they have a deceiving spirit, they have a pretending spirit, they have a religious spirit; they have a jokey spirit. There are all kinds of spirits in that cage. She is the mother of all abominations. That cage is filled with children of disobedience.

There's no way you can be a child of obedience and be in that cage. We walked after the course of this world, under the influence of the prince of the power of the air, but then God, rich in mercy, came down. Revelation 18:1 came down, Whose Glory lightened the earth, and quickened us and raised us out of the cage, and raised us far above the cage into Heavenly Places; where the cage had us dead in sins and trespasses, religious even, but we came up into a place, we started to know our position, we started to understand our power, we started to learn how to release our power; how to use our power because we were born with a hidden power inside of us!

Verse 3:

³ For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication...

See? Her fornication! Her breaking up of the Word of God, to give you a creed and a dogma, to water down your spirit, to take away your conviction, to make you a good mixer and not a separator; to make you a compromiser. That is why people feel they are all good, until they get in the presence of a Holy Ghost-filled man with the Word of God. When you get there, your

nakedness that you try to cover with your fig leaf comes out so fast, you take off and run and hide. That's right.

It happened in the Garden of Eden, the first time, when they thought they were well-covered up. They were trying to cover up sin, but when God dropped down there, brother, they ran for their lives. They said, "We were afraid. We were naked." God said, "Who told you, you were naked?" And how were they naked after they went and made fig leaves and made aprons and covered up themselves and then looked at each other and thought they were so good? No, no, no. Something came down. Something came down.

Let's try to just finish out this and close.

... and the kings of the earth...

First, watch the progression here.

³ For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication...

All nations!

... [then] the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her...

Then, the kings of the earth – the leaders of all nations.

... and the merchants of the earth [have] waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.

And watch the business sector. Watch the political sector – the kings of the earth. Watch the business sector – the merchants. Watch her – the religious realm! Do you get what I am saying? And she has the whole world, friends.

⁴ And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins...

"Come out of her, My people." What did Jeremiah say? "For among My people are found wicked men. They lay in wait as he setteth snares. They set a trap; they catch men. My people are among all of this. My people are among all of this." And God is saying, what? "Come

out from among her, My people.” God had people in that cage. Bro. Branham said, “These are good people but they are trapped in here; they can’t come out. The system has them there; they can’t come out.”

... and that ye receive not of her plagues.

*⁵ For her sins have reached unto heaven,
and God hath remembered her iniquities.*

That word ‘habitation’, it means, ‘to dwell’. A habitation, a habitat. See? ‘To dwell’; ‘to settle’. The word ‘prison’... ‘Hold’, ‘hold’, the ‘hold’ of every foul spirit, it is a word meaning ‘prison’, prison; the prison. So, that dwelling place, that habitation, is really a prison. They are living in a prison and don’t know it is a prison, because they never met a prison like that. It’s designed like an amusement park, but it is really a prison. They are kept drunk with a false joy, but it is really a prison. It’s caged birds!

Why are they thinking this way? Because they are drunk. They are drunk with a certain wine from a certain cup. She mingled it; she has them hallucinating. Do you get what I am saying? They are living in an imaginary world. They are living in a fictitious world of illusion. They are living in an unreal world.

The drunkenness has them seeing this way. Their vision got blurred; they don’t know what they are looking at. They look at the Pope there, Satan, and they are seeing this ‘holy servant of God’. And they look at this church, the great whore, who is the mother of all harlots and the mother of all abominations on the earth that God is going to kill, and they are looking at it as ‘the great church of God’. They are drunken. They are under a delusion.

The Wine we got didn’t drunken us that way; It gave us stimulation; It opened our eyes to see the Truth. God has Wine and he has wine. When the woman at the well got Wine, her eyes opened: “Come and see! Isn’t this the Messiah?” When Philip got Wine, he went and called Nathanael: “Come and see; this is He Whom Moses

spoke of.” They were seeing the Scriptures coming to pass.

They got this wine and they started to see Satan as God, and this whore as the virgin bride. They start to see, “Well, all religions are nice. And isn’t that a great thing that the whole world is coming together? Oh, that is wonderful! Really, I have to support that. It’s time to get rid of all these little cults who criticize religion.” Do you get what I’m saying? He said, “They will kill you thinking that they are doing God a service.” Didn’t they do Jesus that? And He said if they called the Master of the House, Beelzebub, they will call you that too, and if they hated Him, they will hate you too? That’s right, friends.

Because ‘world’ embodies the idea of ‘time’. When it embodies the idea of time, it is called ‘Age’; the present evil Age. You see, the Gentile world was divided in time. Do you get that? Times of the Gentiles! You had Babylonian: in that Age the world was characterized by a certain influence and a certain spirit that conquered the whole world and brought it to that spirit. Medes and Persians: that was a spirit that conquered the whole world and brought it to that kind of spirit. Greece: they conquered the world and brought it to that kind of spirit.

Just like how we had Seven Church Ages, and in each Age, God was identifying the conditions of the Age. Is that right? Each Age had its own character. Is that right? Each Age had its own spirit, and each Age was rebuked for its own sins, and each Age was complimented for the good things in the Age too.

When you are dealing with time, when you get the moral characteristics... Like Paul said in the last days... He showed you the spirit of the Age: they will have doctrines of devils, they will have seducing spirits, they will make people depart from the faith, they will have itching ears, they will heap teachers to themselves; they will be ever learning and not able to come to the

knowledge of the Truth. He was doing what? Identifying the spirit of the Age on people. It said, "Laodicea," people's rights, "watch that kind of spirit dominate the Age." It's the Age of banking and commerce and money and plenty. Watch that kind of spirit in the Age. Is that right? That is the Age.

Then the world now, when the same word 'world' is not about 'time' but the system now – 'kosmos'. The meaning there is a little different. It speaks of 'order', it speaks of 'arrangement', because 'kosmos'... When we say 'world', 'world' is abstract in your mind. But the word there speaks of '*harmonious arrangement*': "We put this here because we want that here." It is being fixed that way. It speaks of constitution: the lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh; the pride of life.

This world is designed for unconverted people so they have to have things for the lust of the eyes. That is why there are over two hundred and eighty million pornography sights on the Internet. They set a snare that little children click here, click here, click here, and they are in the sewer and they can't come out of it. And if God is going to give them a wife one day, they see her as something to exploit and experiment their filth with, because that is what filled up their minds. They can't treat her like a lady. Do you get what I am saying?

Who designed the world to put all of that there? The world; he built an Eden. To build a house, it takes a plan. To build a city, it takes a bigger plan. To build a nation, it takes a bigger plan. To build a world, a kingdom, then they have to fix everything.

They don't have enough amusements; some are still sober. They have to find more amusements to keep them drunk. Some, their constitution is so strong, they can go for twenty hours and they are still up, going. He said, "We need to give them sports, twenty-four hours a day." He said, "We need to give them five hundred channels. Click, click, click, click, click, click, click, click, like a zombie. No time to pray, no time to read,

nothing to get constructive and seek God; not at all. They are trapped; trapped!

While they are thinking there are things to see to enjoy themselves, they don't know that somebody put that there for them to see, to hold them. They think they are getting a privilege to see, not knowing that somebody put that there to lure you and trap you. That bird is not seeing the cage, and that bird isn't seeing the snare and the bait.

When a man puts a trap, it has to have a bait to lure you to the trap. And the bait has to be something that will attract the thing that they are hunting, to the snare. So, if you are going to trap a rabbit, you have to know what a rabbit likes to eat. If you are fishing for a fish, you have to know what kind of bait will attract that fish. If you are going after a certain kind of animal and you know where he is feeding, you have to know how to come on his trail where he is leaving his footprints. You have to know to pick up his stool and see if it is warm to know, if it just dropped, that means he is nearby. When it's nearby, then you watch the time of the day, and you start to understand what time of the day he moves around to feed. So tomorrow, you already have all that knowledge about him.

Why do you think they have you with a credit card? Buy this, buy this; do this, do this; do this. They are learning about you and they are getting a trail for you, and they start to know what you like. Why do you think they have polls constantly to see what is selling, what is top ten, what here, what here? To understand the appetites of the people and what is having influence upon them; to know how to put more to hold them in the market.

But in the world, the people he is manipulating to do that, call them: "We are studying the market to make our company bigger and more successful and so our workers will get an increase as the company increases, and then they will have room to progress in the

company.” And you say, “Oh, praise God! That is a nice, productive thing. Whoo! This is a great thing to work with.” No! You have been enlisted as one of the hunter’s dogs because he is going after prey and he has you in his kennel. And he didn’t give you those courses for nothing. Those courses were dog-training.

I hate to burst some of your bubbles, but you know it is the truth I am talking. When this gives you pressure, it shows that you are being manipulated to love this world, and you haven’t really separated from it, and you aren’t just using it; you are starting to become an inhabitant inside of it!

You have your own conscience to deal with. That is you and God. I already said what God had me to say. But I think this shows a man what taste is in his soul – whether he is a thinking man and he has a holy man’s taste. Because if his thinking is not filtered by the Message of the Hour and the opening of the Seven Seals that shows to us this Eden and the architects and the builders and what stage it reached at, and he is coming to be enthroned as God because he has blinded and drunken the whole world and he has them caged up, and the Message, with a strong voice, is saying, “Come out of the cage”...

Because He sent the Son of Man to deliver us from this present evil Age, from under the influence of the god of this evil Age, who has led them into apostasy and the rejection of Jesus Christ. Because the conspiracy is strong and the people are increasing continually unto Absalom who has stolen their hearts.

Oh, give Him a handclap. I believe that’s the Word of God. I feel that’s the Holy Spirit. I feel that strong voice is echoing again. God is bursting up that cage; God is freeing Eagles! Oh my! We are free from the chains of any man! We are free from the system! We are free from the depths of Satan! Let us rise and shine! Let us get up in the realm of God. Let us move into greater faith! Let us take a stand for this Word! Let us be determined in

our hearts today, we'll be tied to the Word. Let us refuse to play church! Let us wake up and know the Day; see the snares! Oh my!

Let us stand to our feet. Oh, my! We are free from the chains of any man! Oh, thank You, Lord! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Glory, glory, glory! Oh my!

Where's Michael? [Bro. Vin calls Bro. Michael Peters -Ed.] Michael, use this mike at the side. Let one of those boys take that bass guitar. No, you don't lead me; you just come along with me. Amen. [#461 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

*Freedom from bondage,
What would you choose today?
A free man forever
Or a servant to the grave?
You can have a life anew
I know God will see you through.
He is calling a Bride unto Himself.*

*We are free
From the chains of any man,
We are free,
And freely we can stand,
Before the world and its religions,
And boldly testify,
that we are bought with a price.
His Blood has been our sacrifice,
That makes us free for the Marriage unto Him.*

Revelation 17, she drunken the world and the kings, and the merchants, and the people. Revelation 18, God came down in an evil Day, in a dark Age, when gross darkness is on the earth: "Arise and shine" – the greatest Light that ever shone. Amen! And then what happened? "Come out of her," a Message of deliverance. Revelation 19: the Marriage of the Lamb. Taken out of the cage, to go into the Marriage; into the Rapture. Revelation 17, 18 and 19! He said, "Watch it there – after her mystery had been uncovered, a voice came down.

After that voice came, then watch, God is taking Her out.” Oh my!

He said, “I was in the Cincinnati Zoo. I was hearing that thing; such a racket. I went down to see what it was; maybe it was some animals fighting.” He said, “It was not animals fighting; it was a big eagle there in a cage. The devices of man, the wisdom of man,” he said, “the cunningness of man, had built a cage and went after a hunt to catch this bird and shut him up in a cage and now they had him trapped. And he was lying there; he wasn’t made for the ground.” Oh my! “And the poor chap, he knew, ‘Here is not for me!’ He looked through those bars and he saw that blue sky; he saw the other eagles flying there.” He said, “He ran from one end of the cage and he hit against that cage. He rocked back. Came again in another prayer meeting; started to pray to hit that cage, and fell back.” Oh my!

“Trying to make a stand on the job; hit that cage! He was looking for a way out. He was looking for a way out.” He said, “And I stood there and I studied him. As I watched him...” He said, “The blood was running down his face.” He said, “His eyes were all battered. All the feathers of his face were gone; they laid all there on the floor. Because he refused to be caged! He refused to be caged! He refused to be part of their system. He wanted to live for the desire that was in his heart. He was born a special bird, he wasn’t a ‘corbeaux’ [vulture –Ed.], or some owl or kiwi inside of there; he was a heavenly bird to live up in the rock!”

In no other cage was there anybody trying to get out. But in his cage, he wanted to come out. He was trying to burst out of his cage.

He said, “I wish I had my hacksaw blade.” He said “I stood there. I walked around and went to the people and asked: will you let me buy him? Will you let me buy him? I want to pay the price. I will pay the price; whatever it takes to get him out of there.”

They say “No, you can’t buy him.”

He said, "With tears in my eyes, I walked away so broken, so grieved!" He said and the Voice of God spoke to him. He said, "The Holy Spirit came and spoke to me and said, 'You have seen sadder sights than that.' He said, 'You have seen sadder sights than that.'"

He asked, "Where, Lord?" He said, "When I see a son of God drinking, when I see a son of God smoking, when I see a daughter of God painted up, in shorts and cutting her hair and living below her God-given privileges, when I see a man that God called to be a man, and a woman that God called to be a woman, and a person that God called to be a Christian," he said, "and they can't walk in that and they are caged, and they can't break through to take that position," he said, "I see a sadder sight than that. My Ford and my hacksaw wouldn't do good for them, but God, according to His will, He sent Jesus Christ, Who gave His life that He might deliver us from this present evil cage."

Evil Age, evil cage – this organized world where there are the rulers of darkness, to keep us under the control and keep us drunken and make us children of darkness; where they have their principalities and their powers in the realm of politics and military, business, then all the pleasure. The realm of religion, to hold them in superstition; to keep churning out of the seminaries, more and more and more Bible school Rickies in the pulpit, men without character trying to handle the Word of God, preaching a social gospel; taking away the days of miracles and all these things, and preaching them into unbelief, sin in the pews; holding the world like that. It's highly organized, friends, highly organized.

But when God gets you out of the cage, you put on the whole armor and you get ready to go into battle against that evil system, against Nimrod's system; against that evil system that is on the earth today. Oh my!

I am still in my introductory stage with these things, but you are getting the picture; you are getting the

picture. And my brother, my sister if you are seeing these things... Because the Bible talks about the cares of this world. "Take no thought for it," Jesus said. It talks about, the sons of this world are wiser than the children of Light; His Own children. They go out there and those people in the world turn around and manipulate sons and daughters of God; have them following them under evil influence, when they should be the ones with the Truth that could help them out of the cage.

What kind of Christian do you want to be today? They talk about the rulers of this world; if they had known the Lord of Glory, they would not have crucified Him. 1st Corinthians 3, It talks about the wisdom of this world which is foolishness to God. This world has its wisdom, this world has its rulers, this world has its sons; this world has its cares. It talks about the fashions of this world; don't be conformed to it, and be squeezed and shaped into the mold until you can't tell the difference; you are reflecting the '*kosmos*'.

It talked about the character of this world, the present evil Age. It talked about the god of this world who has blinded the minds of the people. Do you see what the world is? It talked about the corruption that is in the world. Peter said, "You need the Divine nature to escape the corruption that is in the world." It talked about the defilements of the world and the rudiments of the world that defiled so many: how Balaam got defiled by the word of Balak and them; how Elvis Presley and all of them got defiled by the world; went out and used the gift for commercial purposes out there. Worldly lust, the lust of the eyes and the lust of the flesh, this is the world. John said, "It will pass away." And which world you are reflecting, when that passes away, you'll pass away with it.

Lot's wife was looking back into a world that was judged. She was being taken out of the cage and she was looking back at the cage with glamour. And when

that world passed away, she passed away. And when she was passing away with that world, and a new world and a new Age was dawning for Abraham and Sarah and they started to feel it all over them, Sarah's old age passed away and she passed into a new body, and Abraham's old body passed away and he passed into a new body.

Because you are going to reflect what world you are in, friends. The people in Noah's world passed away when that world passed away. But Noah received something, a mystery that took him above the world, and those who went with him, went above that judgment too. Remember, remember, THE REALIZATION OF THIS INSANE AGE.

Let us sing this little song. Let's start with the chorus:
We are free.

[#461 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

We are free

From the chains of any man,

We are free,

Oh, we have been made free, friends.

And freely we can stand

Before the world...

The 'kosmos' and all those denominations.

*And boldly testify, that we are bought
with a price.*

His Blood has been our sacrifice,

That makes us free...

For Revelation 19; for the Marriage.

... for the Marriage unto Him.

We are free

Purged and born again,

*So rejoice that in our Day, the price for
freedom has been paid.*

Whom the Son has set free

Is free indeed.

Oh, if you want to sing along, it is #461.

*Through the Seven Ages of the Church,
Like servants unto man,
Enslaved by vain traditions,
And a world of self-made plans,
Would we ever be made free
Or be granted liberty
Or be forced to serve the systems
round about us?
But the Bible tells about
In Revelation 18, we see it, friends.
A seventh year release
Where the masters free their servants
If they choose to be set free,
And at the dawning of the day,
They could go on their way
Or take the mark of bondage ever
to be a slave.*

Oh, freedom...
*Freedom or bondage?
What would you choose today?
Think about it!
A free man forever,
Is that your choice?
Or a servant to the grave?
You can have a life anew
I know God will see you through,
He is calling a Bride unto Himself.*

Do you want to come out of that cage today, friends? That Voice is speaking. You want to say, "House of hell, give way" from around your lives. The people were crying, "We want to be delivered. We want to be delivered." Is that your cry? Those who are crying for it, He will give it to them. Those who don't cry, He can't give them. You cry for it.

And boldly testify that we were bought

*with a price,
His Blood has been our sacrifice.
That makes us free
For the Marriage unto Him.
We are free,
Purged and born again,
Purged and born again,
So rejoice that in our Day, the price for
freedom has been paid.
Whom the Son has set free
Is free indeed.*

Oh, our name is something different now: Sing that.
It is no more 'slave' but 'son', hallelujah; 'daughter'.

*Our life is not our own,
We're united with Jesus Christ,
And Jesus Christ alone,
And there's no man can take His place,*

Let that man of sin know that your worship is for One – that's the Lamb of God (amen) that taketh away the sins of the world. No man of sin sitting down there exalting himself above the Word and wants worship, friends. God forbid! Let the Devil know that he is a liar, and he is going into the lake of fire. Amen! And you take a stand for Jesus Christ today. Hallelujah! Spread your wings and fly, today.

*Don't look back, don't turn around,
To Christ we're Heaven-bound.
Whom the Son has set free,
Is free indeed.*

Oh, sing it, sing: We are free, again.
*And we are free,
From the chains of any man,
We are free,
And freely we can stand
Before the world and its religions,*

*And boldly testify, that we are bought
with a price.*

*His Blood, friends,
His Blood has been our sacrifice,
That makes us free for the Marriage...*

Let Him put that Wedding Band upon you. Make your vows to Him today! Tell Him you love Him. Amen. 'Hosea', 'saviour', took his wife out of the slave market. He restored her to her rightful place. He washed her and cleansed her; he bought her out of that bondage.

*Oh, our name is something different now,
Our name is something different now,
Our life is not our own,
We're united with Jesus Christ,
And Jesus Christ alone
And there's no man can take His place,
There's no church we'll have to face,
Because the Voice of God is speaking
now through us.*

*And we are free,
Likes the eagles in the sky
We are free
So spread your wings and fly,*

Spread your wings and fly. Fly or die today! Rise up above this world. Rise up into faith, into the Power of God. Set your wings in the Power of the Spirit. Don't look back, friends. Hallelujah. Don't turn around; to Christ we are Heaven-bound.

[Bro. Vin prays for saints -Ed.]

What a mighty God, we serve, friends! What a wonderful God! What a wonderful God. 'To deliver' means 'a rescue'. To rescue; to deliver! That is what the Gospel is - to rescue; an emancipation from a state of bondage. Amen! Not a removal from the world but a rescue from the power, and the grip and the defiling influence of this present evil Age, this Satan's Eden. Oh my! May you desire that today!

This evil Age is where the prince of the power of the air... That word 'evil' in the Greek is a word called '*poneros*'. There is another word for 'evil' also, which is '*kakos*', but '*kakos*' is used when it speaks of the man who may be content to perish in his own corruption. He is a sinner, he knows he is going to hell; he is just going to have his way and go down. That is a '*kakos*' man.

But '*poneros*', this evil Age, this '*poneros*' Age, is a man who is not content unless he is corrupting others, as well as drawing them into the same destruction with himself. That is what the word means. He is delivering from a world that is not content just to be destroyed but is trying to use all its power, all its evil, all its cunningness to take others and bring them down into the same destruction and corruption with itself. That is the character of Satan, friends. That is what Paul describes this Age as – a '*poneros*' Age. This present Age is not content to perish in its own corruption, but it seeks to draw all men down with it to its own inevitable destruction.

And 'present' is in contrast to 'future'. There was a past world; it was destroyed by water. There is a present world that will be destroyed by fire. But there is a future world where we will be in the Presence of God. There was a past 'you', there is a present 'you' and there is a future 'you' also, where you have no sickness in this body: no mortality; no corruption. This corruption will put on incorruption; this mortal will put on immortality. That's His promise today. Will you receive that? Do you love Him?

Turn around and greet your brother and sister. Say, "Let us press the battle. We are determined to press the battle. Let's take a stand. There is a cause. There is a cause! Let's take a stand."

Youth Service is on Wednesday. We will begin on Wednesday. I want all of you young people, come out with me, gather around me; stand with me among... Musicians, I want you to help me. I want you to stand

with me in this fight. I want to evangelize these young people. I want to see that this year, many of them get filled with the Holy Spirit, if not all of them. I want to say, all of them! I don't want to say some of them; God will give me what I ask for. So if I say some and God wants to give me all, I don't want to shoot three arrows, when He says, "Shoot," when I can just shoot all the arrows. Amen! Hallelujah!

I want the minister brothers to stand with me. I want the workers to stand with me. I don't want you to come and look at me; I want you to become a worker in the church. I don't want you to sit down and criticize me, if I'm doing a good job or I'm not doing a good job. I want you to say, "Brother, I'm with you in that. Brother, I'm standing with you. Brother, you are going to see me out there talking with them. You will see me in conversation with them. You will see me sitting down next to them and you will see me getting down to pray with them." Amen! And when I can see that, I know you understand; you've gotten in the same spirit too. And that is what I'm expecting. Let's break all barriers. Let's pull out all stops. Let us do this thing in this church family. Let us not leave one hoof behind. Let us come; let us use our influence.

We had a deacons' meeting the other night. We sat down there and we were talking until after half past one. I said, "Look at this! Where are you going to find men in this country or around this region, who are going to be sitting down this hour of the morning, when they have other things that they could have done, depriving their own selves, coming out tonight, trying to think—to take what little substance they have, what little time they have and try to use it for the advancement of the kingdom of God?"

And I believe when you have objectives and motives like that, you can have faith because your objectives are right. Why? You know you are justified in asking what you are asking for. Because you know that's the will of

God. If it was God's will to send His Son to die that you might be delivered, then it is still God's will, that we, as members of the Body, who that deliverance is working through, (by and through the members of the Bride,) that is what He is asking. He said, "Come and become a co-worker in this plan of redemption to finish this work; to go and hunt our lost fallen ones."

Sometimes we think they are out in the region, sometimes we think they are quite out in Africa, sometimes we think they are in Russia. They are right here among us, in the benches. We shake their hands. We talk with them. But do you know something? We stand up and watch them sometimes from a distance. I say let us come; I say let us pray. I say, if you believe this Message, I say let us put our belief together in one basket and let us take that belief and channel that belief in a positive direction.

Let's see where we have a need. Let's see a life that has a need; let's see a place that has a need. And if you are a believer, let us stop walking around and saying, "We are believers" and "I have the Power of God," and "I have the revelation." Let's take it and say, "I have a little brother here, I have a little sister here, I have a friend here; I have one here. I would like that influence to be used in a way, in a channel, under Divine leadership where God can take that and at the end, lives can be won for Him."

And you tell me if you can find a better way than using the Holy Ghost to save other people. I believe that is what It was given for – to finish the work that He started. Is that right? That is what the Holy Ghost is given for. Oh, praise His mighty Name.

Let's bow our hearts. Bro. Melville, come and pray and ask God's blessings in dismissal.

All around the building, wherever you are, in these last moments, we can have the time to pray. In the side rooms, in the back rooms, wherever you might be, be sincere in your heart now. And let us as a people,

sensitized under the Message this morning and the Presence of God is still here, seeing that God is willing; He is willing, and not only willing but He is able, and not only able, He is related, and not only related, He is interested right now, and He is seeing every one of us right now, and you can say, "Jesus, I am one. I am one. I didn't go up in the line but I am one. And will You help me? Oh Lord, I'm standing here for my brother, I am standing here for my unsaved sister, I'm standing here for my unsaved father; I'm standing here for my unsaved mother." Whatever it is right there, He will hear that also. Let's believe. Faith can change things, friends, right now. Let's unite our faith.

[Bro. Anthony Melville prays -Ed.]

Amen! Let us try to be out on Wednesday. Pull out all stops; it is important. If we want God to bless us, we have to move in God's time. You have to beat the iron while it is hot; you have to make hay while the sun shines. You can't fight the battle when it is not time to fight the battle. Wash the clothes! Get adapted. These clothes have to get washed, water is locking off, you have a little space for water, so restructure your program. It is not going to come under convenience, because God has a reason for doing it the way He wants.

God bless you. You may have your seats. Hope you enjoyed the service; you love and appreciate Him. Amen! May He give us a great time on Wednesday night.

