2 Timothy 3:12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.



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30 And then from a little child, born here in this state of Kentucky, visions just comes to me just the same as—as eating or anything else. It's just as God will, He provides it. I just do as He tells me to do.

31 Certainly, I have many critics. I have many people who disbelieve it. No matter what would take place, they would disbelieve it, anyhow. I expect to have that. And if I didn't have that, I'd go down to an altar somewhere and say, "Dear Lord, what's wrong with me?"

32 "For all that live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." Right. We must have it. That's right.

54-0404E - God Has A Provided Way Rev. William Marrion Branham



If Everybody Patted Me On The Back, And Said I Was A Good Fellow, I'd Get To The Altar Just, Quick As I Could



Bro. William Branham

Message: 58-0521 - Behold, I Stand At The Door And Knock

79 Then there is another little door just—just, it's right around the corner, is another little door, and that's the door of selfishness: "I'll let you in, Lord. I'll join Your church," and then, "just to see what I can get out of it." And sometimes that gets into preachers. And you know, they say, "Sure, I'll be a minister, if everybody pat me

on the back, and say, 'You're a good fellow.'"

80 If everybody patted me on the back, and said I was a good fellow, I'd get to the altar just, quick as I could. Hmm.

I know there'd be something wrong, 'cause the Bible said, "Woe unto you, when all men speak well of you!" See. The world knows its own; the world will hate you. But God will love you.

And this little, selfish; and oh, how long we could dwell on that: selfishness.



Oh, You'll Be Hated By The World, Certainly



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If Christ can come into the heart, come into the door of faith, He will make you believe that all things are possible to them that believe.

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47 Did you notice the Bible speaking of this church in this day? "Because thou sayest that I am rich..." The richest times the church has ever had. Most prosperous age the church has ever lived in is now: great buildings, fine places, educated, scholared ministers. We got better ministers than we ever had, got better churches than we ever had, and the world's sinking every day into sin. Got weaker pulpits than we ever had, and that's why, people that don't want to surrender themselves to God, they don't want...

Oh, they'll say, "I'm saved. I let Jesus save me." But you won't let Him be Lord, so He won't stay with you long. And that's the reason you go back into the world again. That's exactly right.

Now, what takes place? In this hour that we're living in, when Jesus comes in... Notice what He said, "You... Because you say, 'I am rich and increased in goods, and I have need for nothing ... "We got the best pastors, the bestdressed audience, the finest churches, that church has ever knowed of. We... "Because you say that I am rich and increased in goods,

and have need for nothing. Knowest thou not..." Now see, they're professors; they let Christ come to the heart to save them. "But knowest thou not that thou art wretched, miserable, naked, blind, and don't know it." [Blank spot on tape—Ed.]

48 And she was blind. And you go try to tell her, "Lady, come into the house quickly. You are—you are exposing yourself. You are naked."

She'd say, "Get away from me, you holy-roller. I know where I am." There's something mentally wrong with the woman. She is that way and don't know it. She actually doesn't know it. She's not putting on; she don't know it. She doesn't know it. The Bible said she doesn't. She's naked and don't know it. She's trying to cover up with fig leaves like Eve did in the garden. But to stand before God, she could not:

Miserable, wretched, naked, blind, and don't know it.

If a man was poor, miserable, wretched, blind, and naked, and if he knew it, he'd try to help himself. But when a man is in that kind of a condition and doesn't know it, and won't listen to it, you can't tell him. He won't listen.

49 "Oh, I stand at the door and knock." [Brother Branham knocks on pulpit—Ed.] That's the age He would stand and knock. "If you'll just open and let Me come in and take control, I'll clothe you with pure linen." Oh, the righteousness of the Holy Spirit, "I'll clothe you. I'll take all the shame away from you. I'll put your name in the Lamb's Book of Life. I'll give you Eternal Life."

Oh, you'll be hated by the world, certainly. "All that live godly in Christ Jesus," says the Bible, "shall suffer persecutions. I'll make you what you ought to be."

50 And remember, the Bible said they were blindblind. Oh, there's so many blind people today. He said, "I counsel of thee to come and buy from Me salve, that I might put on your eyes so that you can see, some eyesalve." That Eyesalve is the Holy Spirit.

60-0711 - The Door Inside The Door Rev. William Marrion Branham Just So Many People Today, They Want A Better, Stylish Way, A Easier Way



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122 Just so many people today, they want a better, stylish way, a easier way. They don't want to confront the thing that's set before them. If they do, they're put out of their organization, put excommunicated, thought little of.

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123 Don't you know, that, "All men shall speak evil of you, falsely, for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in Heaven, for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. And all that live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecutions."

> 64-0403 - Jehovah-Jireh #2 Rev. William Marrion Branham



Don't Expect A Flower Bed Of Ease

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50 A changed man, oh, when he got that new vision... Keep him out of Egypt? You couldn't do it if you had to. He was a scared to go down; he was scared of Pharaoh. He was a scared of all the Egyptians, because he was wanted for murder. But now try to stop him. He'd got close to God. He'd seen an Angel; a vision had come before him. He'd warmed up to the Fire of God. He got his—he'd got his heart warm when he was standing there. He'd seen some miracles and supernatural things. The people was going to disbelieve him, but God had been with him.

And every man... You might be a little coward grocery man, or a doctor, or a lawyer, whatever you was, set back in a corner, joining some church or something and thinking you're all right. But

you get into the Presence of Almighty God someday, where the power and Fire of God is a falling, you'll be a different person. You'll tell all your doctor friends that Jesus Christ lives and reigns. You'll tell every person that comes into your grocery. You'll tell your clients as a lawyer, or whatever it is, that Jesus Christ is raised from the dead and He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. But you can't do it standing off looking

at It; you've got to get into it, gives it yourself, personally.

51 Notice him. Now, he's a new man. Here he goes. And now how the world will criticize you when you do this. Don't expect a flower bed of ease. If everybody talked good about me, and everything went fine, didn't have any troubles and trials, I'd go back to the altar and say, "Lord, what's the matter here? There's something wrong. For all that live godly in

Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." That's the Bible. That's what Jesus said. He can't fail. His Words are true. All, not just some of them, all that live godly in Christ Jesus...

Notice, how this is. Now, he's a new man, got a new vision. He goes home right quick, gets his wife, sets her astraddle of the mule, and a kid under each arm like this, grabs this old mule with a stick in his hand, a white beard a blowing one way and a hair another one, going down like that.

Say, "Where you going, Moses?"

"Going down to Egypt to take over."

52 Why, the world would've laughed at him. What a horrible sight. What a room for a critic. And many times Almighty God gives room for critic to prove that they are critics. That didn't soak in just good. I'll tell you again. God makes room for criticism.

What you think... Ridiculous, an old man eighty years old, dragging a mule along, a little old donkey, his wife sitting on there with a child, under each arm, going down to Egypt to the greatest military nation in the world. Why, Russia would be, in comparison would be a little thing to what that was. One man invasion (Amen.) with a stick in his hand, but a

promise in his heart, coming from God. He has to do it.

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55-1120 - What Is That In Your Hand?

Rev. William Marrion Branham



"All that live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecutions"



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116 Said, "Moses, for your part, I am yours." Oh, my! He said, "I'm your satisfying portion."

And that's what the Holy Ghost is to the Church today. Silver and gold have I none, but I have a satisfying Portion. Hallelujah! Education, I can't hardly read this Book, but I got a satisfying Portion. That's good. Doctor's degree, I don't have any; Ph.D's or LD's, or nothing else. But

there's one thing I have, the satisfying Portion. That's the part I want. That's the part God wants you to have. Throw the rest of these old things away, all the prestige and everything else, and walk out and get God's satisfying Portion.

117 Cause, what you've got of this earth, you'll leave here when you leave. But if you've got that satisfying Portion, It'll take you up just as certain. We're always taking out insurance, today, to give the undertaker. Let's get God's satisfying Portion, and get the Up-Taker instead of the undertaker. You know, they both work.

118 Now let's see.

...being let go, they went to their own company,...

Not back to the priests. See, that showed they had It. They wasn't going back to that old, cold, formal thing again, no; go back and say, "Now looky here what they did to us!" No, no. They had their own company. There was only about a dozen of them there, but that was a company enough, a little bitty handful of people.

...being let go,...

After they beat them and threatened them, said, "If you ever baptize in Jesus' Name again!" Or, oh, I meant the...Well, that's right. See? "If you ever preach in Jesus' Name again, whatever you do, we'll get you!"
119 Said, "Whew, that's quite a threat. Let's go over to the rest of the brethren." Oh, that's the way. In unity there's power. In unity there is power. Said, "Let's just go over to the rest of the brethren

and find out what we can do."

120 Now they all come together and was telling different experiences.

...being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and the elders had said unto them.

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And when they had heard that, they lifted up their voices to God with one accord,...

Now listen what they said. Watch him, watch them, not go back and say, "O…" something another about, "O Lord, I'm so sorry…" No. They were already saved. They were filled with the Spirit. They had Eternal Life. ...lifted up their voice...with one accord, and said, Lord, thou art God,...

Amen! I just like that, Brother Palmer. I like that.

...thou art God (we know that) which has made heaven s, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is:

Who by the mouth of thy servant David...said,...

121 Now watch, you're going to come back, say, "Now, we're not a..." Now you go out there and say, "Well, now, Lord, now wait a minute here. They're just making so much fun of me!" Didn't He say they would do it?

"All that live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecutions."

"Well, you know, my boss told me if he caught..." Didn't they say they'd say that? "Well, you know, they drawed me into court the other day, about It."

122 Didn't He say, "You'd be brought before kings and

rulers, for My Name. Take no thought what you'll say, because it's not you that's speaking"? I seen that happen yesterday. "It's the Holy Spirit that dwells in you; He'll doeth the speaking." See, "Him." That's right. All right. "Take no thought what you shall say."

59-1216 - What Is The Holy Ghost? Rev. William Marrion Branham When man make fun of you, they're not making fun of you, they're making fun of Him that sent you



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20 Now, we know what the Holy Spirit is. We found out, last night, that It's God.

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Now, when we think of God, the Father, as Jesus spoke of here, His Father; God, the Son, as Jesus; God, the Holy Spirit, as what we call It today, now, that does not mean that there is three individual, distinct Gods. It means that there is one God in three offices.

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May we say it like this. All that God was, He poured into Christ, because He emptied Himself and poured It into Christ. "And Christ was the fullness of the Godhead bodily." All that Jehovah was, He poured into Christ.

And all that Christ was, He poured into the Church; not into one individual, but into the entire Body. There, where we come together in unity, we have Power. All that God was, ~ 4 ~

was in Christ; and all that Christ was, is in you.

"For God was made flesh, and dwelled among us." First Timothy 3:16, if you're putting it down, "Without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: for God was manifested in the flesh, and we handled Him. God, Jehovah, made flesh, and walked on the earth, and we saw Him with our eyes."

21 You know, in the same chapter, of John 14, Philip

said, "Lord, show us the Father, and it will satisfy us."

22 Jesus said, "I have been so long with you, Philip, and you don't know Me? When you have seen Me, you have seen the Father. And why sayest thou unto Me, 'Show us the Father'?" God was made flesh.

23 Now here it is. The Father was God over you, we're saying. We've been since Adam. God, the Father, was over Moses and the children of Israel, in a Pillar of Fire. Then, God with us, in Christ; walked with us, talked with us, eat with us, slept with us. God over us; God with us; and now God in us. All God was, come into Christ; all Christ was, come into the Church.

What is it? God working in you. Anywhere in the world that He would want to call on you, you're right there, working in you to do His good will. How we ought to thank God for that! God, the Holy Spirit, is sent for the purpose of God living in His Church, moving through each age, working out His Divine will.

24 When man make fun of you, they're not making fun of you, they're making fun of Him that sent you. So Jesus said, "Blessed are ye when men shall say all manner of evil against you, falsely, for My Name's sake. Blessed are you." And, again, "All that live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecutions."

For, when God made Hisself known in Christ, they hated Him. Who hated Him, worst? The church. The church hated Him, worst. They hated Him worse than the—the drunkard. They hated Him worse than all the other people. It was the church that hated Him. So, therefore, when you see kosmos, "The world order, the world knowed Him

not," means, "the church," socalled, "knew Him not. He came to His own, and His own received Him not."

"But as many as did receive Him, to them gave He the power to become sons of God, to them that believed on His Name." Oh, how we should love Him and worship Him! The purpose of God, wanting to become in fellowship!

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59-1217 - What Was The Holy Ghost Given For? Rev. William Marrion Branham





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4 I wish to read for a little quotation, which I'll just take a few moments to try to build a context around this that I'm reading for a text. I want to read from Saint Luke, the 2nd chapter, the 25th verse reads like this:

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And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon;... the same... was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him.

5 Our scene opens tonight, in that great historical city of Jerusalem, some two thousand years ago. Let's kinda believe it was on Monday morning just after a great day before of worshipping. And as there was in Palestine at that time, some two million Jews... So there...

They was very religious, devout to their laws. And it was a law that had been given them, that after a baby was born, a male, after eight days it must be circumcised. And then the mother must offer a sacrifice for her purification, for her cleansing.

6 And being so many children, or so many people in Jerusalem at the time, and the regions around about, there must have been every morning a long line of women standing ready to offer their sacrifice for their purification of their baby-of theirself from—from having the baby.

And this morning was no exception. There must've been a great long line of women. And they were, perhaps, talking just as mothers do, and having their little babies. And each one is the prettiest little baby in the world, of course, as all mothers think of their babies. And they should think that. And many was coming all prettied up, you know, for this great event.

And them that was able to afford such, a lamb was provided for the sacrifice. That was for a family that was able to—could afford such. But if the family was poor and could not afford a lamb, a turtledove would do just as well.

7 I can see down along that long line of woman in the side of the temple, pretty little jackets made on babies for their little boots and so forth, as mothers love to dress them, and waited for the event. And it must have been a dramatic sight to watch this.

But on this morning, way down along the line, I see a little lady. We'd judge her to, say, about sixteen, eighteen years old. And she had a turtledove or two in her hands for her cleansing. And we notice the little baby that she was packing did not have on a little blue jacket, or a little needle work clothes. But I notice it's wrapped in swaddling's cloth.

And if I get the right understanding of what this baby was wrapped in, was something they'd taken off of the back of a—a yoke of a ox, that was hanging in the stable, a little cave stable in Bethlehem where It was born.

8 And, of course, this little lady, she being believed to have been, this baby borned out of holy wedlock. You can imagine how the women felt. "Keep your distance from her, for she's really... That baby is not really born in holy wedlock, because she was to be mother before she and Joseph was married." Keeping their distance... But yet in that little Jewish woman's arms, she held a Treasure that she knew where It come from.

And I think that's the way it is tonight to everybody that's ever received Christ. They might be kindly excommunicated from their associates and from what's called the popularity of the world. And they might not be as popular among the—the great people of the world, as they... as they would maybe, could've been. But down in every person's heart that's ever held Christ, they know what they're holding.

Sometimes they have to bear a name of being a fanatic. And it's been that sometimes the devil has placed that ridiculous name of holy-roller. No matter what kind of a name they have to bear, they know what they're holding.

9 It didn't bother little Mary, as she looked at her little baby and beat Him on the chin with her fingers to watch His pretty little smile across His face. No matter how far they kept from her, she knew what she had.

That's the way it is tonight with Christians. They know what they've got when they've ever took Christ in their heart.

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10 Now the time had come where there was not too many believers left. But God has always had a remnant of people who believed Him. And we're told that there was an old man in Jerusalem at that time by the name of Simeon. And he was a renowned old fellow. He was a teacher, a master in Israel. Let's say he'd be some eighty years old, long flowing white beard, and his hair. But he was a devout man. He was

a man who believed God and was waiting for God to fulfill His promise.

I'd like to stop here just a moment to say this. If you make a promise to anybody, you're obligated to that promise. And if you're a man or woman of honor, you'll do everything you can to keep that promise. But it could be that something might happen that you could not keep it.

But did you know God's more obligated to keep His

promise than you are? When God makes a promise, He's got to keep it in order to be God. Every promise He makes is true. And He's obligated to that promise. If you'll keep that in mind while you're crossing through this prayer line tonight, something will happen to you, to know that God cannot make a promise and not stick to it. He's got to.

And He—He knows all things, so He's infinite. We're

finite and can make a promise and have to take it back. But He can't, because He's perfect. He knows everything, the end from the beginning. So He has to keep His promise. And He's always got somebody who will believe that. God, let me be one of those. No matter how much you have to be criticized and laughed at, let me believe God's promise and stay with it.

11 And this old man was a honorable man, had a great reputation among the people. And one day, perhaps maybe in the prayer room or in his study, the Holy Ghost came to him and made him a promise. And said, "Simeon, you're not going to die until you see the Christ." He believed it. He had a right to believe it, because the Holy Spirit had give him the promise. And the Holy Spirit, Who gave him the promise,

was obligated to bring him to Christ when Christ came.

That's the reason that you're here tonight for Divine healing, is because you believed that God made the promise. How many believes in Divine healing, would you...

12 You know, David said one time, "When the deep calls to the deep." If there's a deep calling, there's got to be a deep to respond to that call. I've often made this statement, that before there was a fin on a fish's back, there first had to be a water for him to swim in, or he'd never had use of the fin. Before there could be a tree to grow in the earth, there must first be an earth for it to grow in.

Some years ago I read in a newspaper where a—a little boy was eating the erasers off of his pencils at school. And his mama found him one day out on the back porch eating the pedal off of his brother's

bicycle. And they was... She was disturbed and she took the little fellow down to the clinic. And as the faithful doctors examined him in every way they could, they found out that his little body was craving sulfur. And sulfur's found in rubber. Now, why was he eating the pedal off of the bicycle? Because there was something in there calling for sulfur. And if there was something calling for sulfur, there had to be a sulfur

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first, or it would never have been in there.

13 In other words, like this, before there can be а creation, there has to be a Creator to create the creation. And if you're thirsting tonight for the healing power of God, there's got to be a fountain open somewhere, or you'd never thirst for it. How many longs for a deeper walk with God. Every hand up. Well, there's a deeper walk

somewhere, or you'd never thirst for it.

Something has created in you a desire to walk closer to God. Something has created in you a desire to be healed by God. Well, before that could be created in your body, in your spirit, there has to be a Creator of that. And that Creator is the Holy Spirit. That's why you're here tonight, is because the Holy Spirit has led you here.
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14 Now, Simeon read in the Scriptures where that there was coming a Messiah. And while he was sitting reading this Scripture, the Holy Spirit said, "You're not going to die until you see Him." He wasn't afraid of his testimony. He didn't care about his prestige. He was telling everyone. "I'm going to live to see the Messiah come."

Oh now, of course, you know what the world would've thought of that. Some of them,

perhaps said, "The old man's just gone off a little bit in the head. His—his mind's kindly leaving him." And it'd be said about you.

When people take God at His Word and believe His promise, it's so supernatural till it becomes crazy to the people of the world. If they just... God is so much greater-His promises, and His power, and His being, and His living. And His expectations of us is so much higher than the things of the

world, till we become crazy to the world. And has not the Scripture well placed it, "All that live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer

persecutions." Blessed are you when you're persecuted for Him.

15 Now, we see this old man going around and telling people. And no matter what they said, he believed it, because he had a good reason to believe it. The Holy Spirit had led him and created in him a faith to believe that. That's why you're here tonight for healing. You've read it in the Scripture; it's a promise of God. As he read there's a promise that the Messiah's coming, then the Holy Spirit said, "You're going to see Him.

The same Holy Spirit... There's no two Holy Spirits, there's only one. The same Holy Spirit that led Simeon to testify that, has led you here tonight.

> 59-0407 - Led By The Spirit Rev. William Marrion Branham



God don't like compromisers. God don't want His Church to look like the world



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13 Now, we find that this birthright meant everything to Jacob. Now, he didn't care for nothing else, but that birthright. He didn't care what it cost him. If it was a mess of pottage. He was glad to give it back to Esau. So is it with any man or woman that has been ordained to Eternal Life, that God has called to Eternal Life, is willing to sell out anything anything of the world to obtain that birthright.

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You can call them anything

you want to. You can tell them they've lost their mind, gone off on the deep end, bunch of holy-rollers. I don't care what you call them, they're seeking for that birthright, and that means more than anything else. They are after that birthright; no matter how they have to get it, they're ready to get it.

14 A carnal mind wants God to bring the birthright down to their level. But for me,

and I believe all true born Christians, we meet it on God's level. I don't care what I have to do, or what I have to say, how I have to act: the only thing, I want it. That's means more than my popularity. That means more than my job. It means more than my mother, means more than my wife, more than my children, more than every friend I got. Let me have that birthright. I don't care what I have to pay. I want to meet God on His requirement. Whatever He requires, if it's fall in dust, if it's speak with tongues, if it's run through the building and act like a maniac, or stand on my head, I don't care what it is, just so I get it. That's the main thing. That's the spiritual minded people. They want the birthright, regardless.

They want it. And as soon as they get it, it sets up the same reaction it was in that family. Finally, it'll come to a place till there come a separation. A man will have to obtain, if he obtains this birthright, he will have to separate himself from the world, just as Jacob had to.



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15 My, sometimes it means walk alone. But if you really are sincere, and you really receive the birthright, you don't care to walk alone. If the neighbors won't invite you any more over to dinner, if nobody will have anything to do with you, what difference does it make to you? As long as you've got the birthright, that's the main achievement of your life. As long as I'm borned of Holy Spirit, what the difference does it make? Long

as I'm on my road to heaven, what difference does it make what the people say as long as we're walking in the Spirit? And all that's borned of the Spirit of God, are led by the Spirit of God. Sons and daughters of God are led by the Spirit of God, always walking in the beautiful light of holiness, cleanliness.

But Esau, that birthright... He was carnal like the world, so it didn't make any difference to him. He thought he was religious, and his papa and mama was religious, and that was good enough for him.

16 So we find out, that in every revival that's ever been borned in the world, it produces twins. That's right. Every revival has twins. They have a bunch in there that's carnal believers and a bunch of spiritual believers. Every revival produces that: an Esau and Jacob.

And as they go along, first thing you know, the carnal

begins to think, "Well, these guys are getting off of the deep end. I better separate myself from them." They go back to the intellectual part. They want a pastor that'll speak to them of pleasant things. They don't want that Spirit-filled pastor, that'll obey the Holy Spirit from the platform, just preach the Word just like It is. As John said, "Lay the axe to the root of the tree and let the chips fall where it will." Most of the

churches today will vote that out of their pulpit. That's right. It'll come a separation, always does that. It did it in the Methodist age; it did it in the Baptist age; it did it in the Pentecostal age; it'll do it in every age.

17 One time John Wesley... I was reading an article of—on him, and it said that he was coming down a little pathway. And he was kind of a protesting the Anglican church of their sin

and the things that they hadwas doing. And they called him a—a crazy man. "And all that lived godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecutions." You'd be despised and rejected. "And if they've called the Master of the house Beelzebub, how much more will they call His disciples."

And there was one of these officials of the Anglican church, great huge man, saw John coming, and he was a small man. So this big fellow just blocked hisself right in the way. Mr. Wesley walked up close to him. And he couldn't get around him; he said, "Pardon me, sir. Would you step aside, so I can go by?"

This man said, "I never get out of the way for a fool."

Mr. Wesley politely tipped his hat, stepped around him, and said, "I always do." So I think that just about settles it. He always does.

18 Now, these differences has always been since Cain

and Abel, Cain and Abel, the first human beings that produced life on earth. Adam and Eve brought forth two, one of one kind and one of another. There was Cain and Abel. There was Esau and Jacob. There was... All along down the line, there's always been that, the two spirits warring against one and another in the churches. We've had plenty of it.

And it always come to a place where there had to be

a—a time of separation. Abraham and Lot started out to find the city whose Builder and Maker was God. Lot was a carnal character. And it finally come to a place that Abraham and Lot had to be separated before they could ever-Abraham could ever obtain the promise. They had to separate, one from the other.

And so is it tonight; you've got to separate yourself from the things of the world. You've got to walk with Christians. I'm a great believer in Christians fellowshipping with Christians. Yes, sir. You cannot walk together unless you're agreed. And you agree first with Christ. And every man agrees in Christ, will agree with you.

19 And Abraham and Lot had to separate before God could bless Abraham. And Lot, did you notice the carnal condition, yet as a—as a lukewarm church member. He knew that Abraham was living up there in a tent. But did you notice, his religion was so straight, till Lot didn't ask the Angel, "Let me go up with Abraham, my uncle." But he said, "There's a little city down here; I-let me go to that one." He still didn't want anything to do with Abraham. See, that's the way it is today; no matter what you do, the carnal can't associate with the spiritual, no more than you can make oil and water mix. It will not do it.



Therefore, the church needs a good cleansing. What we need today is some old fashion revivals, some sweeping revivals, some power of the Lord. We need men and women who's willing

to sell out to everything in this world, to burn every bridge behind them. We need to take the world today, we ministers, like the old Norwegians used to take a country. When they went in by ship, they hit the shore and set the ship afire and burned it behind them. They had no way of escape. That's the way we ought to do: Burn every bridge and every escape. Sell out everything for the Kingdom of God and keep moving on.

There's no place of stopping. There's no place of compromising.

20 God don't like compromisers. God don't want His Church to look like the world. He don't want it to act like the world. He doesn't want to have anything to do with the world, only to preach the Gospel to the world and to call those forth.

God wants separators. The church wants mixers. They want a pastor who will not be

so hard on them, and—and tell them good things, and not dig right down, and just rake the hide off of them. Brother, that's what we need.

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