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211 Watch what God showed Abraham here because he believed the Word, watch what took place. What did He do to Sarah? You know what He done to Sarah and Abraham? Showing what He's going to do to all of Sarah and Abraham's Seed, the Seed of Abraham, what He's going to do. You know what He

did? Watch what they did immediately after that, they took a long journey from where they were camped at, up there, Sodom, all the way to Gerar, down in the Philistine land, about three hundred miles.

212 That's quite a long walk for an old man a hundred years old, and little, old grandma with a little shawl on her shoulders, going along like *this*, three hundred miles on a walk. It wasn't that way, He turned them

back to a young man and a young woman. I can prove it, He did. And that's a promise to all his Seed that'll take His Word, and hold on to It like that.

213 He turned Sarah back to a young woman so she could have that baby. I want to say something, now, you listen to your doctor, I'm your brother. Now look, if she was that old, He'd have to strengthen her heart, or she could not go in labor, ninety-year-old woman,

that's right, He'd have to patch up her heart.

214 The milk veins from her breast had dried up. They didn't have...Women didn't smoke cigarettes in them days, so they just raised their baby on their breasts, you see, and didn't give it cow's milk, so they—they—they had to feed them through their breasts. And the milk veins was dried up. Just look what a condition! He'd have had to

patch her up. God don't patch up, He makes new. Yeah.

215 I can see Sarah turn back to a lovely woman, about twenty-five years old; I can see Abraham about twenty-five, or thirty years old.

I can hear Sarah say, one morning wake up, say, "Honey, did you know, that hump is going out of your shoulders?"

216 I can hear him say, "Darling, them pretty, brown

eyes that you used to have, come back. And the coloring is coming back into your hair again.” Oh, my! Yeah.

Now, you say, “Now, Brother Branham!”

217 Wait a minute, wait a minute, see, the Bible is a love Story to the believer. Now, when I go overseas, Mrs. Branham writes me a letter, and she said, “Dear Billy, I’m setting here tonight, I’ve got to put the children to bed, I just got through



praying for you, I know that God is blessing you.”

218 See, that’s what she’s saying, but I’m reading right between the lines, I love her, see, I know what she’s talking about. She won’t tell me just all about it, but course I know it anyhow, way she’s writing.

219 Well, that’s the way you read the Bible, between the lines. God has got...That’s the reason He hid it from the eyes of the wise and prudent, them say, “I’ve

a Ph.D., a D.D.D.” You know what D.D. stands for? Dead dog. So, I tell you, brother, what, we don’t need that today, we need, not some *theology*, but *kneeology* is what we need. Yeah. Well, the Bible called it *dumb dog*, so it’d just be as bad, you see, said they were dumb dogs, D.D.’s.

Now, notice, there he was in there.

220 “I got *this* and I got *that*.”  
Well, that’s all right, I like to have

Jesus. They perceived that Peter and John were ignorant and unlearned, but had to take notice they had been with Jesus. Neither one of them could sign their name, or anything, but they knowed they had been with Jesus, that's what we got to do, know that they been with Jesus.

221 Now, when you read the Bible, He's hid it from the eyes of the wise and prudent, and will reveal it to babes, such as will learn, so when you go to reading

this here, now watch what happen, to show you that that's what He done. The first thing...

Now, you say, "Oh, Brother Branham, they were just..."

222 No, the Bible said they were well stricken in years, that's right, well stricken in years. Now, my legalistic brother, I don't want to pinch you very hard, but I want you to know I—I can still pinch just a little with the Word, see. I don't want to hurt you, but I want you to watch what taken place.

223 He goes down into Gerar, and when he got down there, I'm going to take your side of it, here's little grandma coming along, nearly a hundred years old, little dust bonnet, and little shawl, you know, lumping on. And you know, Abimelech down there in Gerar, he was a king, and he was hunting for a wife, and all those pretty Philistine women, but when he seen little grandma, he said, "That's the one I've waited for!"



224 Oh, Abraham said, “I...You show your kindness to me, you say you’re my sister.” Which she was. Said, “You say you’re my sister.” Because, see, in them days (I might put a plug in here if the preacher want to preach on it sometime, you might run it on through the Bible.) remember, men had as many wives as they could afford to have, but no woman could have two living husbands at the same time. David had five hundred

wives, but not one of them had another husband. Um-hum. I better stop, right now. See? All right. If they only knowed the truth of that, it'd tear these churches wide open, that's right.

225 Now, notice what would take place if you just get to where God could reveal some things to you of the Spirit!

226 Now notice, now, he said, "Now, they'll kill me, and save you alive." Cause as long as he was married to her...Said, "You

say you're my sister, and that'll go well with me."

227 Now, here was Abraham going down there, and here was little Sarah, little grandma, you know, coming along, and Abimelech said, "Oh, there's a beauty, that's the one I want, grandma!"

228 No, that sounds silly, doesn't it? See? It wasn't, she was a beautiful woman. Sure, she's young again. Oh! Don't worry, mother, it's coming

someday, watch dad, just be the Seed of Abraham, have that faith, that's what it takes. "We being dead in Christ, we're Abraham's Seed." But you have to be dead in Christ, take on Christ, the Holy Ghost in you, that's Abraham's Seed, and He will rise you up again, old age won't mean a thing.

229 I asked a *science*, here not long ago, I said, "I pray you tell me something. Is it so that every time I eat, I'm made out of

the dust of the earth, and every time I eat food then I renew my life?”

He said, “That’s right. Makes blood vessels, and—and the blood, you get new blood from your food,” and said, “that makes new life.”

230 I said, “You know, when I was sixteen years old, I eat the same food I eat now,” and I said, “every time that I eat, I got bigger and stronger, now no matter how much I eat, I’m getting older and



weaker. If I'm renewing my life, where is, what's happening to it? Tell me, I got a jug of water and a glass of wat-...setting here, and I start pouring water out of this big jug into this glass, and it starts filling up, and gets half full, and I start pouring faster, and it keeps going down all the time, scientifically prove that to me." Can't do it, I can by the Bible, it's an appointment. That's right.

231 That's right. God has appointed, when He seen you

and mother at the right age, when you were young and married and happy, remember it, dad? Before the children come on, the first thing you know, she's the prettiest thing you ever looked at. Oh, my, you just thought she was a beauty; and how she admired you, standing, them straight shoulders.

After while, you looked around, and say, "Mother, there's wrinkles come under them pretty eyes."

“Yes, Dad, some gray is coming in *here*, too, sliding out on top.”

232 What’s the matter? See, death has set in, it’s going to corner you someday, but listen, in the resurrection there’ll not be one thing that symbolizes death, we’ll be anew. Hallelujah!

233 I’ve got about four or five hairs left on top, and I was combing them a few days ago, or some time ago, combing them, and my wife said, “Billy, you

know what? You're just about baldheaded, Honey."

I said, "But I haven't lost a one of them."

She said, "Pray tell me where they're at."

234 I said, "Wait a minute, Darling, come here." I said, "You tell me, be-...where they were before I got them, they had to come from somewhere, tell me where they were before I got

them, I'll tell you where they are, waiting for me to come to them."

235 Hallelujah! My God is Abraham's God. Amen. Every hair of your head is numbered. All the wrinkles will fleet away, old age will pass away. Oh, glory to God! And we'll be a new creature forever, standing in the splendor of youth and happiness. Amen. That's our God.

236 Oh, I'll be a, just a, maybe a spoonful of dust, but He will call



me someday, go, “*Phew!* Come forth, Billy.”

I say, “Here I am, Lord, here I am, Father.” Yes, sir.

He will never come say, “Now, Mr. Branham, Charles, you and Ella give birth to William again, ’cause he was one of My servants.”

No, no. He will just *spea*k, and I’ll answer Him. Amen. Hallelujah! *Hallelujah* means, “Praise our

God.” I think He’s worthy of all praise.

237 Somebody said to me not long ago, she said, a woman that belonged to another denominational church, she said, “Brother Branham, there’s only one thing wrong with your ministry that I find.”

I said, “What’s that?”

Said, “You brag too much on Jesus.”

I said, “I *what?*”

Said, “You brag too much, you make him Divine.”

I said, “He was Divine.”

And she said, “Oh, he was a prophet.”

I said, “He was more than a prophet, He was the God of the prophets.” That’s right.

238 “Oh,” she said...You know what religion I’m talking about, I don’t want to hurt your feelings, it was Christian Science woman. See, ’cause many of

them comes to the meeting, gets healed, that's all right. She said, "Well, he was—he was a good man, I believe he was a prophet."

I said, "He was either God, or the greatest deceiver the world ever had." He was God Himself.

And she said, "I'll prove to your own Bible, you said you was a fundamentalist, I'll prove by your own Bible that he wasn't nothing but a man."

I said, "Prove it."

239 And she said, “Saint John the 11th chapter, when Jesus went down to the grave of Lazarus, the Bible said he wept, that proved that he was a human being, like you are.”

And I said, “Is that your Scripture?”

She said, “Yes.”

I said, “Sister, that’s thinner than the broth made out of a shadow of a chicken that starved

to death.” I said, “That would never stand.”

She said, “What do you mean by that?”

240 I said, “He wept like a man, that’s right, going to the grave, but when He stood His little, stooped shoulders, and pulled them together, and said, ‘Lazarus, come forth,’ and a man had been dead four days stood on his feet, lived again, that took more than a man.” Yes, sir. God!

241 “I am the Resurrection and the Life,” saith God. Not a man, not a prophet, but God, that’s what He was. “I am the Resurrection and Life,” saith God. “He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. Whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.” Said, “Believeth thou this?”

And she said, “Yea, Lord, I believe.” That’s it, something has got to happen. Not a man, God.



242 Now, let's follow Abraham. So, Sarah, Abimelech said, "You know, there's that beautiful, Hebrew woman." Said, "Is that your husband?"

"No, that's my brother."

He said, "That's right, that's—that—that's my sister." Which is was, his half-sister.

"Well," so he said, "well, I'll take her over at the palace, and I...she'll become my wife, and I'll

just give you a lot of things.  
See?”

“All right.”

So he took her over there.

243 And could you imagine a man doing a thing like that? So, he stepped over there...See, why—why—why he done it? Why did he compromise? He was out of the promise, he went down in Gerar.

244 That's the reason you women chop your hair off, and

use makeup, and you fellows smoke cigarettes, and—and carry on the way you do, you get out of the promise, and still remain deacons, and members, and so forth, like do these Baptists,                      Presbyterians, Methodist, Pentecostals, and so forth, you just get right out of the promise, that's all, the devil pushed you any...Stay over here, where you belong, prayed up! That's right, let the devil speak to you, listen to him.

245 Now, here he was, setting out there as a little, sneaking coward. Setting out...God forgive me for speaking of His prophet like that, but I'm trying to make a point here.

246 Now, we watch, ol' Abimelech went over there, and I imagine that night after he took his bath, and put on his pajamas, and said his prayers, and stuck his toes out like *that*, "Oh, I finally found the one I wanted. Hmm!" Laying on the bed, said,

“Tomorrow, I’ll marry this pretty, Hebrew woman.” They had her all decorated up with earrings, and all these kind of things, you know. “Oh, how beautiful she looks! Tomorrow, I’ll marry her.”

247 And while he was laying there on the bed, the Lord said, “You’re just as good as a dead man.” That good, holiness brother, but He said, “You’re just as good as a dead man.” Said, “That woman is the wife of another man.”

Well, he said, “Lord, You know the integrity of my heart. Didn’t she tell me that?”

“Yes, I know.”

“Didn’t he tell me?”

248 “Yes, I know, that’s the reason I kept you from sinning against Me. Now, her husband is My prophet.” Amen. Now, if you want to watch grace, look at this. Setting out there lying about his wife. “But her husband is My prophet. I won’t hear your

prayers, but you take her back, and let him pray for you, and then I'll heal you."

249 Oh, hallelujah! Oh, brother, can you see it? The Seed of Abraham anchored in Jesus! "Her husband is My prophet." There you are. "Take his wife back to him, and give him an offering, and let him pray for you," 'cause He closed every womb. That's right. The nation would have died right off, and been no more of it.



250 But he was willing, he was a good man, he went and took the wife back and restored her, and God blessed him and blessed Abraham. Then he started back up into his homeland, right back to the place where the Angel met him, and showed the sign by turning His back. That same God lives tonight.

251 I ain't going to have time to make this other, I get it tomorrow at Sunday School, this

last little comment here. I've got—I got the 21st, 20th, last part of the 20th and 21st chapter, yet, with some Scriptures there I'd like to use. And I'll get that tomorrow at Sunday School, how He takes him up and becomes Jehovah-Jireh.

252 Oh, brother, the Angel of the Lord is—is here, tonight. He's Jehovah God in your flesh, He's Jehovah God in my flesh, that same God never dies, He's just as real. The thing of it is, the

people don't recognize Him. They don't re-...And when He does come, they say, "Well, very well, I suppose. Looks all right, um-hum. I guess that's right."

253 Oh, brother, if every Word in that Bible isn't true, it's not God's Word, it's not God's Word if it isn't. But if It is, then It's—It's...if the...If God confirms His Word, then It's true. Amen. God keeps His Word, don't you believe that?

254 He's here, He's here. I say that in the Name of the Lord. Think He is? Now, He can use my flesh the same as He could create some, 'cause He made me, anyhow. He could use your flesh, He created, made you, don't you think that? Now, if you'll just open up your heart, and get yourself out of the way, He will come in, can use you. He's the same God, He gives the same signs. Amen. You believe it? Look to Him, let me turn my

back, pray for something you got wrong with you. Oh, it's a challenge.

255 Yes, sir. Here's a man before me, here he is standing right...Let me see now, where is he at? Setting right back there, tie open here in front, light suit on, thin hair on top, suffering with heart trouble. The man with the gray-looking suit on, setting here looking right at me, you were praying, "Lord, let him touch me." That's right? Raise up your

hand if that's right. That the same Angel came, tell me what he was saying in his heart, then why ain't the same God? Your heart trouble is over, Brother, go home and be well. Amen. You wouldn't happen to have a prayer card, do you? You don't have a prayer card, don't need one.

256 You see what I mean? The...See, he's just coming to himself. I looked around, I seen him standing back there, that thin hair, I looked, I thought, "Where

is he at?" I looked back there and there he was, he was setting there. The man, just, I never seen him in my life.

If we're strangers, raise your hand, sir. Was every word said, right? Was that what you was thinking, what you was doing? There you are.

257 Then what did He say? When the, that Man setting there, God in His flesh, this Man's flesh, said, "Why did Sarah say in her heart, that it can't happen?"



Then the same Angel comes here. And said, “Why did...? You did say it will happen, let Him touch me.” Amen.

258 Oh, why be so gross? Amen. Just have faith. Don't you see, friends? Can you wake up, Pentecostal people? Why don't you bite your conscience? Why don't you pinch your soul?

Amen. Now, it's starting everywhere. Oh, Jehovah-jireh, the Lord is able to provide for

Himself a sacrifice. Amen. Have faith.

259 What do you think, Brother? I guess you might think I'm rough, I'm not. I'm your brother, I'm your brother. That's right, Brother, I love you. I realize I'm in a—a organizational church here, Assembly of God, one of my greatest sponsors, my brothers. But what I hate to see is it getting cold and cooling off. I'm not against that organization, I'm not against the Oneness

brethren out there, or the Methodists, or the Baptists, I say the same thing everywhere, but what I'm trying to say, "Shake yourselves, brother. Get your eyes off of these things."

260 Here, wait a minute, a woman appeared here before me, somebody praying, neuritis, eyes. The woman has got a red dress on. Here she sets right here. You believe that He will heal you? Mrs. Curry, then if you'll believe with all your heart,

God will make you well. That's right, raise up your hand. All right, there you are.

261 I challenge you to believe it. What is it? The same Lord God Almighty, He's here in, dwelling in human flesh. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Oh, my! His Spirit is all over the building.

262 Ever where was that woman It spoke to? Where is she? Is, was it you, lady? The woman It spoke to just then, where was it? Oh, here, this lady,

yeah. All right. You accept your healing now? I don't know you, I've never seen you in my life, know nothing about you, but them things are true, wasn't it?

There you are. All right. All right. See, I never seen her, there's my hands before God. See what He does?

263 Oh, brother, sister, if you'd just get away from your shell, pull out of it! Come out, lay yourself before God, and saying, "Lord God, nothing in my arms I

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bring, simply to Thy cross I  
cling.” That’s right.

I will praise Him, I will praise  
Him,

Praise the Lamb for sinners  
slain;

Give Him glory all ye people,

For His Blood has washed  
away each stain.

I will praise Him, I will praise  
Him,

Praise the Lamb for sinners  
slain;

Give Him glory all ye people,  
For His Blood has washed  
away each stain.

I love Him, I...

Oh, my, worship Him. The  
hard, cutting sermon is over now,  
let's worship Him.

...He first loved me (Don't you  
love Him? Isn't He wonderful?)

...purchased...salvation



On Calvary's tree.

I will praise Him, (Don't you  
feel all scoured out now?) I will  
praise Him,

Praise the Lamb for sinners  
slain;

Oh, give Him glory all ye  
people,

For His Blood has washed  
away each stain.

264 Oh, doesn't that do  
something to you? The cutting  
Spirit going through the building

chopping, circumcising. What does the word *circumcise* mean? “Cut off surplus flesh.” The church got too much surplus flesh, the Sword of God cuts it off, then when we do, we feel all circumcised and clean. Paul said, “I worship Him, I worship Him in the Spirit.”

I will praise Him, I will praise Him,

Praise the Lamb for sinners slain;

Give Him glory all ye people,

For His Blood has washed  
away each stain.

265 Oh, isn't He wonderful? Is there a sinner here knowing that God makes a promise, God keeps His promise? God speaks here, and if any man that preaches the Word of God, God will back His Word up. Now, you don't have to guess about it, He's alive, He's here now. Do you want Him as your Saviour? Come up to the altar if you do,

while we sing again. “I will praise Him, praise the Lamb for sinners slain.” All right. Will you come to the altar?

I will praise Him, I will praise Him,

Praise the Lamb for sinners slain;

Give Him glory all ye people,

For His Blood has washed away each stain.

266 Oh, wonderful! What would happen in India if that altar

call was made like that? You'd have to get back, they would crowd you down, around thousands pouring in around the altar, they love Him, when they see God, not a material, not a God that's a historical God, a God that's present-day God.

267 A God from history makes Hissself...I'll be preaching this next week: *The God Of History Rising On The Scene*. See if He's a historical God, or if He isn't the

same God, today. Amen. I love  
Him, don't you?

My faith looks up to Thee,  
Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Saviour Divine;

Now hear me while I pray,  
Take all my sins away,  
O let me from this day  
Be wholly Thine!

While life's dark maze I tread,  
And griefs around me spread,

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Be Thou my Guide;

Bid darkness turn to day,

Wipe sorrow's tears away,

Nor let me ever stray

From Thee aside.

Won't someone else make  
their way around the altar while  
these are here, penitent souls  
crying?

My faith looks up to Thee,

Thou Lamb of...



Come on, sinner friend, you'll  
never be any closer.

Saviour Divine;

What about the lukewarm  
Christian? Why don't you come  
up, pray through?

Now, hear me while I pray,

Take all my sin away,

Nor let me ever stray

From Thee aside.

268 Won't you come? Come  
sweetly, humbly to the cross.

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God bless you, ones that's coming. Move right on down and come in now, around the altar. Let's have a season of prayer. Why not them that feels a little damp in your spirit? Come on, Sister dear, I see you right up in the balcony coming, come.

Just as I am, without one plea,

But that Thy Blood was shed  
for me,

Because Thou promised, I  
believe,

O Lamb of God, I come!

That's it. Now the coldness  
will go to breaking.

Just as I am, without one plea,

But that Thy Blood was shed  
for me,

Because I promise...me come  
to Thee,

O Lamb of God, I come! I  
come!

Just as I am, and waiting not

To rid my soul from one dark  
blot,

To Thee, Whose Blood can  
cleanse each spot,

O Lamb of God, I come! I  
come!

269 Now, every one of you,  
bow your heads, raise up your  
hands to God, and start praying,  
you pray yourself. Get right down  
and start praying. That's it...?...

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