

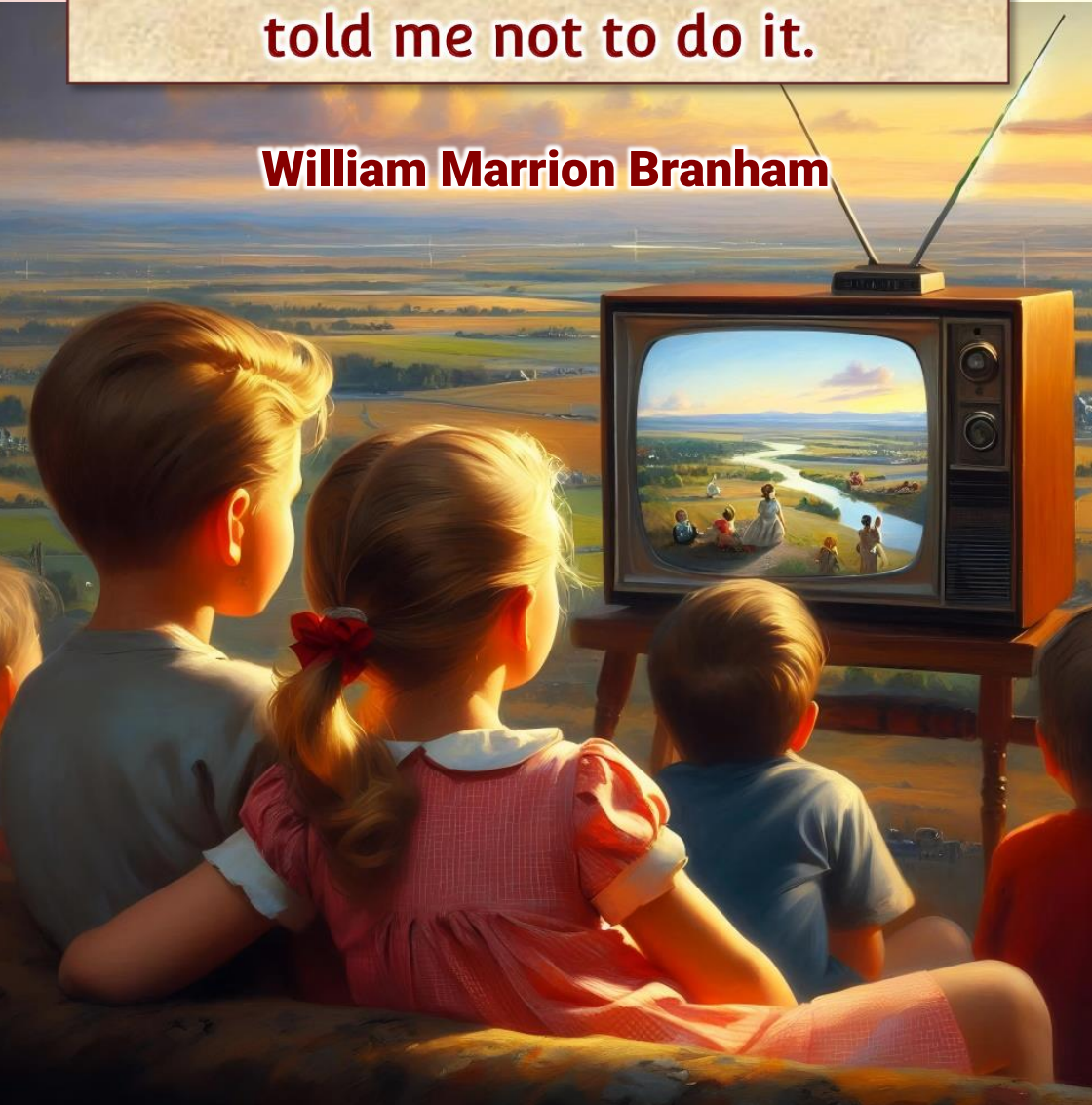
# ***Television***

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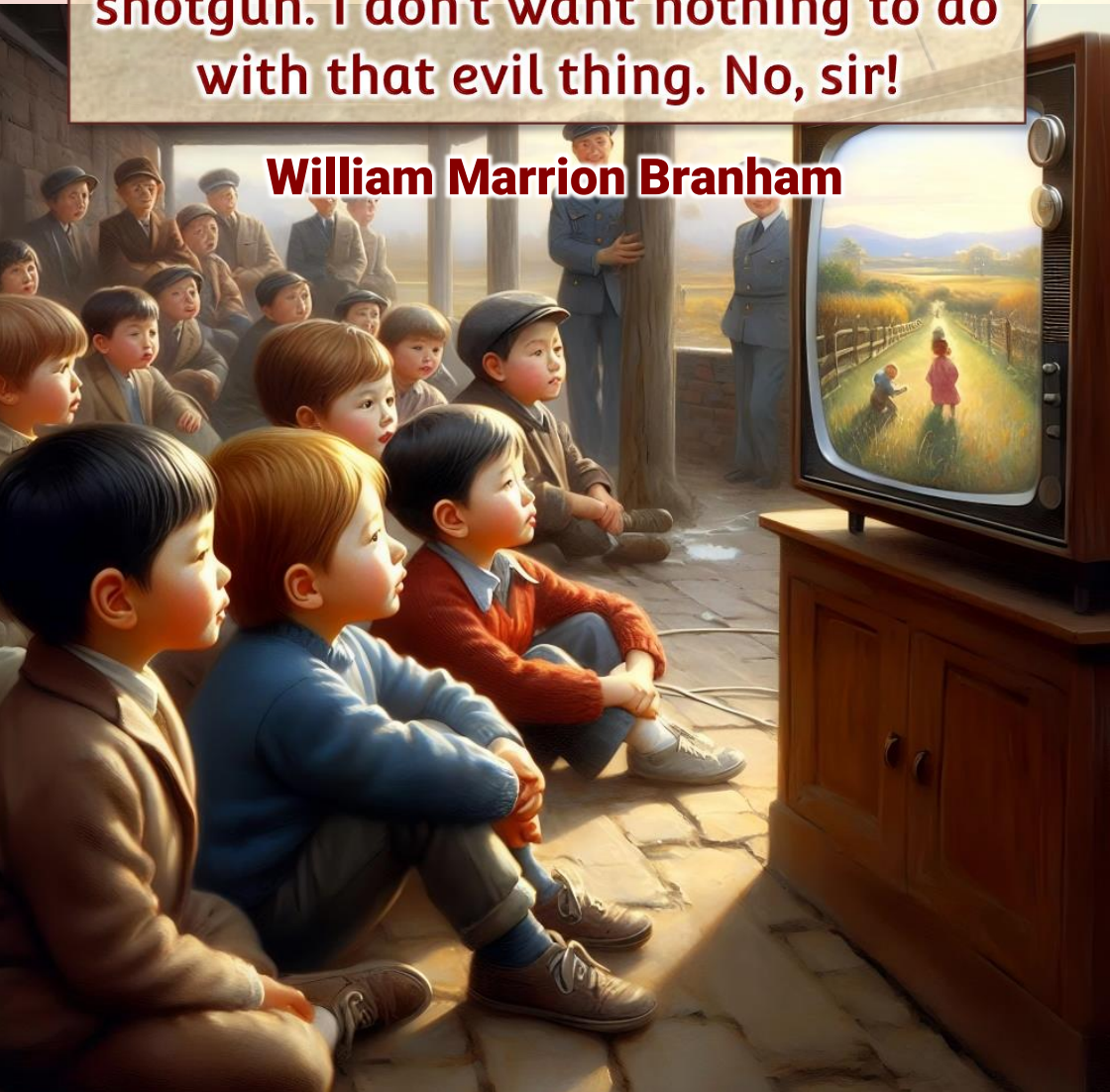
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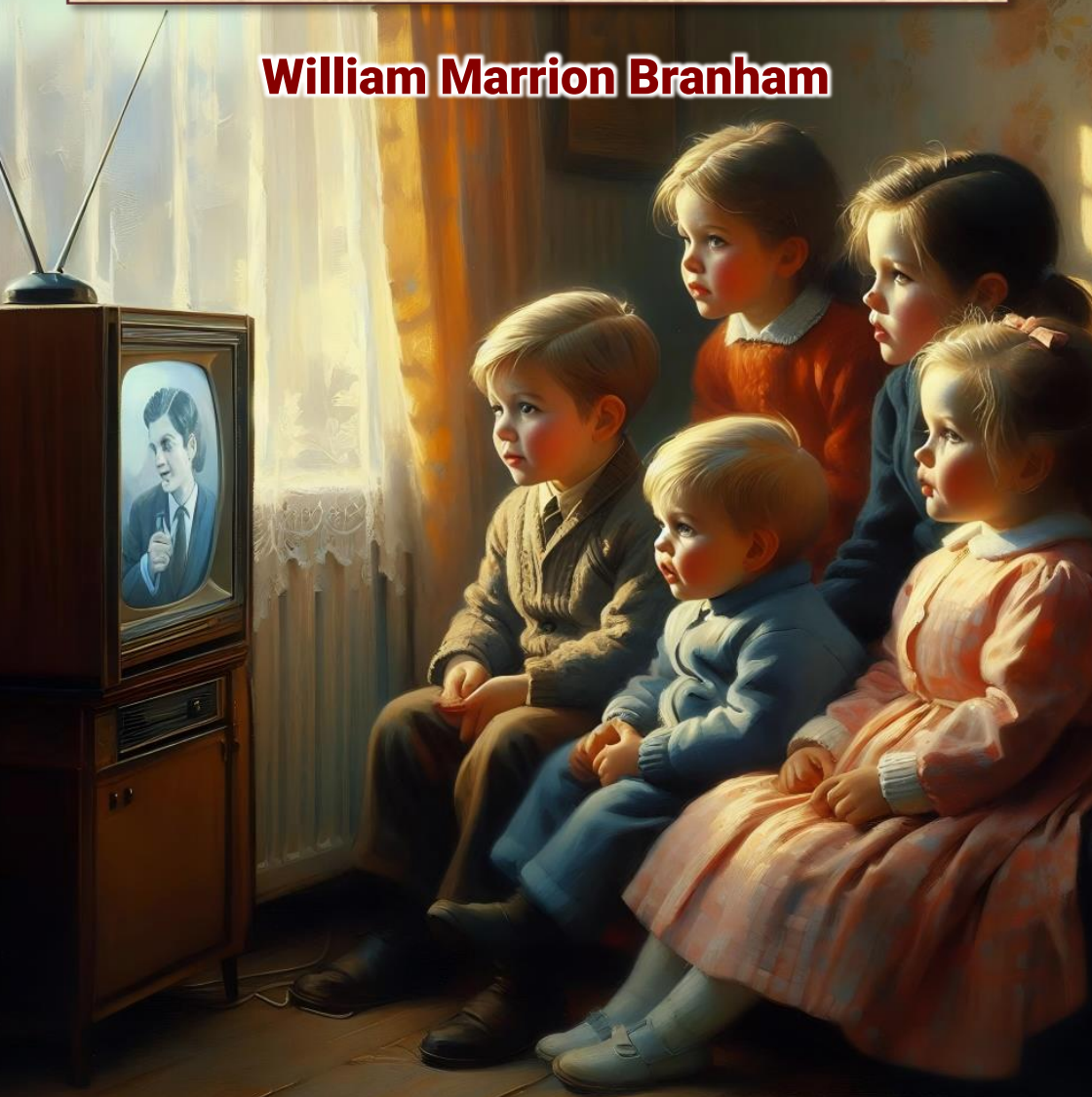
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*Title: 59-1219 — Questions And  
Answers On The Holy Ghost*

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**93.** The first question tonight:  
**Brother Branham, I think  
television is a curse to the  
world. What do you think about  
it?**

87 Well, ever who wrote it, I'm  
going to agree with you.

They have made it a curse to  
the world.

It could be a blessing to the world, but they've made it a curse.

Anything like that, my dear people, is what you look at yourself.

If the television is a curse, then the newspaper is a curse, then the radio is a curse, and many time the telephone is. See, see, see, see?

It's what you make out of it.



But being that the brother said the other night, that there's hardly any programs on the television anymore; that's too much money.

A poor preachers that preaches the Full Gospel can't afford a program on the television.

So therefore...Brother said the other night, I believe, somewhere, said, "Dust off your radio," or somebody, or, "Bring it

back out of the corner and listen to them programs.” That’s right.

88 But, dear person, ever who you are, I certainly agree with you.

It’s become one of the most damnable things to the human race.

In there they take all this here money that should go to the government for taxes, and put it off in advertising on all this cigarette and whiskey programs and things like that, and write it



off the government's taxes; and then they come around and get preachers and pull them through the court to get a little money out of them.

I agree with you, it's an awful thing.

Now, that's not...You know, it's just something you find. Thank you, sister, brother, ever who you was that asked that.

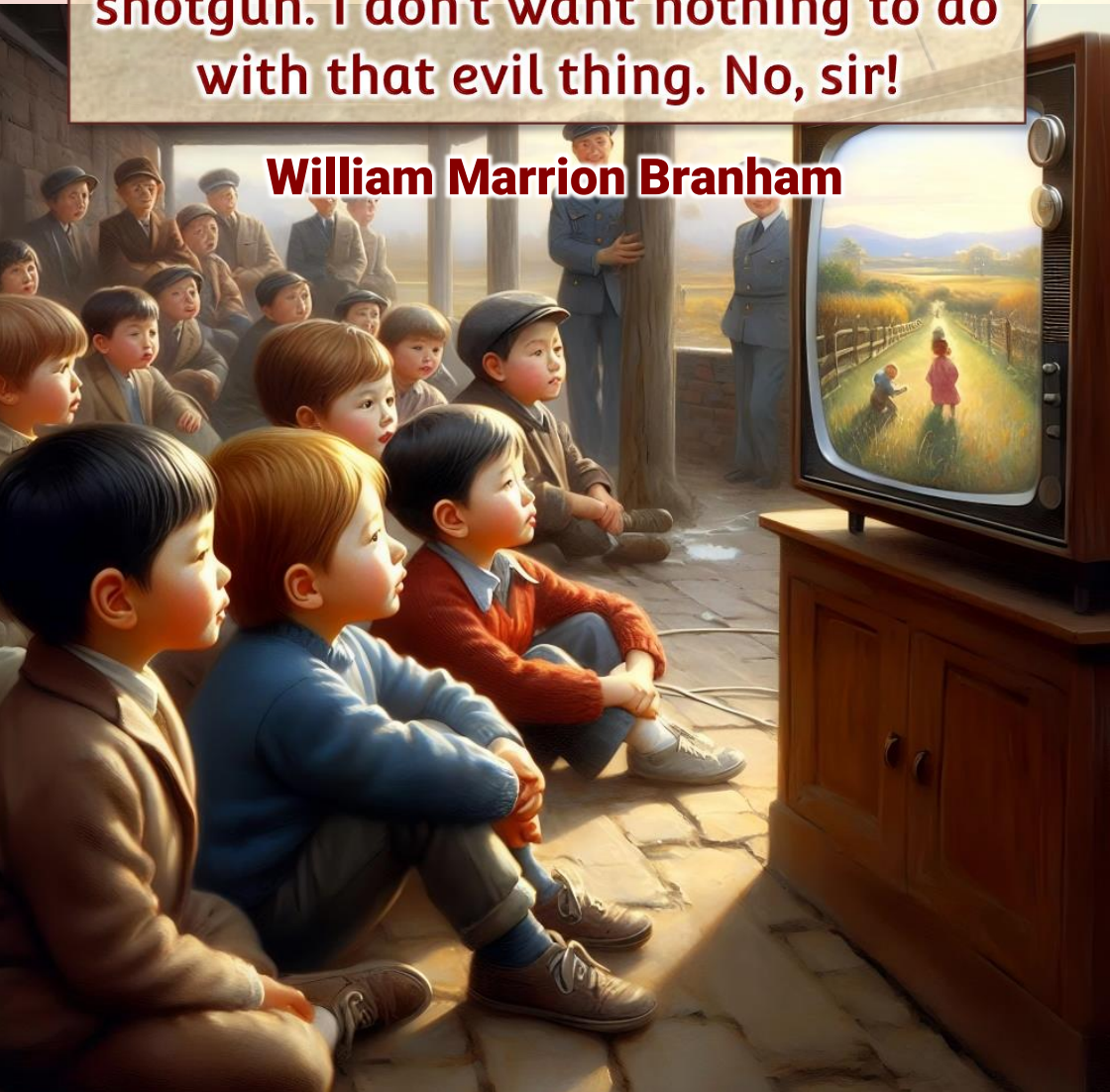
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*Title: 65-0911 — God's Power To  
Transform*

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168 Pardon this expression. If anybody's feelings is hurt by this, I don't mean it. A couple of Sunday's ago I was invited, by my own daughter, to come in to a television set and to watch a religious singing. It's at Sunday morning. I wanted to hear Oral Roberts on his program, I told them to let me know. Said, "You hear this, this is a great hymn



sing.” My son standing there, told me about it, too. And I turned that set...

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170 Let me tell you about you Arizonians here. You seen that

analysis the other day, of schools, didn't you? Eighty percent of the children in Arizona schools are suffering with mental deficiency, sixty-seven percent of them was by looking at television. How about that?

171 You had better use your shotgun! See? Now, don't let the devil spray you with that. No, sir. Now people, as I said, people act like they don't have to come to Judgment.

172 These boys and girls, they had some Indian family, and a whole lot of stuff. I think a fellow named Mr. Pool is the head of it. And if I ever seen a modern mockery of hymns, it was the way they handled it; a bunch of Rickys standing there, shaking their hands up-and-down.

173 I certainly appreciated that young man here this morning, that sang, looked decent, like a real man. I—I like



that. When you—you businessmen sometime here get a bunch of these Rickys that stand here, and hoop and holler, and carry on, and hold their breath till they're blue in the face; and that's not singing, that's just making a lot of scientific noise. *Singing* is “melody from the heart.”

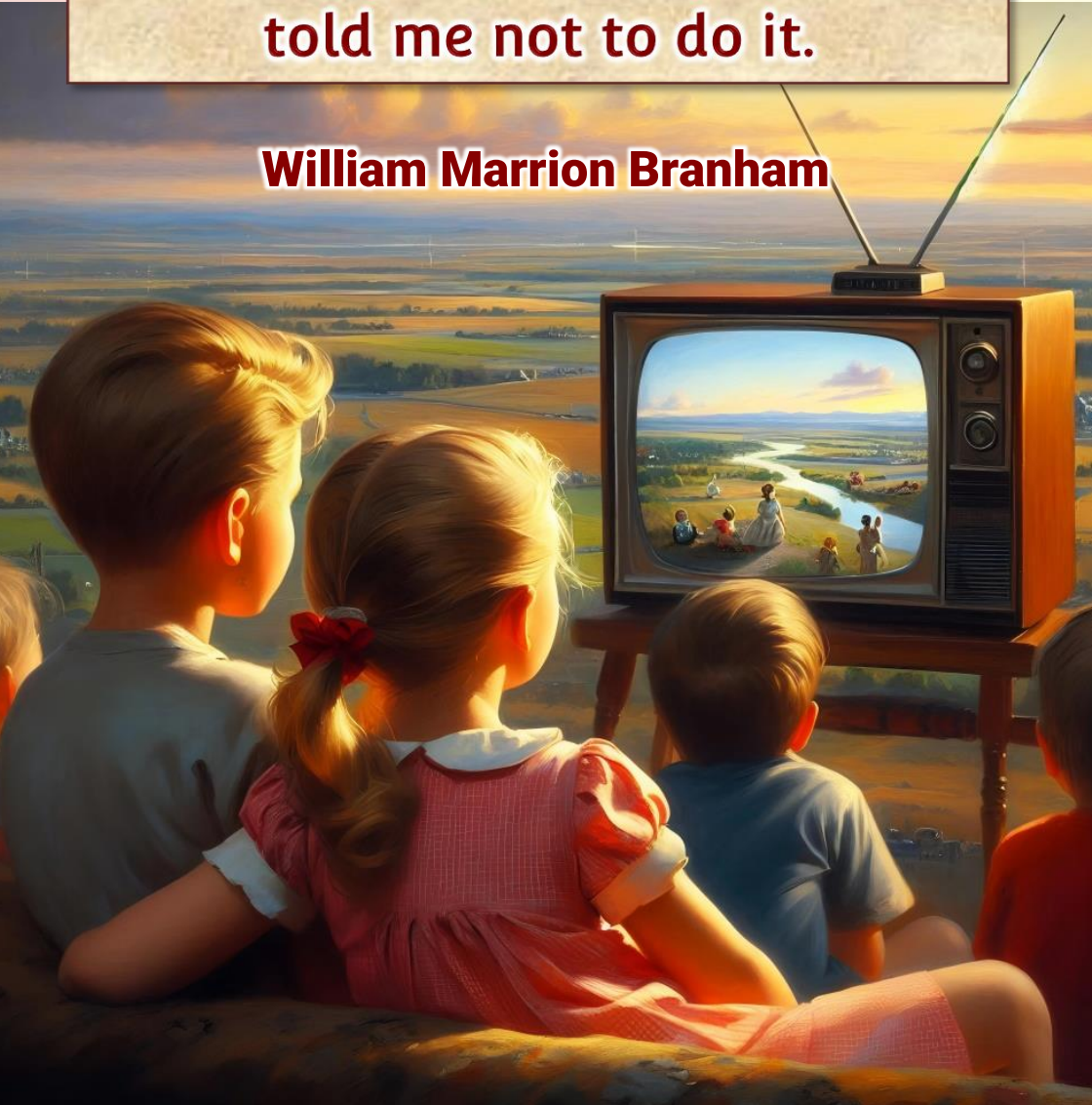
174 And I thought, “What a pity! What a shame it is! So how under the name of religion, they act like there is no God!”



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*Title: 65-1031M — Power Of  
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240 People of today act like they don't even believe there is a God. Did you know that? They act like that. Now, I don't want to call them fools, but they act like it. Cause, Psalms 14:1 says, "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God." You shouldn't call a person a fool. But they certainly act like they are, 'cause they

don't...They act like there is no God. This Word is just ignored.

241 Look, here the other day, they called me over in the room to watch...Billy Paul, I believe, or some of them, had said there was a—a religious program on the television.

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to do it.**

243 And when we moved in there, I rented from this sweet old sister up there, she had a television 'cause they had to have it for her to rent her house. And I let them look at a religious program, so they—they called and said there was a Gospel singing on.

244 And you talk about a bunch of Rickys, up there act like they did, call themselves Gospel singers! It was a discredit to Jesus Christ, to see the way they



was carrying, shaking themselves, and—and these Rickyfied haircuts and everything, you know. Just, it just—it just looked—it just looked like it was a mockery!

245 Cain was such a person, religious in deed, certainly. But he had the wrong seed in him, see, and therefore it brought forth the serpent's seed. Satan had hissed over this seed of Eden, and that's what brought

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forth a Cain. He put his poison  
upon it.



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uncensored, just dirty jokes, and  
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*Title: 63-0116 — The Evening  
Messenger*

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69 I believe in genuine Bible holiness. And I do not believe in this corruption and rotten stuff that sets an example before our people, called Hollywood. And I've always been against it. And I think a man that has the Spirit of God in him would be against it, because the Spirit of God would testify that "it's wrong" to him.



70 Now I think that's one of the...We used to go over to Paris to get naked models for to strip our women, now Paris comes over here to get ours. See? Hollywood leads the world. And the nude fashions that we have of today, beyond France (just think of that!), that drunken, brawling, immoral place, and yet Hollywood beats that altogether.

**71 And all of our televisions, the everything they have on it is uncensored, just dirty jokes,**

and rotten corruption, just waded into everything.

And the people, the devil... Wouldn't let us send our children to—to the picture shows years ago, we early Pentecostals, but now the devil slipped one over and put it right in the house on us. You see?

So he just brought the picture show right in.

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**You fathers, you mothers, are you  
ready to establish an altar in your  
house, and take that television out?**



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134 Let me just give another. In Second Timothy 3, He spoke of the church at the end time, said, “They would be heady, highminded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God.” Take the church world, over, “lovers of pleasure more than lovers of



God,” stay home and watch a television program before attending prayer meeting on Wednesday night.

You say, “That’s Baptist.”

135 That’s Pentecostals! Sure! Yes, sir. Oh! “Heady, highminded, lovers of pleasure”; put the Word right under their nose, they won’t look at It. Uh-huh. “Lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God”; tell the

women they shouldn't bob their hair, they bob it anyhow. Uh-huh. "Lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, and despisers of those that are right. Having..."

You say, "That's atheists." No!  
No!

136 "Having a form of godliness, but denying the Power thereof," the Power that can

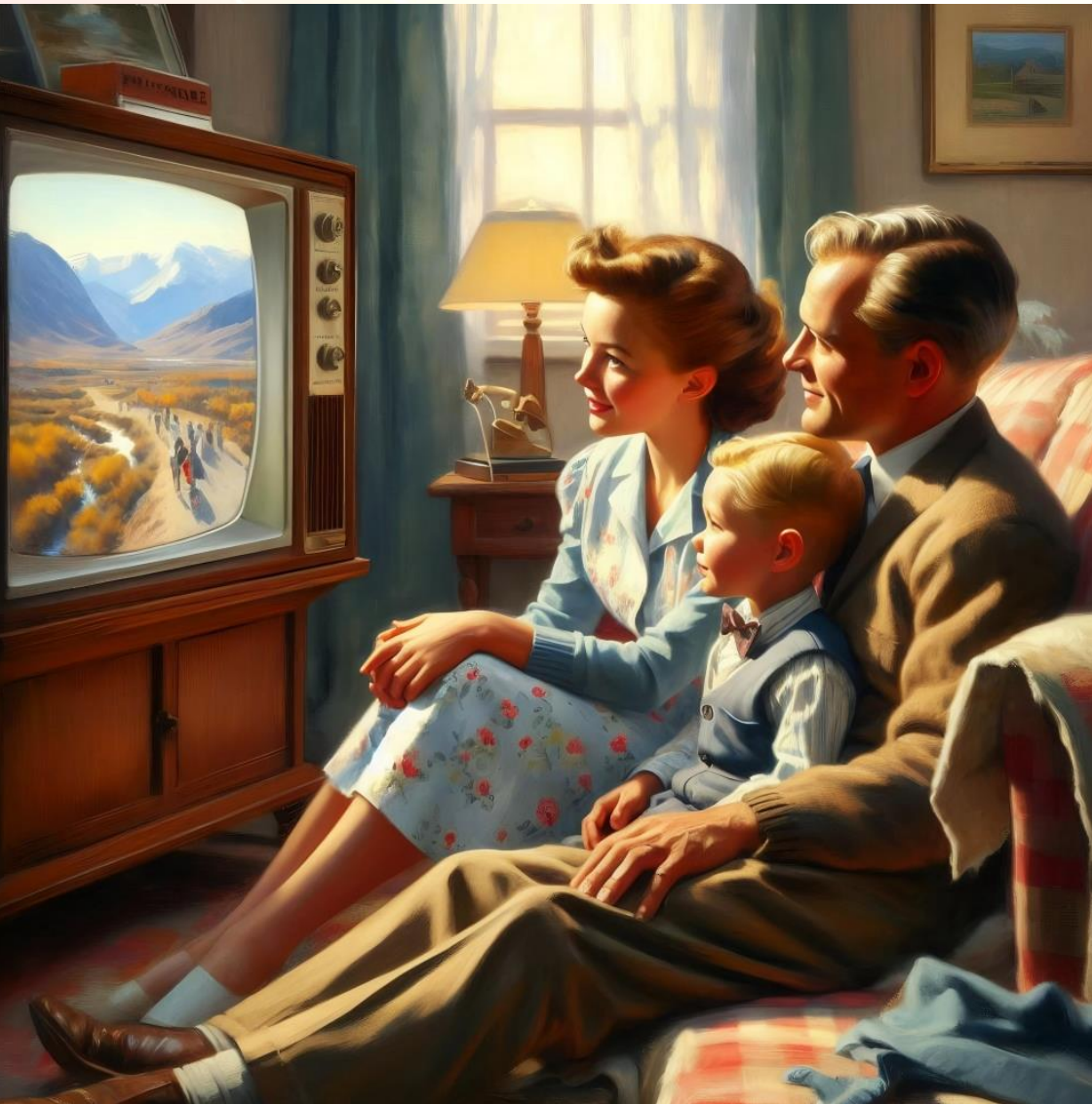
deliver you from this haunt,  
present world system. "...Power  
thereof; from such turn away."

Don't care what the rest of the  
people says, it's you as an  
individual before God, you've got  
to answer. No matter what this  
woman does or that woman  
does, or, this man does or that  
man does, or, this preacher says  
or that preacher says; it's you  
and God. "Having a form," after  
tradition, "but denying the Power  
thereof; from such turn away."

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Are we living in that day? We  
sure are!

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Well, what's the matter with our Pentecostal women? You've seen too much television! You've seen too much of the world, and not enough of God's Word interests you. Now, the Bible said that. That's what the Bible said. That's not me, now, that's the Bible!

167 Oh, sex appeal! A lady said to me not long ago, I was going on about them wearing these shorts, said, “I—I wear slacks.”

168 I said, “That’s worse.” You...The Bible said so. He cannot change.

169 You say, “That’s the Baptist.” That’s the Pentecostals. I’m talking to you. That’s right. That’s true.

170 But what's the matter?  
What's the matter? Somebody let  
down the bars somewhere. An  
old preacher friend of mine used  
to say:

We let down the bars, we let  
down the bars,

We compromised with sin.

We let down the bars, the  
sheep got out

But how did the goats get in?

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*Title: 65-1125 — The Invisible  
Union Of The Bride Of Christ*

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117 Eve didn't mean to do wrong. It wasn't willfully. But she... The Bible said, in Second Timothy, First Timothy 3, "She was deceived." And *deceived* is not when you willfully do it. It's when you're deceived into doing it.

118 And that's just exactly what's happened today. She's been deceived, by television, by magazine, by these people, these, all these fine things that they're going, out on the street. Modern girls, they look at magazines and they look at pictures. They look on the street. They see the clothing in the shops. How Satan, that great instrument of—of hell, has come down amongst the people and deceived them into these things! And the woman thinks she is all

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right. And she is dead and don't know it. She is far from God. See how she lost all this, and how subtle it was?



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*Title: 57-0417 — The Second  
Coming Of The Lord*

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You go to dances and boogie-woogie parties, and watch ol' dirty television programs.

You are committing adultery with Christ, on Him, as calling Him your Husband.

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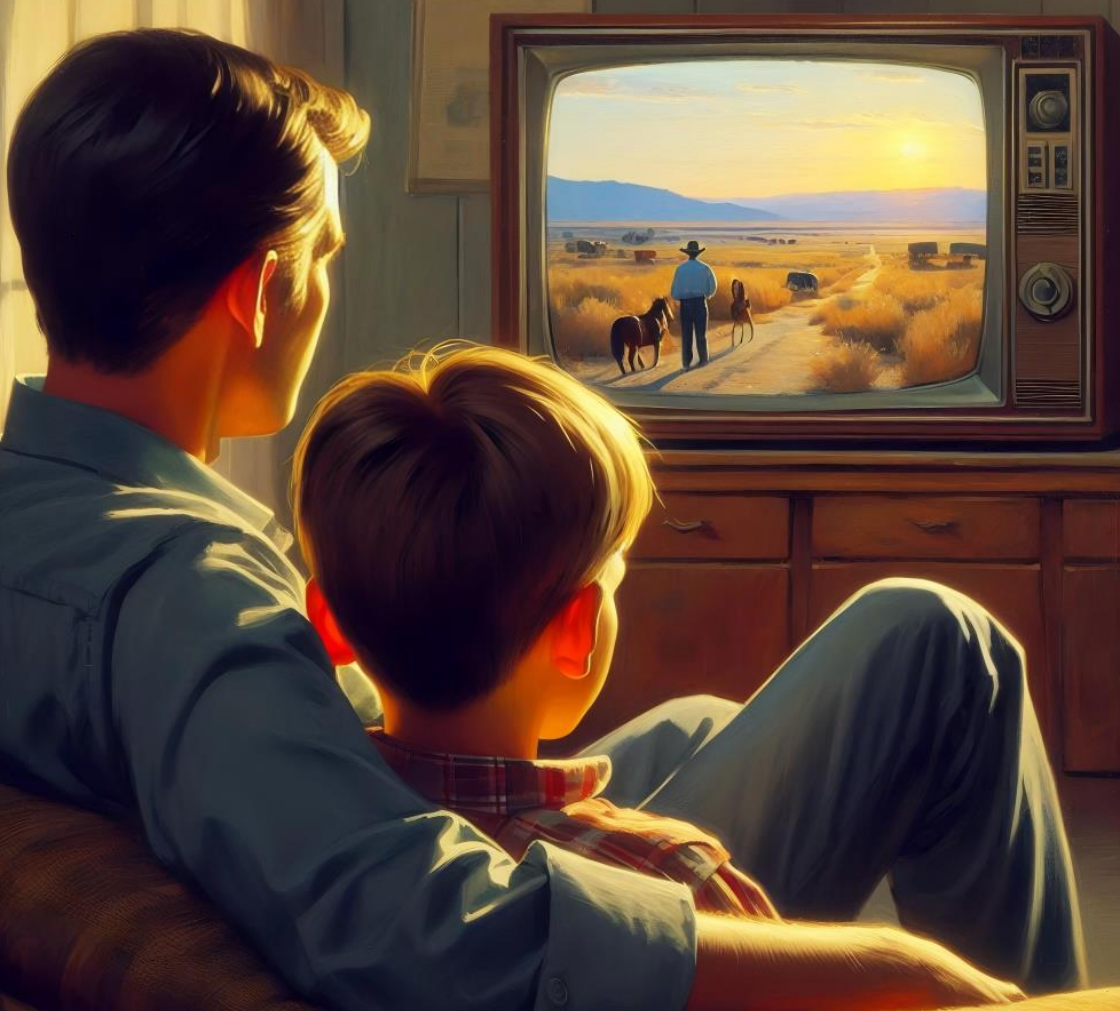
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Not*

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There'll come a time, in the Name of the Lord, that people will go completely insane.

The Bible says so.

They'll scream and holler; great hideous things in their imaginary mind. The radios and things, our television programs, are producing it.





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*Title: 60-1218 — The Uncertain  
Sound*

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193      When      television      is  
becoming rotten, and radio, and  
newspaper.

All      the      outlets      of  
advertisement, the thing just  
constantly cigarettes, tobaccos,  
and whiskey, and drinking, and  
immoral-dressed women.



Dirty jokes and jokesters on the television programs, and America falling for it.

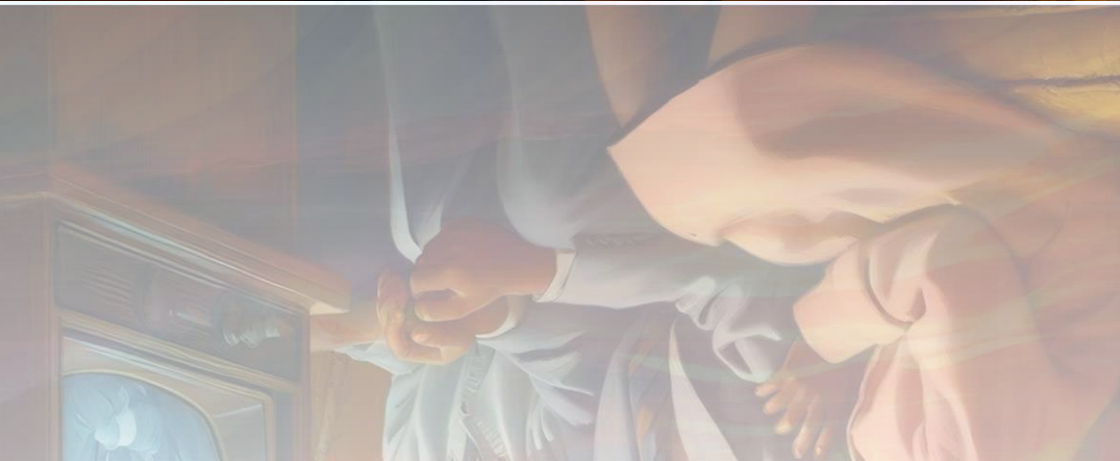
Like a big...Brought like King Nebuchadnezzar's house of—of folly that night, when there come a mad rush through there.

They had a—a big wine party and dance, and the television, if it would have been in that day, their jokesters got out there.

And there come a Hand writing on the wall.

194 And, today, when we thought we are so secure, we have the best scientists in the world. We got the best in the world. Come to find out, we're way behind, in the missile race. Uh-huh. And then what's happened to the United States? Not only a handwriting on the wall, but there's the—the ballistics of the missiles is writing in the sky, that we're way behind, years behind. What's the matter? The handwriting is on the wall.

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*Title: 63-0901M — Token*

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366 You want to read another one, Acts 16:31. Paul told the centurion, “Believe on the Message of the hour. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, thou and thy house shall be saved.” That right? Believe for your house, bring them all under. “Now you’ve seen the God of Heaven



perform a miracle. It's before judgment. Do you believe it?"

"Yes! What can I do?"

367 He said, "Rise and be baptized." Paul took him out and baptized him, said, "Now believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou and thy house shall be saved."

368 Believe what? Believe the Lord Jesus Christ, for your house, apply the Token to your house.

369 Then what do you do when you apply It to your house? Move all the trash out. Get all the short skirts, and the shorts, and the cards, and the cigarettes, and televisions, and whatever more, and kick them out the door, when you go apply the Token; won't stand still for it. Yes, sir. Take it all out. All the dances, and parties, and rock-and-roll, and old vulgar newspapers, and the stuff that's of the world, kick it out the door, say, "We're

cleaning out this place around here.”

370 Like Jacob did, he said, told his wife and all of them, said, “Wash your clothes and everything. Put away them gods.” Amen. Jo-...

371 You know what Joshua said before crossing over? He said, “Wash your clothes; come not at your wives, and so forth, and get ready, for within three days we’ll cross Jordan.” Amen. He was getting ready, was

applying the token. Amen. That's it.

372 Get ready. Apply It. Believe It. Clean up. Let your children, let your family, let your loved ones, see It in you. That's right. It'll take effect. Yes, sir!

373 Then apply the Token in prayer, with—with—with consideration, with believing. Apply It with such love, and so forth, till you know it's going to take, it's going to take place. That's all. Apply It in confidence,



believing It's going to help. When you talk to that child, when you talk to your husband, talk to your wife, talk to this loved one, believe that It's going to help. Just stand there, and say, "Lord, I've claimed them. They're mine. I'm getting them for You, Lord."

374 Apply It, and create that atmosphere around you, that they'll just drop right into It. See? Oh, you are, you are, if you got the Token, you create a spirit around you, a power, that when

you walk, people know that you're a Christian. They love for you to say something to them. They believe your word. What you say, they hold onto it. See? That's it.

375 Apply the Token, then walk with It. Claim your household. You must do it now. This is evening time. Now, you've been listening a long time, now this is the evening time. It's applying time now. The wrath will strike, one of these days, it might

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be too late then. See? Apply the  
Token, with confidence.



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*Title: 64-1212 — The Harvest Time*

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17 I'm not much on television. As you know, I'm really against it. And I'm really renting a place down in Tucson until we get our place fixed, where we'll have our home established there, the Lord willing. And the lady that rents the house, she's a fine Christian friend, but she had in the house a—a—a television. Well, I've got



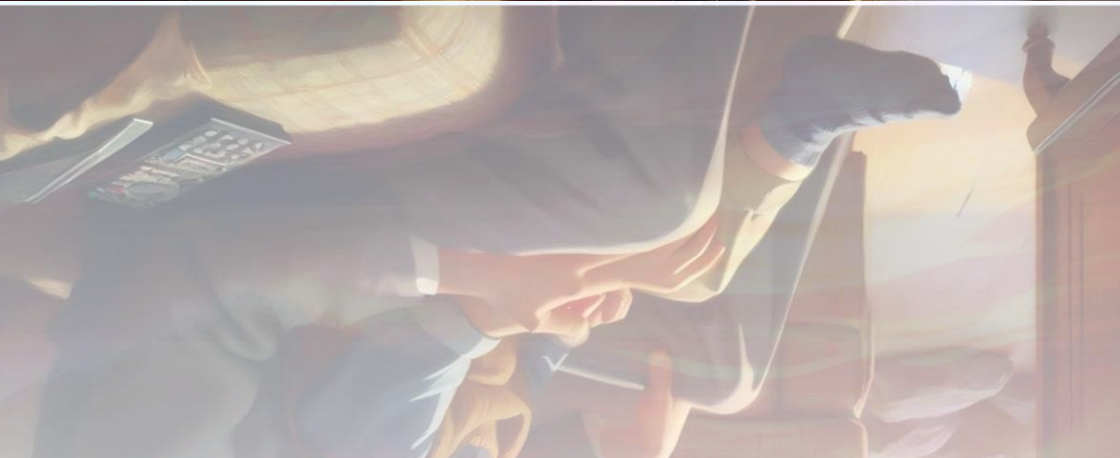
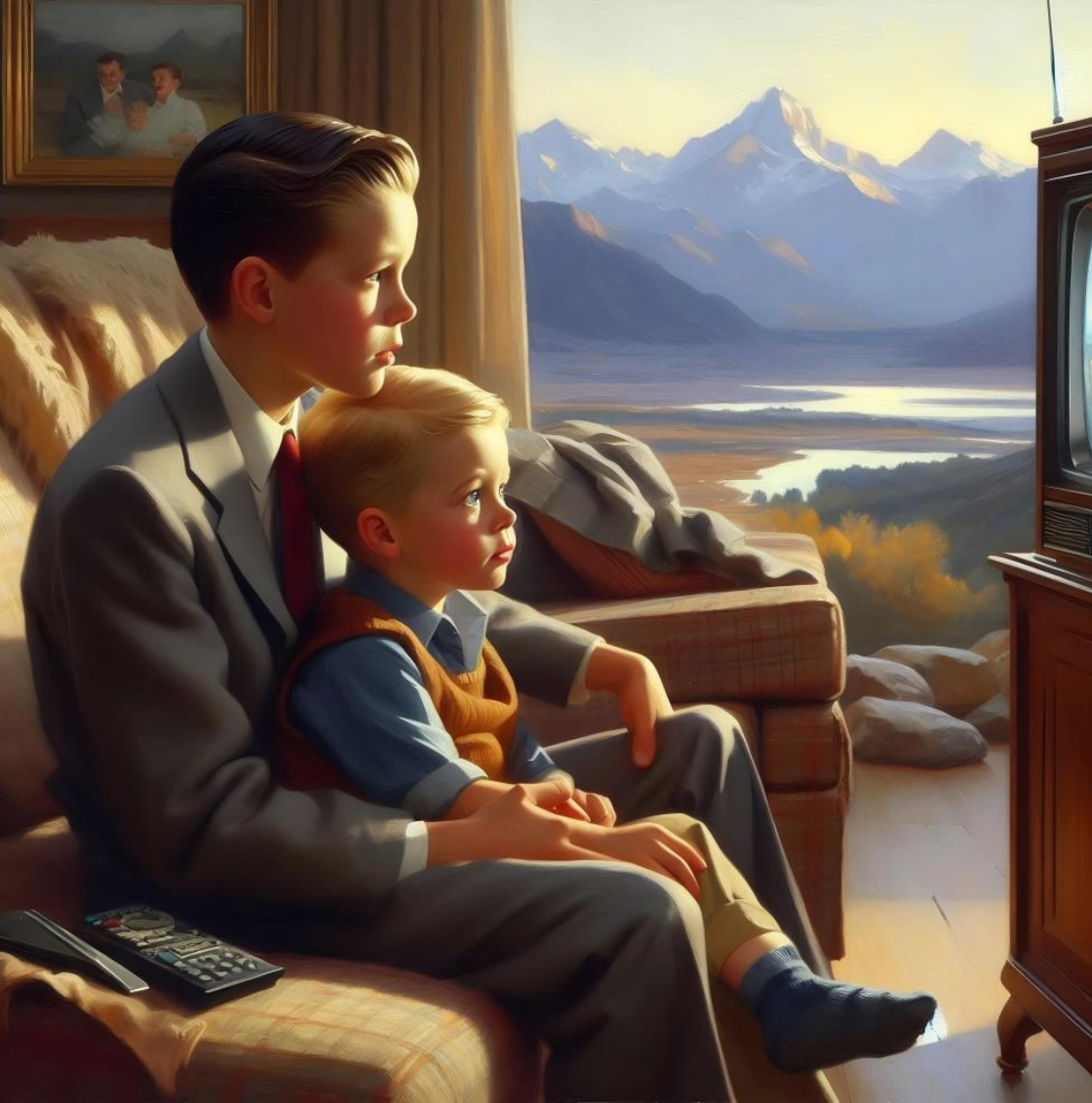
young children, and you know how they are, so they hurry to it. So, couple mornings ago, when I just come in from a trip with Brother Stromei...I don't know whether Brother Stromei is here this morning, or not, he is the president of the chapter at Tucson. My young daughter, which is sitting back over here, called me in to watch, said, "We're going to turn the television on, some singing quartets," or whatever it was.

18 Well, now, I am a very good critic, and I—I'm sorry for that, but I—I—I can't be nothing but just what I'm made. If I do something contrary to my own makeup, I'm a hypocrite. And I wouldn't want to be that before you people. I—I want to be just what I am, and then you know how we're standing. And I—I guess I criticize a little too much.

19 But I just had it in my heart to criticize that, because it just looked to me like some kind of a

Hollywood put on, just a lot of carrying on. It didn't seem like the sacredness it should. And they sang those hymns in—in rock-and-roll time, and gold slippers on. And has it come that the Gospel has become a show? Why, I, if that's what it is, I—I don't want nothing to do with it. I want something that's real and genuine, and we want to keep it that way.

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*Title: 63-0120E — Just One More  
Time, Lord*

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133 You fathers, you mothers,  
are you ready to establish an  
altar in your house, and take that  
television out? Are you ready to  
take that deck of cards off the  
table? Them comic books that  
your children's reading,  
preparing their little minds for a



blast that the devil's going to give them. Are you ready to establish the old family altar again? Or do you just want to continue on the way you are? You want to continue on, you're not in condition of coming yet; but I pray that you're like Samson, you see the price and you're ready, "Lord, let me die with them."

134 He knowed, if God answered his prayer, what was going to cost. Many people, I've

seen them right since I've been here, come up to the altar and the Holy Spirit come to them, and they don't want to die. They want to stay alive in the world. You can't serve two gods at the same time. Are you ready to forsake everything, to serve God? Listen at him cry, "Lord, only this once more!"

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*Title: 64-0620E — God Has A  
Provided Lamb*

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23 It's too bad that mothers set their kids down to a television program of some scandal of Hollywood; instead of doing the same thing, telling them Bible stories.

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