Thou, and thy household shall be saved

From The Sermons Of William Marrion Branham

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William Marrion Branham

Title: 64-0823M — Questions And Answers #1

245. Brother Branham, I have accepted God's Message of today, and also our son. And we both have been baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. My husband—my husband hasn't accepted the Message and is fighting this Message. And he has influenced our son and is taking him to a Methodist church. He wants me to go with him to church when we are not in service here at the tabernacle. Would it be right for me to go with him or would it be better to stay out of that denomination?

138 Well now, dear Sister... She never signed no name, but perhaps you're listening to your question; if you don't, you'll hear it on tape. Go with your husband, but don't be partakers of—of what they're doing.

See, you're supposed to love your husband, and love is what does it.

You just be real salty; he'll get thirsty if there's anything in him.

139 Don't join their denomination.

He said, "Stay away from that denomination."

Don't join it; go to it.

If you can't get a whole loaf, get a half; can't get a half, just get a slice. See, see?

But that's the way you'll win your husband, by doing that.

Don't be arrogant, then he'll know he's got just as much as you have. See? But when you can show something that you have that he don't have, that'll make him thirsty to be like you.

The sanctified wife sanctifies the husband.

140 That was just an advice. So I—I could spend a long time on that, but we just want to get through as many as we can, 'cause I see I only got about twenty-two minutes then. All right.



You're taught much higher things than that; you'll be salty; he'll see and come to the Lord.

William Marrion Branham

Title: 64-0830M — Questions And Answers #3

344. My husband and I don't see alike on the Bible, the Truths, like this Truth that you preach. He doesn't understand. Should I go with him to churches when I don't believe their teaching? I'm very troubled about this.

190 Yes! If you are a wife to this husband, and he don't condemn you, you don't—you mustn't condemn him (see?), because the husband is sanctified by the wife. See?

And I believe, if he goes to some denominational church or something like that, he wants you to go down there with him... You see?

If you don't be... See, there's nothing there can harm you, 'cause you're not going to listen to what they're saying anyhow, 'cause you done said here you don't believe their preaching. See? ~4~

So it ain't going to harm you, but you're just showing respects to your husband.

You're yielding yourself to him, and maybe in doing so, you you'll... If they teach and do the things down there...

You're taught much higher things than that; you'll be salty; he'll see and come to the Lord.

I believe I would go ahead. My goodness, look here what time it is!

I—I would just commit them to the Lord. I... See, because, "What all the Father has given Me will come to Me."



William Marrion Branham

Title: 64-0823M — Questions And Answers #1

246. Brother Branham, I believe the Message you teach with all my heart. It thrills my soul; however, my wife and son do not rejoice in the Word. They do not desire to separate themselves from some of their worldly habits. You said that we should claim our-claim our families. I find that difficult

to do, seeming that they do not live for the Word or in the Word. What is my course, sir? Do I claim them and believe, or do I pray, "Father, Thy will be done," and be content in the state I find myself in? I would appreciate your guidance, Brother Branham.

141 God bless you, my Brother or Sister, whoever you may be. I—I would just commit them to the Lord. I... See, because, "What all the Father has given Me will come to Me." See? Now, the only thing for you people to do...

142 It made my heart swell with joy the other day going up and down seeing these motel men. The... I went down to Mr. Becker. He said, "Billy, you know what? I feed your whole congregation every Sunday," when the Blue Boar feeds three hundred nearly every Sunday! See? And I went out here and this guy over here, this

gentleman over here at the—the Ranch House, very fine man. I met him. He said…

I said, "Well, that was really fine." I said, "I appreciate you keeping all that stuff away from out there, all that carrying on out there."

He said, "Yes, sir, Brother Branham."

I said, "How'd he know me?" See? I said, "How'd you know me?" He said, "I know you," Said, "I feed your whole congregation here every Sunday by the... Well," he said, "and I want to tell you something: they're fine people. They're fine people!"

143 Now see, that made me feel good. You my children. See? When I hear my children acting nice and being nice, that makes Papa feel real good. See? So you understand.

144 Now, now, Mother, when... My Sister, if your husband wants

you go down to the Methodist church, you go ahead. You might not have a whole loaf of bread, but if they even say they believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, you believe that, 'cause we do too. Now, if they're going to go off on other tantrums and things, just-just let them go ahead, but you eat that much of the bread. See? And in that, you just show by the sweetness of your life and your consideration for others...And if you haven't got it, Sister dear, pray till it

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comes to you, that you won't have to put on anything artificially, 'cause when you do that, it's not real. Your husband can tell that. But you, when you really have prayed to a place till your life is full of salt of the Saviour, it'll make a contact. "If I be lifted up, I'll draw all man to Me." I'd go; be real careful. Don't join their church though! Please don't do that; don't you join their church, but go on!



I had been out in the field, praying for my dad. And I come back in and I went to the bed, and that night I looked at him and I—I said, "O God, save him!"

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Title: 55-0117 — How The Angel Came To Me, And His Commission

37 And I one night saw our Lord Jesus. I'm saying this with permission, I believe, from the Holy Spirit. The Angel of the Lord that comes is not the Lord Jesus. It doesn't look like Him in the same vision. For, the vision I saw of the Lord Jesus, He was a little Man. He wasn't... had been out in the field, praying for my dad.

And I come back in and I went to the bed, and that night I looked at him and I—I said, "O God, save him!"

38 My mother has already been saved and I'd baptized her. Then I thought, "Oh, my dad drinks so." And I thought, "If I could just get him to accept the Lord Jesus!" I went out, laid down on a little old pallet out in the front room, near the door. 39 And Something said to me, "Rise up." And I raised up, went walking, and went back into the field behind me, an old broom sage field.

40 And there, standing not over ten feet from me, stood a Man; white garment on, a little Fellow; had His arms folded like this; a beard, kind of short; hair down to His shoulders; and He was looking sideways from me, like that; peaceful-looking figure. But I couldn't understand it, how

His feet, one just behind the other. And the wind blowing, His robe moving, sage blowing.

41 I thought, "Now, wait a minute." I bit myself. I said, "Now, I'm not asleep." And I pulled down, pulled a little piece of that sage off, you know, got it like a toothpick in it. I put it in my mouth. I looked back towards the house. I said, "No, I was in there praying for dad, and Something said come out here, and here stands this Man."

42 I thought, "That looks like the Lord Jesus." I thought, "I wonder if it is?" He was looking just exactly, directly towards where our house sets now. So I moved around this way to see if I could see Him. And I could see the side of His face like that. But He...I had to turn way around this way to see Him. And I said, "Uhm!" Never moved Him. And I thought, "I believe I'll call Him." And I said, "Jesus." And when He did, He looked around like *that*. That was all I remember, He just reached out His arms.

43 There's not an artist in the world could paint His picture, the characters of His face. The best I've ever seen is that Hofmann's Head of Christ at Thirty-Three, I've got it on all literature and everything I use. That's because that looks just like it, and so then...or pretty near, as close as it could be.

44 He looked like, a Man, if He'd speak, the world would come to an end, and yet with so much love and kindness till you—you...I just pitched over. And at daylight, I found myself just in the break of day, pajama shirt soaking wet with tears, when I come to myself, walking, back through the broom sage field, home.



His face had characters that no artist could could draw or paint.

William Marrion Branham

Title: 65-0218 — The Seed Is Not Heir With The Shuck

12 This ground tonight, this very spot, holds a great thing for me. Since I knew that they built this school auditorium here, I have wanted to have a service in this place. I'm very grateful to the school board and to those who graciously let us have it. It was upon this spot, right about somewhere where this building stands tonight, that a great thing took place some thirty years ago, right on this same ground.

It was nothing but a broom sedge field at that time.

And I lived in a little house just beyond here, about two hundred yards. I was very concerned in those days about the salvation of my father and mother.

Which, both are gone on tonight.

And especially, in that day, I was concerned about my father.

I remember, I was sleeping on the porch.

It was warm, summertime.

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13 This is written, I believe, in the little book called Jesus Christ The Same Yesterday, Today, And Forever, or either it was in the little book called I Was Not Disobedient To The Heavenly Vision.

14 And laying on the porch, I suddenly was awakened, and a burden come on my heart for my father.

As, many of you people here of the city knew my father.

I think he was a great man, though he was a sinner.

And, but he had a bad habit, that I tried to fight against that thing as hard as I could, through the age, that's, drinking.

And that night he was drinking.

And I woke up with a great burden on my heart for him.

And just with my pajamas on, slipped on my trousers, my pajama
shirt left on; I wandered out through this broom sedge field, to just about where this stands now, and I knelt down to pray for my father.

15 And while I was praying and asking God to save him and not to—to let him die a sinner, that I loved him; and while I was in prayer, I raised up to look up towards the east from here, and there was a vision. And standing just above me, many of you knows the vision, was the Lord Jesus.

16 Now, I'm not allergic to illusions, as I know of.

But visions are real.

And there stood the Lord Jesus, the first time I had ever saw Him in a vision of that type.

He was just about, oh, probably ten feet above my head, standing

in mid-air, with one foot just making a step.

He had on a white garment, a fringe around the side of it.

He had hair down to His shoulders.

He looked to be about, a Man about what the Bible said He was, about thirty.

But, a small, thin-built Fellow, very small, looked like He wouldn't

weigh over a hundred and thirty pounds.

17 And I looked, and I thought there was something, that I might be wrong.

So I—I rubbed my eyes and and looked up again.

And He was standing kind of sideways, kind of a profile of His face.

And the looks of His face, which I've always seen in the visions, has been like Hofmann's head of Christ at thirty.

That's the reason I have that in my house, on my literature, wherever I can put that, because that's the way it looked, more like that. Only, He seemed to be small.

18 And as I was looking up at Him, I thought, "Surely I'm not looking at my Lord standing there." And I was kind of, I'd say, in *this* position, and maybe right where *this*, under where this pulpit is at now.

Somewhere, it was right in this vicinity, within, with a radius of where I'm standing, the best I could measure off, within forty or fifty yards of somewhere around in this district here, this circle.

19 And I looked up, and He was standing there.

And I bit my finger, to see if I was asleep.

You know how you... Just seems like it couldn't be so.

And I was just young in the Lord then, about six months I had been preaching.

I bit my finger.

I took the broom sedge and broke it off.

And many of you people who live in the country, know what that little toothpick, like, is in the broom sedge.

I begin to chew on that.

And I said, "It—it can't be. I'm dreaming. There is my home. There is father, mother, and the children there. There is the old brick house pond that used to stand down here, where I used to hunt ducks, just about two hundred yards beyond this. And here I am standing in the field; it's got to be so."

20 I kicked against the ground, stomped my feet a little bit, and shook my head, and—and wrung my hands, looked up again; looked away, looked again, and there He was, standing there.

And the wind started to blow, and I seen the broom sedge blowing. And when it started blowing, His garments blew with it.

Like the clothes hanging on a line, it begin to—to flip.

He was standing there. I looked at it.

21 And I thought, "If I could just get a look at His face!"

And He was watching east, right *this* a way.

He was watching it, tensely.

And I moved, to step around, to get a close look at His face.

And I still couldn't see Him very well.

He had His hands in front of Him, rather hid from where I was standing.

22 I moved around again. And I cleared my throat, something like this, went, "hum," to see if I could attract His attention. But He never moved.

23 Then I thought, "Maybe I'll call Him."

When I said, "Jesus," He turned His head.

And when He looked at me, He just raised His arms out.

That's all I remember.

For, about nearly daylight, I was laying right out here somewhere where this place is now, in the field; my pajama shirt all wet with tears, where I had been crying. And I had passed out.

His face had characters that no artist could—could draw or paint.

They could not do it.

He looked like a Man that, if you would look at Him, He wanted to cry with sympathy, and respect with reverence; and yet with enough power that, would speak, it would turn the world over.

And the characters could never be caught by an artist.



When the Rapture takes place, will all believers' families, wife and children go? They are in faith and trust in Jesus Christ as Lord.



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Title: 61-0808 — Thy House

113 All right, Jimmy, have you got them, my boy?

[Brother Jimmy Evans reads the questions for Brother Branham—Ed.]

[When the Rapture takes place, will all believers' families, wife and children go? They are in faith and trust in Jesus Christ as Lord.] 114 Yes, yes. Will all the family go in the—in the Rapture? See, yes. See? Now, if you notice, the Rapture is going to be a universal thing. And did

to be a universal thing. And, did you all get that lesson all right Sunday? You all understand it all right, about how close we are at the time, *The Seventy Weeks Of Daniel*?

115 You all were there Sunday, wasn't you? Yeah. All right. Well, I think, Brother Welch, you got the tape of it, and some of you could play it. And—and you got the map of it, I believe,

haven't you? And you just draw it out, and—and, to them that wasn't here, maybe explain it to them, you see, so they—they can get it. I want you to see just by the Scriptures that I haven't got one word to say into it, the Scriptures just prove it, that we're—we're at the end time.

116 Now, we was talking today, the brethren. You say, "Well, Brother Branham, if you believe that the Rapture is that close, then why do you go fishing?" If I put my mind to it constantly, it would almost run you wild, when you think of the tens of thousands of people out here in sin that don't know Christ, and I think that "Here I am, what can I do?"

117 But here's what I think: I cannot save one unless God called them. See? I can't do it, and I couldn't save them anyhow. But, "All the Father has given Me

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will come to Me." So if He don't tell me where to go, then what can I do? You see?

118 So, the thing I do, is just not be—not be all weary about it, that would be worse than ever, I'm happy about it, I'm just—just all packed up and ready, you know, "When It comes, Lord, here I am." I'm just waiting.

119 And now, here's what happens: The—the raptured saints, as you noticed on the chart Sunday...Now, the early

Pentecostal brethren, or, the late Pentecostal brethren don't give that, those back churches room enough there, I don't believe. But I believe that every borned-again Christian...And how are we borned again? When we believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, see, and accept...Now, I don't believe just because you say in your mind, you believe, I believe your life tells whether you're really a Christian or not. I...You say, "What..."

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120 Today, the lady down there, said something another about being a—a Christian or something another, and she said, "And what denomination?" See, right quick they want to know what denomination.

I said, "Don't belong to any denomination, just a Christian." See?

121 A Christian, you say, "Well, a *Christian* means a 'Campbellite.'" No, that's that's...they just call them,

"Christian," but that don't mean "Christian." I know a many people that I'd think belong to what was called the Christian Church that wasn't Christians. And the Christian ministers will tell you the same thing of the Christian Church, that they got many members that are not Christian.

122 But *Christian* is not a church that you belong to, it's an experience that you have had of being born into the family of God.

123 Now, notice in that, the Rapture will be universal, because He said, "There will be two in the field, and I will take one and leave one. There will be two in the bed, I will take one and leave one." You see, when it's dark on one side of the earth, where it's two is in the bed, it'll be harvest time on the other side of the earth when there'll be two in the field. See? And it shows it'll come one great big Rapture, come right out from the it'll world. See? "Two in the field,

and I will take one, leave one. Two in bed, I will take one and leave one."

124 Now, we—we see that...And then everyone that was found written in the Book was delivered in that Day of that, before that tribulation. So, if your children, your mother, your loved ones, whoever they are, if their name is written on the Lamb's Book of Life, my precious children, you'll be right there.

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125 No matter where we're at, if—if I, flying overseas, and the the airplane explodes in the air and I, you never even find a piece of me in this body, that won't have one thing to do with it. See? I'll be right there just the same. Don't you worry about that, I'll be right there to shake your hand and—and praise the Lord with you, crown Him King of king and Lord of lord. See?

126 I suppose maybe, of Paul's body, there isn't even a speck of dust left, hardly, but all the materials that made his body up is somewhere, so they'll be gathered together at that day.

127 When you die, you actually do not die, a Christian cannot die, there is no such a thing as death for a Christian, not in the Bible.

128 Like when Lazarus, He said...they said..."Our—our friend Lazarus sleepeth," Jesus said. See, He never said he was dead, said, "He sleepeth." They said, "Oh well, if he's sleeping I—I suppose he's doing all right then, he's, must be getting along better."

129 So He had to talk their language, He said, now, in otherwise, "In your own language, he is dead. And I am glad for your sake," that He wasn't there, "I will go, and awaken him." See? Oh, yes. See? Sleep, see He still had His Own, see, "For your sake, for your way of knowing it, he's

dead, but to Me, he's asleep, and I am not going to—I am not going to raise him up, I am just going to wake him." See? "I am going to wake him up."

130 And so, you—you notice when Jesus, Himself, died...See, there's three parts of the body, uh, so, uh, for three parts of us, soul, body, and spirit, as you seen the Seven Church Ages, I had it drawed out; five entrances to the body, see, taste, feel, smell and hear; and conscience, and so forth, to the soul; and—and then to the spirit, there's one avenue, that's your own free moral agency, that's "make a decision," you see, you can turn it down or—or you can accept it.

131 And so now, when a person accepts Christ and is saved, your whole household, your whole family, every family of the earth will be saved, now, when, or, go in.

132 When Christ died, He committed His Spirit to God

before He left the—the cross, He said, "Into Thy hands I commend My Spirit." And the Bible said His Soul went to hell and preached, that's His conscience and What He was, to the spirits was in prison and His body went to the grave.

133 Now, see, He was behind a barricade of Scriptures, He couldn't rise for three days. And His Spirit was back up *here* in the Presence of God. Now, after three days, that Barricade was taken down, because the Scripture was fulfilled, and His Spirit went to the Soul, and the Soul went to the body, He rose up. He said before He died, He said, "I have power to lay My life down, I have power to take it up again."

134 Now think of it, every one of you in here, as far as I know, tonight, is Christians, now look, the Thing that is in you now, the Spirit that is in you now, is the same Spirit that will raise you up. You have power to lay your life down, you're doing it right now for Christ, and then you have power to take it up again. See? You have power to lay it down, and power, take it up, for It is the very Spirit of God that is in you that raises you up, is the very Spirit of God that was in Christ that raised Him up. So you have power to lay it down, you have power to take it up.

135 And when you die, or, and you, our loved ones, or somebody goes on ahead of us, they're not dead, their spirit is with God, their soul is under the altar of God, their body is in the grave, and they know right where it's at.

136 So, what happens? When the Scripture is all fulfilled, like in the Bible it said, "These souls are under the altar, was crying, 'Lord, how long, how long?" They want to come back to earth and be in bodies. He said, "Just a little longer, till your fellow servants has suffered like you have for the testimony of Christ."

137 Then you see when that Scripture is fulfilled, then them spirits descend right, straight under the altar there and take up that soul, that soul goes right down and picks up the body, and there you are, raised again. Think of it, the Holy Spirit that is right in this building tonight, the Holy Spirit that is right here in my heart, will raise me up at the last day.
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138 This Holy Spirit that is in me now, will see to it that I have a young, immortal body and never go...The Holy Spirit that is in you, will see that the gray hairs will fade away and whatever it is. And you, and the old age, if you're so old, and whiskers down, and walking like that, it don't make one bit of difference, that same Holy Spirit in you will just snap you right back at that Day, just to a young man and woman; that's the Bible. That's right.

139 The Spirit that is in us right now, right now, not One that *will* come, the One that's in us *now*. It's God in you now. And He will raise...You can raise yourself up. And why can't you do it now? Because, see, there is Scripture holding, you got to wait till the Rapture.

140 See, there you are, you got to stay right there. See? You're not allowed to get *this* high, if it would be, why, we'd, I said, we'd build us a little private world, you'd be living over on one world, and me on another one, and then there would be no Coming of the Lord Jesus. And what would it be? See?

141 But you have power to do it. Just the least little shadow of of God could do anything, 'cause see, He—He is omnipotent. You know what omnipotent...? He is infinite, infinite, infinite and omnipotent. That's *infinite*, there's just no, well, you—you you just can't explain it, you know. *Infinite*, just is like on a camera, infinite, it's just from *there* on. And then *omnipotent* is "all powerful." He is alway-...

142 Standing out yonder, and looking through a glass, and I could see a hundred and twentymillion years of light-space, when that—when that astronomer had taken me up to look, let me look through that big glass that night, could see a hundred and twentymillion years of light-space.

143 Well, you talking about Jupiter and Mars and these stars that you see now, well my, think what a hundred and...Light travels about, what is it? Eighty...? A hundred, eighty-six thousand miles-per-second, a hundred and eighty-six thousand miles-per-second, and take a hundred and twenty-million years. Whew! By one second, a hundred and eighty-six thousand, and break it down to a hundred and twenty-million years. Then what do you got? That's miles.

Oh, my! It just makes us feel like you're—you're just...See?

144 But now, and then beyond that, there's just as many moon and stars as there were...And He holds them with the power of His Own Word. And that very same Thing that holds them is in you as a Christian. Oh, my! See, see, there you are. So there, that is who you are.

145 See, people try to think, "Well, I'm a Christian, I guess I'll have to be dogged around." No,

you don't. You're a Christian, brother! That's the high-...You're a son of God. Our Father is King, certainly. Amen. And our Father, being King, we are—we are His sons, we are prince and princess, amen, to a King. See? The highest there is, highest can be, the very Spirit of our God is in us. That's it.

146 So, what do we care about what happens here? See, There is the Place that counts, this is just a testing time, when Father is finished, let's go, let's go Home. See? So, what difference does it make?

147 So then in that, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, if your children isn't saved, until they get saved. And Jesus said, now, remember, Saint John 5:24, "He that heareth My Words, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting Life, and shall not come to the Judgment."

148 Then if he don't come to the Judgment, where does he go? In the Rapture. See? Cause that's the Judgment after the Rapture. See? "Shall not come into the Judgment; but has passed from death unto Life." Because he's believed on the Lord Jesus Christ. Isn't that wonderful? So they, your children will be there with you, your loved ones will be there with you, and I hope I'm there with you. Amen.





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