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Commentary

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What would have happened when that maniac run to the platform that night? Here, today, I was told here by a minister, when I used to take the people by the hand. I know we had some impersonations of that; that's right. But a minister said, that man getting them by the hand, and so forth like that, a minister that's going to cooperate in my next

meeting. He was standing up at the platform, said, "That guy is a spiritualist. That's all." Said, "He's—nothing to him." Said, "He's nothing in the world but a spiritualist." Said, "He's a devil. He's a—he's a mind reader." Said, "There's nothing at all about it, about his left hand." When that was first come, that was before this other had happened. Said, "There's nothing to it." And while in preaching, his hand went paralyzed from his

wrist down. And today, he has got big spots like leprosy; it's not leprosy, but it's spotted like leprosy, all over his hand, on that same hand, that he criticized mine of.

41 I tell you, brother, the Bible said, "It is far better that a millstone was hanged at your neck and you drown in the depths of the sea." That's right. So be careful. Know what you're talking about. See? Be careful. And that man has got his name on the paper to cooperate in this

next meeting, willingly. See? If you don't understand, just be still. Just don't say nothing about it. I wouldn't even be around where it was at. If I didn't believe in it, I just wouldn't be around where it was at. I'd stay away from it.

52-0715 - Faith In The Son Of God

35 Notice. Seeing God come in action, isn't it wonderful? Here sometime ago at Arlington, Texas, I was down in a little... One night going into the hotel where I

was staying, I heard a woman cry. And I thought, “Somebody in trouble.” I turned around to look, and it was just coming through a little place. There was two young girls in their, oh, probably early twenties, twenty-one, twenty-two years old, was standing there, a blond and a black-headed girl. They had their arms around one another weeping.

And I said, “Pardon me, miss, could I...” I said, “I’m a minister, could I help you?”

And she said, “Yes, Brother Branham.” I knew she knew me.

And I said, “What’s the matter?”

She said, “We seen we couldn’t get a prayer card and get in the line. We knowed what hotel you were staying in, so we stayed right here. Thought maybe your shadow might pass over my little friend, and be healed.” Oh, my.

I said, “What’s the matter with her?”

Says, “It’s mental. I brought her here.”

36 Standing there in that great faith, not a make believe, but a real faith, a vision broke forth. I said, “Yes. You come from northern Texas, near Lubbock.” I said, “You brought her here in a yellow Buick car, coming along where there was a half of the road was concrete and the other half was—was tar.” I said, “You started turn the corner and you were both laughing, had the top down,

you almost had a wreck.” And she just screamed to the top of her voice. And I said, “And THUS SAITH THE LORD; she’s healed.” That’s right. And there...

Next day, she like to set the town afire. She stirred the nest of the devil. Let me tell you. If you want the devil stirred up, just start preaching Divine healing. Peter preached on the day of Pentecost, and three thousand souls was saved, and Satan never even

moved. But the couple days afterwards, he healed a man at the gate called Beautiful who was lame, and all hell turned loose on him. That's right. The devil don't like to see God display His power. He thinks he's got a lot of power, but he's—he's finished. Amen. Our Christ is predominant. Take the initiative; don't let him push something on you.

37 That same day... A couple days after that here come the little girls... Brother

Baxter come in and said,
“Brother Branham,” said, “the
fat’s in the fire.”

I said, “What’s the matter?”

“Oh,” they said, that—said,
“They’re going to expose you
tonight as Simon the
sorcerer.”

I said, “Oh, is that so?”

Said, “Yeah,” said,
“Brother Branham, they got
cards out all over the city,”
and said, “them two girls, you
know, the ones that was
healed?”

I said, "Yes."

Said, "They're downstairs, crying, packing up their clothes to go home." Said, "Oh, it's pathetic, Brother Branham."

I said, "What's the matter?"

He said, "Well," they said, "that they hated it because their testimony had stirred up such awful row down here." They were Methodists. And so, they said, "They'd stirred such a row, that they were going to... The FBI was going to get you tonight and

expose you as Simon the sorcerer.”

“Well,” I said, “if that’s right, I ought to be exposed.” See? I said, “Sure.”

He said, “Well, you better go down and talk to them.” Said, “They’re downstairs. Now...”

38 I said, “What room are they in?” He told me. And I went and knocked on the door. And they were crying, packing their clothes.

“Oh,” said, “Brother Branham, we’re so sorry.”

I said, “What’s you sorry about?” I said...

She said, “Oh, we caused so much trouble. We’ve got you in trouble.”

I said, “You have? Over getting someone healed?” I said, “You ain’t got me in trouble; you got the devil in trouble.” I said, “That’s... He’s the one that’s in trouble, not me.”

And said, “Well, Brother Branham,” she said, “we’re so sorry.” Said, “We set down by a woman today, and she said, ‘Aren’t you with the Branham party?’”

Said, “No, ma’am.”

Said, “Oh, yes, you are.”

Said, “No, I just got healed over there in a—in a hotel the other night.”

Said, “Listen,” said, “that man is a witch.” Said, “We know it.”

“Why,” she said, “here, lady, my—my friend that come with me was going to the insane institution. And test her. She’s perfectly normal.”

Said, “Oh, yes, I know. I put a boy in my meeting—in his meeting one time that had TB. And he went up there and done his hocus-pocus over it.” And said, “The baby got over the TB, but it was the devil.”

39 And anybody don’t know no more about that, to know the devil has not one

power or nothing to heal. I challenge that. If the devil can heal, he's in—he's in cahoots with God. "I'm the Lord Who heals all thy diseases." The devil hasn't got...

That was the great contest between the—the Egyptians down there, when they brought up their soothsayers and so forth. They could perform things, but they couldn't heal. Every time the—the—the magicians would do something... Moses would do something, they'd

pattern it. But they could bring it, but they couldn't take it away. So it shows that God is the only One Who can heal. Amen.

40 So she said, "We're sorry. We're going home." And said, "We're so sorry. We are..."

I said, "Now look, you know the girl's healed."

"Yes."

I said, "Isn't God wonderful in healing?"

Said, "Yes."

I said, "You ought to see Him in battle. Boy, He's wonderful."

Said, "You're not going over there?"

I said, "Well, you don't expect me to run, do you?" I said, "Sure, I'm going over there."

Said, "Brother Branham, the FBI is going to expose you."

I said, "Expose what? What they got to expose?" I said, "I'm trying my best to be

exposed, trying my best to get the Gospel to everybody I can.” I said, “I’d like to be helped along a little.”

Said, “You mean you’re going over?”

41 I said, “Sure.” I said, “Come and see the Lord in battle. You know He’s wonderful in healing. See Him in battle one time, see what—how great He is there.” I said, “Oh, He’s marvelous in battle.” I said, “I’ve never seen Him come in battle yet, but what He come out packing the

victory. Even when they put Him in hell. He put His head—oh, His foot on the neck of the devil and took the keys of death away from him, arose on the third day; even in death He come out in triumph.” Said, “Satan, ain’t got nothing on Him.”

Well, I went over. And that night, when I got over there, they had... The custodian had some little Spanish boys out picking up... Said, “Prayerfully written. Divine healing may be

right, but Simon the sorcerer is still on the job.”

And so I walked... I said, “Brother Baxter, all of you, just leave the building; get back.” There was about three or four thousand people, or five there. Just... Meeting just breaking. I said, “I have a little ticket here that said I was Simon the sorcerer. And the FBI is going to expose me.” I said, “We might as well get that off our hand right now. Come on, you, and expose me up here. I want

you to come.” I waited a little while.

And I said, “Where are you at? Why don’t you come on?” So I waited, wondered what it was. I didn’t know what it was all about.

42 I noticed standing over to my right in the corner, a big black shadow standing there. I wondered, “What’s that for?” I looked back again. It moved from there, come across the people, and went up in the balcony, and hung over a man

with a blue suit on, one with a gray on. A vision broke.

I said, "It isn't the FBI. It's them two backslidden preachers setting right there." They got down like this. I said, "Don't get down." I said, "Now..." And three or four them big Texican's rough-handed. They went to get him. I said, "No, no, no. Don't do that. This is not a flesh and blood affair. Let them alone." 'Cause they'd have put a rope around his neck. So I said, "Don't do that.

But let me show you something. If I am Simon the sorcerer, I need to be exposed. You come down to this platform here, if I'm Simon the sorcerer. And if I am Simon the sorcerer, I'll drop dead on this platform. And if I'm a man of God, you come down, and you're wrong, and I'm a man of God, you'll drop dead on the platform, and let the audience see who's right and who's wrong. And let God testify who's right."

So they set there a little while, I said, “Well, we’ll sing a hymn.” When I started to sing a hymn, up they got and through the aisle, and out they went. We waited for about thirty minutes, and nobody never did come in. They haven’t come in since. Sure.

43 I said, “I’m sick and tired of this stuff, everywhere.” God is great in battles. When He sent you, don’t be scared. Stand there and see God’s salvation.

Said, “Stand still.” There’s only One Who could produce salvation, that’s God. No one else can bring salvation but God. He said, “Now, stand still and see the salvation of God.”

Here come the army. Oh, when I think of it... Here come the army and the dust a roaring. And when Moses stood still to see the salvation of God, the great Pillar of Fire that was hanging before them, had led them into this trap, moved, went over, and stood between Israel and

Pharaoh's army. And they had rejected the light.

And any man who rejects the Light, receives the same thing they did. It become midnight blackness to them. The same Light that made a light for the children of Israel to walk by, blinded the eyes of Pharaoh and his army. And the same Holy Ghost Gospel that you call nonsense, that'll carry the Church to glory, darkens the eyes of the modern theologian tonight.

44 The same Holy Ghost in power that resurrected Jesus Christ that stand—that's in this building tonight, blinds the eyes of the modern day preacher and his church. And that's the thing that's blinded them has give Light (Hallelujah.) since the resurrection of Jesus and the day of Pentecost. God will do it. Can you explain it? But if you don't accept Light, it'll become darkness to you. You'll criticize It, and call It holy-roller, and you might as

well have a **millstone** hanged at your neck, and drowned in the depths of the sea. You blaspheme the Holy Ghost. There's not forgiveness.

Said, "Who speaks a word against the Son of man would be forgiven. But if you speak against the Holy Ghost, it'll never be forgiven you."

But, oh, you knowed so much. So you made fun of the people that was in the Spirit of God, believing in Divine healing, and the resurrection

of Christ, and the powers of God. You made fun of it, turned up your nose and walked out of church.

I want you to see what happens when you stand before the King Who sent this Message. Uh-huh. Oh, you think you got it big, but just wait till the day comes. This is man's day, the Lord's day's coming. That's right.

55-1006E - The Power Of God

129 Well what did Elijah represent? Elijah represent the justice of God. The stern prophet had the message of God. He stood up on the mountain. The king said, “You know what? I’ll send up there and get that holy-roller.” And he sent fifty men up.

130 And when he got up there, what happened? Elijah stood up and said, “If I be a servant of God, let fire fall out of Heaven and consume you.” Justice, they’ve treaded on grounds that they should

not tread on. Would you want that? Certainly not.

131 Oh, the king said, “Perhaps maybe, there was a storm passed over. That’s what, it done some natural thing.” So he sent another fifty.

132 And Elijah stood up and said, “If I be a man of God, let fire fall from Heaven.” And another fifty went out. That wasn’t no storm. That was the justice of God; treading on grounds that they had no business.

133 You know, it's been said, and it's a well proverb, "That fools will walk with hobnailed shoes, where Angels fear to trod." And that's true. "Silly people..."

134 These newspaper writers call you a bunch of holy-rollers, or some Divine healer, or some scandal name, and say things like that, but Angels would be scared to say one thing against it. "But fools will walk with hobnail shoes, where Angels fear to trod."

135 Your pastor will raise up and say, “Oh, that’s a bunch of telepathy. There is nothing to it.” Fools walk with hobnail shoes where Angels fear to trod. Certainly.

136 Jesus said, “These signs shall follow them that believe, and it’d be better for you that a millstone would hanged at your neck and drowned in the deeps of the sea, than to even to offend one of such.” God, when He brings His children in a place, and ordains them and

overshadows them, and positionally puts them into the place that they are supposed to be, and then fools say such remarks as that.

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