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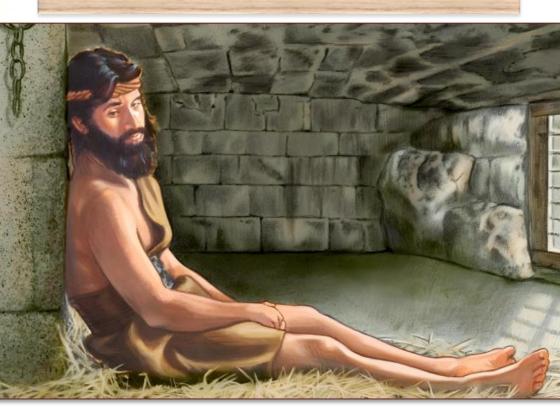
Title: 63-1128M — Testimony

66 Let me tell you something. Real spiritual minds is one step from insanity. Did you know that? A scientific research will tell you that. Here you are down here slow and slumpy; and then you come up a little more spiritual, then you're about like this; then you go to like a dull axe; and then to a honed razor. Now you know which side you would fall on there. If a man tries to lift hisself up there, he is sure to go on the wrong side. If God lifts him up there, he is far above the average person. There is where

visions and things break through. There is where the Kingdom of God is. Poets, prophets, and all were considered neurotics.

67 Jesus, Himself, was called a "crazy man." Said, "We know You're mad and got a devil." Mad means "crazy." Look at all the poets and prophets through the ages, had been considered that, that extremely try...Try, if you try to pull yourself up there, you're gone, you'll never make it. It takes a Hand reaching down from Glory, to hold you on that edge there, between the right and wrong things. And standing on them edges is where you look across into Beulah Land.

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Title: 61-0425E — The Forgotten Beatitude

39 John, his eagle eye truly had filmed over. And John was become weary. He and Elijah was a great deal alike, because the same spirit was upon, this, a different man. See, God never takes his spirit, He just takes His man. God took Elijah, took Elijah's spirit and put it on Elisha, then He took it off of Elisha, and put it on John, and promised to put it on

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again just at the end time, another one coming at the end time, another Elijah. Which we all, as Bible readers, know that that's promised to us.

40 Now, we find out, then, that the devil takes his man but never his spirit, and he just keeps it coming right on down just the same way. And we find out that those two are together.

41 And we find that—that Elijah and John was a great deal alike. They were real nervous men, both of them almost had a nervous breakdown, both of them. And men who live close to God are mostly considered neurotics or something wrong with them. That's right, they're always considered that.

42 Paul, this morning, when I was speaking to the ministerial group, Agrippa said to him, or, Festus said, "Too much learning makes you mad, or crazy." He said, "I'm not mad, I'm not crazy, I'm sober." See? "And I— I'm all right."

43 And to, they claim, like William Cowper, I believe it was, when I stood at his grave there at London, and he wrote that famous song:

There is a Fountain filled with Blood,

Drawn from Emmanuel's veins,

Where sinners plunged beneath the flood,

Lose all their guilty stains.

44 That man was so inspired till he, after, he tried to take a rope and hang hisself, the rope broke. He tried to go to the river to commit suicide, and the cab couldn't even find the river, it was so foggy.

45 And just to show that how that that inspiration catches a man, catches him away, then when he

comes out of that, like Stephen Foster, gave this nation its greatest folk songs, Old Black Joe, Down The Swanee River, Old On Kentucky Home, every time that he would get inspiration and write a song, then he would get on a drunk, finally, he got under the, out from under the inspiration, and called a servant and took a razor and committed suicide.

46 And I think about Jonah the prophet, God inspiring that great eagle for the air of that day. God inspired him so, till he went down there and laid in a belly of a whale for three days and nights walked

for three days and nights, walked out upon the bank and give a message that made even them people put sackcloth on their animals. And when the Spirit left him, he went up on top the hill, and set down and asked God to let him die. That's right.

47 We find this great Elijah, who John was a type of, the great eagle of that day, mighty, rugged man, great woodsman, lived in the woods in a cave, and he came out, stomped out into amongst the people, and God would take him up into places that Israel knowed nothing about, and declare the message and say, "It's THUS SAITH THE LORD," and stomp back into the wilderness again.

48 To find that great eagle, when he stomped out there and told that king, "There'll not even be dew come from the heavens, but according to my word." Walked right back out there, when he walked down that Samaritan road that day, that stick in his hand, that piece of sheepskin wrapped around, that bald head shining, whiskers hanging down, them steps just as steady as they could be, coming down that Samaritan road.

49 But he knowed Who he had been in the Presence of. He wasn't afraid of what Ahab was going to say, because he had been in the Presence of Somebody greater than Ahab. He had been in the Presence, and he had THUS SAITH THE LORD. Those ol' eyes, setting back there, with those wrinkles, was looking right towards

the sky, he was walking steady, because he knowed he had THUS SAITH THE LORD.

50 Oh, he was a eagle. Went up on top the mountain, and drunk at the brook there until it went dry, and went back down there and called a—a meeting, when God give him a vision, went up on top the mountain, and said, "Let's prove Who is God. Let's see Who is God. If He ever was God, He is still God." That's right. Oh, I like them eagles. Yes, sir.

51 Went up on there and said, "If He...Let's prove God," and he said, called the way that God told him the vision, he said, "you take a bullock, and—and I'll take a bullock, and you call on Baalim, and I'll call on God, and ever which one answers by Fire, let Him be God."

52 And while he was so certain of hisself, so certain of his vision, while they were calling on Baalim all morning and cutting themselves, and screaming, and jumping, he walked around, said, "Say, maybe you better holler a little more, maybe he's pursuing, or maybe he's taking a nap." You see? Oh, he knowed where he was standing. It was!

53 But after he had proved God, his eagle eye become filmed, and when Jezebel threatened that she would kill him, he run out into the wilderness. God found His servant laying under a juniper tree, running, after he had proved God to be God.

54 Nervous, upset, when you go up in those spheres, it does something to the human heart. When you come down, you—you can't explain it, it takes you somewhere, there's no need of trying to talk about it. Visions and so forth that tear you to pieces, you can't tell the other people, they don't understand it. They never have been there, so how would you know about it? So, it tears them to pieces.

55 God, so kind to His servant, though, to feed him and

encourage him, and out under the juniper tree. But after he had had such confidence in Jehovah, so sure, that he could walk up before the king, and said, "Not even dew will fall, but according to my word." Stomped right out of the king's palace, anointed.

56 Then he had a vision of what to do. Then he went right out there on that mountain and took, and called down Fire out of the heavens, proving He was God, then called rain down out of the heavens on the same day, and then killed four hundred men, priests, pagan priests, cut their heads off, and then run when the vision left him.

57 Nervous, setting out there, said, "I'm no better than the rest of my fathers. I'm no more than any of the other prophets. Now, Lord, take my life, I'm the only one that's left, I'm the only one that's preaching the right Gospel, so just take my life, let me go." They get all flusterated like that. ~ 17 ~

58 But God said, "No, I—I—I got—I got seven thousand more, that had never bowed their knee to Baalim yet." See? See? "But I, that's alright Elijah, you're doing a great work, but I—I still got another bunch," you see, "that you don't know yet."

"But take my life. I'm no more than my fathers was, prophets before me. Let me die."

> 61-0425E — The Forgotten Beatitude





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Title: 56-1125E — A Blushing Prophet

103 I'm guilty. I'm guilty of not doing the job of God, like I should do. I'm confessing it, that I'm wrong. I'm asking God to be merciful to me. look out here and see the opportunities I have missed, because of petty things, little, old insignificant things that didn't mean nothing. I'm ashamed of myself, as a Gospel minister before you. I repent before God, and ask God to forgive

me, and the church to forgive me, for being so dilatory about the work of God. By the grace of God, and by the help of God, I'll—I'll not listen to what...Everyone trying to tell you something to do. They got a program. They got something for you to do. Nonsense. I know God's program; it's written out here in the Bible. And I'm ashamed of myself as a minister of the Gospel. One million souls won; I ought to have ten million souls won. I'm a way behind.

104 What about you? How many souls you won since you've been in Christ?

Christianity just goes from one to another.

How many souls you won since you been a Christian?

If you're not winning souls, you are guilty, you are barren, you have brought shame on the Church and the Gospel.

How many people you get out for Wednesday night prayer meeting? If you're not doing it, you ought to be ashamed of yourself before Christ.

You're guilty, and your place is at the altar.

I invite you to come with me, for repentance.

105 Then will you bow your heads, and keep it bowed a minute, while I feel my guilt and would like to repent. Just bow your head.

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Title: 59-0412E — What Hearest Thou, Elijah?

And many times people has thought I was an—an isolationist, because that I—I'm not out among the people.

It isn't because I don't like people; I love people; but I can't be a servant of God and be a servant of the people at the same time. I must keep myself before God, so that I can serve His people.

And I believe that any minister of the Gospel has no business, just before he goes to the pulpit of being out social gatherings, and great dinners, and so forth. He comes to the pulpit unfit, unanointed.

I think that a minister ought to lay in the Shekinah Glory in the Presence of God before he walks out before an audience. I'm a great believer in prayer, that's what changes things, is prayer.

13 And did you ever notice after the wickedness of the night has settled down...And did you ever walk out of a morning real early after all the demons that's...and the roadhouses...and has quietened down and gone to rest, all the wickedness has settled. Then you can walk out early of a morning in that stillness and

quietness of the morning, the dew has brought the fragrance of the flowers. It's refreshing to come out into such an atmosphere.

And so is it when we can come out of the room of prayer. What a privilege it is for me each night to go into that little room where Mrs. McPherson, and Paul Rader, and great men standing there hearing that song "Only believe, only believe all things are possible"...Do you know who wrote that song? It was Paul Rader.

And I've thought standing back there wonder when Paul was—had the inspiration to write that song, if he knowed that little old boy setting at his feet, would be my theme song around and around the world. We don't know what we're doing when we're speaking under inspiration. It has no end to it; it just carries on.

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74 Just think what could happen. As I was telling you, I believe, this morning, or heard someone say it, that upon...One of these watchers that's watching; I forget what you call it now, for the bomb, or planes to come. Not long ago, there was a program come through somewhere, that they had called out the big fleets, with three hundred jet bombers with atomic

bombs and hydrogen bombs hanging under them.

75 Not long ago, at the big airport in Shreveport; one of the boys was converted over there in the meetings at Brother Jack. He said, "We got atomic bombs hanging right in our hangars."

I said, "Aren't you..."

76 "In the..." I mean, "In the in the planes; and we'd go up and practice with them, daily."

I said, "Aren't you afraid?"

77 Said, "They haven't got the triggers in them. But we're so on the alert, that within the space of a minute, sixty-seconds, we could have the triggers in there and gone. And fueled up and ready, they could fly to England with them, immediately."

78 The great hangars are setting out in the oceans, everywhere. And they're saying to Russia, "Dare you drop one bomb! Just drop one atomic bomb on the UN, or somewhere there, and look what happen!"

79 What will it be? It'll be an onslaught go to Russia. And if they would do that, and start dropping those atomic and hydrogen bombs, it would cause a chain reaction that would burn the earth to-to a wick, just in smelt. You know, it wouldn't disagree with Scripture a bit. "For the earth shall burn, and the heaven, too." The atoms of the earth shall burn.

80 We are living in a dangerous day. We're living in a day when men of the world are scared to death. The great men, they'rethey're afraid who is going to burst that first bomb. The first bomb that goes off, then the whole thing goes into a—a rally.

81 It ought to be the happiest time in the world for the Christian. Times are going to change. The old is going to become young. Oh, my! Death is going to fleet away. Sickness will be no more. No more prayer meetings for the sick. No more prayer meetings for the lost. But God shall come and take the Elect from the four winds of the

earth, and shall gather them under His own wing, and we'll live and reign with Him forever in His Heaven.

82 Oh, brother, sister, friend of mine, if you're not prepared tonight, may you be prepared at this hour. I give you an invitation to come to Christ Jesus, tonight, and receive. You that's been different, you that know that you are not where you should be with God, I invite you to the altar with myself. I invite every one of you to come here, and not only to say, but to

stay here until God has cleansed your soul from everything that's unlike Him, until you can go out of here a new person. Not with a corn plaster on, but go out of here a Blood transfusion with that purifies your blood and gives you new Life and new hope. Go out with the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Go out, not shouting, not dancing, not so much...Them things are all right. They all belong in the Church. They all belong in the Bible. But what I'm talking about is the Holy Spirit, God's love.



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190 Oh, yes! Yes, sir! Yeah, a Holy Ghost filled person... You're right in the place then to be—to be drove by these things. You just put yourself up a target. When you're down there serving the devil, he just lets you slouch around anyway you want to. But you once take a stand for Christ, you've got on the other side then, he trains every gun right around on you. Every temptation, everything that could be throwed to you, then you got it. But what have you got? "Greater is He that's in you, than he that's in the world." See?

191 Now, you wasn't in no battle here, you was just slopping along. See? But now, you've you've cleaned up; you've dressed up; you've shaved;

you've combed your hair; you put on a uniform; you've got a gun in your hand. "Let's go!" See? You're in battle, not to show off, but to fight, fight! Sure when the temptations rise, with the Spirit, the shield of faith, buck it off, and move on. See? That's right. Oh, put all the whole armor of God. Why do you put on a armor if you're not going to fight? All soldiers are dressed to fight, not to show off, walk out and say, "I'm So-and-so. Now, I'm a Christian. See who I am. I belong

to so-and-so. Hallelujah! I got the Holy Ghost the other night. Sure, nothing bothers me anymore." Huh-uh! Oh, brother, I—I believe you better go back and try again. See?

192 Oh, I'm telling you, when as soon as you say you got the Holy Ghost; Satan's got every gun right on you, shooting you. Then you got the whole armor on, then take the shield of faith, the sword of the Spirit or the Word, and take the—buckle on the—shod yourself with the Gospel, and take the old middle piece here, the breastplate, and pull up the cinch on it, and tighten yourself up a little bit, and get ready for it, 'cause it's coming. Don't you worry. Yes, sir! You're going to have plenty trouble. But remember, of "Greater is He that's in you, then he that's in the world."

61-1015M - Questions And Answers



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