

Commentary on



1 Corinthians 2:9

FROM THE SERMONS OF
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*But as it is written, Eye hath not seen,
nor ear heard, neither have entered into the
heart of man, the things which God hath
prepared for them that love him.*

...?... All borned again Christians are His representatives. We are no longer of this world, but we have passed from death unto Life, and are heirs of God, with Christ, setting together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. Isn't that wonderful? Just think, how marvelous.

And it's written that, "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, or entered the heart of man, what God has for them in store, that love Him. And now, I believe in—in the healing of Jesus Christ, that Jesus Christ heals the sick. You believe that? He makes the sick well—well.

52-0725 - Experiences

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2 I also ended up back in there. I hope that they got that on that recording, that I'll hear that again someday. I'll remember that for many days to come. How that end off, those women in there, bringing that high alto—the pitch of it there. Marvelous.

Just think, the great Creator became my Saviour. Oh, my. That just thrills my heart to think of that—how God would humble Himself and come down on the earth, and dwell in a body of flesh to redeem me. The lost, the altogether un-unworthy one; and the only worthy One came down to redeem us from a life of sin. Isn't that... It's more... No wonder the "Eye has not seen, nor ear has not heard." How marvelous He is.

Now, dear beloved Christian friends, God's peace be upon you. May the richest of God's blessings ever remain here in Zion with you people.

I love you with undying Christian love. As long as I have a memory of Zion, there'll be a soft spot in my heart for Zion and its people. I will pray for you, that God will give you a—another revival before the coming of the Lord, that He will do it. Wished I could see it. I hope I'm living to see the time when I see the—see the people around the nation gathering into Zion again. Wouldn't that be wonderful? Keep praying and keep looking up. God will reveal.

52-0727 - Led By The Holy Spirit
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23 And now, as we call the prayer line, I ask Thee, heavenly Father, that in Thy mercy and grace, that You'll do something tonight, the exceedingly, abundantly. And give us a great outpouring of Thy blessings. And may all that's unbelievers, become believers tonight. May those that are backslidden, become saved, and those without the Holy Spirit, be born again, of the Spirit of God, and every sick person made well. For we ask it in His Name. Amen.

Oh, how wonderful He is. No wonder "Eye has not seen, ear's not heard, hasn't entered the heart of man what God has for those in store that love Him." And now, I—I just think, just three more nights and I've got to leave this lovely bunch of people after tonight.

Just got a call, a while ago, all the way from Sydney, Australia, to get down there, right at once. I... [Brother Branham clears his throat—

Ed.] But, you know, I wish I sometime come back and stay a month for a revival, just keep a going, preaching, and moving on.

**55-0609 - A Greater Witness Than John
Rev. William Marrion Branham**



12 Now, Heavenly Father, we do not know what's in store. But only thing that we do know, and are persuaded, that good things lay before us. For it is written, "Eye has not seen, nor ear has heard, neither has it entered into the hearts of men, what God has for them in store, that love Him."

13 And we pray that You'll open the windows of Heaven tonight, in Your storehouse, and give us Thy Word, that will be something that's suitable, something to increase our faith as Christians, and make us more—more settled on the Gospel, than what we were when we come in. Grant it, Father. May the Holy Spirit take the Word of God and deliver It to each heart as we have need. In Jesus' Name, we pray, Thy beloved Son. Amen.

57-0915e - Hebrews, Chapter Seven #1
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4 We do not know just what it is, but we are taught in the Scriptures, that eye has not seen, nor ear has not heard, nor has it entered into the hearts of man, what God has for them in store, that love Him. So above all things to you, love the Lord Jesus and do honor to God the Father. And believe His servants, the ministers, your pastors. And teach the Word, and be instant in season and out of season. And pray for God to save the lost and to heal the sick.

Remember, Divine healing doesn't come just when an evangelist comes. God is in your churches. He's in your people. He's in you. He will heal you when you believe Him. You don't have to wait for a certain evangelist to come. God doesn't have to have the evangelist, though He uses them. But that's just to stir; the gifts are to stir... The Healer is always there, God.

58-0508 - The Expectations
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244 Friends, from that time, I've been a changed person. I don't know what you'll think about this, but with my hand on the Bible, that is true. That...Wherever it is, I don't know whether it was here, whether it was a vision. I never had one like it. And let's say it was a little translation (I don't say it was), say, my spirit went out, and went there (I don't know what it was), if—if that's glorious under that first Heaven, what must have Paul saw when he went to the third Heaven and come back and said, "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, neither has it entered the hearts of man, what God has for them in store that love Him."

245 I've been more determined. I've...This is my second revival since then. I've been more determined to do everything that I can to persuade men and women, please be sure of this: If God's love doesn't anchor in your heart supremely, don't you take any sensation or emotion; you be sure that you—you can turn the other cheek, that—that

God...that—that Christ is all in all to you. Don't you miss it, my brother.

60-0716 - From That Time
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76 And that's the way that I feel about those visions and things like that, or that whatever happened to me that day when I crossed over, just on the outside, and seen what That was, and then come back into here.

77 Could you imagine being a baby and— and had a—a knowledge what, how glorious this was to walk around, see the trees a blooming, the birds a singing, the sun shine, and a life like this, and then have to be confined into a womb? Why, you wouldn't want to go back, at all.

78 Well, then, we, our—our thinking would be numb, up the side, or try to think of what that is over There. When, the Scripture says, "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, or either has ever entered into the heart of man what God has for them, in store, that love Him." See? So we know that it's

glorious on the other Side. Some day, death, what we call death, will give us the new Birth, and we'll come into the other World, on the other Side.

61-0305 - Beyond The Curtain Of Time

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301 Now, the Divine Architect has designed the New City, where He will live with His Bride, just to Her touch. No wonder the apostle said, "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, or neither has ever entered the heart of man." Let's see if we can probe into it just for a moment, see what it's going to look like.

302 The Divine Architect has designed this for His Beloved. See? Oh, what a place it must be, when, Divine Nature, a Divine Architect has designed it for a Divine attribute that's been Divinely predestinated by a Divine God Who—Who is the Author of Divine Life! What will that City look like! Think of it.

64-0802 - The Future Home Of The Heavenly

Bridegroom And The Earthly Bride**Rev. William Marrion Branham**

Thank you, Brother Baxter. Good evening, friends. I'm very happy to be here tonight to worship with you, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. How we love Him; what He is to us. No wonder it was said, "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard... has entered the heart of man what God has for them, in store, that love Him." He's certainly wonderful. And...

Thank you. It's kinda strange to have a metal flower, isn't it? Well, this is supposed to be something to help me to send my voice out there a little farther. I'm kinda small and I haven't got very much of a voice anyhow, so I guess they have to kinda step it up a little bit in there to it make it go out.

Was some... My boy was telling me just a few moments ago that Brother Jackson is with us. Yeah, God bless you, Brother Jackson. I'm very happy to see him here with us tonight. The Lord bless Brother Jackson.

53-0217 - **Only Believe**
Rev. William Marrion Branham



19 And now, when the brethren received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, they said, “This is the summit; this is all of it.” But, brethren, that’s wrong. See? There is no summit to God’s power. We move on and on and on; it’s the unlimited resources of God has never been tapped yet, blessings and powers that we know nothing about. It’s never been even revealed to Archangels, is laying just ahead for His church that will believe. “For eye has not seen, ear has not heard, neither has it entered the hearts of men, what God has for them in store that love Him.”

So let’s move up and claim our rights. As God opens the gates and swings out the welcome mat, let’s move on up into deeper depths and never colonize ourselves, to organize ourselves, and to get into a place where this is—“We believe this and that’s all.” Let’s believe this plus how much more we can hear from God. I think that ought to be the motive of every man and woman that loves

the Lord Jesus, to receive all that you can from the hand of His bountiful mercies. That's my heart.

That's the reason I never joined any organization or took sides with any group, because I wanted myself wide open for the love of God and for what He could give to me.

55-1006a - A Hidden Life

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178 What does the Holy Spirit do? Oh, here's a good place, let me read the 1st verse of the next chapter. Can I? Is it all right? Say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen!"—Ed.] All right, the 1st verse of the 2nd chapter, quickly. Listen. "You who were...you..."

And you hath he quickened, who were one...were dead in trespasses and sins:

179 "You has He quickened." What does *quicken* mean? "Made alive." Just about gone, but He quickened you just by the earnest

money. What will it be when you—when you really get all the dividends paid on? Oh! No wonder Paul, caught up into the third heaven, said, “Eye has not seen; ear has not heard; neither has it entered in, entered the heart of man, what God has for them (in store) that love Him.” What will that be! You talk about joy unspeakable and full of glory! Whew! Uhm! You who were once dead in sin and trespasses has He quickened together by the shadow of the shadow of the shadows. What’s it going to be when you come to the shadow of the shadows into the shadow, the shadow then into the creek, the creek into the river, the river into the ocean?

60-0522e - Adoption #4

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87 Now, we’re not condemning you. We’re not condemning your religion, saying Presbyterian, or Methodist, or Baptist. That’s fine; God bless the Presbyterian, Methodists, and Baptists. But you want to be a Presbyterian, Methodist, and Baptist and have the Holy Ghost. That’s what you want. See? Whatever you are, you want to be Christ. You

stay—stay with your church; that's all right. You'll be a light in that church to lead others.

And let me tell you, friends, you don't know what happiness is (remember) until you've crossed over the land yonder and really see what it is. Look, would I do this as a servant of Christ? I put this Bible over my heart, and say: I have... It could not enter... If that was one—the first heaven I was privileged to see, and Paul was caught up into the third heaven, what did he see?

60-0608 - Having Conferences

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41 God had showed in Sarah and Abraham here, exactly what He was going to do to all of Abraham and Sarah's seed. All the seed of Abraham should be that way. And here on earth, He brought them back to a young man and a young woman. And I told that story just exactly as close as I know how it happened. And I—it was... I don't... Don't... Let's call it a vision, 'cause if I would say, that it was a little translation there... If it was a vision, I never had anything like it. Now, I'm

not trying to impersonate the great Saint Paul, 'cause I don't... I seen too much of that in my life, carnal comparisons. But say it was a little translation. I went to the first heaven, and if they it's that way in the first heaven, what did Paul see when he went to the third? My... No wonder he said, "Eyes not seen, or ears not heard."

If it's that glorious in this heaven here, when you go into the third heaven, what must that brother have seen?

60-0803 - Abraham

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40 So, oh, listen, friends. I—I think I'm in my right mind, and I—I—I know it sounds strange. But I've never been able, and never tried, to explain to people these things. Many things that's...It's beyond explaining. And you'd only confuse the people's mind. But if I could, and felt to do so, it would be alarming.

41 But notice this. I say this. Don't be afraid. Death is just a scarecrow, trying to keep you

away from something. My, it's so glorious! It's beyond anything that you could think of. No wonder the Bible said, "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, neither has it entered the hearts of men what God has for them in store that love Him." Oh, just to look past the curtain of time! Then, I've tried harder than ever before in life, to try to win people to Christ, since then. You can't afford to miss it. Don't do it. Be sure that you're right with God, and other things will be all right.

63-0115 - Accepting God's Provided Way At The End Time

Rev. William Marrion Branham



293 With our heads bowed, our hearts bowed, now I want you stop just a few minutes.

294 When I saw the vision of hell, as a—as a little boy, the horrors of it. Then, I may be wrong in this. That might just been a premonition. It might. I don't know. It seems I was somewhere. It was so natural.

Then, not long ago, when I seen the realms of the blessed.

295 When I was in the realms of the lost, I screamed, “O God, don’t never let a person come here!” You can’t, there is no tongue can describe to you what the horrors of it is. There is no way for me to tell you. If you believe that there is a burning hell, full of fire and brimstone, that would be a—a cool shady green pasture to the sight of what the horrors of this lost condition was in, and the misery that is—that is associated that place.

296 And if I tried to speak to you of things that would be beyond a human’s understanding, I still couldn’t describe the place of the blessed, how peaceful! Never to die, never to be old, never to be sick; always to be young, always to be healthy, and never to die; Eternal Life, in the blessed of youth, and no sin or nothing else! Oh, there is just no way to exp-...describe, describe it.

297 Even the Saint Paul, he said, “Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, nor has it even entered the hearts of man,” you can’t even understand it; there is no way to explain it, “what God has for them, in store, that love Him.”

63-1124e - Three Kinds Of Believers
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3 Can we bow our heads just a moment? Father, we're happy tonight, to be assembled together in Your house. Setting back in the room there hearing Your servant speak of the wonderful things that You've done, our hearts are more than elated to think of the grace that Thou has bestowed upon us, Thy unprofitable servants; knowing that You give us the privilege to accept Eternal Life, be forever blessed in the land that's far beyond this that we live in now. And it is written that, "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, neither has it entered the heart of man what God has for them in store that love Him."

We pray tonight, You will bless this people. Thy servant being a little hoarse, strain of voice... We pray now that You'll bless, maybe, this is for the purpose that add the most of it to the healing service. Trusting that You'll bless each one here, and may when we leave here tonight, may we be able to say like those who come from Emmaus

that day, had walked with Him and talked with Him, yet didn't know it, until He did something and made them recognize it... They said, "Our hearts burn within us, while we heard Him." And may He do something tonight in such a way that everyone will recognize that the resurrected Jesus Christ, here in this spring yule season, is with us alive today: Out from among the dead, alive for evermore, to live and dwell among men, until He manifests Himself in the rapturing day to take Home His Church when we take on immortal bodies like His. Grant these blessings we ask in Jesus Christ's Name. Amen.

I was just thinking for a moment of this man, the distress. Perhaps, one time he might've gathered himself with a group that didn't take up with Jesus so much. But there come a time when he had need, he must come. So he came to see Jesus, because his son was laying at the point of death. He had to do something.

Jesus said to him, "Except you see signs, you'll not believe."

But the man didn't speak back to Jesus. He said, "Lord, come ere my son die."

53-0510 - Testimony

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48 Oh, what a time. Notice. 'Of water' means 'when they rejoiced.' You see? "There's not much rejoicing," you say. "Here, and the only thing we do, we—we don't go no more to the shows on Sunday. And we don't see the ball games, when we did all these things that we once done. It's a horrible place here." Now, watch it was chiding. Better stop right there, hadn't I? Ha, ha.

All right. Boy, were getting the judgment now. Notice.

And the Lord...

That's just the way it gets. You see? Sometimes those trials come just to try us. And every son that cometh to God must be chastised of God. And if we cannot stand chastisement, then we are illegitimate children and not the children of God. Brother, there's something about Christianity, that when a man is born again, it puts something in him that keeps him. Now, there's just something in

there that does something to him. Sure. Now, I didn't come over on the Lord's side over here or him say—over here just to have a good time. I come over here because I love Him. And I must help Him bear the burden.

Must Jesus bear the cross alone,
And all the world go free?
There's a cross for every one,
... there's a cross for me.

Is that right? Then what should the Christian sing? The next verse:

This consecrated cross I'll bear,
Till death shall set me free, (That's right.)
Then go home a crown to wear,
For there's a crown for me.

Not just a gold crown to set on your head, but something far beyond that. Paul got a glimpse of it one time. He said, "Eye hath not seen, ear has not heard; neither has it entered the hearts of men what God has for them in store that love Him." Not a crown, a gold crown, that wouldn't mean much to me. I don't care about them things anyhow. But my

crown is a new body, a new being, crowned in His likeness: a body like His own glorious body where I can just live with Him. That's a crown enough for me.

54-1114 - Redemption By Judgment

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169 My poor, little, old gray-headed wife, how would I love to do something for her, that I know she likes, because I love her, and I know she loves me. And if I'd do that for my wife, in the human love, what ought I to do, to know that God, by grace, before the foundation of the world, seen me; a poor, little sinner staggering, and was going to hell and couldn't help it? And He foreordained me, and put my name in the Lamb's Book of Life before the foundation of the world. Oh, I love Him! There's no way at all, of ever telling...?...No wonder the Bible said, "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, neither has it entered into the hearts of man." Oh, my! How glorious God is! Don't you want to trust Him, if you are weary and tossed about?

170 Shame on you Christians, that call yourselves Christians, and go around with a weary. “Well, I don’t know. And if I go to church, the...” Oh, you’re a poor excuse.

171 Let me tell you. Lift up your heads. Straighten up your chest. Oh, my! Oh, use faith. Faith is the boss. That’s right. Faith has hairs on its chest. Brother, I mean, it’s got big muscles. When it speaks, all the worries drop from one side to the other.

172 The devil say, “Now, you just can’t make it. You can’t do this. You’re ashamed to testify.”

173 Faith raise up, say, “Shut up! I got the floor.” Amen. Sure. Faith takes the initiative. That’s what we need today for every pilgrim in the land. Straighten up your head.

174 The Bible said, “When I was...” David said, “When I was afraid, I walked with...I trusted Him. When I was afraid, then I trusted Him. Whenever I come to even the fear of death, the shadows...”

175 When Paul came down, he said, "Death, where is your sting? Grave, where is your victory?" Brother...

Lives of great men all remind us,
We can make our lives sublime,
With partings, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.

176 Someday, sitting yonder on the celestial hills of Glory, where the sun will never go down in that City, where the saints are already shouting, those old heroes of the Faith, looking back down in those places yonder, and seeing our path, made of Glory. I want to sit with them, and see that I've put my head up in the air and trusted God, and walked on, in the time of storm. Oh, my!

Let us pray.

56-0603 - The Lamb's Book Of Life
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22 And, no wonder, I believe Paul was caught up into the third heaven, and he saw things

that it wasn't expedient for him to speak of. And one day he said, "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, or has it either entered the heart of man, what God has for them (in store) that love Him."

23 Oh, we're just living...We're living in a dump pile down here, that's all, just a rubbish heap full of—of smoldering smoke from filth. Of...Even if we are not contaminated with it ourselves, we are living in it, where the smoke is coming from smoking ember-als of sin. One of the most sickening things I can think of, is an old city dump burning. Was you ever near one? That horrible, contaminated smell of smoke coming up through all kinds of filth. And—and you get a breath of it, and it just turns you around.

60-0522m - Adoption #3

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60 Oh! It's..."Eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, what's in store for us." You know what I think? Why would—why would we ever accept a substitute or just something that's a make-

belief, when the heavens is full of the genuine, the real Power of God, that can set a soul free, that can do something for us? God bless you. Now, there is so many things.

61 I never told you where to get this book, see. Post Office Box 325, at Jeffersonville. And if you would write, why, they would send it to you. Or, either, visit one of the meetings, they'll be giving them away.

62 Now, I am very grateful for this fine time of fellowship. And this morning I was thinking about a little story I used to tell at the Christian Business Men, about Zacchaeus. Many of you has heard me tell it, about how that this little fellow didn't believe in this discernment, and, of the Lord. Course, I guess, as we have in every age, you see a genuine, then you see an impersonations. And we just have to put up with that. But good, solid thinkers and Scriptural man understand, see. Which, we, and no matter...

65-0206 - Doors In Door

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84 And, see, now we find everything in order. God spoke it, and He said, “Let there be, let there be. And let there be an Eden. Let there be beautiful flowers. Let there be My son, in My Own image, stand over there in the garden of Eden, and let his bride stand by his side.” Oh, how beautiful, what that was. And the Father, He was a Father, you see, so there come His Own children coming forth. And He made a paradise for them. God loves to do things for His children.

85 Don't you remember how, you mothers, and how no matter how; if you had to allowance the table, if Junior needed a good pair of shoes that he liked, you—you'd do it, see. Whatever it was, to do something for your children! Dad, how you'd work a little harder, to get something for the children. See?

86 Well, that just shows that we are way down *here*, a parent. He is the extreme Parent, see, and how much more! No wonder the apostle said, “Eye has not seen, or ear has not heard, neither has it entered the heart of man, what God has for them, in store, that love Him.” We just can't conceive in our mind, we, our mind isn't eligible of

thinking the right—right direction what God has for store, in us that love Him. See, we, I can imagine what it will be, I can think what it will be, but I—I...my mind is not—not—not capable of thinking how great it is. It's beyond that. Could you imagine what Heaven will be when we'll all be there, and young, and no sin? And no...Oh, what a beautiful place! But, see, it's beyond that. See, we, "it can't even enter the heart of man, what God has for them, in store." He spoke it, and it's going to be so.

65-1031m - Power Of Transformation
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