## FOOD & GROWTH I John Wright Follette

- 1. Lord, we are here again in Thy presence. And we have come again to gather about Thy Word. And we have heard this morning and we hear it continually, that this is the food which Thou hast provided for us while we tarry here, on the earth, for just a little while, Thou has provided for our welfare, and well-being. And we want to be intelligent about it so then we may cooperate with Thee and work with Thee. Therefore, we ask as we sit in Thy presence, we ask that you would rest us. It is tired and it is warm, and everybody would like to rest, but we have the meeting. So we ask that you be present with us to help us to listen and receive from Thy hand our daily portion. Therefore, break the Bread of Life to us, as Thou seeest we may need, for Jesus' sake, Amen.
- This is just a delightful afternoon to rest. Nobody knows it better than I. Oh, wouldn't it be lovely to just yank off the tie and the shirt, and just REST? But you know, you can't do things like that, you have to go, "to the work, to the work..." Well, I'm going "to the work," this afternoon with my sleeves rolled up. And you're very kind to let me be informal like that. Well, I'm informal, and my method of delivery is very informal; I have no special technique. You'd never know I'd had college and seminary training besides, but that's so far back, I always think that's just after the Civil War period, or someplace when I lived there. I don't know how old I am anyway. I've quite forgotten about it, so I don't bother with that. And you let me move along, and so this afternoon I want to continue the thought which we have had since yesterday. Now, when we get into a field of this kind, we can't get out in a minute, or an hour, or a day. We're dealing with this question of the FOOD adequate for the Christian, and our PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH, being able to PARTAKE of it. Then also, the GRADATION that is recognized in the Word of God, a GRADATION in the people who partake of the food, and also in the food ITSELF. We must keep that in mind so that we move with God and not just take things for granted because "it's in the Bible, and we go "poking" along on our own little way. Sometimes we wake up on the END of the way, and find that we are clear OFF THE BEAM! Well, that doesn't help us. We must keep in line with what GOD is doing.
- Now, He tells us in the Word that we are all BABIES. Now, alot of people don't want me to teach along that line, because they feel that they are saved, consecrated to the Lord, received the baptism of the Spirit...let's build him up real tight!...and have all the gifts, and three trances, and six visions; by that time you're completely finished!!? NO, by that time, you are almost HOPELESS to do anything WITH! If you don't believe that, let me ask you if you ever noticed something in the Word of God. I read to you this morning, how God had placed in the church the teachers, the prophets, the preachers, and the evangelists. He's placed in the church all of these instruments. He calls them GIFTS; they're PERSONALITY GIFTS. All right, now it only takes ONE evangelist out in the field to get ahold of a lost sheep and bring him in. An evangelist, ONE evangelist can go out there and bring in the LOST. Well, let me tell you something, after you get that poor, lost person in here, and get him really good and saved, and filled with the Spirit, and a few "extra" blessings on top of it, it takes FIVE of the rest of the gifts to deal with him AFTER you've got him in. Did you ever notice that? It's true, because He said that He'd place those gifts in the church, not in the WORLD at all. The evangelist is the only one that's been placed in the WORLD. All the other workers and these gifts, He said He had placed IN THE CHURCH for the EDIFICATION of the church, for the BUILDING UP of the church, for the PERFECTING of the saints. ALL of that marvelous and glorious work is in THE CHURCH by these other instruments! And ONLY ONE to get him SAVED! Well, I have found it out. You travel with me, and I'll show you some things that are really interesting. ONE evangelist to get a man saved and baptised in the Spirit, and five men to do anything with him after you get him there. Well, that's TRUE. It's true! takes FIVE instruments in God's hand to do anything with him after you've got him saved and filled with the Spirit. That's a very strange thing, but there it is! How many know that He placed them in the CHURCH? He did NOT place the gifts in the WORLD. He placed them in the CHURCH, and specifically says it's for the EDIFICATION of that church. It's for the EDIFICATION of the Body. For it's culture, it's building, it's growth. And it takes all of these instruments to work on them. Well, I know that very well,

having travelled and visited assemblies, and churches and places. I say, "It surely does." You see, the IMPACT of life and light and Truth is so terrific on some hearts and lives, that it almost sets them beside themselves. They are so overwhelmed with the "marvel, and the wonder, and the glory! And oh!..." They get so you can't do anything with them for quite awhile. Their Spirits are too AGITATED; they're too vibrant. It's really true, you can't do very much with them until some of that is EXHAUSTED and REDUCED so that he comes back to a NORMAL swing. A NORMAL POISE of spirit. It takes some people a few years to attain that. It actually does. The temperment, the disposition, the way he will act to Truth is so terrific, that sometimes they swing off on a pendulum here, and then they swing there; how many have ever seen an old clock go like that? Quite awhile before it maintains it's equilibrium. Well, that's like people are. So He says, "I've put about 5 instruments in the church to take care of these, "swinging instruments." Well, we have to be ENCOURAGED in that! To think He thinks enough of us to do it.

So, He says we are GRADED. He told us that. We heard that this morning. We START as little BABES, nothing but little babes. I hear one crying now. How much do you think that little baby knows about this world? "Whaaa!," he says. He's telling you about how much he knows about this world. And yet, how many know he is a legitimate, good, proper, darling, sweet, grand BABY, isn't he? Well, how much does he know? Well, keep your analogy. God is just like THAT in the things of God. When we are babes in Christ, He doesn't EXPECT us to know what we should 30, 40, and 50 years later. He doesn't expect it. But He does expect the little babe to GROW, to come into it's growth, normally and naturally, passing through all the periods that we find in the development of the child. And He has something in the Word of God for every part of that. Every period in which you find yourself moving, He will have something in the Word of God of TRUTH, which will HELP you, which will HOLD you, feed you, sustain you. When you're a babe, when you're a little child, when you are a GROWING child, your adolescent period of Spiritual living. Think of the adolescent period of a Christian, in his adolescence, Spiritually speaking. How many can see it? Yes, you do. If you know anything about them. Are they just the "nicest" thing that you ever did see in the world? No. If you keep your eyes open, you'll see some differences. Then, how many of you see them gradually moving out of that into a steadier sense of MATURITY and UNDERSTANDING? And finally, we develope into fathers and mothers in Israel. Develope into Spiritual leaders. Someone who has lived long enough and understands the things of God enough to give advice and counsel and direction. You CAN'T do that as a babe. You can't do that even as an adolescent. You can't do that even in the BEGINNING of your maturity. You're only "feeling" your way. I often say, "Here I am at this age, ready to be taken home, and I'm only beginning to commence, to get ready, to find out the FIRST THINGS of it." And I've been in it for YEARS. Just finding out, and no one knows it better than I. Touching these "fringes" of the reality of Spiritual living. Just the FRINGES. Just little "gleams, glimses" of the things that God has for us. They BELONG to us. We are MADE FOR THEM. The whole structural law of your being and my being is so constructed and made in God's economy and thought, that it will ADAPT ITSELF FREELY TO IT if you could be EXPOSED long enough. If, in all sincerity, you DARE to EXPOSE YOURSELF TO IT, you will find that there is something IN YOU. God has ALREADY placed it there in this NEW CREATION, in this NEW ORDER, which will FLOW TO IT. You'll even HUNGER for it. You'll HUNGER for it. I've had people come and say, "I'm saved, and baptised in the Spirit, and I've had all of that, Brother Follette, and I'm still more HUNGRY NOW then I was when I got it. Now, what's the matter with me?" "Nothing," I said, "You're coming along in quite a NORMAL pattern. Quite a NORMAL pattern." If your hunger has been satisfied, you've received a few interesting experiences which are God-given. And if you are PARKED there, there's not much hope of getting people ON. No, there SHOULD be a restlessness in you, LEST you PARK ON THAT. Don't park on that. USE it and go right along. Use it and go right along. Don't be afraid that if you go along you won't get anymore. You get MUCH more. You'll get MUCH more. But you have to learn as a LITTLE CHILD. In his conduct it is just the same. You watch a growing child, how often it is hard for him, even in adolescence to let up on some of his childhood "capers." You know, he likes to get in the cupboard and

the cookie jar like he did when he was six years old, and here he's eighteen. Did you

ever hear of people like that? Well, sure. Those hangovers of the CHILD, you know. They'll manifest when he's eighteen, twenty, and twenty-one. If you don't believe it, watch people as we see them everyday in these newspaper accounts of this strange, SUB-NORMAL development of the life. People who have developed into men and women of quite intelligence, and emotionally, nothing by CHILDREN. You know or don't you know? What's the matter with these people fighting and quarreling with each other, yelling and shaking and all? They are nothing but little children who have never LEARNED CONTROL. have never learned anything about their emotional life and what it meant--NEVER! It has just run WILD with them, and so when they get to be 20, and 30, and 40, and 50 years old, EMOTIONALLY they are NOT MATURED at all. They are yet a little child, manifesting little childish capers. People have it when they've grown, only they don't dare to exibit it. You know how your little children go, "Naa, na, na!" at each other? Well, how many know great big people do that INSIDE, only they "smile." They SMILE all the time. Well, that's the way people are. Sure. Only they have grown up long enough now to disguise and wear their mask. They have discovered that life has provided quite a basket full of MASKS which we may use occasionally, and sometimes you do! Now what I'm getting at is this. There should be a NORMAL development of your whole personality, your spirit, soul, and body. Your WHOLE BEING. Every part of you should come under the under the teaching, under the tutoring of the SPIRIT OF GOD, so that the whole being moves up under the POWER OF TRUTH, sluffing off and dropping off all of these ENTANGLEMENTS, which IMPEDE the way, and stifle the Spirit. It should be take care of.

Now, we're going to talk a little bit about this FOOD question. Well, the Lord has told us that the food is in three general classifications, such as MILK, MEAT, and STRONG MEAT; in the OT, we'll touch with that this afternoon. I want to tell you something about the MANNA, and the CORN, and the OLD CORN, and all the provision we find in the OT too. God is very keen on this question of DIET. It isn't anything new. There are a lot of food fadests today, and people interested in diet, but God was much more interested in diet than you think. He's been interested in deit a long, long, long, time. It's nothing new, but I'm glad He's an authority on it, so there's nothing to be afraid. I'm not talking now about drinking lemon juice or something of that kind, I'm talking in Spiritual terms. He's the Great Dietition. He understands the MECHANISM OF MY SPIRIT-UAL BEING, and the food which is necessary and adequate. And therefore, He says there are times when there is MILK, MEAT, and STRONG MEAT. To use an illustration, I want to go back to the OT, and use an illustration which is given to us about the children of Israel, in their pilgrimage from Egypt to Canaan land. And in that dramatic picture, the story, really historically inacted, dramatically so, and TRUE, but all the time that is going on, God is telling US something. Now, HOW I know that is because of a scripture verse He opened up to me one time, when I was reading over in Corinthians. Paul was elaborating on the life of the children of Israel, and their mission, and their work. Elaborating on that, and then he made this little remark as he was teaching. "Now, all these things, and these rehearsings, in God's dealings with the children of Israel...," he has been dealing with that, "Now all these things happened unto them for EXAMPLES...," or another word that could be used is TYPES. "And they are written for our entertainment?" No. "They are written for our ADMONITION, upon whom the ends of the world are come." Well, when I saw that, it encouraged me very much, because I had been detecting and sensing, in all these historic pictures and dramas and conversations and types; I had been discovering some lovely, beautiful, SPIRITUAL REALITY all hidden away underneath. And I thought, "Is it right that we should go in there, and lift that up out of it's setting, and pull it apart, and see the lovely Spiritual food, and blessing, and illumination that's there? Is it right?" And the Lord directied me to THIS, and said, "Yes, here it is." All these things that have happened in that OT, they are only TYPES and PICTURES for OUR admonition. Why? Because the same "dramatization" is going on in your heart and in mine. If you've never found that you've had an Egypt, you've LOST your geography book! How many found that you had an Egypt? How many have known that Egypt is very REAL? I was in Egypt last summer, but I have an Egypt that's CONTINUALLY around. MY Egypt isn't on a MAP. How many of you know that you have the children of Israel

moving around in you? Have you ever heard them, TRAPPING? How many of you ever had to cross the Red Sea? Did you? How many ever found a JORDAN? Yes. Why? Because all of those things are here, PICTURED, just like a little "drama." Pictured, to tell us that all the time, INSIDE, in our SPIRITUAL LIFE, the COUNTERPART of it, the counterpart; the analogy is there. We will have the SAME too. I hope sometimes to speak again, I only spoke on it once, on the household of faith, but people were scared when I got up and told them, "How many know you have the home of Bethany in your heart today?" Well they thought I was sort of fanatical anyways, so now they thought, "Now what is he going to DRAG out?" Well, I said, "If you have lived long enough, you will find that you have the home of Bethany in your heart. You have Mary, you have Lazarus, you have Martha, you have the household. You have ALL of that." But some of you have never discovered this; you've never made "friends" with "them." You don't know how to interpret "them." Sometimes "they" have been russeling around in your experience, and you didn't know who they were, or what they were. They are all here in the Word, but they are ALL HERE in your spirit too. And, if we are quiet enough, and walk along with God, He will tell to us some very marvelous and wonderful things hidden away, under some ver prosaic, everyday, commmonplace doings. And while we read, first thing you know, we discern something of very real Spiritual value in there. And God has given them... He says that is all given to us for OUR ADMONITION.

Well then, I want to ask, how often have I been admonished by reading THIS story, or THAT story, or that story? How much have I been admonished in my Spiritual welfare by reading this or that? Well, it's all FOR us. It's all FOR us. Every bit of it. But you see, we are sort of ... stupid ... in our FLESH, and that's WHY the Spirit has come. He has come and when He has come He will lead us INTO ALL TRUTH. When was the last time that the Holy Spirit has taken you by the hand gently, and led you into the Word right through some story, and given you a lovely OPENING of Spiritual VALUE, real, beautiful, wonderful, rich...well, that's His ministry! That's His ministry. When He comes He will DO that. Well, then I say, "How long have you been baptized?" "Fourteen years!!" "Well, how many openings...?" "I don't know anything about that, praise God!!" Well, I say, "praise God," too. But you should be open, even if He only leads you a little way. Let HIM open. You know it would be so refreshing, and I'll tell you something else. You will NEVER FORGET a thing the Holy Spirit has made REAL IN YOUR HEART AND LIFE. You never will, because it's a DIRECT CONTACT. A direct OPENING, a direct REVELATION of light and Truth. And if hte Holy Spirit can get you STILL enough, and OPEN enough to give you one, how many know that it's so CHOICE; it's so sweet? Oh, yes. I remember, in my beginning, when God began to illuminate the Word to me, my first little findings, oh, I thought they were so marvelous! I said, "Oh, that's been in the Bible all this time and I never knew it!" I want to say that there are ten thousand more things, dear, and if you'll stand still, maybe you'll see two of them. Thousands of them. So, they are for our ADMONITION. Therefore, when I look at the children of Israel, in just this ONE aspect, concerning their diet and their eating, as we are dealing with this morning, though in dealing with eating and diet. When I look at them, I come into quite a revelation of Truth, and I find that it is a parallel of my own heart and life and yours too. Now to begin with, we'll take the children of Israel... I like to start with them down in Egypt, because they are going to have a long sojourning. I wonder, I suppose when I talk over here, you can't hear me. That's going to be very bad. Can you hear me now? Huh? Be honest about it, because if I stand here and talk... I want to just do something here with this blackboard to help you. There's nothing picturesque about it. I'm an artist, but I'm not showing any kind of art effect here. Come up to my home and I'll show you a few. Now here, I'll take this for the sense of the general pattern for Israel. We'll call this Egypt down here. And here we find the children of Israel in bondage. But you see, the children of Israel were not brought forth, and God didn't call them and say that, "your destiny is Egypt." He called them that they might come way up here in Beula Land. Now, that's their destiny. That's where He's going to take them. But He finds them in this darkness down here in Egypt in great BONDAGE. And so they're going to have quite a trip. We're going to take them out of Egypt, over here into the wilderness, and then finally, we're going to get over Jordan, have to have the Red Sea;

- it's a real geography. How many know you've got all this geography in here? Yes, you have. You've got all this geography in here. And I want you to be able to recognize it, so that when God begins to work with you, you'll say, "Oh, that's Egypt! Thank You, Lord!" And you'll know just exactly what it is, because that's the way that He will do it.
- So back here, we begin down...use your imagination, dear, I'm right here, this is Egypt you see, on the side, well, here we have the children of Israel in BONDAGE. Now, let's remember something. There's always a DESTINY, and there's always an OBJECTIVE. Now, with the children of Israel, God had called them, and He has promised them something. He has promised that through them He will bring Jesus Christ the Redeemer of the world. But in the meantime,, He's going to do some wonderful "manuevering" with them, in their historic moving, because it's all going to be a picture lesson. A PICTURE LESSON, for Spiritual teaching. So He says, "This is not your real home. This is not where you belong. I wouldn't make you so you would live and die in Egypt. I have brought you this far, and I'm going to bring you way up here. Beula Land is the land that I have promised you. Now, I've given it to you; I promise it to you. But I'm not going to say, 'Come out of Egypt, one, two, three....Beula Land!!!" Well, that's the way PEOPLE are. That's the way you've PRAYED. "Lord, right NOW, remember...now Lord, I've waited three days!" Well, wait three CENTURIES, dear. Not three days. So He doesn't say immediately, "I'm going to take you into Beula Land." Well then these people who have such an extravagant idea of FAITH, they always disturb me because they're so "funny." They always say, "Well, isn't God ABLE to do ALL things? Where is your FAITH, brother!! Here's the PROMISE! Ask what you will and it SHALL be done! God is ABLE!!" And then they come thrashing at me and pounding at me, "God is ABLE!!" And scare the wits out of me! I say, "I know He is able, but GET ME IN LINE WITH THE 'ABLE!' I'm not talking about what HE CAN DO.." But they never do, they always tell me what He's ABLE, over here. How many ever heard that? Oh, I've heard some preachers and evangelists run up and down the platform, "He is ABLE!! He is ABLE!! GOD IS ABLE!!! He is ABLE!!" But they never get you through. Well, how many know HE IS ABLE? How many want me to jump around here, and hollar and yell, and thrash around and say, "God is ABLE!!"? How many know it already? Seven of you? Good! ? I wish you could learn that as Pentecostal people. It would be refreshing. But some can't learn it, they have to go and get somebody to jump up and down, and yell, "God is ABLE! GOD IS ABLE!! God is ABLE!" That's how they do it! I've seen them in meetings. Barrels and bushels of them! Well, now you'll find GOD IS ABLE to do a lot of things that HE DOESN'T DO. Have you found that out? I have too! He is just yet able to do...oh, a dreadful lot of things, that HE DOESN'T DO! Well, why? It hasn't anything to do with "His ABLE" at all. It has to do with His PURPOSE. Oh! Oh!.. .. How many know there is a difference between the "able" and the "purpose?" Isn't that good? Somebody say, "Amen!," quick! Why certainly! Don't be hollering around, and trying to build up your faith by saying, "I know He is ABLE! He is ABLE! Oh, God! Now everybody get ahold of God! Oh, He's ABLE!" "Able for what?" "Well, I don't know... Praise God, I know He's ABLE!!" You'll never get anywhere in the kingdom that way at all. Those are RELIGIOUS HABITS; make you feel REAL RELIGIOUS. Oh yes, you can really get blessed, but it doesn't get you anywhere. When it's all over, the next day you're saying, "I wonder where I was?" How many of you know that, or don't you know that? I mean that's the way they DO in New York, not in THIS country! I know better, I know they do that way in OTHER countries.
- 8. Well, He doesn't tell them, "Now that you're My children, and Beula Land is your destiny; that's where I'm taking you to. I will do it in a minute!" He doesn't promise them that, because He knows very well, that this interim, this terrific interim, and all it's going to cover, and all that it will involve, all all of it very NECESSARY...Now while they are her in Egypt, of course they have to eat. Well, what do they eat? They eat that which has been provided by Egypt, don't they? Did you notice it? They eat onions, garlic, and melons, and fish, and so on. I think there are 5 items of food. There you will find your numbers. Now, those are the items of food which Egypt provides for them. Well, while they are IN Egypt, that food will CARRY THEM, because in that environment, that's ALL that they HAVE. But, THAT is not what they are destined FOR. Not at all. And so He says to them, "You're My people." And they knew it, and Moses

- did too. Moses got such a revelation of it, that what did he do? He ran right out and said, "Here! I'm goint to deliver the whole bunch of them! Come on!" He saw a man doing wrong, and he wacked him down and killed him. How many know you don't get deliverance that way, either? Well, he HAD to do that, you know. He's that AGITATED spirit that doesn't know this little PRINCIPLE in our Christian philosophy. What is it? I'll tell you; it's a "secret." THAT WAS NOT SPIRITUAL WHICH WAS FIRST, BUT NATURAL. AFTER-WARDS THAT WHICH WAS SPIRITUAL. So God always let's the FLESH fling out first---BANG! And you don't get anything for it, "Did you get it?" "No, I didn't!" "Well, are you SATISFIED?" "I kind of think so!..." "Well, try AGAIN!" And then what does He do? He lets you EXAUST yourself, so that the SPIRIT may take over and do the thing that God wants to do. He will NOT ALLOW FLESH to have the glory, the glory,...of what the HOLY GHOST WANTS TO DO! THAT IS NOT SPIRITUAL WHICH IS FIRST, it's a NATURAL "fling." That was what ailed him. I'll talk about him some other day, but he's a very interesting character. It tells you just bushels of things if you read it. Bushels and bushels of things in there.
- So here they're partaking now of this FOOD. Because that's all they HAVE. But this is not their REAL place. Now, how many begin to see an ANALOGY already, concerning us in this world? Do you get it? How many know this old world is IN Egypt? We are BORN here in captivity. We're born here as SLAVES IN EGYPT. The world is nothing but Egypt. That's why Paul tells us distinctly, "Don't get under the power of Egypt's philosophy or teaching." That's the WORLD'S spirit. Not, "plugged tobacco, cigarettes, and feathers on your hat." He's not talking about that, about all that "funny" stuff. He's talking about PRINCIPLES OF LIFE. Now, He says, "In Egypt...," that's the WORLD, "if you're not careful, you're liable to be shaped, and molded, and governed, and tutored along by the philpsophies and teachings that the world has to offer." And the world is a doomed, judged thing. DEAD. It CANNOT PRODUCE LIFE. It CANNOT produce anything that will bring us through to the end of our lives. So, here we are, in the flesh today, born in this world. They are born NATURALLY in Egypt. They're BORN there. There's no need to cry about it, that's where we're all BORN. How many know we were all born "jailbirds," or didn't you know that? Yes, we were all born jailbirds. Prison houses, and He will come and set the captives FREE. The Lord came to your jail and mine and let us OUT. Man is nothing but a jailbird, shut up in a JAIL. And here they are. Now, all the while, they are partaking of the Egyptian diet, THAT holds them under the govern and power of that, the IMPACT of that; keeps them there. But, that is NOT their DESTINY. They are not MADE for that. You and I were not born into this world to live IN THE WORLD under the power of it's limitations. "Man is not to live by bread alone...," but what? "But by EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDETH... " How many see SPIRITUAL ADJUSTMENT--FIRST? We were MADE for that. We were not made to live in the world, governed by the world, "I'll do the best I can...hope I get to heaven...and cry a little...and make some noise about it." That's a HORRIBLE thing! No. That isn't it at all. He says, "You have been born and brought forth, IN your prison house, in Etypt, in a land of darkness, in this world... it's whole philosophy is WRONG." All the ? for reasoning are wrong. They are lodged in the corrupt, intellectual GRASP that humanity has. Our best philosophers, Plato, Aristotle, and all of those. Every one of them; how many see that the ROOTS of all their thinking is from the EARTH? The ROOT of all their thinking is form the EARTH. But the earth is CURSED. How can a CURSED thing give LIFE? It can't. How can a cursed thing give life, and Truth, and wisdom, and direction? It can't. So He says, "Don't get under the POWER of it."
- 10. Now, another thing that He's told us NOT to do is to try to REFORM this old world and make it a lovely place for the Lord to come to for the millenium. How many know alot of people off on that tangent? Put up your hand if you know that. Well, I wish I had some church history with you. We need some good teaching. Dear, dear, dear. I wish I had about a month with just some simple teaching and history. How many know the difference between the pre-millenial and post-millenial teaching? How many know a difference between that? Well, that's good. That gives you at least a little "wedge" in. These "post-millenial" people, our churches are FULL of them. Our colleges, universities, and seminaries are full of it. What is it? The teaching and philosophy that the Christian impact of Truth has been brought by Jesus Christ, NOW the church is to TAKE THAT UP and

CONVERT THE WORLD, and bring the world to some kind of ORDER, so that JESUS CAN COME and REIGN! How many know that old philosophy? Why, there's NOTHING in the Word that teaches that at all, not a glimmer of it! And yet there are thousands of Christians today, moving under that power. Moving under that; that's all they have. And so they are trying to build, and to DO, and to struggle, to "make the world a little better place." They'll NEVER do it! They wanted to do it when Jesus was here, and He said, "Stop it! The wheat and the tares are going to grow together till the end. It will take nothing but God, and the angels, and something supernatural to make a division in them." It's going to be so SUBTLE, and it's growing today! Well, He didn't say, "Now, while you are IN Egypt, now I want you to REFORM Egypt. I want you to put all your energy in reforming Egypt." And they had the "good" society, the society that was...onions, you know. How many know there are a lot of societies that are really ONIONS today? Didn't you know that? Oh, dear! How many know there are a lot of societies on the earth today, lovely, precious people, with their money, and time, and energy, and everything else, trying to pull all the "melons" out of the patch that don't look good? How many see such a foolishness in there? God hasn't said we're going to make the WORLD better. We are to salvage the sinners OUT of the world, and bring them into the Body of christ, and let HIM work on them, and get us ready to go home. That's what He's ask. That's His program. Well, I can't work two cents with a program that's clean off from the scripture. He never said to them, "Now make this Egypt a litter better place. While you stay here, make it a little better." "Now, garlic is very bad smelling, so somebody invent something that will cause it so that it will not smell so." And so, they take a long time with test tubes, you see...how many get the analogy, or don't you? Oh, dear! Disagreeable things that are in the social life today! Disagreeable things in the social order. How many know all the experimentations you have, and money, and investments to do what? To take the SMELL of garlic out of it. And how many know, it's just going to BE garlic anyway? A lot of this is in riddles, and some of you don't know what I'm talking about, but never mind. Say, "Amen," once in awhile and we'll all bless you. How many are catching some of the analogy? Are you getting it? Do you get it? I want you to see that. Those who can't, just be very patient, and we'll get you blessed, by and by. But NOT now. I want you to see this. We were never asked to REDEEM Egypt. He's never asked us to form any society to take care of that diet. Not at all. Not at all. He says, "I'm going to take you OUT of Egypt; you don't BELONG in Egypt." And so, He comes along, and He brings us out of Egypt. Well, here is the RED SEA. I came up through the Red Sea on a trip through India one time, and the captain was very gracious. He knew we had a lot of American Christian workers on, and he would show us different things along the way. The narrowest passage, where the children were suppossed to have passed from Egypt, over into Arabia. He showed us the passage of that. And another thing that was wonderful to me; you remember for protection the Lord made, "a cloud by day," and "a light by night," for them, a supernatural thing? Well, He didn't give us a light by night, but you know, that whole trip coming up to the Red Sea; and it was terrifically hot. Terribly hot. He laid a big canopy, a CLOUD that went right along with the ship, all the way up with us! I think He did it to let me see how it was. He actually did. There was a strange cloud that followed and kept the burning rays of the sun off of us until we could get up to the Mediterranean.

11. So here they are, so God has a way out, and so He raises up Moses to be the deliverer. Of Whom is Moses the old "type" that we've had so long? Moses was a type of? Oh! I almost heard it! Who was that? Say it out loud. Yes. Moses was one of the most beautiful types of CHRIST. Don't be afraid to say it. Absolutely so. Why? Because these children of Israel cannot get over into this land except through a supernatural agency. There is NO MEANS in the NATURAL by which they can be taken over. It has to be a supernatural MOVING OF GOD. A divine intervention. A divine intervention in them doing. Nobody can get over there. It had to be a MIRACLE to bring them out of Egypt, over into this land. Called this WILDERNESS. How many get your analogy right away? How many know it took a MIRACLE to get you out of your OLD creation, out of the world, out of your sin, out of that old life; it took a MIRACLE! Nobody could do it by REFORMATION. Nobody can do it by practicing "culture of your will," and all that. No, no. It has to be a supernatural INTERVENTION, it's JESUS CHRIST coming into the situation, taking you, and transferring you, and lifting you into another REALM called, "the realm of SPIRIT and LIFE." How

many can sense that? So, He says now, "I will take you across." We give up this idea of getting anywhere with the world. I treat it as I ought, but I'm never MIXED UP WITH IT. "Do you vote?" Yes, why shouldn't I? It says to honor the folks that govern you, whether you like them or not. Honor them. "Do you think your vote is going to do anything?" Not at all! I haven't any idea...but I'm going to do what? I'm going to let my TESTIMONY speak. Which is a scriptural thing and a Spiritual thing. I let my little testimony say, "I believe this is the right way." Whether it goes thru or not! I'm letting my testimony shout. Do you get it or don't you? Now, that's why I would vote. I'm old enough to vote! So I vote, because I believe that it is a little occasion in which I can show my testimony for what I believe is the right thing to do. But all of that would never get us OVER. It has to be a SUPERNATURAL thing, that is, it's Moses, the Lord Jesus Christ, making a way over this sea. Which is the MIRACLE. And so, He takes these children of Israel over by a supernatural act. Many of these things cannot be done excepting through a tremendous work of God, the work of the Spirit. There is much that CAN be accomplished by our COOPERATION. Intelligent and Spiritual cooperation will take us quite a long way. But there are times when we have to STAND BACK and let nothing but "pure" GOD come and do it! Just PURE God. Just PURE God. THEN He will "draw back," and say, "Work along with Me." Then we work together and how many of you know, things can be accomplished? Wonderful, lovely things, by some intelligent, Spiritual COOPERATION. But there are times when we have to just stand back and say, "This is just an IMPOSSIBLE thing, ONLY GOD ... " And God comes IN.

So here He brings them over. Now, here they are, OUT of Egypt, left that all behind, and 12. they come into this wilderness. Now listen. What is their REACTION when they get over there? The Read Sea episode, they are led over, and Moses...they come up out of the sea that has been pushed back, and made dry, and they come into this wilderness. What was the FIRST thing they did? Do any of you remember? Say it again? Yes! Well, you read your Bible, don't you sister? Well, that's good. She reads the Bible. I would recommend it. It's a very good book to read. I read it every once in awhile. And I find out some lovely things in it too. And, there I found also, the FIRST thing they did was to become VOCAL about it. Their EMOTIONAL LIFE was realeased and they began to SING, and Miriam began to dance, and her maidens came out and she had a tamborine. And oh! She did some very wonderful, interpretive dancing. It must have been very picturesque. would have liked to have seen it. How many would have liked to have seen it? I really would have. I would just think that was lovely. Sure. Do you think it was beautiful? It was inspired, and anything God inspires, then I like it. Yes, I do. Anything He inspires. "Now Lord, don't You make a mistake about that!" He says, "No, I don't make mistakes, dear." How many know He doesn't make any mistakes? How many know it was no mistake that He inspired Mirian to dance? And sing. She sang under the inspiration of the Spirit, and composed a hymn. It says so. And Miriam sang. The Spirit of God RELEAS-ING her, and she took her tamborine and began to sing and dance, and all, in her costume, doing interpretive dancing about a deliverance. I suppose perhaps that was what the episode was. Showing perhaps that they were all in the sea, and then they were all delivered and here they were, all rejoicing. It was quite a wonderful, fantastic affair. How many feel the emotion of it? Why shouldn't you? How many know it was great JOY? Why certainly! "Hallelujah! I've crossed this sea, and now I'm over on the shining sand! Hallelujah!" How many know when you can "beat your tamborine" Spiritually? Someone said, "I never had one..." Well, GET one, dear. Get one. How many know they are rather RELEASING at times? How many know they RELEASE you at times, or didn't you? Well, they do, you have a real, wonderful REACTION. So, here she is, dancing. What about Moses? Why, he sings also, and composed that lovely hymn about the horsemen being drowned in the sea, and the children of Israel...to do the same were overwhelmed. How many know that's all in Hebrew, a hymn? In the Hebrew bible translated in the old Hebrew bible it really is a hymn. A beautiful hymn. A beautiful song, and the wording of it goes in what we call strokes. It's a lovely thing. Well, that's all inspired! Oh my, they have a beautiful gime! But you see, they have to come to, and their emotions subside a little bit, they find that it's a DREARY place after all. How many know that after the first "sweep" of emotions for awhile, it finally dwindles off and you find you are on the earth after all? I mean, after you come down from these "heavenlies," you know, "speaking in tongues," and glorifying the Lord! Where you know, and by and by, how many know that you kind of,

...oh, oh, you know...how many know it's hard to "keep up there?" That's bad. Don't try to fly and keep up. He's not letting you stay up. Come on down and say, "Hold my wings, Lord." Then stay put! That's better. But some can't. They keep "flapping," you know. Now, I've been in meetings where they "flutter" their wings trying to keep up again. You don't BELONG up there. You're HERE now. "Well, maybe if I flutter REAL good, I can get up again!" No, you can't. He wants you HERE now for something else. "But...I just LOVED to be up there!" Well, who didn't? But you aren't up there now, you're HERE. Now, STOP fluttering. How many ever heard of such a thing? Did you ever hear of it? You travel with me, dear, and I'll show you plenty. Yet, I wish you wouldn't because half of you'd backslide. You couldn't take it; just backslide. So I don't tell too many. I want them all to be happy. Just be "happy" and IGNORANT about it all. Just say, "Sweet Lord." No, they come to a realization that, after it all, this isn't the PROMISED LAND. "Well, I thought we were going into the promised land! I thought He said He would give us a promised land!?" Well, He DID. Well, what is it? "Well, don't tell anybody, but I don't FEEL like a promised land at all, do you?" "No..." "Do you suppose you've backsliden? Maybe?" "I don't know." Oh, dear. No. None of you have backsliden. You are just WHERE YOU BELONG. THIS is where you BELONG now for the time being, so don't "get nervous" about it. Don't feel that you've committed the "unpardonable sin" have backslidden, and forever lost! You're NOT! You're right here where you BELONG! You're OUT of Egypt. There's a great SEA between you and Egypt. Tha'ts all in between you and Egypt. "Well, I almost felt like I had got back into Egypt!" Well, HOW did you get across there anyway? "Well, I just FELT something?" You go by "FELT?" How many folks go by "FELT?" "I felt...I felt...I feel...I felt..." Well, please DON'T. HERE we don't go by "FEEL," or "FELT." Either one of them. We just go by FAITH. If the Lord says, "Don't go." We say, "Thank You, Lord, I don't know a thing about it, but praise God, I'm following right along, just like this!" Now, don't say, "Now Lord, You know... and I don't believe...and Lord, if You..." Don't do that thing. "Hallelujah, Lord!, and follow along. How many DARE to do that? Get some FAITH and DO it. But you've got to learn HOW to do it. You've got to learn HOW. He's not coming down with "an ice cream cone," just everytime you cry, "Oh, here's one! Praise God! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!" It's time a lot of folks dropped their ice cream cones. High time to get OUT of that thing. Can't carry it...sun's too hot...will melt and run over your fingers...can't carry the ice cream. You couldn't. He doesn't give them to you.

No. So He says, "You come here." So they go marching along. Well then, remember? When 13. Israel crossed over, there was a group of people that followed them, and they were called what? The MIXED MULTITUDE. The MIXED MULTITUDE. Now, they are NOT true children of Israel. But they are this mixed multitude that CLINGS to them, you know. They kind of get the BENEFIT of Israel, and they got the benefit of Israel by hanging to them and got "dragged" right across the sea too! There they were! Well, let me help you. Do you know what a "mixed multitude" is? A MIXED MULTITUDE is always some ISSUE IN YOUR HEART AND LIFE, that has NOT been DEALT WITH HERE, where it should have been dealt with. And, if you don't deal with certain issues in your crossing this Red Sea, and you drag some mixed multitude with you in your experience, that mixed multitude is going to be the thing that causes your TROUBLE. Always does. It ALWAYS DOES. It doesn't say the children of Israel began to MURMUR. It says the MIXED MULTITUDE BEGAN TO MURMUR! THEN Israel "falls in line." How many get that or don't you? But it was the mixed multitude that did the murmuring, and they were only over there "dragging" along. They're not CALLED! They are FOLLOWING! Think of all the multitude of stuff YOU drag around! People drag right along in you Christian experience. Saved, baptised, and everything, and dragging a whole multitude of stuff WITH you! Not, "bad, wicked things," you know, "awful, wicked,"--not THAT AT ALL! But just a mixed multitude that goes right along with them. Passing. Easily. Every issue HAS TO BE DEALT WITH, and God is VERY CAREFUL about it. I'm thinking now, of one in the NT, when John the Baptist introduced Jesus Christ to those waiting Jews, at the Jordan, and those Jews had a materialistic idea that their king or their Messiah would come as a king to reign and rule. That's what they were fed with and believed, because their teachers had fed them FULL of it. Don't blame the poor Jews. God never blames the poor sheep, He blames the shepherds. I feel sorry for half the sheep that I minister to, because it's not the fault of the sheep. They take what everybody preaches at them. It's the preacher or the leader who is at fault. And God

- always puts the judgment, "Woe to My shepherds!" Never the SHEEP. "Woe to My shepherds!" Why? Because the shepherd should be able to take care of the sheep.
- Now they came to that Jordan, and Jesus comes down, as a peasant, to be baptised. They don't know WHO He is. Even John had to have a sign, that "if you see this dove coming on a certain One, that's going to be the Messiah." Well, if you took John, the main instrument in this drama, to find out, how many think the common people knew? They didn't know a thing about it! They suppossed He was the son of Joseph. It tells us that distinctly. All right, so when John the Baptist goes to introduce this wonderful Messiah he says, "Behold your Messiah, who has come at last to establish a kingdom!"? No, he did NOT. How many know that's what they WANTED him to say? Isn't it terrible when the preacher won't say the thing you WANT him to say, and he tells you something you don't want to hear? Isn't that "sad?" "Oh, dear. I'm very SAD!" Well, that happens all the time. Here they were gathered, and they were just itching to have this prophet to stand up and say, "Behold the Messiah! At last he has come!!" He CAN'T, because he is divinely INSPIRED and has to speak under the inspiration of the Spirit. And as this prophet John stands up, he says, "Behold, THE LAMB OF GOD, that taketh away... Israel's trouble?" No -- "the SINS OF THE WORLD!" How many see it knocks a hole in their whole philosophy? It just knowcked a hole in the whole business! There they were, waiting for this Messiah to come and establish a lovely, wonderful kingdom, and drag them out of the doldrums, and put Him on the throne, and mke Him whap back at Egypt, Syria, and Assyria; just WHAP back at them. And wouldn't they have a wonderful time, "and here is this Messiah, and He's come to reign and rule!" Well, He hadn't come for THAT. He'd come to DIE. He didn't come to make a kingdom. He came to DIE. And John, under the inspiration of the Spirit, CAN'T get up and tell a LIE. He has to get up and say, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" How many know THEY know the "lamb language?" What does the "Lamb of God," mean? Paschal lamb! What do they DO with Paschal lambs? They KILL THEM! They SLAUGHTER them! When then this great prophet stands up and says, "Here is the Messiah! Here is the Lamb of God! He's going to be SLAIN, and He'll take away the sins of the world!" How many see poor, little Israel shriveling up about this big? Of course. Why? She wasn't looking for a universal Redeemer, a Christ that would save the WORLD. They had their MINDS ALL MADE UP. Don't make up your minds about a lot of stuff! You're going to be dissappointed, so STOP IT! A lot of folks in here today, have your minds all made up about certain things that the Lord could do, and God could do, and you're HOLDING on like...DON'T DO IT!! You'll never get anywhere but a dissappointment! Now, stop it. Let GOD intervene. Let HIM speak to you. Come to HIM gently, and quietly, and say, "Lord, speak to me. What is YOUR THOUGHT about this issue? Am I still crying and howling for this 'messiah' to come? Am I howling now for Him to establish a kingdom?" Just say, "No,...no...He's going to be a PASCHAL LAMB." He's come, not only for Israel, but for the whole WORLD. Well for Israel, even today, to swallow it, how many know that's one of the HARD things? Israel today, she can't take Christ as a Redeemer for the WORLD! Well, that's what GOD says.
- 15. Now this is the point I want to make. He introduced Him, as what? The LAMB OF GOD that taketh away the sins of the world. But THEY want a king. Remember the story...there are THREE days mentioned. "The day before...this day," and then the following day. There are three days in this story. The next day, these followers come back again. They had gone to "talk it over," you know how folks do. "What do you think about it. Do you believe it's fanaticism, or don't you?" You know how folks talk. "What do YOU think about this issue? We went down there and asked the prophet, and he didn't tell us what we wanted to know. Instead of getting us all blessed, and the king on the throne and everything, he says He's going to DIE! I don't like death. It's so depressing! I like things so PLEASANT! And lovely and creative!" How many know you don't get that? "He says this Messiah is the Lamb of God, and we know that lambs always get KILLED...we don't want a messiah to get KILLED! What's the matter with him? Let's go BACK. Maybe we didn't hear THAT. What do YOU think he said?" "Well, I thought he said, 'the lamb of God! Well, let's go back." Allright, and the next day they went back. And what happened? "And John stood up and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sins of the world!" Do you get a little PRINCIPLE in here? Let me help you to see it. God was presenting them with an ISSUE WHICH THEY MUST FACE. A DECISION which they must MAKE.

And unless they make that decision, and make it PERFECTLY, they CANNOT have the king that they want. You get it? You will never HAVE your King, UNTIL YOU'VE HAD A LAMB. What is that? A DEATH. THEN the King reigns and rules. That's a PRINCIPLE. You can only go SO FAR WITH GOD, and THERE WILL BE AN ISSUE of some kind. And unless you MEET that issue, IN GOD, you go back to Jerusalem, and back and forth, and back and forth, the whole year, and EVERY TIME YOU COME BACK TO GOD, THERE'S THAT ISSUE. "What will you do with this?" "Well, I want a KING...it says in the Word that we should have a King...," and you REASON ALL AROUND it, and get your promises out, and, "how You said You would do, and WHAT You would do and everthing.... And everytime I come, instead of THAT--it's THIS! I don't like that, Lord! I think it's the Devil!" No, it's not. You don't know the Devil from God. What is it? A Lamb. "I didn't want the lamb. I wanted a KING! The prophets SAID He would be a KING..." What is it? A LAMB. What must you do? How many get the point? MEET YOUR ISSUE. Then, GO ON. You CAN'T have your KING without a LAMB. Christ comes FIRST as a Paschal Lamb, THEN He will come as a KING. And in your own experience, the reigning King on the throne...behold, the LAMB! That is, BEHOLD, A DEATH! Do you get it? Do you get it? MEET IT. MEET THE ISSUE. MEET THE DEATH. Meet the thing. And if you dare to do that, I'll tell you something. You'll HAVE A KING who reigns and rules. I know it. Do you get it or don't you get it?

Now here is the SAME thing. Here is EXACTLY the same thing. They come, and they think they want a "promised land," and all this beautiful thing. No. He says, "That isn't what I brought you for." This is a WILDERNESS EXPERIENCE. And He says, "It's going to take a little time, but if you will move with Me, I can help you around this mountain, and come over here, and come OUT, and if you'll cross the Jordan with Me, behold, you can COME IN. Now, that's My PLAN. That's what I want you to do, if you WILL." So, as they to out, then this "mixed multitude" begins to MURMUR. Well, what are they murmuring about? Sand? No. Sun? No. FOOD! FOOD! Do you see that FOOD has a connection to the element of life in you right away, or don't you? You can't separate the idea of life from FOOD, food from LIFE. That's wonderful. Let me tell you something. Just for a minute. I see it so clearly. Now, in the building of a person, a little baby that's born in the world, with all fundamental URGES, and DRIVES -- are POTENTIAL in that little baby. Now, he will grow from a force of life; the ETERNAL URGE WITHIN PUSHES. He doesn't grow by "adding things TO him," that is, putting an ear on him, and then some fingers, etc. Potentially, he has ALL THE POSSIBILITIES of a MAN. POTENTIALLY it is there. That's all right. Now it needs something else, an element WITHIN; it will RELEASE THE GERM OF LIFE. And that GERM OF LIFE, will begin to PUSH and GROW. How many can sense it? Do you get it? Do you get it? But potentially, the RECEPTION is in the little baby. That's why the little baby has to have, "the MILK of the Word." Did you ever see a mother take a little baby that's just newly born and say, "Now, look darling You've come into this great world, and you don't know very much about it. But mama wants to tell you that if you don't nurse, and drink, you will DIE."? And the little baby said, "Thank you, mother..." No such thing in the world ever happened. How many ever heard of a mother TEACHING a baby to nurse? You never heard of that either did you? Do you know why? The eternal URGE TO LIVE. That awful DRIVE FOR LIFE is BASIC in a little crying baby, only a day old. God has made provision from the very source from which it has come. Right from the very source from which it has come. It has been birthed out BECAUSE of life. The little baby didn't come out to GET alive. He WAS ALIVE before he's born!! But he's in a NEW environment. No more can he eat as he has done before. THAT severs. A NEW ADJUSTMENT must come. What is it? You give the little baby a touch of the mother; how many of you know, that contact INSTANTLY...how many of you know that, or don't you know that? You say, "Oh, you old bachelor, what do you know about babies?!" I know more about them and children than half the folks that have them.

## FOOD & GROWTH II John Wright Follette

- 1. The URGE TO LIVE--that's basic. That's in us. It's in us, all we have to do is...it's automatic. But I'll tell you something, THAT is the only thing we have in the baby, potentially given, that will of ITSELF move. He has to LEARN how to walk. He has to learn how to do other things. But the URGE TO LIVE; how many get that is a wonderful, basic thing? The LIFE PRINCIPLE. Oh, a little baby, I think it's such a wonderful, beautiful thing. The projection of a person over here in another body, then LIVING. When I see Jesus like that, I just cry. Don't you know Jesus came like that? As a little, crying baby, born from the womb. And you have to nurse Him. Why? Because He is BEARING WHAT WE ARE. The nature, and must GROW, and must LEARN.
- All right, now it is this urge to live that is knowing at these people. It's FOOD. The FOOD question. All right, so they begin to LEARN. So what do they do? Automatically say, "Well, here we are and we can't get anything to eat like we had in Egypt! Remember.. ..remember...remember...?" Well, God says, "Now, you don't have to do that. I will make a provision for you. You are now in a NEW REALM, a NEW territory, a NEW REALM separated from this. The food which sustains you HERE, is not adequate to sustain you HERE. Now when you move in this 'wilderness experience,' you will have to have a food which corresponds to that life, and I will give it to you. I'm not going to give you fish and melons, and all this. THAT belonged to ANOTHER ORDER. You are now in an entirely DIFFERENT ORDER, and you will have to have food which corresponds to it. Therefore, I will change your diet. I'll change your diet. No longer THIS, but THIS." And what does He give them? How many remember? Manna. How many remember that? Oh, read your OT, those who have never read it. It's really very good. It has so many lovely things in it. Some of you have evidently never read the OT story. You should read them, they really are very good. How many remember what God provided the children of Israel as food? Well, yes, He gave them food, He gave them MANNA as their food, and the ROCK for their drink. All right, now when you come to this story of the manna, now then we get "stuck" because that is such a wonderful thing; it's SUPERNATURAL food. Do you get it? Supernatural. How many remember when we came out of the WORLD, which had fed us with it's teaching, and it's life, and it's laws, and it's philosophy of living, and it's reasoning? All that which the world offered us, when we came into this NEW REALM OF THE SPIRIT, and we were hungry for Truth, how God gave us the word of God? How many remember He gave us -- what? Jesus. How many know JESUS is our FOOD? He says, "I will give you the bread, as the children; and Jesus told them, "Yes, THEY had manna in the wilderness," but He says, "I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE." Remember His lovely story, when He's talking of John; it's so beautiful in there. He says, "The children of Israel had food. You, too, shall have to have FOOD, and I AM THE LOAF OF BREAD FROM HEAVEN. And as you are now in a NEW REALM, you will have to have food which will sustain you and feed you, and give you the GROWTH which is necessary in a Christian experience." What is it? The WORD OF LIFE--JESUS CHRIST. Jesus Christ, the WORD OF LIFE.
- Now, there were PARALLELS. If you are studying the Word of God, as TRUTH, to help you, YOU WILL HAVE TO HAVE A PARALLEL REVELATION OF THE LORD JESUS RUNNING WITH IT. Jesus doesn't stand over here STATIC, and you're studying something in the Word HERE. How many know, there's a great PARALLEL running in there all the time? It has to. It HAS to. Everyone who is finding Truth in these deeper revelations in the Word ofgod, if you are still entertaining the SAME vision and conception of Jesus that you had fifteen years ago, you're certainly OFF. Why? The revelation of the Christ, the personalities of the Christ, ...oh, halleljuah...the revelation of that Christ must unfold, and unfold, and unfold, until you begin to do what? Find the TREASURES of wisdom, revelation, Truth--HIDDEN IN THE CHRIST! You get it or don't you? They're HIDDEN; they're not exposed. They're hidden. Where would you get it? It runs a PARALLEL. I can't read that Word of God and get anywhere...there's a continual PARALLEL all the time in my spirit. I'm discerning something new, in HIM. I see HIM, some new "slant" of life. Why? As I read the Word... and the Word...HE IS THE WORD! He IS! Do you get it or don't you get it? Keep that parallel. Keep that parallel. That will help you. Don't try to divorce them, and read the Bible and get "blessed." Look at JESUS. Love Him. Talk to Him. If you DARE to, be

INFORMAL with Him. Not "stilted,"..."Oh, Thou, MY GOD!!" Oh, that won't get too far that way. No, you can't get that way. How many know, He's very REAL? He's very tender? How many know, the BEST PRAYERS ever prayed NEVER HAD WORDS IN THEM? They're so CLUMSY! How many know they don't? They don't ahve words, because there is an UNDERSTANDING there, a deep, lovely, rich, inner fellowship with Him, that you don't SAY words. We have THAT in our lesson on prayer. Oh, how we should have teaching on prayer. You don't know prayer. The VOCAL prayer. Prayers of CONTEMPLATION. All these "types" of prayer; there's such a field, but we just go "clattering" along, saying the best we can, "for Jesus' sake, Amen." But to me, it is such a lovely field that we ought to get into. All right, keep your parallels. The lovely Word of God, opening under the power of the Spirit, and opening as to this wonderful Christ of God, the Eternal Son. God coming to us in flesh, going home again, but coming now by the power of His Spirit. Keep that all the while in parallel with your Word. Please do that. It's a DOUBLE revelation and we should have it. We MUST have it. What time is it? I get talking and I forget...is it time to stop? Well, somebody please...I'm not playing at all. I never know anything about time when I talk. I could talk for 4 hours and never know anything about it! That's "terrible" to say! I talked once all night! Well, stop your laughing, I didn't...it was to a hungry soul! A soul who was OPEN TO GOD. He was "starved" to death and had no one to help, and I had just that one time. And this person said, "Clear the supper dishes away, and let us sit here." He said, "I have you here, Follette, and you've got to talk. You've got to. Tell it to me, tell it to me!" And it was after supper and it got to be eight o'clock, nine o'clock, ten o'clock, eleven o'clock, twelve o'clock, one o'clock, two o'clock, three o'clock, four o'clock, five o'clock, six o'clock, and SEVEN o'clock in the morning, and we started to get up, and I said, "Why, we've talked all night!" How many know, you can talk all night about the things of God? They're so wonderful to me! So when you get tired, get up and do something; I never know when to stop! Is it time to stop now, or isn't it time? When is supper? I get all mixed up! When is supper? Five what? Five fifteen? Oh! We've got quite AWHILE yet! I'm not going to get nervous at all! I'm not going to get nervous at all. I don't preach sermons all night. I'm not up to Paul. He preached all night. I'm always afraid someone will fall out of the window, and I can't raise them from the dead! So I don't preach all night! You don't blame me, do you? Well, we have a little coffee break in between! You don't mind do you? You're very kind to me. How many are getting something this afternoon? That's good. I want you to be fed. But I can't just stand here and "pound it" like that! How many know, you'd all go to sleep? I dan't do that.

So, He says, "I will give you this manna." Well, I won't take the time now, but how many see a lovely feast right away? The manna is the CHRIST. Oh, just let me touch a little, tiny piece...but I won't get into it. I won't do it! I won't do it. I'm tempted to, but I'm just awfully tempted. But I'm going to say one of them. All right, but just ONE. All right. This lovely picture of the manna. When did it come? They FOUND it in the MORNING. But when did it COME? In the NIGHT. Do you get it? It CAME IN THE NIGHT. Some of you are looking for manna, and you are looking for it in the EVENING. I'm so HUNGRY. Now help and bless me, Lord...and everything." And He says, "Well, it's only SUNDOWN now." How many know you have to WAIT for your NIGHT time? How many remember when they fished? All out of order...it was night, remember, they fished ALL NIGHT? Remember Paul with his vision, it was night? Did you ever look at those NIGHTS in the Word of God? Oh, they are very suggestive. Very suggestive. Fished all NIGHT. But, there's a MORNING. Praise God, there's a morning. But you have to have your NIGHT. Paul, with his vision...there and to be a NIGHT. a NIGHT...there HAD to be. So it is here. The manna did not come with a spectacular manifestation, "and God stepped out of heaven and said, 'Behold! I will give you a MIRACLE!! All of you stand in front of your tent and I will show you a miracle to prove to you that I am God!! Presto!!' And the manna all came out like that, and they all ate..." Well, that's 1959. How many of you know, that's 1959? That's 1959. Well, I don't live in 1959. I live in the Word with the Lord. I haven't any sense of time at all. I don't seem to know how old I am. I really don't. fell sometimes as if I've lived a hundred years; a thousand. I really do. Because I don't have a sense of that... I move... I asked the Lord about it once, because I've had some very strange experiences in which I was conscious of Truth and Reality dealing with

- a situation, without having been told anything about it; I knew the whole thing. And I said, "Lord, isn't this funny? How do I get this way? Am I getting queer? I don't want to get queer" But, Lord, I feel that when I faced this situation as if I'd known it... forever. I have known it. I KNOW that, I've KNOWN that. I KNOW that. Do you know what He told me? It helped me. And you'll find it too in your own experience. He said, "When you are ONE in the Spirit, with the Spirit of God,...your spirit...see what I mean, when your spirit is absolutely ONE with the Spirit of God, how many of you know that the Spirit is TIMELESS? Did you notice that? The Spirit is timeless. He says, "Now, don't be afraid. When your Spirit becomes ONE in the Spirit of God, you are partaking of that TIMELESS sense. That's why you have that strange sense of 'where am I? I feel as if I've lived forever...' Don't be worried about it. I will allow that." How many get it? When you sense the thing...then youstep back, then you SEE it. You have it. kind of a "strange thing," but it's helped me out. I got through it, kind of...I didn't know what ot do with it at first. But it doesn't worry me because He's so good. How many of you are AFRAID of God? Don't be afraid of Him, LOVE HIM. Love Him.
- So the manna came at NIGHT. NIGHT means AFTER THE WORLD HAS USED ALL OF IT'S ENERGY TO PRODUCE SOME WAY OF SALVATION. God says, "You have exhausted all of your time, until the night is heavy upon you, and you have not been able to work out one scheme of salvation. All of your philosophers have worked in shadows and in darkness. And now, after you have exhausted all this, I'll hang a star in the sky, and I'll bring a MORNING. And in that darkness of night, when all nations have contributed the very best that they had, Israel will have to come forth, and produce the LIGHT." Get it? Get it? So He came in the NIGHT, the night of the darkness of the minds of people. Our Greek philosophers have live, and they have given us the very best. Plato, Aristotle, Socrates...all those old scholars, they have given us the best of EARTH wisdom, earth wisdom, earth wisdom. And EARTH WISDOM only ends in shadow and darkness. Shadows and darkness. He says, "Now, produce! Produce!" And the nations have tried with their philosophies to produce. And NOT ONE OF THEM can produce LIGHT. Only CHRIST. Only Christ. He says, "At NIGHT, when you have exhausted all of YOUR RESOURCES, I will give you some manna. Then it has flavor. Then you relish it. Then the taste is sweet as honey, because it's been born in the NIGHT. And Jesus came forth in the NIGHT of this world. In the deepest SHADOWS...manna. Where did they FIND it? "Oh," He said, "It's so precious! I'm going to place it up here on there bushes. And anybody who is ABLE to reach one of these bushes, will be ABLE to get it! It's very COSTLY. It's cost me my OWN HEART to give it." WHERE did it come? Humm...where? The GROUND. What are WE? We are DUST. How close does the incarnation of Jesus Christ come to you and me? It comes to my DUST. Do you get it? How many get it? Isn't it sweet? This earth... He comes just as close as He comes as He possibly CAN come. So that even though I am, through sin and wretchedness, I am but a WRECK, a WRECK...I don't even have stability to STAND. A broken WRECK. Well, the manna is lying on the GROUND; that's all there is to reach to it. Isn't that sweet? Don't you think that's sweet? I do. How CLOSE does He come? JUST AS CLOSE AS HE POSSIBLY CAN. The manna came to the GROUND. GROUND means HUMANITY. For man is made of DUST. How many get it now? Do you get it now? That's another avenue. It comes to HUMANITY, and humanity is but of DUST. And humanity received Him. Well, I could talk all day about that manna, because it's so, you'll...it's beautiful. And the Word, He says, manifests. Sometimes it's so delicate that it can be baked. In the fire it becomes HARD, and you can even GRIND it. How many know some Truth, that is like a STONE? How many know the SOLIDITY and the "stiffness" of some Truth? That is GRINDS you? It GRINDS you. How many know the Truth sometimes when it has dew so sweet as heaven? Truth is like that. Yes, it has to be. It has to be to MEET people. Think of the messages that people preach, the types that they have to have presenting it. How many know sometimes that when an evangelist preaches what they call the "gospel," in the terror...when they preach what they call "hell, fire, and damnation," and something like that? They preach. Anyway, I must get into the meeting, but how many know everything SCORCHES? And they just get a man and they hold him right on a ? like that, and I tell you, they just "rare back" and roll over HELL! How many know they get them all to fall and, and how many know a half dozen men will come around and give themselves to the Lord? How many know that? Well, that's the way some come. They can't help it, that's the way they're built. But

how many know some of them go right out of the back of the chruch and never come in again? Of course. We are all different. Something like that would have scared the wits out of me. I hadn't heard an evangelistic sermon in my life. We never had one in our village. We never had an evangelist; we don't know what they are. I don't think four people in my town had ever seen one. You see, I lived in the "sticks" dear, way back in the "sixteen hundreds." Never heard of such business. Revival meetings...we never had them. Never. Never. Never. I think if I'd had heard one, and that men had said and fell, fire...Oh, I'd run home! I wouldn't...oh! Scare the wits out of me! But let me come the next night, and what is he preaching? Oh, about how wonderful the Lord is. And how gracious He is. And how beloved...how many know I'd run up there and cry my eyes out? Boo, hoo. We're all so different, aren't we. Well, we have to have all types. That's they way we're made. Some have to be scared to death! How many know some people, the Lord has to "half KILL them," get them down on their death bed, and just really, "kill them," before they say, "Yes, Lord?" How many know that? Doesn't He have a time with us anyway? I wonder that He has any patience with us. But He has to, because He knows what kind of mud we are made out of. And we're all made of the same kind of mud, only yours is a different shape than mine, and mine is a different sort than yours, but I'll tell you something. The whole thing's MUD. But, He's very PATIENT.

- 6. Now, we must go on. How many ever looked in the Word, to find out why in the world these children of Israel had to go wandering around in this wilderness thing, when God is so wonderful in His power, that he could open the sea, and take them through on dry land. Almighty God could do like that. Take all those thousands and thousands and thousands over. Well, why couldn't He just say, "Now all of you believe and we will go marching on like this! Tomarrow at two O'clock, I'll open the Jordan and you'll all go home!" Is THAT what He did? No. Do you know why? Well, He couldn't. "He couldn't?" No, He just couldn't. "Do you mean to say there's things God can't do?" Uh, huh. "What kind of a god have you?" I have an ALMIGHTY GOD, but there's some things He can't do. "He can't?" Nope. How many of you have got a god that can't do some things? Or, have you got one of those "almighty gods," that, you know, can do ANYTHING? No. I have a God, whose ... certain things He can't do. I'll tell you one of them. God cannot LIE. Can YOUR god LIE? Well, I thought you said He could do anything? Well, I think there's things He can't do. We won't go into that theology, but it's very interesting. You see, all are bound by a certain law of NATURE. And that LAW characterizes exactly what we ARE. God is bound by HIS DIVINE NATURE which is characterized by perfection, truthfullness, and holiness, and all that, and that makes Him what is, and therefore there's nothing IN Him that could lie. He can't lie because there's nothing in there TO lie. So, I have an Almighty God, but He can't lie. I'll tell you another thing He can't do. He never DIS-TURBS the SPIRITUAL LAWS which He has put in order in the realm of Spirit. There are Spiritual laws there, and He will never overrule them. He makes us come through BY THEM. Now, all your fasting, and praying, and pounding on a chair, and claiming the promises, and howling at HIm, and geting Him in a corner and saying, "You've GOT to do it!!" It won't make Him DO it. Do you know why? Because He CAN'T do it. He is bound by certain laws of Spirit, that you can't do thing, but you get the SPIRITUAL LAW WHICH GOVERNS. Oh, but we have to find that out. The children of Israel don't know a lot of these things. They're just children. They are going to LEARN.
- 7. So here's one. They are not able to push up into there until they go through their testing and proving. Now, I'll give you the text. They're over there in my Bible. I've got them all fixed out. I haven't read them to you. But I have them. And in the Bible, there you will find it distinctly says that He put them in the wilderness to PROVE them. This He did to PROVE THEM. This He did to PROVE the children of Israel. Why does He do it? Doesn't He know what they are made of? Have you kind of an inkling that He knew what they were made of? Do you think so? I do too. I could walk right with Him. How many think the Lord knows what WE'RE MADE OF? Well, why do we spend so much time TELLING HIM ABOUT IT? I'm going to upset sombodies prayer life here in a minute. How many have kind of a good time of analysing, and telling Him all the SAD tales? It kind of makes you "feel better." "Oh Lord, You know, I am a dirty liar, and Oh, God! I'm terrible, I'm awful...Oh, Lord, I'm a sign...Oh! Oh God! Oh, Lord!" How many know, there's a little

REACTION...you kind of feel RELIGIOUS-LIKE? Well, aren't people funny? Well, how many know the Lord knows that? Wouldn't it be funny if the Lord could lean over and say, "Hey, dear. I know all about that. Now tellme something else!" But you know He doesn't, He says, "Well, keep on praying, if that makes you feel better...all right." And so we keep on. How many know finally we have to say, "PERIOD!"? How many know what THAT is? "Uhhhh...PERIOD!" Have you got to THAT, or haven't you? That's when you've DISCOVERED THE WRECK. And you aren't putting even one "shingle" on it to repair it. You have put up a little white flag for deliverance --- just, "WRECK... PERIOD!" He says, "That's the best prayer you've prayed! I LOVE wrecks!" But as long as you try to DO ANYTHING WITH IT, how many know you will never get through? No, you're STILL PRESERVING SOMETHING out of And just as you get this end of the wreck, quite comfortable, something breaks off on the other end of it. And just as you get close, you put up a little sail and think maybe the wind of the Spirit will blow you near the shore, and it doesn't, and that collapses. How many know that finally you just say, "WRECK...PERIOD!"? Now, some can't DO that. You're SCARED TO DEATH to do it. How many know that's one of the best prayers you could ever pray? The reason is, YOU take YOUR hands off, and God undertakes it. As long as you're trying to fix it, you'll never get there. Just, "WRECK...PERIOD!" He says, "That's the best prayer I've heard! Come one! I love wrecks! Now, we'll work this out TOGETHER! Will you work with Me?" Say, "Yes, Lord!" He says, "Now you do as I tell you, and we can work this whole program out wonderfully well." "But...Lord..." "Now, don't 'but,' just say YES." "But...." "Now don't 'but,' just say 'yes, Lord." And if you say, "Yes, Lord." how many know He'll TAKE you? Now, He says He has to do this to PROVE them. Why? Well, because they don't know WHO they are, or WHAT they are. What? People that just had a miracle like that, brought into salvation, and the baptism of the Spirit, and sung in the Spirit with a tamborine, and danced before the Lord, they don't know who they are? No. They don't? No. Now, how many of you dear souls think you know WHO you are? I'm glad. I'm glad. None of us would dare to put up our hand, because none of us have much of an idea of who we are. We've lived with ourselves quite awhile, and I don't know much about WHO I AM yet! Do you know why? How many of you ever make DISCOVERIES? Yes. Did anyone ever make a discovery, long after you were baptised, filled with the Spirit, and almost...glorified...pretty near, but not quite...made a DISCOVERY? Sort of a DEFLATION? Well, that's GOOD. That's what belongs to the program, don't be scared, that's what part of the PROGRAM is. "Well, I thought when I got THIS, that was the end of all those...." No, THIS is where you START to commence to get ready to begin to get TESTED. I never knew so much about what a funny critter I am, or anything else, till AFTER I was baptised. It didn't END anything, it STARTED me off on a terrific tangent! I've been going ever since! How many have found that out too? It started you out on something. How many found that after the baptism, "everything is settled forever!" Beautiful. And you sang, "Sweet Jesus..." How many sang something else sometime? Well, of course. Well, that's the way we are MADE.

Now let me give you an illustration. How many remember this wonderful camp meeting they had when they go over and out of Egypt? Crossed the sea. Wonderful camp meeting. Singing in the Spirit! Getting blessed! Dancing before the Lord! Tambourine and all! What for? Well, He says, "I'm letting all that go on dear, but you don't know who you are yet. But never mind. I love you just as good. I'm going to get you through. But don't have the wits scared out of you if I show you something will you?" "No, Lord. I'm sanctified." All right. So what is the first thing? Miriam is the first one He tackles. Here's Miriam, who has sung in the Spirit, with her lovely tamborine. "Bagitty Bang! And Glory to glory!!" Singing and dancing, and singing in the Spirit, a beautiful song! The Lord says, "Well, that's beautiful. But Miriam, I have to get after you." "Why...Lord!!" "Yeah, now don't be scared." How many know what happened? He EXPOSES here to a TEMP-TATION. What is it? A temptation to CRITICIZE. "Oh, I never criticize anybody! Well, I always keep perfect control of my tongue!" Now, wait a minute. What did she do? Well, Moses married this Ethiopian woman. How amny know sometimes marriages and troubles like that are very terrifying? Especially when they don't run "in YOUR group!" Well, so she says, "Why we never had such a thing in our home! To have him marry HER! She doesn't belong to our aristocracy, or our family, or our pool, or anything else! And he's gone and MARRIED HER! And yeow, yeow, yeow, yeow...," and the Lord says, "Now wait a minute. Wait a minute." "Well...he had NO BUSINESS to do such a thing! We're called of the

Lord! We're HOLY people! Drag HER into our family? I never heard of such a thing as THAT! Don't you know who we ARE?" Look out, now, your chin's up too high. Well, what did the Lord do? The Lord looked down and said, "Miriam, do you know what you look like to Me?" "Well... I don't know. Where's my tamborine? I think I ought to get blessed GOOD! Bang! Bang! Bang! Glory...?" But the "glory" wouldn't come out very good. "Bang! Bang! Bang! Halleluh...lu...lu...." Couldn't get the "hallelujah out of it, "Bang! Bang! Bang!..." How many know how TERRIBLE that is? Well, the best thing to do is to poke a hole in your tamborine when anything like that happens. You won't be tempted to shake it. Don't shake your tamborine then. Just LAY IT DOWN. How many know what I'm getting at, or don't you? Just lay it down. Quietly. Lat it down, quietly. He says, "Do you know what you look like? You look like THAT." She was leporous. Leporous. Those of you who have been in the old country and seen lepers, how horrible they are. Here she was, a leper. How did she get that way? How many know she has THAT IN HER ALL TIME SHE'S DANCING WITH THE TAMBORINE, or didn't you know that? How many know she had that IN her all the time she was dancing with the tamborine? She had that POTENTIAL POSSIBILITY in her all the while she was dancing before the Lord, singing, "Hallelujah! La, la, la, la, la, la!!!" The Lord says, "You're a leper." "Oh...I thought I heard a NOISE. La, la, la, la!!" "You're a leper." "Oh, I hear something!" How many get it or don't you? So she has to come out, confess to a thing, get it right. Why? Well now, that was one, little example. For US. So He says that this is an EXAMPLE FOR OUR ADMONITION. Man...Miriam, with all her dancing, and glory, and wonder, was yet, INSIDE, not PLEASING TO GOD. And he says, "I will have to let you come out here and you'll SEE this." And so she does, and comes through. It's time to go and I don't like to leave the children of Israel here in the wilderness. I don't want to leave them there. But I suppose I can drag them out tomorrow morning. I talk tomorrow morning don't I? Well, shall I go on a little more with these children of Israel? Or do you want to leave them in the wilderness? I hate leaving them there. I like to get them in Beula Land, you know. With positive thinking, it's so much better for us. So He says, "All right. Go through this." They go through it; now each one has his trun, just the same as Jesus did with Peter. How many remember Peter? Remember he had what you all a comeupum?" How many know what "comeupums" mean? Did you ever have a "comeupum?" I've had. Well, Peter did too. Well, in your Greek if you read it in your Greek text, it's much better, where Jesus is speaking to him, He says, "Peter, Satan hath obtained permission to SIFT you ALL as wheat." That is plural. Not only Peter, but every one got a SIFTING. Wasn't that nice? And, the enemy had got PERMISSION to do that. And He says, "He hath obtained PERMISSION from God, that I can SIFT them,...ALL of you." But Peter is the bold one, who always exposes himself for our benefit. How many would like to know some of the rest of their episodes too? Well, they all HAD them, so don't worry. ALL of us have them. Everybody. I have them, you have them, everybody ahs them. How many know we have EPISODES, or don't you know that? Well, some are awfully "holy," dear me,...well, "holy" people always BOTHER me. You know, these superficial holy ones, they... I always want to go WH00000H!!, like that and scare them. And say, "Here. Come out of that. You're in a TRANCE!" But then, I wouldn't dare to do that. That would be "bad." But that's really what they're in. Kind of a dillusion. Everyone of them, "He has desired to have ALL of you," and every disciple had a SIFTING. There not all exposed as Peter. How many have to take your hat off to Peter every once in a while? I do. He has become such a bold, daring thing, that he rushes in and does a lot of things so that I know better than to do. So I say, "Thank you, Peter." And I go try, you see...don't you see...you learn your lessons from him. Don't you? Don't you love him? I do. I think he's a marvelous man.

9. All right. Now they're coming on through, and He wants to get them over into Beula Land. But here they come to this river. another river. Now, how many see another miracle to come into your possession? How many see a miracle has to happen? You can't come in here on the force of THIS. The force, and the wonder, and the glory, and the beauty, all THIS, never got them THERE. No, it didn't. They are eating MANNA. Why? Manna is the SUSTAIN-ING DIET. It sustains you, but it never gives you qualifications for anything more than KEEPING YOU ALIVE. It keeps you ALIVE; that's all it will do. It will keep you alive; manna will do that. Your elementary teachings in the Word of God will keep you ALIVE. But you never GROW. That's why a church can never GROW on evangelism. How many know that

yet, or don't you know that? You can have a series of evangelists from one weekend to another for a year; how many know you'll never grow on it? Because you KNOW that story. You know all that by heart. You can sometimes preach it better than the man's preaching it. Well, what did God say? That He's placed in the church evangelists, and I'm bringing evangelism. It is ONE feature. After you get your babes all born, how many know there has to be some body come in and help them? They have to be taught, trained, educated, Truth explained to them, culture them, encourage them all the way, show them how to pray, teach them what this is, tell them about these things, move them all in God. You can't do that all on that message. That's why THIS (manna) can never go and get anywhere THERE. (Beula Land) Never did. Your manna will carry you this far, but now there has to be a MIRACLE before you can come over into this marvelous opening of the Spirit, into what I call a "kingdom experience," a real kingdom life, for which we have been BIRTHED. You have to come into that consciousness of it. So when they come here, they send spies over first to see if that is "fanaticism," or is it REALITY, or "what is that all about?" Let's send some spies in there to find out what it is. We've come all through this, and now we're facing THIS. They're teaching THIS. They're teaching THIS. What is THIS? Well, let's send somebody in there?" Spies go in, and God blesses them with a vision and a revelation of what it is, and some of them bring some little evidence back again. Do you remember? So Caleb goes in, and the spies, and they make a discovery of Beula Land. Oh, this wonderful kingdom now, that you come into. "Oh!," you say, "Now, now, now, I'll tell you, I've gone through ALL this drudgery here, and exposing of everything, and my confessions, and my manna; I've been tested, tested, tested, and tried and everything, and if I can get over the Jordan, I know...I would just be so HAPPY!!" No, you're going to get in there and meet all the GIANTS. What was in Beula Land? Walled cities. "That's sort of NEGATIVE! I don't like THAT! Giants! they always terrify me! Kings! Oh, they're frightful! I don't want... I better go back to...but I CAN'T get back to...being there..." Now, STAY PUT. Now, just STAY PUT. has a way out. He'll send in some spies and they'll come back and report.

So when the spies come back and report, didn't make a very good report about it, and some 10. of them were scared to death at these giants. Some of them said, "They're GIANTS! terrible! Walled cities! Oh! "Yes, but how many know the TEMPERMENT of the person? That's his REACTION. Another one goes in and says, "Oh. Of course it is a pretty tough place, but it's got alot of possibilities. There's alot of grapes. Let's take some of these possibilities along." So they just take a bunch of those lovely grapes, and put them on a pole, and they came back in and said, "Here. This is the PROOF of it. See what we've found up in there? Look at it! You have to get in that kingdom. In that kingdom out here." "You get grapes like that there?" "Here's some." "Oh, aren't they wonderful!" Well, you know, even more, by and by, they say, "Hallelujah! I'm in Beula Land! Glory to God! Oh, the taste of the grapes!" Now, wait just a minute. Let's get that straight. Are the grapes from Beula Land? Aren't they? Are they? Yes. The spies picked them and brought them down! They are ACTUAL GRAPES from Beula Land! But how many know that by eating grapes that somebody has picked, doesn't PUT YOU IN BEULA LAND? That's "bad." How many know that? Come on! How many see it or don't you? So a lot of people today are eating grapes that somebody has picked and saying, "Hallelujah for Beula Land! Give me another grape! Oh, glory to God!" Why, I said, "You aren't in Beula Land dear, you're eating somebodies grapes!" Isn't that true, or isn't it? Why, it's as true as you live! Just as true as you live. And those people hadn't gotten in at all. Why? They are going to go in by a DIVINE PROCESS. Another supernatural doing of GOD. Here's the DEATH to your old creation. Absolute death. This is where you actually face the thing that you faced POTENTIALLY here. Here, here, at this crossing, potentially, we inherit, POTEN-TIALLY, all the vastness of that, but we do not by inheriting it, POSSESS IT! A little babe is a POTENTIAL MAN, but he is not A MAN!! But how many know he "IS a man?" He's not a dog. How many know a little boy baby is not a dog is he? How many know he is a MAN, POTENTIALLY!? If you let him go, he'll BE A MAN. He is a man POTENTIALLY! ALL these things are POTENTIAL gifts. They BELONG to us. But you have to have a PROCESS OF INHERITING. And so He says, "You cross this last river, Jordan; I'll take you through." That's the last...now here is the ACTUAL SURRENDER and DEATH of this OLD CREATURE that has gone through all this business. And you've seen it and you said, "Wreck...Period!," and got through with that whole philosophy. He says, "Come on!"

- So He opens the way, and they go in...now don't be scared. Some of the toughest things I ever had in the world have been AFTER I GOT THE BAPTISM. I never really knew the Devil, or half the torments of hell, until AFTER I got the baptism. Demons, and hell, and trouble, and enough to kill anybody; I got all that AFTER the baptism. Oh, ho! And I was baptised! So don't worry! Well people think, you know, that if you get that, it's a safety valve. An "escape mechanism," by which you will be translated out of the place of testing, into a lovely place of "hallelujah's." Now that's TAUGHT, and I know it's taught. And people are DEFEATED through it. Then when the bottom falls out of the thing, they wonder if they had the right experience. Yes, you had the right experience, but you were never told what it was all about. When they come in there, oh, let me read it to you becauseit's better to read right out of the Bible, 'cause it's really "right in the Bible." And I'm glad it is, for I wold not dare tell you things like this if it were not so. These children of Israel have been eating MANNA. Now get it, MANNA is a SUSTAINING diet. It keeps you ALIVE. But it never invigorates or gives you strength for any kind of conquest. Now when they come into this new promised land, God CHANGES their diet. He changes their diet. Why? Because your diet is the symbol of what? Your FOOD and your EATING. Let me read you this. "And the children of Israel did eat manna 40 years, UNTIL they came to a land inhabited." Uh, huh. UNTIL they came unto the borders of the land of Canaan. This is BEULA. "And they did eat of the OLD CORN OF THE LAND." A CHANGE of diet now -- NO MANNA. "After the Passover, unleavened cake and parched corn in the selfsame day. And the manna CEASED on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land, neither had the children of Israel manna ANY MORE, but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan." How many got that? How many know that's right in the Bible? That's in the Bible; that isn't MY preaching, that's in the Bible. "Neither had the children of Israel manna any more after they landed here." Why? Because your MANNA diet SUSTAINS you through this TESTING PERIOD. But it gives you NO vitality for conquest of kings, walled cities, and giants. You have to have a diet that will qualify for that. What is the diet? The REVELATIONS OF LIGHT AND TRUTH which will CARRY YOU through those sustaining periods. How many can see that Truth, or can't you? I want you to see it, because if you don't, the Devil will trip you up when you have TESTINGS AND PROVINGS. Here (in the wilderness) you have TESTINGS AND PROVINGS and your diet is what? Manna. What is that? MILK. But you can never make a CONQUEST HERE. Well, why do you sing those hymns; I'd like to take the hymn book and tear out half of them. "I'm living on a mountain, underneath a cloudless sky, I'm drinking of a fountain that never shall run dry, yes, I'm feasting on the MANNA from a bountiful supply, for I am dwelling in Beula Land...." There's NO MANNA in there! Oh, isn't that a bad hymn...and then they all get blessed, and then they all clap their hands, "Hallelujah! I'm feasting on the manna..." And there wasn't any manna in Beula Land! What's the matter with you? You say, "Follette...he's upset everything I've ever had! My promise box is gone, the Bible's all upset, the singing books torn apart, I don't know how to pray now, and I...Lord, where am I?" Well, I'd say you're in the hands of the Living God. It's a good place to be. How many see how silly it is to have all that jingle? "Feasting on the manna from a bountiful supply.. ...," and there's no manna in there! The manna ceased. Neither had the children of Israel any more manna AFTER THAT. Then why do you sing those things and get blessed up on that foolishness? I'd like to tell you a story. It's a TERRIBLE story. I'd better not. It's a real missionary story, too. real missionary story, and you would think, "That's impossible," bit it isn't. How people can get blessed singing things. But I won't tell it. It's too terrible. But it shows what people can do when they're saved and get blessed to death singing. "Hallelujah!" Clap their hands! "Glory to God!" And all of it is just a lot of "funny" stuff. Just foolishness! But you know, they don't know the difference. Your EMOTIONS get stirred. And so, away they go!
- 12. Neither had the children of Israel anymore manna after they entered. Why? Because of a real, deep Spiritual Truth. How many get your Spiritual Truth in here or don't you? How many get your Spiritual Truth hidden away in here? How many get it? Milk, meat, strong meat...why STRONG MEAT? For your CONQUESTS. You can't make conquests in that realm with a diet of milk or with a diet of MANNA. You can't. Can you see it? How many got any Truth today. Thank you. Now let's be honest. How many are awfully discouraged? Are you discouraged? I don't want you to be discouraged. I don't want to hurt anyone. Have I been too harsh with you today? Or haven't I? I want to be thoroughly HONEST with you

- people. I want to be very honest and God will know that i've told you the Truth. Whether you liked it or not, how many know, I've told the Truth? All right, now, if you don't like the Truth, don't come to me, go to God. He MADE the Truth. I didn't. I pass it along. See. I've gone around this thing and found out like it is, then I come out and "peddle it" out, you see, and I don't let you know what I go through. You don't go thru the "hell" I have to. You couldn't. You couldn't. I wouldn't ask you to, but you know, when you come out, you HAVE something. You have it, but you SUFFERED TO GET IT. There's NO OTHER WAY. There's just no other way, there just isn't any other way. It COULDN'T be any other way. You think this is pleasure to go through this terrific testing, and this mill of humiliation and exposure? You think that's EASY? No. Do you think it's EASY to wade through this river and put stones of testimony in it? I wouldn't ask it on a little, yellow dog. But I was the "dog" that got it! That's TRUE. That's true as you live. I don't want your SYMPATHY. I just want you to know that these things are COSTLY. But they are WORTH IT. The revelation of light and Truth, and the unfolding of the things of God...they are worth ALL OF THIS. ALL of it. But don't think it's an EASY way. haven't anything EASY and comfortable to offer one of you. I'm a teacher of deeper Spiritual reality. I have found these things true in my own experience, and I want to pass them on to any heart that's HUNGRY. But I cannot tell you a LIE, and say, "It is the sweet bye and bye..." It isn't. It isn't, but you have the COMFORT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, and the presence of the LORD JESUS, and the consciousness of being somehow UNITED, I don't know HOW it is, but it's in the Spirit, UNITED with One Who's going right along. You're going right along with it...you can't get out of it... I don't know...it's in something...you're in something...you've been caught in it. How many ever felt that you've been ENTANGLED and CAUGHT in something like that? And you're swept right along by the POWER OF THE SPIRIT. That's the way it is. Thanks for listening. You've been so good.
- 13. Precious Lord, now here's all this bread again. It's been all broken up. We've been all over the old country, Egypt and everywhere. Lord, please take this bread, and bless it to the nourishment and the building of these dear, precious sheep. They're hungry. Many of them are so hungry for light and life and Truth and reality. Feed them! Feed them generously, Lord! Nourish them! Nourish them by the EVERLASTING TRUTH! This Truth, which after all, is a revelation of our lovely Lord, Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Let that quietness of the Spirit rest upon everyone of us, and seal these lessons in our hearts and lives, that in the days to come we shall not be afraid or thinkit strange, but we shall intelligently and in the Spirit surrender to Thee while You take us through, and on, in a discovery of the reality of life, for Jesus'sake. Amen.