

PROGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT
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1. Now what I bring to you morning by morning, they're not things I've read in a book. I like study. I'm a student. But they are just bits of TRUTH which I have DISCOVERED in what I call the FIELD OF SPIRITUAL REALITY into which we have been BIRTHED. Now that field is abstract, invisible, but it's SPIRITUAL, AND MORE PROFOUNDLY REAL than these material things. Because that is an eternal variety, these are transitory, fleeting things. And long after this whole scheme of living is pushed into oblivion; the former things shall not even come into our remembrance, but THEN, what we will have is as much as the Spiritual guidance, vision, understanding, communion, the etching of the image and likeness of His Son upon our immortal spirits. A Divine, mystical process in which He is now engaged. More interested in it than the things that most people are interested in. Or most people think HE is interested in. Now it takes time for that. But you know, when we GO, that's all we will carry with us. They'll be a judgment for Christians, not for sinners, but for Christians. A time when He will look into the "record" concerning our period HERE. What have I done with my talent of LIFE? Don't get your TALENTS all mixed up now. He gave each a TALENT. The SAME thing was given to each one of the servants. He didn't say, "I've given you the talent of music, and you the talent of singing, and you the talent of writing, and you the talent..." No, no, no. THOSE are upshot REFLECTIONS of how you USE the TALENT. He gave to every blessed one of them the SAME talent. Do you remember that, or don't you remember that? Why it was proportioned according to each several ability of reception. But everyone of them received TALENTS. Talent. Talent. Well, what is it? The talent, that pound, IS THE RESPONSIBILITY THAT GOD PLACES UPON AN INTELLIGENT SPIRIT. The responsibility of LIFE. The responsibility of this life, HERE--THAT is your talent! Now it may be REFLECTED through 500 fashions, which YOU call talents. Don't CALL that the talent! Those are MANIFESTATIONS OF YOUR RESPONSE TO THE TALENT IN LIFE! Do you get it or don't you? One can sing, one can dance, one can pray, and one can preach. THOSE are not your talents! Those are the REFLECTIONS OF HOW YOU RESPECT THE TALENT THAT GOD HAS GIVEN YOU! ALL of us have the SAME LIFE given to us. Can you see it or can't you? He gave to EVERYONE of them TALENT! Talent! Talent! Talent! Not singing, dancing, preaching, jumping. NO, no, no, no! Those are REFLECTIONS. How do you VALUE the talent, that is, how do you VALUE this marvelous thing called SPIRITUAL LIFE which has been deposited in you and me? How do you VALUE that? How do you VALUE it? Do you value it enough that by touching God and God touching with you, it may be MULTIPLIED, multiplied. The LIFE multiplied!!! How? Through the MECHANISM OF THE WORKS which HE may lay upon your heart. The little comings and goings; the preaching and singing, the... winning souls, or going as missionaries. Those are all the MECHANICS. That is of God and is God, and the Holy Spirit works THROUGH that. But THAT isn't yet the talent. The talent is your response to God, your response to God, for LIFE, for the privilege of what? EXPANDING IT. Spreading it. Living it, through the power of God. How? THROUGH THE MECHANISM OF A GIFT! He gives you gifts. We operate through the media of gifts. The gifts...those aren't the talent. The gifts are that through which the talents may become EXPRESSIVE. But people never read. They don't think. People don't think. You all live under the "thinks" of everybody else. There are...few people that can think independently. One of hardest things to do in the world. It is so much easier to relax into the PATTERN of the thinking that somebody else has brought, and they try to put it over upon you. That isn't what I want to talk about this morning. But I wish you could see some of those very simple things. If you don't see it now, you will later, if you're HONEST with God.

2. So, as I've been moving around in this realm of Truth, I have detected, discerned, and found, that in that realm of the Spirit, God is just as EXACT in His dealing with the laws and principles and methods and technique which are in Spirit; just as REAL as those that are in our FLESH. Now you PRAY. Your whole prayer system is governed by a LAW. It sure is. It's governed by a law. But He doesn't come down and say, "Listen! THIS is the law of prayer! Two times two make four and no more!" He doesn't do that. He

leaves it for the Holy Spirit to take us into confidence so that He may relate these things to us, tell them to us. You make your DISCOVERIES. He teaches us HOW to pray. HE--the HOLY SPIRIT, He will LEAD YOU INTO ALL TRUTH. How does He do it? HE LEADS YOU! You don't "ram" into it! He LEADS you. He's a very, very, delicate personality, the Spirit of God, the tender breath of God. He's not always presented so, but He is the most profound and powerful agency in the universe; is the Spirit of God!! At the same time He is the most delicate, the most refined, most gentle. He is. So we LEARN that. That He teaches us.

3. We've been speaking in the morning meetings quite a bit about the Christian character that God is seeking to build. After we're saved and sanctified, and filled with the Holy Spirit; let's build him up good and tight, so you have all the gifts and two or three trances, and six revelations...oh build him up high! Fourteen divine healings and six miracles on top of it! Now build that man all up! How many know ALL that may be possible, and the person still remain a BABE IN CHRIST? That could all be possible and that person is still a babe in Christ. Well now, why is that? Because as I said before, NO EXPERIENCE which God brings you into, I don't care how very tremendous it may be, in it's EFFECT upon you; it may transform, it may do alot of things. NO EXPERIENCE WILL EVER MATURE ANYONE. Well why? We don't GROW by that. You're confusing NATURE with CHARACTER. Nature isn't character, and as long as you work from that premise you are going to be defeated. You'll go to heaven and just play on 7 harps if you want to! If it will make you more happy, play on 14 of them! But that isn't the point. During this period, this interim, in which God now releases us, we are in a period in which He seeks to DEVELOPE us, that we may GROW IN GRACE. Peter starts with it as "Babes in Christ." Desiring what? "Sincere MILK of the Word, that ye may be BLESSED THEREBY! Hallelujah!!!" No. You are going to be blessed, but that isn't the point! "I want that Truth so that I can SERVE better!!!" No. THAT isn't the point. "Desire these first elementary revelations of light and Truth, that it may be an impetus in you, that you may GROW thereby." How many see GROWTH is a PROCESS? It's not an immediate possession of anything. You can get the baptism in 10 minutes. You can be saved the moment you yield! All of those are definite, possessive things which you can hold, grasp, and are conscious of them. But He deals so much with this pnenamenia of LIFE. But GROWTH,... GROWTH...how many ever bought five dollars worth of GROWTH? No, you didn't. No, you didn't. GROWTH is that which come through a PROCESS. What is it? GROWTH comes through A PROCESS OF TESTING AND PROVING. Now keep these distinct. The NATURE that you have this morning, partakers of the divine nature, partakers, we are partakers of the divine nature, a new thing has happened. We are NOT the same creatures which were born into this world. Now don't get your BODY mixed up with who YOU are. You aren't these "bodies" sitting around! Most people think so, they spend so much time fussing around with it. Well, that's the house you're living in. You've never seen "me." I've never seen "you." Well why? Because in essence we are SPIRITS!! You can break my body into ten million pieces; how many know you can't touch ME?!! No, you can't do anything to me but RELEASE me, thank God! You could blow this body into atoms! Why? Because it's only one instrument. One little part of this divine arrangement. It is the tabernacle in which I live. This body isn't I. I'm not THAT. But you become so IDENTIFIED. We've lived for centuries under "sense" perception so long, that you can't get anything under heaven unless you FEEL IT. That's true! But when God comes to deal in Spirit and deal with faith, the people don't know what under heavens He's trying to do! So they start them singing something to keep them busy. Well, it keeps them out of jail, thank the Lord. But it doesn't GET them anywhere. NOWHERE at all. Your NATURE is purely a GIFT of God. He brings it to us, He incorporates us into a strange, mystical creature call "a new creation." You are NOT that OLD, you are a NEW CREATION. Still resting in the body in which you tabernacle. But the "YOU" that you think you are, He says, "I'm doing a miracle in there." That's why many Christians today, filled with the Spirit, beautiful people, I just love them, they're just lovely; but they don't seem to KNOW anything! I go to "tackle" them in the Spirit somewhere, and they are as blank as a GOAT! Don't seem to know what under heavens you are driving at. Well, I'm telling you TRUTH that Jesus preached! Truth that Paul preaches. Truth that's in the Word of God! I don't

make it up! It's HERE! It has to be discovered and related and interpreted.

4. So He starts teaching us. He says, "Your first bits of Truth that come to you are elementary. Now when we say ELEMENTARY, we don't mean that it is of less VALUE than the Truth that you will receive ten years from now. How many know there is nothing of less value? Truth is a great UNIT. Well, here you have your multiplication table. Supposing you're in mathematics. Supposing you learn to count way up to two hundred. And suppose you are able to do all these calculations which we call ELEMENTARY mathematics. Addition, subtraction, multiplication, division. Suppose you become quite wonderful in that little art of handling your figures. Well now we call that "elementary." Not because it is of less value, but because it is purely the beginning of a great SYSTEM. Suppose you are working in Einstein, if he were here, in some of his theories of relativity. Great mathematician. Well, bless you. How many know he was STILL working with "two times two make four?" Yeah. He was still working with "two times two make four." That is ELEMENTARY. It is only ELEMENTARY because it is part of the GREAT SCHEME which you touch FIRST. Now, that's like our Christian experience. God begins with us as babes, giving us the sincere milk of the Word, to bring an ADJUSTMENT TO REALITY. AN ADJUSTMENT IN GOD, IN REALITY. That's why when He was teaching, even the apostles, these lovely disciples about Him didn't know what it was all about. He had a terrific time breaking through these HUSKS OF UNREALITY. These TRADITIONAL things which had ACCRUED to them. It took almost all His time to "dig" that all OFF THEM! To reach them where they LIVE. Absolutely. And that's why one day He said, "I can't get far with you. Your whole objective in your thinking, your whole objective in following Me; the objective that you hold now, in your hearts and minds, I CAN'T GET FAR WITH YOU BECAUSE YOU HAVEN'T ANY SPIRITUAL ADJUSTMENT." What was He talking about? He was talking about this strange thing called THE SEEKING ELEMENT, which is BIRTHED in us. We are MADE that way. We are made with certain drives, and desires, and urges; we learn that in psychology. That's all right. That's how we're MADE. Let that ALONE! But He says, "There is an ADJUSTMENT" in this field." He looked at them and He said, "You've LOST your adjustment. I want to help you." Then He said, "Seek..." He never said NOT to seek. It is not negative, it is a positive thing. SEEK. Why? Because the SEEKING ELEMENT in us, the URGE TO LIVE, this extravert urge to live, and possess, have, and know, and come, and do; not like a dog or a cat, but like an intelligent being; that's BASIC in us. But if this SEEKING ELEMENT, this drive... "And He created a living soul!" Responsive in all fields. Responsive first, to God, in SPIRIT. He is responsive to all that is psychic and normal in our thinking and living. He became conscious in body. And he was a living soul. How many get that or don't you? How? By the breath of God being breathed into him. The whole trinity of man responded to Him. Well, that adjustment was PERFECT, because it was in the will of God, with man's will surrendered to God and God was able to DEAL with Adam. Commune with him, and direct him, and He said, "Now this SEEKING ELEMENT in you that I have put in you, I have given you a vast territory for it's expansion and it's outreach. Possess! Multiply! Live!" We were made to be extraverts, not these funny, shut-in, queer things. How many know that, or don't you know that? How many know that if God ever possesses you, there is a tremendous urge to move back toward God? It is something in you, can't control you, I don't know where it comes from, but the minute that that Holy Spirit gets any kind of adjustment in you, there will be a RESPONSE. It is that eternal response and URGE... ..what is that? The URGE that this life should touch the life of the INFINITE: not for NOW, but to RETURN TO THE HEART OF GOD WHERE WE BELONG! That He may project us in space out here in new LIFE, new REALM, NEW TERRITORY. We're not earthbound. We're not MADE for the earth. ONLY for our SCHOOLING.
5. Now they had LOST that. That's lost thru sin and disobedience, and willfulness. That's all lost. And here were these precious disciples, loving Him, following him. But Jesus has a discerning power. He sees plenty. He doesn't always come and talk to us about it, but He sees plenty. He can't get at some people, even to whisper. "I want to know

Him better, oh,ho, ho, ho, ho..." I say, "Do you? Well, look out." You've prayed one of the most extravagant prayers. "I want to know Him better. I want to be like Him." Don't pray that thing, unless you MEAN IT! You can pray it automatically, because it's the "polite," correct thing to pray in a prayer meeting. That's the way they all pray. EVERYBODY prays that. But God doesn't "fuss around" with our "Emily Post"etique of that. He doesn't fuss with that at all. He's looking at the HEARTS all the time. He says, "You pray terrifically, don't you? Well, you don't know what you're praying about, but I'll come to you a year or two from now." He does! Sure He does. Because He has no ACCESS. He can't touch you. He can't reach you. He couldn't reach those disciples. He had to stop them, and He says, "This SEEKING URGE in you, this SEEKING URGE which God has placed in you, has LOST IT'S ADJUSTMENT IN THE FIELD OF REALITY AND IN GOD, and you are projecting all these urges and desires upon all the lesser realms. You will NEVER find God in there; you will never get ANYWHERE in there. Now I am not CONDEMNING the seeking, I am CORRECTING IT!" Always remember Jesus always teaches under two scenes, either He is in a CREATIVE MOOD, with lovely, glorious, revelation, or He is in a CORRECTIVE MOOD, to take that which you already have, that it may be ADJUSTED TO REALITY. Do you know that, or don't you know that? And He said, "Here, I'm not going to condemn this thing in you. It's GOD GIVEN! Why should I throw it away? Why should I want to take it away?" No! Leave it and let HIM work with it! He says, "Seek. I WANT you to seek. BUT...SEEK YE FIRST SPIRITUAL ADJUSTMENT IN THE REALM OF GOD, and if you do, because of a Divine law as real as that gravitation is, ALL the things on the OTHER plane will be AUTOMATICALLY added to you." That's true. Well, why? Because you have found the simple RULE. Of what? SPIRITUAL ADJUSTMENT in THE REALM OF REALITY. He's not alking to sinners to "seek first heaven." They are all redeemed! Do you think Jesus was walking around with a bunch of SINNERS?!! What's the matter with you? Well, when He is saying, "Seek ye first this realm of Spiritual Reality and Truth," He wasn't saying, "Get saved." They ARE on redemption ground. They ARE on redemption ground, and He RECOGNIZES them as that. But there is a terrific lot of WORK to do with them. So He says, "Now this seeking element in you has LOST it's adjustment. You are concerned with the most tangible, material things. "What shall I eat, what shall I drink, what shall I wear, what's the next payment on the car, what'll I do... ..whaa...whaa...whaa.." He says, "You're all living in that mode. Now let me help you with that. I WANT you to have a car." If He gives you two, say, "Hallelujah!" TWO times! THAT isn't the point! If He gives you a house, say, "Hallelujah!," if He gives you two, say, "Hallelujah, hallelujah!," see? He's not condemning the POSSESSION! He din't say "Now, don't seek for anything more! Now LIVE, kind of like a "hokie, pokie," you know, one of these holy "things" that I can't stand. He didn't say that at all. He said, "I want you to KEEP ON seeking and living. BUT--SEEK FIRST AN ADJUSTMENT TO SPIRITUAL REALITY. And if you will do that, you have found a law that operates down here, and all these things will be added." Now, I DARE to preach it, because that's the way I live. He dared to show me that the night before He filled me with His Spirit, and brought me to a total collapse, as far as my natural ambitions and desires and things were concerned. Absolutely. And He showed me that if I would live in Him, and do His will, and walk with Him and let Him POSSESS ME, I wouldn't have to worry about another thing. And that's over 50 years ago. And I have two suits of clothes, believe it or not. How many know you can have 17 and it doesn't matter? I've worked with some who used to have plenty. I worked with one evangelist, and we had to have the same cabin together, and I felt rather...I had two suits... he had 7 suits of clothes! Well, God bless him! I wouldn't take one; I wasn't envious. I don't want them. I don't want 7 suits of clothes; I don't know what on earth I would do with them! No. But you see, He isn't talking about THAT at all. He saying, "You get in touch with an INFINITE GOD IN SPIRITUAL REALITY AND TRUTH, and allow Me to bring You to an adjustment in the surrender of your heart and will and all that you have--IN ME, and every last thing that is needful for you...they will come." And they come.

6. I live by FAITH. I don't have incomes, and salaries, and all that stuff. I don't live that way. I haven't for years. If I need shoes, I don't get down, "Oh now, Thou art my God! My Father! I need SHOES!! Oh I take it to You that You will give me shoes!!!

I'm CLAIMING Phillipians, 'all these things shall be given to me!' Oh, Lord! Shoes!" I don't do stuff like that. I wouldn't be caught praying like that. You know why? I've discovered that I not only have a God Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, creator of all things, but He can reveal Himself to you as a HEAVENLY FATHER. And some people don't KNOW that yet. I can tell sometimes by how people pray, that there has never been an inner revelation of a heavenly Father. What do I do? I just say, "Shoes... You take care of it Lord, I may forget." Do you know what happens? In a few days, clapity, clapity, clap. This is FIGURITIVLY speaking, I "hear" something rattle and there at the door are my shoes! I heard them walking down the street. How many get it or don't you? Sure. Well, now I say that...I could say that on much more of an extra-vagant scale than shoes. For I've had to use this same rule and principle for hundreds and thousands and thousands of dollars. I use the same thing. He's taught me HOW. He has me...I go around the world preaching and teaching. I've been around the world once, and part of it twice, and over in Europe a couple of times; I was there last summer. How do you do that? "The missionary board sends you?" I've never been sent BY anybody on earth, and nobody pays my expenses; they don't even buy me a trolley ticket. "Well, how do you do it?" Well, the Lord says, "God to India." I say, "All right, Lord. You've told me. I'll do the going, You do the coming here. And He does." And right out of the clear sky it COMES. Now THAT is due to the OBSERVANCE OF A LAW which is just as real as the law of gravation, only it is ABSTRACT, and in SPIRIT, not tangible, but just as REAL, and it WORKS!

7. Now come back. This CHARACTER business. God GIVES us, gives us, as a GIFT, a DEPOSIT of Spiritual LIFE. We become a partaker of the Divine Nature. That's a GIFT. But that isn't the end of it. That is totally the first, basic, movings of God. Now what does He desire? That I may build a CHRISTIAN CHARACTER through this, that OUT of it, like a SPIRITUAL EVOLUTION, may come a NEW CREATION, birthed of God, in Spirit, and in Life, and in all Truth, A REALITY. A thing which will NEVER PERISH. The body, upon which you lay so much emphasis; that's going to PERISH. The things that you DO; they will perish! He will never ask me, as I stand before Him, "How many souls did you save?" He'll never ask me that! He'll never say, "How many books did you write? How many churches did you build? How many missionaries..." He doesn't do that! That isn't the point!! Well, why? Because if any of that has ever become EFFECTIVE IN GOD, in had to be wrought in the Spirit anyway, and NOT MINE! He can't bless me and reward me for something which HE HAS DONE! He wouldn't THANK HIMSELF for what He's done! Why, I say, all of that is what HE has accomplished. What will He do? He will say, "Turn around, Foilette." And as I turn around, He will, with His penetrating power, of perception, seek to find how much of THE IMAGE AND LIKENESS OF HIS SON, how much of THAT, has been etched upon my immortal spirit. "What have you done?" NO!!! WHAT HAVE YOU BECOME!!! He will never ask about what have you DONE! It is always what have you BECOME!! HOW? You have BECOME THIS through FAITHFULNESS. WITH the gifts and the business that He occupies us with. Fleeting things. Preaching, teaching, and all this business; that will in the end, never come into our remembrance! It is merely the passing phase, of the culture and the development of an IMMORTAL SPIRIT, which will live FOREVER!! Now, I have a place for ministry! Don't go out and say, "My heavens, doesn't he believe in soul saving?" I wouldn't be here and nor could I bear the burdens that I do, if I didn't. But my emphasis is not there, because GOD'S emphasis is not there. His emphasis in you and me, is THROUGH my soul saving, THROUGH my teaching, THROUGH the ministry, THROUGH all that He can pour through me; it is ALL reactionary!!! It's all REACTIONARY!! ALL that is purely REACTIONARY! Why? Because this trembling spirit, that God has breathed into me, that has made me a new creature in Christ Jesus, that new creature has to be cultivated, educated, and trained. And a thousand things done to him. How? By the MECHANICS which He is using. We said the other day, about that story of the pounds and talents, He never even thanked them for their faithfulness about doing a thing. And He didn't give them a reward on the basis that "if you've won 2500 wouls, you'll get two crowns. If you've built a church or two, you'll get a gold fence all the way around your property. And now if you've done so and so..." How many know it never reacted that way at all? It did NOT. Their REWARD moved in a field of SPIRIT! You don't BUY so many pounds of FAITHFULNESS! And all that rested in that, "Thou has been...sucessful?" No. FAITHFUL. "Over a few

things. Now I will take this ELEMENT OF FAITHFULNESS, which I have been able to discover and work in you. I've been 30, and 40, and 50 years, working certain elements in you. Now I will TAKE that, and I will PROJECT IT OVER HERE IN ANOTHER AGE, on another level, and it will be multiplied ten fold." Oh, you say, "Then I'm going to have ten cities to reign over." He's talking in PICTURE language. That's the only way He can convey Truth to us, is thru picture language. But if you want to sit and be the "mayor" of it, I suppose He'll let you. I think it would amuse Him. He's amused anyway. I think He's amused all the time with the things that we say and do. Because we're so IGNORANT. He has mercy upon us.

7. No, it was all a SPIRITUAL RESULT. The REWARD was a Spiritual thing. CHARACTER QUALITIES. Why? Because that's what he wants. He'll never say, "Oh! I remember when I got stuck in the mud down there on earth! If it hadn't been for you pulling me along, I never would have made the grade! But I got through!" But some people...servants of the Lord, always amuse me. I say, "How many of you think you are perfectly, absolutely, INDISPENSIBLE?" Why you could be buried tomorrow, and six weeks from now you'd be all forgotten! But this idea of being IMPORTANT and necessary; we aren't "necessary." We NEED GOD!!! He doesn't need US so much!!! But we need HIM! WE say, "I'm seeking God." Well, my heavens, God's seeking YOU, and He's seeking ME! He seeking and trying to penetrate through the husks of this ARTIFICIAL stuff that we live in! To DISCOVER us. He's seeking us thru all this phenamenia. All the time. That's why people are blessed. People are blessed and saved. Why you say, "Through THIS ministry or THAT?" Not necessarily at all. People are FED, not because of what the evangelist or the teacher is doing. They are FED because of the HUNGER WHICH IS IN THEIR HEARTS. "Blessed are they who do hunger." All right. He's working on the basis of the hunger, and He will FEED you IN SPITE of the teaching and preaching. I've known God to bless people in SPITE of the preacher. The PREACHER was "something terrific." And God just sits there waiting for the thing to get over, and He goes, "Whoosh!," blows it all over and He says, "Now, whoever's hungry, I'll MEET you." Did you know that, or didn't you know that? I've SEEN it done. I've seen that done. Sure. I've seen people blessed IN SPITE of the evangelist or the teacher. IN SPITE OF THEM. In SPITE OF THEM!!! In spite of everything they have DONE, in spite of that, God says, "Whoosh!...Are you hungry?" "Oh God, I'm hungry." "I can FEED YOU."
8. The first night I ever heard anything of the baptism; now I was born and brought up in a Methodist church, and I had never heard of the baptism, and I had never seen anyone baptised. I had never heard in a sermon. I had never heard anything of it; I was as dumb as a horse that you lead around on a halter. Just as dumb as that. But you know, God saw something in me. I was so terrifyingly HUNGRY that I didn't care for my food. "What is this thing that is the matter with me?" Too long to tell. You would be amused. And I don't want to amuse or entertain. You can get entertain downtown, better than we can produce. "It's not good to go to there, but we can take you here." Isn't it funny how we are? Yes. Amused and entertained. Because it's in the tabernacle. "That's all right." But if you went downtown, and got the SAME thing, then that would be very naughty. Oh, heavens. I'm a realist. I had never heard those things at all. And I was walking down the street in the city of Oklahoma. I have a warm spot in my heart for the Okees, in spite of all things. Oh dear. I really do. I didn't know anything about this business at all. I was working for the Christian Herald people in Chicago. Starved to death. And as I was coming down the street, just...I didn't know...I had done up the day's business orders and all that, and I saw some people singing on the street, and I thought they were Salvation Army people. Because in our part of the country, up in New York state, where we are, we never had heard of a street meeting. The only ones we ever heard of were those held by the Salvation Army people in New York. And I thought I'd go over here and sing, you know, how they bang on the drum and sing. "So I'll go over there. I'm a Christian, and listen to them." Well you can get "caught" for curiosity sometimes. So I went over to listen to them. And they gave some songs and testimonies and banged on the drums. Well, it wasn't the kind of music I was used to at all. But I thought, "Well, these poor things. They seem to be earnest anyway. Whether they were singing, 'The cow jumped over the moon, hallelujah!' They could sing that." But I felt that there

was something REAL, that they don't even know what they're singing about. So, they closed up. A woman came over and she said, "Won't you come into our little mission here? We're having a meeting." I didn't have anything to do and I said, "Why, I guess so." So I went in, innocent as a rabbit. In God's trap. And sat back on the back seat. A little old mission. It wasn't as big as the end of this platform. Two little gas-jets, and not even a mantle on it. How many know how a thing can flutter without a mantle on it or don't you know? How many know gas jets without mantles; how they go this way. You couldn't tell a man from a woman hardly. They were fluttering like that. And I sat on the backseat. And they sang, and I thought, "The man will preach and maybe he'll tell me some things. I'm so hungry. I want God." Well, he got up and you never HEARD such business. He jumped and he danced and he pranced all around, "Hallelujah! Glory to God! Amen, brother!!! Hallelujah! I believe in the Lord! Glory to God!!" Well he went jumping around there like a wild man, just hollering a lot of stuff that I knew about. I can't get blessed more than 72,000 times having been told the SAME thing. But those people did, and I said, "Don't they know that?" Suppose I started, "Two times two makes four!! Glory to God! Two times two make four!! I tell you, I BELIEVE two times two make four!!" And then the people say, "I do too...Glory to God." Well I thought, "What have I got into anyway?" He never gave me ONE thing to think about or to feed upon. Not a thing. Not a thing. And he jumped and pranced around there like a wild man, hollering about how he believed in the Blood. Well, all those other people did too. So did I! What's the use yelling at me when I know that? I don't understand it, I really don't. I don't understand that sort of business at all. If you got alot of folks that are filled with the Spirit, what's the use of me ramming at them and saying, "Jesus is the Son of God!! Hallelujah!!" Well I said, "Well, who would He be?" But I don't dare to say that. So I say, "Yes sir." Well, I endured the emeting. I got nothing, actually nothing. But all I could think, "Well why is that man jumping, thrashing around?" And he didn't tell me one blessed thing; not a crumb. Then the woman who asked me in comes back and says, "Would you like to seek the Lord?" Well I said, "That's what i've been sseeking for years, if I could find Him. I haven't seen anything like that around here." Well she says, "You just come down to the altar. You just come down to the altar, and you ask the Lord..." This was the SECOND night..."to fill you with the Spirit." Well, I had never seen anyone filled with the Spirit. I didn't know what to expect. I didn't know anything about it. It was the night after He had put me through my terrible grilling of consecration, when He swept everything out of my life. Home, money, profession, degrees, schooling; every last thing, He swept it absolutely out of my life. I've never touched any of it since. I'm in a REALM where we don't need it. I don't need that. I don't need that. And He showed me, He said, "I'm takeing these all away, because I'm taking you into a realm where you don't need that at all. And I LOVE schooling. I wanted to go back to college and do some more. A couple degrees, that's not...I want MORE. I want more. He said, "That isn't what you want." I said, "I know Lord, because I've been there, and I didn't get You. It's GOD I want." "You want to be filled with the Spirit. Receive the baptism," the woman told me. I said, "What's that. I never heard about THAT." Why she said, "The Lord will fill you with the Spirit." I thought, "Good. Maybe that's the thing that's the matter with me. I can TRY it anyway. I can try, even if it doesn't work, I'm going to try anyway; I've tried everything else. I've tried everything else from Christian Science up! Why couldn't I try THAT?" So she said, "You just go down there and pray." So I went down to that altar, in SPITE of all this jumping jack business. In SPITE of it, not BECAUSE of it, my dear Lord, no! That was enough to drive me out of the house, if it hadn't been for the hunger that held me. It was just God and hunger that held me. That was the most strange, and crazy thing that I had ever seen, going on in the name of the Lord. So I just brushed it off and thought, "I'm not going to let that bother me. It's God I want. Now in spite of all that, I'm coming." How many know He BLESSED MY HUNGER? Blessed my hunger. He blessed my hunger, and I was filled and not because of anything that that man did at all. IN SPITE of what He did, I was filled. So I went forward, and knelt down. And I said, "Lord..." I'm very REAL with the Lord, "that woman said I would be filled with the Spirit if I came and prayed and asked it. I don't know what it's going to be, but Lord, please do it." Now that's a great prayer, isn't it? People say, "How long did you seek?" I never "sought,"

I just GOT it. I was just DUMB ENOUGH to believe that. Just "dumb enough." I never reasoned it out in the world, I just said that, I said, "Lord, she said I would be filled with the Spirit, I don't know what that means, but I think I want that, whatever that is." And here I was, looking up to Him, needy. Well, at first, you know, I began to feel sort of "weak like." And I'd never been prostrate, and had never seen someone on the floor, and heavens, I lay down on the floor like this. Well, I thought, "Lord, You'll just as good this way, as THAT way." He is. Do you know He is; how many know He doesn't care about the posture of your body at all? He was looking at my HEART. So I layed back there like that, and I thought, "Oh, Jesus. I don't know HOW this thing is, but if I can get back to where I was last night, where You were so wonderful to me, I just think You're wonderful Lord. I never knew You were so wonderful! Oh, I think You are SO wonderful! Oh..." And I was just GLORIFYING and LOVING Him! How many ever LOVED the Lord? Don't you love Him sometimes without any "business" going on? It was a CHANNEL in me, just like it was released and it went right up into His heart, and He began to flow right down into MINE. Like a river or something; I got attached someway, I don't know how in the heavens it happened. But I got in there someway, and I thought, "Oh, isn't this wonderful! Oh...oh...Lord You're just wonderful! You're just wonderful! Oh, Jesus, You're so sweet, You're so beautiful! You're so wonderful!" And I was rattling around with my hands! And you know, person and all, He just SWEPT me into the Spirit, and gave me a GLORIOUS baptism, just the most glorious. For three days and three nights, I was more in that, then I was in my flesh. Absolutely. I couldn't talk in English. I couldn't say it. I got up in the morning and I was going to talk and I, "Uhhh..." and it just went on for yards and yards and yards. And I went to read my Bible and instead of in English, it all came out the other way. Well, I got "funny."

9. Well, now I say, how many see all of that came IN SPITE OF, and NOT BECAUSE OF? After He'd swept all of this funny business out of the way, He said, "Come one, I can meet you." And He MET me. Now since that time, He has been busy in me, trying to get me to see the REASON for all of this. The REASON for it. I want to talk to you while I'm here on the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, but I will WARN you, if you can't take Truth as it is in the Word, but you are still "warped" under traditional patterns, don't come. I might confuse you. But if you can possibly stay open to God, to see the Word of God as HE has put it, not as tradition has interpreted it, but as He puts it, you'll have to put aside some of your little, sweet, patterns. And little slogans. They just don't have a place there. I'll show you something. I wish I could. Because I found the secret of this thing. It wasn't I who had been seeking God, but it was God who had been SEEKING ME, and He had FOUND me at last, and had obtained POSSESSION of me. To DO something FOR Him? He's never asked me to write, or preach, or teach, or sing, or dance. He's never asked me to do any of those. THAT AUTOMATICALLY flows out of this fact, that the HOLY SPIRIT is POSSESSING me to do in and through me what HE wants, NOT what I want. What HE wants. Why? Because THROUGH that, He has taken this strange and new creation, and has been all these years, BUILDING IT, RELEASING IT, CORRECTING IT, correcting it, building it, correcting it, building it. So now I see what the Holy Spirit is trying to do. And if you don't get that, you'll going to FRUSTRATE the movings of God, and substitute for it something else which you have been probably taught. I wish alot of teaching...it could CEASE. Why? I've contacted people who have ventured on in God and they've said, "Follette, you know something?" I said, "I know a few things." They say, "I have had the hardest time to FORGET about HALF the stuff I'd been taught so that I could start from the right PREMISE." Do you get that or don't you? I have that testimony from preachers, only they say, "Don't tell anybody." I say, "Don't worry, I don't tell. The Lord and I know of people." I never expose anybody. But I've had that from LEADERS. From leaders that you would know by name if I would be mean enough to name them. But they, "I'll confide in you because I want your prayers and a little counsel with you." I said, "You'll welcome to them, if you'll take the counsel in God, it will probably revolutionize your life. And you've had quite a set pattern now for years, and it will be difficult for God to get in there, and revolutionize that. You will have to FORGET MUCH that you have held, so real, and so terrific...it isn't! THAT is a traditional thing. Truth will WASH it off, deliver you, and then you'll come on in God. And whatever is left in your life, He'll have it dedicated to HIM." He says, "Washed off? Yes

I'm saved." Do you remember how Jesus had to deal with those disciples? Now get this! Please get it. How many know they were all saved, beautiful, people? Those disciples were all beautiful, lovely material. Potential material. And He'd called them. Well, just about a little while before He went HOME, He was with them, and He looked at them and said, "Now are ye clean. Now are ye CLEAN. NOW are ye clean." Had it taken Him three years to get them saved? How many think it took Him three years to get them saved so that at last He can say, "Now you are saved." He's NOT talking about salvation. Then why does He say, at last, after three years of real work on you, "NOW are ye clean." How? "Through My precious Blood?" No. No. "Now are ye clean because you believe in Calvary?" No. NO, no, no. They are ALREADY accepted. But He says, "Now are ye clean through My Word which I have SPOKEN TO YOU. This eternal TRUTH which has issued from Me has CLEANSSED YOU..." From sin? NO!! They aren't talking about sin! They are all cleansed from sin! They are all nice, sweet, people!! But when He picked them up, He KNEW that. Then He looked at them and said, "There's a powerful lot of cleansing that has to be done in you twelve. But if you'll let Me work with you, I can CLEANSE you." HOW did He cleanse them? THROUGH HIS WORD. Through the power of His message. NOT, "Now are you clean thru the Blood." The BLOOD CLEANSSES YOU FROM SIN! The Blood of Jesus is the only thing we have to cleanse us from sin! If it is a SIN DIFFICULTY, take it to the BLOOD. If it is a SIN DIFFICULTY, take it to the Blood; the blood will cleanse you from sin. But if it is IGNORANCE, TRADITION, RELIGIOUS HABIT, RELIGIOUSITY; how many know the Blood of Jesus can't touch that at all? Because that's not the medium that He uses. But He says, "Through My TRUTH, I can attack that thing. And My Truth will counteract ALL error and foolishness and ignorance that you have. It will have to be thru MY WORD, through MY TRUTH." How many see two cleansings right away? Cleansing by the Blood for your SINS. But the CLEANSING OF OUR WHOLE BEING THROUGH THE POWER OF HIS WORD AND HIS TRUTH.

10. Well that got me busy. I thought, "That's true, Lord, that's true. You are not cleansing them from sin, that's ANSWERED. But here are those lovely disciples that You have been working on for three years to CLEANSE them." Through what? "Through MY TRUTH, THE WORD." Now this is going to be your homework. This is what I want you to do for homework. I want you to read your gospels where Jesus moves so gracefully and wonderfully, and majestically thru those gospels. And you watch Him working with those disciples, either in a dramatic miracle which will happen, or an ENACTMENT of Truth which He will become. An actor. Or whether His words which He will pour out of His mouth. He has two or three methods of this. You watch Him and see how many places you can find where He is WASHING the disciples. I found NINE so far; I'm still in my studies. The Holy Spirit teaches me just as when I was in the university; I had good teachers. Now the Holy Spirit is the most marvelous teacher that I ever had. You got to be awfully HONEST with Him though; you can't pull one "gadget" on Him. How many know you can't pull any punches? NO, no. You can't do it. He will let you ride for weeks and months, and even YEARS because you are not HONEST. You have to be horribly, frightfully, HONEST. He says, "If you want to know, it is really like this." "Well...Lord!" "Now no. Be quiet. It's like THIS." "Well every preacher I've heard..." "I know, you've heard dozens of them. Dozens of them. But you're hearing ME now. It's like THIS." That's right. How many know sometimes you have to forget just a multitude of things just to get "this?" Because that poor, little, "this" that He wants to tell you, has been so smothered, and abused, through TRADITIONAL stuff that has accrued to it that you have to work weeks and months to RESCUE THE TRUTH FROM IT. So you go into your gospels and find how many places you can find the Lord WASHING His disciples through TRUTH. Now I'll help you. I have NINE. And there is not any one of those occasions in which he was dealing with SIN. Not one. Why? Because He was not cleansing them from SIN, He was cleansing them from traditional notions and ideas. Everybody who has read the story of the NT of Jesus in His desire to reach people, and He even reaches His disciples, how many know the terrifying job that He had to break thru these CRUSTS OF UNREALITY? SHACKLED by them. HUSKS of it. And ALL OF IT WAS RELIGIOUS! Every bit of it was RELIGIOUS! Every bit of it was GOOD. You couldn't condemn a thing in it. But what was the matter? It had ACCRUED, it had gathered on, it had accumulated, until the lovely Truth that He wanted, access to the Spirit,

that was living in there; access to it...He had to do all this WASHING, taking down. Now I have nine that I have discovered in my study. Nine places where Jesus WASHES His disciples thru the power of TRUTH. And not ONE of them have anything todo with SIN. Not one. Not one of them. Usually they are LEGITIMATE THINGS, in their WRONG POSITION or place. A RIGHT thing with WRONG emphasis. That can do just as much damage as plugged tobacco! MORE damage! Because you're injuring your SPIRIT, and plugged tobacco has something to do with your body. Now, is it time to go? Is it time to go now? Well maybe I can help you with just a little bit more; I won't take too long, I'll try to say it just as fast as I can.

11. I want to read you a little text this morning, one that I like very much. Because it has to do with this question of the CHARACTER OF THE BEING. The BUILDING. The thing that is going to last through eternity with you. I'm not teaching the technique of the exercising of your gifts and all that. That belongs to somebody else. Let them go on with that stuff. I'm not doing that. I want to deal with you concerning that PART OF YOU; it's culture, and it's development, and it's RELEASING. THAT in you, which will be lifted, and taken on into the next age. That's what I want to work with, because that's the essential. That's the ESSENTIAL. Don't become too INVOLVED in this TECHNIQUE. It is GOOD. It is of God. It is God-blessed. But it is NOT THE THING THAT HE IS DOING! He is USING THAT to release everyone of us. Everyone of us. And sometimes we are so INCASED, that it is almost impossible; I've seen Him work at souls sometimes for a few years, and to go back, and it's HARD to see what He's HAD to do. And some places where it's been IMPOSSIBLE. But if you LET HIM, He'll work.
12. Now this question of your CHARACTER. Somebody says, "What do you mean by that?" The NATURE which you have now become a partaker of, the nature which you get, THAT is purely the GIFT. But the CHARACTER which He builds; that is NOT a gift. He CANNOT GIVE Christian character to anybody. Because it's not a gift. You can come to the altar and be SAVED in a moment, be filled with the Spirit. But you can't come back the next night and say, "Oh Lord! I would like to be a real, strong, saint!" Well, He says, "That's a splendid hunger, that's a lovely attitude to take. But I can't make you a mature saint over night. I will do something, I will take you as a candidate. Now you dare to SURRENDER TO ME, ALL THAT YOU ARE, all that you are. The fundament of your being; you dare to surrender that to Me." Now don't get your ministries all upset with it! PLEASE abolish that for ten minutes! He's not talking about it! He says, "I would like to get a hold of the FUNDAMENT OF YOUR BEING; the thing that you ARE. And I want to BUILD. But I cannot GIVE you Christian character, it has to be BUILT through a PROCESS OF GROWTH. A process of GROWTH." You BUILD that. How? Through another LAW. What is it? THE LAW OF TESTING AND PROVING. Where'd you get it? In Genesis. Where? Where He's dealing with Adam. He GAVE him a wonderful concept of life, how many remember that? And He was well pleased with it. He put His benediction upon it. He was well pleased. But how many know Adam had not yet FUNCTIONED? Yeah. How many get it or don't you? He had not yet FUNCTIONED!! He put His benediction upon the creature which He had MADE. But Adam had not yet functioned. Why? He didn't only make him so that he'd be something walking around on the earth. He says, "I have made him for My GLORY." Meaning, POTENTIALLY, in this creature, even in the human embrace, there are lovely possibilities, "that if he would obey My will, walk with Me, do as I bid him to do, there can be a releasing, and a setting free, of these potential things that REST. Not yet DISCOVERED, but HELD, potentially HELD, in the embrace of that whole human concept. Absolutely. But He says, "I cannot release you. I cannot build you into the character that I want, Adam, only through ONE method." What is it? A METHOD OF TESTING AND PROVING. And you will have to be EXPOSED to the testing and proving, because IN you is a gift--THE POWER TO CHOOSE. Now I can't choose FOR you. I can bring everything to play upon you to cause you to make the right choice, but I can't choose FOR you. I can EXPOSE you. And so, God plants a tree. The DEVIL didn't plant that tree. Some people think that the Devil got into the garden and planted the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. GOD PLANTED THE TREE. It's God's business, God's tree. Now don't pull it up every time

you get into a jam! Prayer meeting--everybody come with your axes! What are they? Oh, the "holy precious promises." "I got 7 promises, you got 6, and I've got 9, now let's get a hold of this job and cut this tree down!" Let your tree ALONE. God planted it! Do you know that or don't you know that? Well if you deal as I do with souls, you'll find it out. Let our tree ALONE. Learn how to INTERPRET it. You have TWO approaches. You have a POSITIVE and NEGATIVE approach to that tree. He bid them to take the POSITIVE attitude. What is it? OBEDIENCE TO GOD. Don't TOUCH IT. Keep away from it. Don't eat of it. Why? "In the day thou eatest, thou shalt surely die." A total collapse. Well, what would have happened is Adam had NOT eaten of that forbidden fruit? Well don't you know what would have happened? Well, God would have had His way, and Adam, thru OBEDIENCE to the TESTING AND PROVING, would have been RELEASED, and some of this lovely CHARACTER QUALITIES that God wanted would have come to the surface. Don't you know that? Sure. Why? Because it where you are going to find the fellowship in the restoration, you see, of the image and likeness of God. Suppose he had been obedient. God would have let him move just so far in the STRENGTH that had been obtained thru the OBEDIENCE TO THIS LAW. God would say, "Very well done. Here's ANOTHER tree." Do you get it or don't you? You get a victory; how many live forever IN the victory you got? How many know there's another one coming down the line? I used to always say to my students, "Don't be so rejoiced, and elated, and delighted, and filled with the glory because of the victory you have. Don't let it BLIND you. Rejoice in it, but let me tell you something. Don't let that glory of that victory blind you to the NEXT battle that's right down the line. Right down the line there's another one." How many ever found a TREE in your garden? Huh, how many ever found a tree? Did you ever find one? Two? Glory to God. Two people have found a tree. How many ever found a tree in your garden? Of course. "And He walks with me and He talks with me, and la la, la, la, la, la, la, la!" In the garden alone, you know. "La, la, la..." I say, "Well dear Lord, they haven't walked very far. They're going to come up against a tree real SOON." And you know, they do. By and by after they sing, "La, la, la, la, la...", here's a TREE. And a great big old circle around it like that thing. "Oh Lord, I didn't know I had that in the garden!" He says, "I put it there. The enemy has taken possession of the thing I want to operate because it's possible. The tree is PASSIVE. That's passive. It all depends upon who's operating it. The enemy has come to steal and to kill and destroy, and to murder you through this. I have come that you may have LIFE, and you get more LIFE, and more LIFE. You be obedient to Me and you'll grow. You'll GROW." So if you have a TREE, and it DISTURBS you. Don't cut it down. Don't ask for prayer, that all may now lay hold of God, and will your axes of the holy promises, you'll cut your tree DOWN. Don't do it that way. LET YOUR TREE ALONE. Learn how to APPROACH it. How to INTERPRET it. Then you will GROW.

13. So He says, "You can only grow through a PROCESS...OF TESTING AND PROVING. Testing and proving, testing and proving." I'd like to show you that in the life of Jesus Himself. How many know TWO magnificent words about our Lord in this human concept? In the HUMAN ASPECT of His revelation. He LEARNED and He GREW. Aren't they lovely words? I think they are two of the most beautiful words that relate to Jesus Christ in the human aspect of His manifestation. He is eternally the Son of God. But when bears this human concept of life, with it's LIMITATION, and it's utter DEPENDENCE upon God, it says that He LEARNED, and that He GREW. Do you know why I like that? Because I am not STATIC. It holds the lovely thought of an ETERNAL PROGRESSION. How many see PROGRESSING in LEARNING? How many see progression in GROWING? Certainly. You don't obtain a thing and sustain yourself in it. LIFE is too terrific for that. It's too terrific for us. If you're staying where you were a year ago, you're stuck somewhere; there's something the matter. If you're getting blessed the same way you did five years ago, there's something radically wrong somewhere. You'll using some old PATTERNS which used to work very well. You're dead afraid God can make a NEW one for you. That's right. I go to missions, churches, and places, where I've seen it in a minute. "Well, they're in the same pattern that they had 25 years ago. There's has never been any movement or growth to change the pattern of manifestation of life." If you're living under the SAME impact of Truth that you had 5 years ago, that's BAD. We have to live

CONTINUALLY under a FRESH MOVING of the Spirit of God. And of TRUTH. Now that's right; that's the way we ARE.

14. So here's this little definition, which I like. Now I'm "afraid" of the word DEFINITION, because I've taught too long to know it's a very SUBTLE thing. There are few things that I DEFINE, because it is too TIGHT. Do you know that a definition is very exacting? How many know a DESCRIPTION is quite different? How many know that to DEFINE a thing is one thing; to DESCRIBE it is another? You have great liberty in the descriptive method, but you are very limited when it comes to a defining method. Now I'm going to read you a text, which I think covers, in the most beautiful way, the most complete way, WHAT THIS CHARACTER IS. What God is after, what He is BUILDING. It is through what He is DOING for them, the supply which He has made for us, all of His generous heart, that has given us all things, for this GROWTH, for it's MATURITY. So He writes in Timothy, I won't tell where it is cause you'll go hunting around about it. Listen to me and stop reading while I'm talking. If you want to take notes, that's all right, but don't be fumbling around to see if I'm reading it right. I won't lie to you; I promise before God, I won't lie to you. "But God has not given us the Spirit of FEAR, but of POWER, and of LOVE, and of a SOUND MIND." There is a three-fold DESCRIPTION, not a definition. But if you want it as a DEFINITION, call it a DESCRIPTIVE DEFINITION, not a final definition. Now as we study in the Word of God, it is A REVELATION OF GOD, but how many ever found a stilted, wordy, definition of God? You never find it in the Word. Never. All we have are at least two definitions given, and they are both descriptive, and both given by JOHN. And I love John. I love him because of his Spiritual intuition. His Spiritual grasp. His vision. I'll know him when I get into the next world, and the angel doesn't have to come up to me and say, "Follette, this is John." I'd say, "I've know him a long time." So how do I know him now? My Spirit vibrates continually with him. We know something in Spirit. I don't have to know his name. How many know what I mean? It's a contact of Spirit. Sure. There are alot of saints that I'm going to know, without anyone ever introducing them to me. Sure.
15. So, this one is by John, you see. And he's very careful not to make it schoolastic. He's not trying to get it "cramped" down into definition, philosophic terms. No. He says, "God is love. God is light." Do you remember them now? Those are both descriptive definitions of GOD. Limitless. They are descriptive. Now this one is like that. This is what a Christian character really is. He says, to begin with, "Let's clear our thinking. Let's clear away this spirit of FEAR that haunts you. I can't get far with you if you are still overshadowed by it. FEAR is not of God. FEAR doesn't belong in the vocabulary of the Christian. It was never given to Adam as a word for his everyday using." How many know where fear COMES IN? AFTER SIN. That's the first you find the word "fear" at all. "And I was AFRAID." You don't hear him talking like that BEFORE. But AFTER sin, disobedience, and all that wreckage, then he says, "I was AFRAID." That's where FEAR COMES. Now he says, "In this new creation, in this new life, we don't work under the bondage of any such thing as that, for 'perfect love casteth out fear.'" Now that's negative; push that aside, and here is something positive which God HAS given us. He has given us in the most perfect manifestation of the Christ and all that is HIS is YOURS AND IS MINE. HIS righteousness is MINE. That's right. How many know that even the whole upcoming processes, are found in HIM FIRST. They're all in HIM first. Only we don't live enough to let them become EXPRESSIVE or DEMONSTRATIVE; we don't do that. Well, to begin with, we are NOT taught. One thing which has encouraged me since I've been here, and I love you very much for it, is the HUNGER which you have manifested while I've taught. How many have felt...I don't need to stir one of you to anything. You just sit and DRAW IT OUT. You're hungry. You're hungry. That has blessed me very much, and made it much more easy for me to minister. Sometimes I go to a place where I have to take an evening or two to BUILD up a little receptivity in the hearts of those lovely people. Everyone of them saved, sanctified, and baptized in the Spirit, and some of them have gifts. But no RECEPTION. And you have to work in there until you sense that there is something going on. You have been so lovely to listen.

16. Now here is something that is given to us IN CHRIST, and we may HAVE it FROM HIM, but we got to PAY THE PRICE of it being WROUGHT OUT IN US. He says, "This is what I have given you. NOT a spirit of FEAR. But a Spirit of POWER, LOVE, AND A SOUND MIND." Isn't that terrible? Let's throw this out for about ten minutes. I'd like to throw it over the fence for about 15 minutes, but they are going to have dinner. Is it quarter past twelve. All right, I'll try to get thru, so you scoot right down real fast, and then they won't say, "You hold them too long." Just run. Say, "I'm running on an errand of the Lord!" And you just get in there so they son't say, "Well, he kept talking so long!" Well, you MAKE me. You have no business to draw on me. I could sit down in a minute. But you're drawing on me. How many want a little more? Come on. Own up. Well, now you're doing it. See, it's your own fault. Isn't mine at all. It's your own fault. You put up your hand. Well, let me show you. He has given us, fully manifested IN THE CHRIST, and ready to be REPRODUCED in every one of us, what? NOT the spirit of FEAR, but OF POWER, AND OF LOVE, AND A SOUND MIND. Well, I can't go into that now. How many would like to have this tomorrow? When I can really get at that? It'll take me an hour to really get at that. This is PAVING MY WAY. I'm paving my way, but I want to get in there and DIG that thing out. What does He give us when He gives us POWER? Why is it arranged this way? Why doesn't He say, "LOVE is the greatest thing in the world! And God has given us the Spirit of LOVE! LOVE everybody!" He didn't begin it that way. He can't. He can't. "He can't?" No. "Well, Follette, you're such a 'funny' teacher." I'm not funny, I'm like the Word is. When God makes a DIVINE ARRANGEMENT OF WORDS OR THOUGHTS, we call them a stroke or thought, well whenever He does that, and you don't understand why He does it that way, and you think you can improve on it, don't TRY. Don't try. You have the BEATTITUDES. "Blessed, blessed, blessed..." "Well, why don't they start with, 'Blessed are they who do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled'?" Because He CAN'T. There CAN'T be any real manifestation for hunger for righteousness, until you have gone through the other beatitudes which lead up to it. Because every beatitude has a SEQUENCE. Everyone of them. You HAVE to begin with that first one which is rather devastating! "Blessed are the ...what? "Poor; you can say it out loud, dear. "Blessed are the POOR IN SPIRIT, for what? "I'll take care of them?" No, no. "Blessed in the poor in Spirit, for all heaven, the WHOLE REALM is open to them!" I mean the REALM OF SPIRIT. Now He's not talking about paradise! Please put paradise and your harp over there, and put a newspaper over it!! I'm not talking about paradise with harps! He didn't say, "All of heaven, paradise is theirs." He talking about this VAST OPENING IN THE REALM OF REALITY AND TRUTH IN CHRIST. "Blessed are the poor in Spirit." The old translation puts it, "Blessed are those who are BANKRUPT IN SPIRIT." Isn't that good? Totally BANKRUPT! How many get the same teaching with Jesus? It's easier..it's as possible for a camel to go thru the eye of the needle, than for a rich man to enter the kingdom. Is he talking about millionaires? No. No. You can be as poor as "Job's turkey," and be a millionaire! And rich! Because the richness was not in material things at all. But the person who has come to a place of SUFFICIENCY, who doesn't see yet the UTTER DEPENDENCE UPON GOD FOR ANYTHING. If he has not come there, how many know he is still dependent upon some kind of RICHNESS? It is a SELF-SUFFICIENCY. "Blessed is one who has been striped of all UNREALITY, ALL OF THESE MASKS. Blessed is he who is CUT DOWN TO STARVATION!! POVERTY STRICKEN!!" In what? ANY WEALTH OR MATERIAL THAT YOU MAY OFFER TO GOD TO GET YOU ANYWHERE. You can't. And "blessed is the one who has been REDUCED to that UTTER COLLAPSE. POVERTY of spirit." Why? "If I can get you to that pitch; I'll cost you your life, but if I can bring you to the pitch, where you, in your inner being, recognize the fact, "before God, this is an UTTER COLLAPSE...NO value. This thing cannot push into that realm. It's not geared to it. It belongs here. Oh God, oh God! I want to move with You, THERE WHERE YOU'LL CALLING ME, but I still have some RICHNESS, some value, some concern, something. "Blessed, most FORTUNATE..." Not blessed, "getting blessed!" But your word there is "most fortunate." "You are most fortunate if God has reduced you to STARVATION! To BANKRUPTCY! To a place of utter, utter, DEPENDENCE or NOTHING! Now He says, "The whole REALM OF GOD, OF SPIRIT; that's YOURS." You can't possess it, you can't enter it, you can't get anywhere with it, if you have THIS. Why does Paul say to his children who are saved, sanctified, all of them have the baptism

of the Spirit, all of them were tremendously, lovely people, and Paul writes to them, "Now listen. For it is with GREAT DIFFICULTY, with great difficulty, and PRESSURE, THAT WE ENTER THE KINGDOM." Is he talking about heaven? NO!!! How many know you can GET SAVED in a minute?!! How many know you can't push into that kingdom in a minute? No, you don't. Paul says, "Let us remember that it is with great pressure and great difficulty, that we enter into that realm." A lot of people haven't entered in because they're RICH. Now what I was getting...I'll finish this one first, why do you arrange your beattitudes as they are? Because they HAVE to be so. You can't talk about that man about hungering and thirsting after righteousness when he's FULL. He has to be STRIPED and REDUCED TO UTTER BANKRUPCY! NOW, He says, "If I can get you there, MOST FORTUNATE are you. For now I can bring this evolution, and all these beattitudes are put together in a most subtle, Spiritual linking. And one evolves, and you can't put one ahead...you can't! Let them alone just exactly as they are. Just as they are. Now don't talk about blessed are they who hunger, you are GOING to hunger; that's all coming. But "blessed...first, most fortunate, is one who STARTS THE THING WITH BANKRUPCY!" You don't get into those other things. He's not talking now about hunger to get into heaven. It's another hunger. He's not talking about that. Please let us remember the GRADATION He deals with all the time. Salvation is one thing, moving into God is another. The gift of the Divine Nature is one thing, building of your CHARACTER is quite another. Quite another. Quite another. And we have to become OBEDIENT. He has given us NOT a spirit of FEAR, I'll take that up tomorrow. Why does He begin with POWER, why not say LOVE? He can't. He can't. He can't. To KEEP IT TRUE...Leave it just as it is. You can't improve on God's arrangement. "Well, I think it ought...." No, no, no, now STOP thinking. How many know we don't THINK when He works? I never do the thinking when He's working. I've had places where I've had to think and study; I couldn't get thru with school if I didn't. But when I'm dealing here, how many know, I don't think. No. You become passive and open, and the Spirit will bring it. He'll show it. Tomorrow I'm going to tell you why He starts with power, and why He puts that word LOVE, and what in the world is He talking about A SOUND MIND?

BEING: ACTS 1:8
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1. I couldn't adjust myself to anything in it, because it was Pentecostal, but NOT SPIRITUAL Pentecostal. You get it or don't you get that? "Wasn't it Pentecostal?" Yes! It was terrifical Pentecostal! But there was no real Spirit in the thing. And these people being trained in that, never know there's a difference. They don't know the difference at all. I'm not blaming them. I'm not being critical. I'm just speaking about FACTS! It would be wrong for me not to say so. If i see a man drunk on the street here, it wouldn't be charity on my part to say, "Oh precious soul, we must be charitable! He is SICK. He's eaten custard pie!" That would be a LIE! But if I sould say, "He has delerium tremons," how many know that would be the truth!? How many know people would rather have you say, "custard pie," than they would, "delerium tremons?" And so we have to have "great charity," and put on an ARTIFICIAL FRONT, and be DECEPTIVE! Oh, I know. I've traveled. I've been all around the world, and all over Europe a couple times. I know a lot of business about it...I know it. I'm very observing. I see things. I notice things. I'm not critical. I just notice. A person, a grown person, who has understood children, you don't think he's critical because he says, "Look out! The baby's going to fall!?" No. He KNOWS it's going to fall and probably knows it's going to fall twelve more times. "Oh, you're so superior!!" Is any PARENT "so superior" because he knows what ailes the young one?! How many think he's so SUPERIOR? It hasn't anything to do about being superior! He has GROWN a little bit, that he knows how the child will do.

2. Oh, this morning, that was so lovely, to have God just BREAK THROUGH. I'm so interested when they sang, "The Lion of Judah sahl1 break every thing..." How many know the Lion of Judah broke thru here, this morning, how? As a DOVE. But how many know the DOVE is still the Lion of Judah? Well, if he's the real Lion of Judah, does He have to come in and, "ROOOOARRRRR!" No. How many know the Lion of Judah can come in like a DOVE? Just like that. How many felt a dove fluttering over you this morning? Come on, put up your hand. Those who were late, you missed a lovely, sweet, manifestation of the Spirit. I warn you, try to get in when you can. We had just a few minutes of real heaven here, for just a few minutes, didn't we? Nobody MADE it. Nobody PROVOKED it. It was the song, and the lift of your hearts that did it. So we stood and sang, "Holy, holy, holy," why I felt I could sing it all morning if I let loose! I could have gone out of here under the trees and sung that for about an hour. And NOT got tired at all. Why? Because we were caught up, just for the minute; He doesn't stay too long, there's so many other things to be done, that He isn't needed in, that He just retires. But He says, "I'm going to get in there fly sometimes when there's nobody around and bless them a little." And so He steals in when nobody knows it, and gives them a BLESSING. Did you see that or didn't you? Sure you did. Just moved over us like that. Nobody TELLING us to worship the Lord. You CAN'T automatically WORSHIP THE LORD. You may PRAISE Him and you may PRAY, BUT YOU CANNOT AUTOMATICALLY WORSHIP HIM! WORSHIP is birthed of the Sprit. Real worship is BORN of the Sprit, it is not born automatically by saying, "Now we will ALL worship the Lord!" No... you will PRAISE Him. Did you ever notice those THREE DEGREES? When you are in PRAYER, you are occupied with the THING which you are praying about. Perhaps a NEED. Do you get it? In prayer, you are occupied with THINGS, the NEED, THE SICKNESS, or whatever under heavens that you are praying about! You are contacting two things. You are contacting GOD thru prayer because of this condition. You are CONDITION CONSCIOUS. And prayer MOVES in that field. It should! Now let us have the prayer ANSWERED! Let us have the prayer ANSWERED. And as the prayer is answered, as respectable people, we return our THANKS. And so we thank God. What do you do? "Oh God, we THANK YOU, we praise You...FOR!" Now you've stuck a "for" in there! How many get it or don't you? Now you've stuck the word, "for." "I am praising you and thanking You FOR...what?" "All the things which You've done!" How many see you are still conscious of the THING? Do you get that or don't you?!!! Can't you analyse anything? Oh, dear Lord, help me! How many of you can THINK! Now just try to think a minute! It won't hurt you; it won't hurt your heads a bit! Now listen. Get these three levels. Well, I want to help you with something. I wish you could see it. Get these three levels.

Now here, in prayer, you are occupied with things, which is RIGHT! That is RIGHT! We pray about THINGS, CONDITIONS, PEOPLE! Situations. All right, that's fine. Now we move up here, this is PRAISE. This is thanksgiving. Now, we are approaching God in thanksgiving and praise FOR what He's answered HERE. Do you get that? Even in PRAISE you are occupied with the thanks FOR WHAT HE HAS DONE! "I thank You for saving my soul!" Sure! "Glory to God, He saved my soul!" That isn't worship yet. That's THANKSGIVING; that's PRAISE. That's thanksgiving. That's praise. Because it comes from your heart in all sincerity. But it still carries with it the flavor of this. You are thanking Him FOR. Now it takes the Spirit to move us from this to this, and from this up into this RARE PLACE. People don't get there very often. I'm always very happy when the Holy Spirit will lift me in Spirit, into this third degree. What is that? That's of place of WORSHIP AND ADORATION. And when in the Holy Spirit, you WORSHIP God in Spirit and in Truth, in REAL WORSHIP, what you call "worship and adoration," how many know, you are NOT conscious of things? Now come on, own up! I'd just like to see how many people know that! Well why? Because worship isn't that. Praise is that! And thanksgiving! If you want to stand up and say, "I PRAISE you O God!," that's good, but that isn't WORSHIP and ADORATION yet! Because WORSHIP AND ADORATION, that pure essence of what FLOWS BACK AGAIN TO THE HEART OF GOD is gendured of the SPIRIT. It is BORN of the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit will catch us up sometimes and bring us into that place. Do you know the words...just about the only thing you can say? Is what? "Glory...glory...glory..." You want to say, "I thank you for paying the last bill Lord!" How many know you're NOT automobile conscious? No. How many know you wouldn't know there is such a thing in the world? No. But just about all that people can say is, "Holy...holy...glory...glory..." And how many know that when the Spirit come on you, He says something through you that you can't say in English? Or didn't you know that? Yes, He does. Now that's WORSHIP. That's ADORATION. That has to be BORN of the Spirit. So don't DECEIVE yourself, and don't try to make yourself come into that place, when it's HERE. In my own heart, now personally, I know a difference, because I've been in these things for so many years. I found out these fields, these regions, these realms, the LAW that moves in them; I KNOW them. I know them. There are laws that govern all of this. But if you don't know it, you go haphazard. Now, listen dear. You won't go to hell for it. No. You'll all go to heaven now, and play on harps. Get your harp out. But I'll tell you something. You can sit in heaven with a harp on your lap, and NOT know alot of things we should know. Sure. THIS is the place for our training and our education, and our schooling. What's God going to do? He's going to yet BRING US BACK TO HIS ORIGINAL DESIGN AND PURPOSE. Man was made, created, brought forth, put thru this great, strange phase of life in time and sense; he was pushed out into this thing for what? GOD'S GLORY!!! If you think you've been saved and filled with the Spirit to HELP GOD somewhere, you've just got off on the wrong angle. None of us are so indispensable. We were MADE FOR THE GLORY OF GOD. We were made that WE SHOULD COMEBACK AGAIN TO OUR ORIGINAL PATTERN, which is the ADORATION and the WORSHIP at the WONDER OF GOD.

3. You watch Paul in the development of his moving in God, as he shows it in his epistles and writings. You notice something? How many know he doesn't write Ephesians before he does ROMANS? How many know he doesn't? Oh, dear. How many can HEAR me? Good! I forget all about this YOKE stuff. (microphone) I've heard this morning that this thing is broken and I said, "Oh good! That's scriptural!" I did. I said, "Thank the Lord, that's scriptural! He has broken the yoke!" "Oh," I thought, "isn't that good!" I sat down and said, "Thank God, that thing is busted!" And I thought, "Well, He has broken the yoke!" And behold you, this dear soul, went and "spoiled it" and went and taped the thing all over, and now I've got the yoke on again. I'll get into my message in a minute, but how many are getting anything out of this, even this spasmodic thing? It's just a kind of a spasmodic something that happens. That's the way I like to be. I am very informal. I can't stand WRITING a sermon, and preaching it! "From toe to toe! And verse to verse! And then the POINT that follows this, will be that! And then after great swing up here..." How many would like to hear me preach once? Oh, brother, you'd all go crazy! Wouldn't it be something? Can you imagine me preaching? "With this

"lovely TONE! That you know they have BROTHER!...And then they swing down again... to this pitch...and it says, how much ARE eggs a DOZEN...and I said they are 5 cents a dozen!!!..." Oh, I'm so glad that you lovely people will let me please be loose! You wouldn't want me to do that, would you, really? No, I don't think you would. No. Wouldn't that be terrific if I got up here and preached, about, "WORSHIP!!!" And the people all go this way. And "I can go up HIGHER!!! And strike a HOMERUN LIKE THAT!!!" And then they all say...and then they"come to"...isn't it awful? Oh, I say, "Dear Lord, don't ever let me get into one of things." How many know we've got alot of them running all over the world? Well, who wants to do that? "Oh, be a great preacher!!" Well, who'd want to be that! I just want to TALK to people. And even in the largest meetings, I only just talk to them. I had meetings all over Europe. I had meetings with Petrice in Stockholm. Remember what a great, big tabernacle that is? How many does that hold? Five thousand or six thousand people? I had meetings with them, and can you imagine with them, and can you imagine me being loose there? And..."did I SHOUT to those people!!! The eternal judgment of God!!!" No, I didn't at all. I didn't at all. I just stood as simple as I do now. And I'll tell you something. They LOVED what I had. They really did. They loved it. Well, you see, there are so many funny PATTERNS that have crept into what we call Pentecost. No. I love you this morning because you're my precious sheep. I love you because you let me talk to you. I'm not preaching AT you. The sheep are cuguled about half the time, but they're not FED. How many know it? I like to talk to alot of ministers, but they never let me loose on ministers and young people. They always want the "sedate" group...how many know I might get somewhere with some young folks? How many know I might help some preachers once in awhile too? But it's always NICE, you know to escape all of that. Oh, oh. If you could only get into the field of MOTIVATION. I go to young preachers and speak with them. Sometimes they invite me. I say, "Now look here boys. You're going out. You're going into what we call 'the ministry.' 'To the work, to the work!' And you're going to be a wonderful, flaming, power. And I just want to tell you one or two little things. Now when you do what you call this magnificent preaching, that will terrify anyone! Be careful about this. WHERE did you get the message? And under what SPIRIT are you moving? Is the message really OF GOD? God breathed. And is it ministered in the power of the Spirit of God, or YOUR Spirit? Now sometimes a message is nothing but a REFLEX of what's going on in the person's HEART." And he gets IT OUT ON HIS PEOPLE! Do you know that or don't you know that? Now I'm going to get to the analysis to some things here. Now some of you don't know that, and God bless you if you don't. You won't have lie awake thinking about it. Just go right to bed and go to sleep. But some of us have to lie awake nights in distress because of that very thing. Because of it. I've heard men preach, speak, when after all, it was a REFLEX of the conviction of which was in his own heart. And he's annoyed by it! Disturbed by it! And so he gets it out by thrashing it on somebody else! How many can see that or can't you get that? I'm EXPOSING some things. So all the rest of you just sing, "In the sweet bye and bye, ..." and get blessed! I'm not out blessing anybody. I'm not out blessing anybody. I want people to know a thing or two. I want them to be able to sense things. To see things, to discern things. To MOVE WITH GOD. I told those lads; I've taught Bible college and I've had students training for years, years, and years. I always warn them, "Now, be careful of that. Because if you are NOT careful, you will be trying to preach the burden, the conviction, the disturbance that's in you; you're trying to get rid of it by preaching it out and throwing it on somebody else! How many know that's very possible? That's very possible. But they won't let me talk to a bunch of preachers. I have to tell alot of folks that DON'T PREACH. So I'll tell you so that you'll know. These people that have an "itch" to preach. An itch to do. I can't feature that at all. Preaching and teaching is the last thing on God's earth that I would ever do. The LAST thing! I never had a yen for any of it! And yet He has to paralyse me and puts me out. He says, "Hang on your crucifix for awhile, and go out and do that." So I have to go out and hang on a crucifix for a week or two, why? So that DEATH in Follette...DEATH, ...DEATH!!! IN FOLLETTE!!! FOLLETTE'S DEATH!!! Can bring LIFE in somebody else. Isn't that right? Paul say, "Death worketh in me, but it is making LIFE in you." You get it or don't you? You get it or don't you. DEATH in me, but LIFE in you. Well, that's the

way it is.

4. Now, always remember this. PRAYER, occupied with the things, legitimate and right. PRAISE...we are now praising Him, but we're praising Him FOR, we revert back again. We thank Him, FOR. Do you get it or don't you? You'll still in connection. But when you get up in here, WORSHIP hasn't anything to do with THINGS, and it isn't PRAYER. Worship is born of the Spirit. It's God possessing the instrument. Becoming ONE with you, so that the Holy Spirit would like to bring the worship, and the adoration, and the praise BACK TO GOD, He brings it back WITH YOU AND THROUGH YOU. He actually does. He CATCHES you up, and there you are. Now, personally with me, I'm an artist; I paint, and I've had some of my paintings even in galleries. What do you think? I'm a Pentecostal too. I don't tell Pentecostal that because then they think that I'm "in the flesh." But I know COLOR. It is one of the most wonderful manifestations of God. Now, music and even in the realm of the Spirit, God uses COLOR. There's color. There's TEXTURE in Spirit. Now whenever I get up in here, it's an intense brilliantcy in YELLOW. It's all yellow, it has a most...not a brilliancy which is dazzling, but a brilliancy which is penetrating, but not...how can I tell something that is in the Spirit, in the flesh? Will somebody help me to explain something I know HERE, down HERE. I can't. It's awfully hard. But I can't...there's color in it. In REAL WORSHIP, there's color in it; there's texture. Now that isn't when I get in a real THANKSGIVING. "And I praise you Oh God, and I praise You." But I'm still conscious for what I'm praising Him FOR. But never HERE. That's why we get very little WORSHIP in Pentecost. Very little. It is very RARELY that you get a touch of real worship. Very rarely. You get this which is MADE, but it is not GOD BORN, it is not SPIRIT, it's not born of the Spirit. You WILL get a reaction from it, I'm not saying but that you will. But don't deceive your heart to think that that...no, no, no. The Spirit has so many things that he would like to do and like to say. But you see, we cramp Him and we hinder Him, because of TRADITIONAL PATTERNS which come. And bye and bye we get into a TRADITIONAL PATTERN, and away goes the THOUGHT AND THE THING THAT GOD WANTS. That goes just out of the window.
5. I remember there were three things about the work of the Spirit when He first moved, before it was CHANNELED in any kind of a thing. That's why I WARN people, "Don't pray TOO hard for a REAL outpouring of the Spirit." I don't. I say, "Keep it up there, Lord!" He says, "I am!" How many know He's keeping it up there, or didn't you know it? Sure He is! Well, why? If God dared to bring a real pouring of the Spirit, do you know that in 6 months, somebody would have it all CHANNELED!? And labeled, and named! Or don't you know that? Well, read history. You don't have to read too far back to find it. It's CHANNELED. It has it's PATTERN. It has it's DESIGN. It has IT'S...IT'S MAIN OBJECTIVE...but NOT God's! It's RELIGIOUS!! Horribly RELIGIOUS! TERRIFYINGLY RELIGIOUS!!! But the Spirit has LIFTED. It's LIFTED. He lets you move along with it. Of course. Why shouldn't He? Why shouldn't He? But you see, in that beginning, there was a SPONTANEITY in the Spirit, and ORIGINALITY in the Spirit. ALL those things were in the Spirit. Something ORIGINAL AND FRESH. NOT something which had been "handled" for the last twelve to fifteen years, and got so that NOW it has it's "label." No. Just something DIFFERENT, something ORIGINAL, something FRESH. NO design. We have a little Quaker group home, who worship in the public library. They make a little announcement in our weekly paper; little country paper, comes down every week, very interesting. And it says, "Dutch Reform Church," and they have a big program about this long. And the Methodists, they have a church, and that has a program. And the Episcopal Church proper, has a program. The Catholics with masses about that long. And it comes to "the Friends," and they have a little ad about this big, "The Friends will meet at the public library, nine o'clock. Service unprogrammed." Isn't that nice? Oh, I just love that! The service unprogrammed. I could just love things like that. Why? Well, occassionally they give the Lord a chance at something! But He can't "squeeze" in very often. He got in here this morning, before anything happened. He says, "Now bless you, I'm going away for a little while." And I always ask Him when He goes like that; when He comes and blesses and refreshed me, and then He runs away for weeks, How would you like to walk, never "knowing" there was a God on earth for a few months?

How would you like that? Well, He can't TRUST YOU with it yet. You may come to it. But I know He's around. And I'd say, "Dear Lord. You were so present. And now I have to walk just in the QUIETNESS OF FAITH, IN ABSOLUTE DARKNESS, BUT QUIETNESS OF FAITH. Where are You, Lord?" Do you know what came to me? This. It's "strange," but it CAME to me right away. "Didn't you pray that I would go to China and bless the people in the foreign countries?" Yes. Well, He says, "That's where I am." So you know, just when I thought He ought to be by me, I have to stop and think, "Oh no, Lord. I prayed that You'd go to China, and that's where 'You are.'" How many ever felt as if He were in China when you wanted Him in the worst way? Well, the next time when you want Him in the worst way, remember some of the prayers that you've made. When you said, "Bless the dear heathen! And Bless the missionaries!" You know, it is kind of pathetic, and if you cry a little, it makes it "more better," you know. And when He don't appear, always say, "well, dear Lord, I guess You're in China." That's right. How many know He "goes to China?"

6. So you see, after you live a hundred years...I don't know how old I am...I feel as if I've live a thousand...you GET USED to things. You get used to how He runs the thing. How it MOVES. You don't get agitated, upset, and backslidden, and "lose the annointings, and all that. They talk about "losing the annointing," and I've seen very few people who have HAD what I would call an "annointing." You can't LOSE something you don't HAVE. So don't worry. No, you can't. So, there will be ORIGINALITY in God; He can do all kinds of things, if He could only have a chance at it. There was SPONTANEITY. All those things belong in there. All of those things...HE WANTS IT NOW IN THE HEARTS AND LIVES OF EVERY ONE OF US! That's what He would LIKE. Would you just EXPOSE YOURSELF long enough to Him so He could do that? Just EXPOSE yourself long enough so He could do it. He WOULD. He would LIKE to. NOT, "Oh Lord, bless me!" He'll BLESS YOU without thinking about it! You say, "Do you get blessed?" I say, "I don't know when I've gotten down on the floor, and said, 'Oh Lord, bless me!'" I don't DO things like that. I get blessed anyway, walking around with it. It's not a SPECIFIC thing. It's a LIFE. That WHOLE LIFE is a blessing to me. You're BLESSED of God in the deepest TRIALS. Yeah, you're blessed in THAT; that's the blessing that He's bringing. It's all cultural, its' all to an END. But we have to LEARN those things. We have to LEARN. And we have to be very PATIENT. We can't FORCE God. We many "frighten" the Spirit away. Be advised, He's FAITHFUL. You can GRIEVE Him, and you can FRIGHTEN Him, but after all, He loves us so that He comes right on back again to work. Right on back to work.
7. I want to talk just a little while this morning...,you say, "Are you really?" I say, "I expect to." But even if I don't, it's not going to worry me. I'm not going to get under bondage to it. I won't. A man ask me to speak of this book, this is one of my books, this is "Broken Bread." It's a combination of three devotional books I wrote a number of years ago. I published a little book, "Broken Bread," and other one "Fruit of the Land," and another one, "Old Corn." Those are combined in this plus some other material. I have some poems in here that do not appear in my other books. So if you want this book, you may have it by speaking to Brother Jones at the desk, and leaving your name and order. And we have ordered from Springfield, a number to come, and we're praying God will sort of wake them up and bring them along before the camp is over. We're expecting they'll come this week, that they who have ordered them will have them to take home. And if they do not come they will be sent to you. So don't be too disturbed. And if you enjoy what we have; are you enjoying the messages that we bring you? Do they help? If so, you'll find a number of them in here. I don't know that you'll find any that I've given, exactly, but you'll find the general line of Truth that I'm trying to bring to you.
8. Now our precious Lord, we are here with this wonderful Word. And we are asking You just now, that Thou would straighten out our thinking; quiet our hearts. And open us to Thee, and expose our hearts to Thee, and to the Word, that we may receive what is GOOD. What is adequate. You'll have to break it into so many pieces, we know, and we won't be too disturbed about it, but break it into just as many pieces as you see good, so

that each one will receive his portion. For Jesus'sake. Amen.

9. I'm dealing with this question of NATURE and CHARACTER. And I won't review that too much because I gave that yesterday. But some of you were not here. If you're going to at all be serious with God in the building of your life in Him; if you're Spiritually minded enough for that, and have lost track of heaven being your OBJECTIVE...heaven is NEVER an objective. Heaven is a DESTINY. You must always keep these two points where they belong. A destiny is one thing. An objective is quite another. I'll open that maybe another day. Never confuse them. Well, if you have become...there is a re-orientation taking place in your heart and life so that you become centered in Him, then your FOCUS will be different than what had been, and you OBJECTIVE. You NATURE, this Divine NATURE, of which we are partakers is absolutely a GIFT OF GOD. You can't earn it, you can't buy it, you may RECEIVE it. You receive it upon the repentance and confession of your sin and your need, and you reach out your little hand of faith, and God GIVES you salvation. He will give you a NEW NATURE. Now that's the GIFT of God, the NATURE. There is a FUNDAMENT OF BEING involved in that. After He gives you all this, He desires a PROCESS of building the Christian character in you, which will resemble that of CHRIST. So, he calls it, conforming us to the image and likeness of Christ. Well, what does that mean? To CONFORM us to the IMAGE AND LIKENESS of Christ, is to BUILD, in everyone of us, a CHARACTER WHICH WILL BE CHRIST-LIKE! THAT is the thing which will bear the image and likeness of God. Just as much as He can find A PLACE IN US TO REFLECT THAT. To make us the media, MEDIUMS expressing it. A CHANNEL for its' life. An INSTRUMENT for the power of the life of God to flow; that's what he wants. Why? Well, because it isn't just, "I am saved and I'm going to heaven!" That's very LIMITED. We are saved...we're going on to heaven, now. Let's keep that in mind, we'll GO on to heaven. But in the interim between here AND heaven, is where God is LAYING THE EMPHASIS. To take hold of us as Spiritual beings, responsive and able to act and react in Him. Seeing that, He say, "I'd like to get ahold of you. I want to POSSESS you. Here's the Holy Spirit. I want to bring a CONFORMING, a changing, a remodeling, READJUSTING, in every department of your life, making you in ACTUALITY, what POTENTIALLY YOU ARE. POTENTIALLY, you are a NEW CREATURE IN CHRIST! But ACTUALLY, that new creature has not come into it's fullness of evolution and growth. THAT has to take place HERE AND NOW...under a LAW which will cause it. THE LAW OF TESTING AND PROVING will do it. No GIFT can do it. You may receive LIFE, you may become a PARTAKER of it, and you have the Divine NATURE. You can receive that at an altar, anytime you'll seeking God, you can have that. That's a GIFT. But you can't come back to the altar and say, "Oh Lord, I would like to be a DEVELOPED Christian, in a miracle, or a day." No. We are ALL IN THE PROCESS. I've been moving around in this special field for over 50 years. Do you think I'm anywhere near any kind of a perfection? Well, my gracious Child! No.. .no, no, no. No. We don't get that in a minute. That's a LIFE PROCESS. A life process. A PROCESS OF BECOMING. Now, POTENTIALLY, He says alot about it. POTENTIALLY. But we start with that POTENTIAL. A babe in Christ. How many know that a babe in Christ is not a MATURED SAINT? NO, he isn't, he is still a babe in Christ. Now, keep this in mind so you won't be upset. NO ONE EXPERIENCE, I don't care how profound, and moving and wonderful it may be,...NO EXPERIENCE that you go through with God in a service, or a day, NO ONE EXPERIENCE WILL DEVELOPMENT YOU! The EXPERIENCE is the CRISIS that God brings you up to in the Spirit and in your living. He will bring you through a long series, perhaps. And here is a CRISIS. Now, the CRISIS in ITSELF never MATURES you! You are MATURED by the passing through the crisis, and ALLOWING THE HOLY SPIRIT TO WORK IN YOU what the CRISIS SPELLED! What it SAID. And the crisis is always a lovely VISION of something FOR YOU. But the capturing of that vision, and the consent to it, that doesn't YET bring it to pass. He has to take TIME, by the power of the Spirit, and YOUR intelligent and Spiritual COOPERATION, that He makes us to GROW. How many get that or don't you? Now some NOT knowing that are confused and frustrated in their experience. And they go to the altar and cry and pound on the chairs, and fast, and do all sorts of fantastic things, when you don't need to do that. That isn't...that's not going to BRING it. It is LIFE that will bring it. Experience that will bring it. A

CONTINUAL SURRENDER TO GOD will bring that. You GROW. The baby must GROW to become a MAN. He can't become a man until He goes through a PROCESS, a natural PROCESS of GROWTH, and he comes into his manhood. So it is with us. So remember that the NATURE which He gives you is a GIFT. The CHARACTER which He hopes to develop in every one of us, is NOT a gift. It is what He is able to work in us and through us by His Spirit. CHARACTER is BUILT! NOT given! CHARACTER IS BUILT. CROWNS are not passed out in heaven as souvenirs. Crowns are WON. You win them. Well, then somebody says, "Is that 'works.'" No. Not at all. That isn't earning salvation. But there is everything that you get past salvation; you will EARN it. Salvation is a GIFT. But I tell you, the overcoming life is NOT a gift. You EARN it. How? By this intensive TESTING AND PROVING, and discipline. And if you will subject yourself to it, I warrant you before God, I will warrant you, I will GUARANTEE it...because it's in the Word of God, that if you dare to subject yourself to that, God will MEET YOU. He will certainly MEET you. And you will find a CHANGE, A GROWTH, A MATURING, and it'll mean a little ADJUSTMENT, but PAY THE PRICE for that adjustment and come along.

10. Now here, I gave you the text, that I want to work from that will give a definition, a DESCRIPTIVE DEFINITION, not one, technically, scientifically a definition, because I'm very afraid of them. I've taught for years, but I'm always afraid of the idea of definition. Now that cramps you down. That makes the thing entirely too specific. We said yesterday, how many think you could get a real definition of God? Would you like to try it? We have one which we use to accommodate us. But we are FINITE. There is nothing that is finite that could express perfectly, or describe INFINITY. You can't. You can't. You can't. We are too finite. So I don't like definitions, because they are too binding. I like a definition if it is DESCRIPTIVE. That's gives me latitude and liberty, and a freer field for my venturing in Spirit. Now this little text that I have given you is a descriptive definition of this character which God wants to build in every one of us. He is BUILDING it. It has THREE characteristic MARKS. These are the marks which we will find in evidence when He starts building in you and in building in me. "But God has NOT given us the spirit of FEAR..." Now that's negative; we put that away. God is not the author of FEAR. We found yesterday, FEAR is not in the vocabulary of one of God's real children. Doesn't belong with us. It's a HANG-OVER of sin and disobedience. You do't find FEAR, until AFTER Adam has failed God absolutely! And, in his CONFESSION, of his sin and failure, he says, "I was afraid." Do you get it or don't you? Now that "fear thing" is always the hang-over of the disobedience. Now that doesn't mean that often, because there is a spirit of fear that might haunt us, that it's due to the fact that "I've stolen a pig!" No. You may be very far on in God, from stealing pigs, and yet, be conscious of a great FEAR. How many know, "fear hath torment?" I've been tormented of the Devil through fear, more than ACTUAL things. Fear hath torment. But He says, "Now when you come into this new order..." I'm working from the premise that you are Christians moving into God. I'm not an evangelist trying to get any of you saved or filled with the Spirit. I want you to please get that all done! Please. Please, please get that done. Then I can work with you. I can't fool around now, going back and going over that ground. I want that all taken care of, in your experience so far. Then I can take you. How many sense what I mean? I'm not doing that. I want somebody to do that work. I'm not an evangelist, I'm not a preacher. I would LOVE to be a teacher. I can hardly say that, but I'd love to be if God would give me a choice. I would say, "I prefer to be a teacher." But I don't know teachers. I would like to see a REAL teacher. I meet people who give Bible lessons! I meet people who can give Bible readings! And can do wonderful things in what we call Bible study. I do that. But I want a teacher. How many have done your "homework," that I asked you to do the other day? Have you been doing your homework? I asked you a question; you'll have to help me with it. You see, I get stuck once in awhile and I want you to help me. When He placed in that church, in that early day, that early age, that little beginning church at Pentecost...when He organized and put that church into its form, He says He placed in the church, "Apostles, prophets, preachers, evangelists, teachers..." Oh! Teachers? Teachers in that little church? Now listen. Now listen. If He had teachers in that little early, lovely group of consecrated Spirits; the first little cells and members of the mystical Body of Christ, which has projected

itself down thru two thousand years. In the beginning of the forming of the Body, He says He placed in it, "...teachers." Now this is the EARLY church. What were they teaching when they didn't even have a BIBLE? "Well...I never thought of that..." Well, THINK. Please. You get around me, you got to think a little. I don't "like" people that don't think. I like to deal with people that think. This Bible had not been compiled! The letters had not yet been WRITTEN. Paul hadn't even been CONVERTED! But He had placed TEACHERS in that little group. Do you think one of them could have gotten up and given a Bible reading on Ephesians? Well, the Word hadn't been written. All they had were the old scrolls of the OT. Not a THING of the NT had been written in that early church. They were just beginning to gather some of the letters of PAUL. Now I want to know, what do you think they were teaching? Well, He says, "I'm placing the teachers in the church, but they won't function until about two thousand years from now!" Oh...that's ridiculous! That's ridiculous. No, He placed TEACHERS in that little, early, community for a TEACHING ministry. Not evangelists. Not pastors. Not preachers. Not prophets. TEACHERS. Well, then WHAT was their vocation? Well, in the "millenium" I'm going to have Bible classes, and I will explain it to you! That'll be lovely. I'll tell you what it is, because I think God told me. I think He showed me, because I was much concerned; I was rather vexed, because when I'm announced in most places, they say, "...and our EVANGELIST is with us, the Rev. John follette." I'm NOT an evangelist! I'm not a PREACHER! "But to call a PREACHER!!!!" Uh haaa! Haaa Hummmm!" I'm not a preacher. I would LIKE to be a teacher. How many think there's a little teaching ministry LEFT in me somewhere? Do you feel that? How many feel that? There's a TEACHING...it's IN me; I'm BORN TO IT. I discovered it. So I said to the Lord, "Lord tell me, how does this go?" I talk to Him because He's REAL to me. I'm not FLIPPANT with the Lord, but I'm FAMILIAR with Him. Is there is DIFFERENCE? Sure. I talk to Him, I just say, "Lord. Show me how this goes...it looks like that was probably this; HOW is that anyway?" Do you think He comes right down and BANG!, tells me? No. He says, "THINK about it a little more." It has to go on maybe two, three months, and I come back to Him, and say, "Now Lord, how does this go?" Then finally He tells you. You have to be very patient. We don't...the Lord and I don't live in a "push-button, gadget," experience! "Telephone isn't ringing...Lord, tell me! Lord answer my prayer!" Oh, dear....don't drag that technique over into the SPIRIT. IT WON'T WORK! It doesn't WORK, because it's ANOTHER REALM. Absolutely.

11. So, for your "homework," keep working on that. What in the world do you think they were TEACHING? When they didn't have the Bible? They have the Old Testament. How many would like to know? Would you? Well, I'll tell you, you ask the Lord...and probably He will tell you! You say, "You miserable thing, you just tease us all the time, and leave us hanging in the air all the while!" NO..."fall," and you'll strike "bottom!" You go a little ways before you "strike bottom," that's the terrible thing! But you'll strike bottom; you'll FIND it! Now here is this DEFINITION. He has not given us FEAR, that's out of the picture. But this is what He has given us, in it's perfection, in CHRIST. Because ALL THAT WE HAVE IS IN HIM. His RIGHTEOUSNESS is mine; every feature that belongs to me in my new order, how many know, it IN HIM? It's all IN HIM. Every thing I ever have or HOPE TO HAVE is all in this wonderful, adorable Christ. And the more you SEE Him, the more you KNOW Him, the more you LOVE Him, the more you'll SEE that Truth! PAUL saw it so perfectly. NOT in the first day. He had to learn it. "In ME...in my FLESH concept, in the NATURAL disposition. In this creation in which I am involved now... ..in THIS DWELLETH NO GOOD THING! But it IS in my NEW creation. And if I DARE, I may DETACH MYSELF from this thing which I think I AM, into the thing which YOU REALLY ARE." This morning, in the sight of God, you and I are BEAUTIFUL SPIRITS. NEW CREATIONS IN CHRIST JESUS. The thing that He SEES about us...He's not looking to see what kind of ears or how you comb your hair; He's not looking at THAT! He isn't even looking at how much YOU KNOW or DON'T KNOW; how much you FEEL, "HOOOHO," or you DON'T FEEL! He isn't CONCERNED with it at all. He never comes down and says, "When did you get blessed last?!" That's ridiculous! I was in a meeting...been in them, where the man would jump out at you and say, "Everybody HAPPYYYYY!!!!!!?" I say, "None of your BUSINESS. My EMOTIONAL life is not to be REGISTERED! You tell me something about GOD! I've come here not to tell you how I FEEL!" Don't you think those things are "funny?" I DO. I think they're

very STRANGE! Everybody HAPPY!? It isn't HIS BUSINESS, whether I'm "happy," or depressed, or WHAT!!!! HIS BUSINESS IS TO TELL ME ABOUT GOD!!! AND I'M GOD-HUNGRY!!! I WANT TO KNOW GOD!!! I WANT TO KNOW TRUTH!!! I WANT TO KNOW HOW TO GET THROUGH THIS THING INTO THE REALITY GOD HAS!!! I don't have to sit and tell him how I FEEL! I don't know, I don't LIVE with half the folks that are around; I CAN'T live with them. They're IMPOSSIBLE!! Actually, they're just IMPOSSIBLE! I want to say, "Where in the heavens have you lived in the last hundred years? Have you ever touched GOD!?" "OH YES!!! Glory to God!!! HOOOOOOO!!!!" I say, "Sit STILL a minute! Have you FOUND HIM?" "...Yeah!..???" I said, "I 'thought' so!" How many get it or don't you? Horrible condition...horrible condition. No. He's not going to give us a register now on our emotions, but He does tell us something, that IN CHRIST, in all of it's FULLNESS, we find ALL OF THESE REQUISETS. Everything REQUIRED to MAKE this lovely, glorious, thing that GOD WANTS; we find it IN HIM, in HIS PERFECTION. And so, we are ACCEPTED IN HIM, then He takes the FUNDAMENT OF OUR BEING and begins to do what? CONFORM US TO THE IMAGE AND THE LIKENESS OF HIS SON! Well, now, what are the WORDS that describe this "strange" creature that He's trying to make? What do you have; what is the first requirement? Well, we said yesterday, if you don't like the arrangement, you'll have to take up with it. If you want to make the arrangement, "He has given us LOVE, AND POWER..." No, no no, no, no! Now you've spoiled it! He has given us, "...POWER, He has given us a Spirit of LOVE, and of a SOUND MIND." Well, get that CLEAR. As I said yesterday, Please, don't get that mixed up with PRAYING FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE DEMENTED! This scripture verse hasn't anything to do with folks that are mentally disturbed or "crazy," or "crackpots," or whatever you call them. It hasn't anything to do with that at all! but people have USED this verse, in their ignorance, of course, to have some body healed of mental disturbances by saying, "Oh Lord! You tell us right there that You have NOT GIVEN US a Spirit of fear!! But You have given us a SOUND MIND! And now I take it of You that this SOUND MIND SHALL BE MANIFEST..." How many ever heard people PRAY all of that thing? Now that's all right...put up your hands! Don' be ashamed of it! Yes. People have PRAYED it. You have given us a SOUND MIND, and I take it of You that I shall have MY SHARE of it!" Well LISTEN! It hasn't anything to do with a SOUND MIND! It's a MILITARY TERM. Get your Greek text out, and you're lexicon. It's a MILITARY TERM, which means, "A DISCIPLINED SPIRIT." Why? It's used in the "military term," because it spells what is "becoming" the officer who is thus disciplined to help the the soldiers to BECOME disciplined. Do you get it? It's a military term. Hasn't anything to do with medicine! Now, you'll GET HEALED, not because you've claimed THAT PROMISE! But because YOUR HEART WAS HONEST WITH GOD, and YOUR FAITH MOVED UP TO HIM on a "funny" little verse that you didn't know anything about, and God said, "Now don't bother about the verse, dear. I SEE your NEED, and I SEE your HEART, and I love the FAITH that you're PUSHING UP TOWARD ME." And He HEALS them!! Yeah. He HEALS THEM! And they're HEALED! NOT because THE PROMISE "came through," because the PROMISE didn't have anything to do with it! But because their faith became OPERATIVE. Operative. So that is a military term, really. "Disciplined, for the sake,..." of what? "EXERCISING DISCIPLINE." No officer is SAFE TO GIVE A COMMAND UNTIL HE CAN TAKE ONE! Did you know that? That's right. No officer is able; He's not qualified to give a command, until he can take THE FULLNESS OF A COMMAND! THEN he may be QUALIFIED. It does begin with this word, "POWER." All right. The reason for that is THIS: In the building of this strange, lovely Spiritual BEING that God is after, He wants us to know that we are not making HUMAN PERSONALITY. We are not making HUMAN CHARACTERS AND CREATURES! He's not doing that at all! It's CLEAN off that beam! It's in the REALM OF THE SPIRIT! Where He has taken the FUNDAMENT OF YOUR BEING AND MINE, and placed it here, and He says, "Now, by the OPERATION OF THE SPIRIT, IF you will LET ME, IF YOU WILL LET ME, IF YOU WILL LET ME, IF YOU WILL LET ME, I can TAKE that, whatever it may be, whatever YOU may be, whatever it IS...and you COOPERATE WITH ME INTELLIGENTLY, and IN the Spirit, and I CAN WORK A MIRACLE! I can work a MIRACLE. I can TRANSFORM this strange thing that you are now ATTACHED TO, and many of you are very WEARIED with it, but you don't want anybody to KNOW IT! A lot of people are now UNMASKED inside, and they're PETRIFIED! And the only thing they can do is "keep up the momentum!" Don't DO that! Don't DO that. You are "adding insult to injury!" You are ALREADY INJURED. Don't AGITATE AND BRING

THAT THING TO A TERRIBLE CRISIS! Look at it now, in ALL HONESTY, and God CAN HELP YOU.

12. Now He says, "We're not building a character of this world, out here, for people to look at and admire. We're not building personalities that can take the place in the world!" He says, "We're OUT OF THIS. We're not fussing with this world! We're CREATURES OF AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT REALM! And UNTIL you can get that in your HEARTS AND MINDS, you be still fuddeling around on this LOWER PREMISE!" You'll never get ANYWHERE with it. You will become INTENSELY RELIGIOUS! Wonderful! But THE THING THAT GOD WANTS--YOU HAVE DEFEATED! NOT SIN!!! YOU have defeated it! NOT A THING YOU'VE BEEN DOING....no, no, no, no! You're very "good!" You're HOLY! You're baptised in the Spirit! But you can DEFEAT IT...you can DEFEAT it. What is He saying then? He says, "This...this CREATURE that I am BUILDING is only BUILT under the POWER AND THE DYNAMIC of the SPIRIT OF GOD." And He calls it, "POWER." "I will give you this POWER. This SPIRIT OF POWER." Why? TO BUILD THIS THING THAT HE'S AFTER!! It CANNOT BE BUILT by any kind of a MECHANISM that the MAN can afford! I know all about that psycological stuff; that's NOT the thing! Please drop it! Don't even get INVOLVED in it! I know it! That will NEVER DO IT. Cultural patterns? NO. Reform...NO, no. You can't do with any technique on this level, down HERE at ALL! But He says, "I have given you the Spirit of God. The Holy Spirit. The DYNAMIC OF ALL LIFE!" He says, "It's IN YOUR HEART. And IF YOU WILL COOPERATE WITH HIM, a magnificent thing may happen! I can TRANSFORM AND CHANGE YOU. It will BE a miracle. But it will never BE ACCOMPLISHED, only under the DYNAMIC OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD, for this is a SPIRITUAL ARRANGEMENT we're working in." You may not see much effect of it in TIME AND SENSE, but WHO CARES about that? Haven't you DIED yet to "time and sense?" Well, you won't get FAR, unless that's rubbed completely OUT of you. No, we don't LIVE in time and sense. We're living in this place where God is DISCIPLINING AND TRAINING US. So He says, that...He speaks about it. That He will give us the Spirit; Jesus spoke of it. GOD PROMISED IT. God gave us the prophecies way back in the OT. And so finally, He comes into the NT. I'd like to speak on this text another time, but here's one that's very much ABUSED. "And after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you, YOU SHALL BE MY WITNESSES..." Now WAIT, just a minute. In our own lovely group of Pentecostal people, that text has been most MISUSED AND ABUSED, and even MISUNDERSTOOD. Now the old teaching is, and you've heard it before, we're SAVED! That's good. NOW, get the baptism of the Spirit, and you will have POWER FOR SERVICE! How many of you ever heard that old slogan? "The baptism of the Spirit is the POWER FOR SERVICE!!!" How many ever heard that? NEVER repeat it; PLEASE, sit down! Because that's only a PARTIAL TRUTH. That's just a very, very, simple PARTIAL Truth. He never said ANYWHERE, a thing which you would DO. He did NOT. He did NOT. He says, "And when..." and this is long after you had RECEIVED THE SPIRIT! He BREATHED upon them and they received the Spirit! They were already identified in this group! The Spirit of God was IN them! That's true! He had GIVEN THEM POWER!!! HE HAD GIVEN THEM POWER BEFORE PENTECOST!!!! THEY HAD POWER!!!! And they MINISTERED, and PREACHED, and TAUGHT!! And had MIRACLES!! They did ALL THAT BEFORE PENTECOST CAME! Did you know it or don't you know that? Now own up! Did you that? Then WHY DO YOU SAY, "He gave them the baptism of the Spirit so that they'd have power to go out and DO things!?? HE HAD GIVEN THEM THE SPIRIT OF POWER!!! And they had DEMONSTRATED IT, and had COME BACK!! And SHOWED Him the results! And REPORTED on them! Sure! Then WHY... WHY...do you keep "ringing" on that old thing, because somebody way back there, years ago, got that "lingo" going!? What DID He give them the Holy Spirit FOR, then? It WILL manifest itself, of course, IN you service; nobody quarreling about that at all! We all know that! Any service that is acceptable to God, HAS TO BE WROUGHT IN THE POWER OF HIS SPIRIT! And it will be the SAME SPIRIT! There is only ONE Holy Ghost, but how many of you know, He has a VARIETY OF MANIFESTATIONS!? A VARIETY of ministries! But it's ONE SPIRIT! They ALREADY HAVE the Spirit! What I would call, "a Spirit of Sonship," like we get when we're converted! When we're CONVERTED; how many remember that? How many know that in the OT, NEW BIRTH is never taught? How were they ACCEPTED? How did He bring...have fellowship with those people? They were Jews who were under yet, an OLD ECONOMY. And their acceptance and righteousness depended upon the law of the offerings which they STILL PRACTICED when Jesus was here! You remember that, or didn't you?

Don't you know they took their offerings when Jesus was born? Little thank offering; little dove? Certainly! Those disciples who came in with Him, do you suppose they were a bunch of sinners? No! They were ACCEPTED of God! If they had died, God would have TAKEN them! How? Because they had FAITH in the law of the offering which God had established! That's what He had given to them! THIS is the way back again to God! Go back again to Leviticus. THIS is the way back again to God. Through a LAW OF SACRIFICE and OFFERING. They were ACCEPTED OF GOD on the basis of their FAITH in the offering, and the teaching which had been given them in that OT set-up. But they were NOT born of the Spirit! How many ever heard of the prophets talking about being BORN OF THE SPIRIT? You never heard that. No you didn't. All this is something different. This is something Christ has brought to them. The Holy Spirit has introduced it, and is introducing us INTO that realm. "No!" he said, "You have the Spirit. I've breathed it into you. You have it. You HAVE the power. I have given it to you. And you've gone out and demonstrated it!" But He says, "I'm not talking about power, now, to DO ANYTHING! I'm not talking about that! You go and tarry until you are IMMERSSED, that is, completely IMMERSSED under the POWER AND AUTHORITY of the third member of the Trinity. The Holy Spirit." And what'll happen? "YOU SHALL BECOME UNTO ME MY WITNESS in this earth!" Now GET this. Please! I used to teach school. I love grammar and English, and anything to do with writing and words, and transferring of thought in...I liked it so much. And I liked the grammar, and I liked the study of the words, and the verbs and their actions and their power. What is a verb? Now get it. A VERB is a word which expresses ACTION, or BEING, or STATE OF BEING. Now you remember that! All right, now keep that in mind! I'm going to be a school teacher a minute. That's what a VERB is. A verb may express ACTION, it may express BEING, or a STATE OR PROCESS OF BEING. "And when the Holy Spirit falls upon you in this tarrying place that I want you in... now don't worry about POWER OF DOING. You HAVE IT dear. I have GIVEN it to you. You have ALREADY manifested it. You already have the Spirit dwelling in you. But here is something NEW that I want to divulge to you. The purpose that I have in this age. The PURPOSE that I have in this age; I will divulge it to you. I AM MAKING A WITNESS IN THE WORLD. YOU are to BECOME the charter members, the little cells of the mystical Body, which will project itself down through 2000 years. You are the little charter members. It is not an ORGANIZATION. It is a living, throbbing, mystical, strange Body, that I'm making of all kinds of people from all kinds of places. And YOU SHALL BECOME!!! NOT DO!! He never says a thing they would DO in that verse!! Then why do you harp on it!? You'll never get Pentecost anywhere if you keep on with all that "funny" stuff! Look where Pentecost is today!! Do you think that this is what GOD ever started out with?!!! Well, SIT DOWN!! Do you think I'm a dumb fool!!? I've watched the maneuverings of things!! I know the HOLY SPIRIT too!! This thing they call Pentecost down here, do you think that's what God started out to be? And have? Why it's a MILLION MILES off the beam!! Well why? Because you LIVE UNDER A TRADITION, AND NOT TRUTH!!! You won't HAVE teachers who DARE TO TEACH!! They WOULDN'T! Twenty years ago, how I longed with this burden on me to TELL IT! NO!!!!!! "Follette??? Oh, he's a MYSTIC!!" Well, you don't know what a mystic is anyway, so SIT DOWN! No, you don't!! No, you DON'T!! I've SUFFERED enough for it! And I'm STILL SUFFERING. I bear a burden I wouldn't want to put on one of you! What? For some sinners? I...I pray through on that! I'm burdened for THE BODY OF CHRIST! I'm burdened for the Pentecostal people. I carry that burden day and night! Day and night! To get...I don't expect to salvage very many. You can't. The thing that's got under...the thing that's in now, how under heaven's on God's earth can you...God doesn't do anything with it, so how could some of us poor people bring it? We may SALVAGE some of the WRECKAGE, that's all. We can SALVAGE SOME OF THE WRECKAGE. And give them LIGHT. Say, "Oh Lord. Here's another... Lord, here's another spirit...it has caught LIGHT...the scales of blindness have fallen OFF...Lord, take this choice spirit, in Jesus' name, culture, educate, train, incorporate it." "YE SHALL BECOME, not DO."

13. "Well you say, you don't need to DO...." Now LISTEN! YES! THERE ISN'T ANYONE THAT "BELIEVES" IN WORKS ANYMORE THAN I DO!! But I WANT them in the SPIRIT! I BELIEVE IN WORKS! Absolutely! I wouldn't be here if I didn't! NO, I believe in them. But

I want it in it's ORDER. In GOD. In the SPIRIT. He does not say anything you are going to DO, He says something you will BECOME. Something that you will BECOME. How? Under the DYNAMIC OF THIS SPIRIT, "which I will now IMMERSE you in under it's POWER. I will not destroy you INDIVIDUALLY, I WONT destroy your PERSONALITY CONCEPT AND FUNDAMENT. I won't do that. I want every kind, every one. But it shall be IMMERSED." YOU GO OUT OF SIGHT!!!! YOU GO OUT OF SIGHT!!!! YOU GO OUT OF SIGHT!!!! OUT OF SIGHT!!!! You're not SPRINKLED. If you ever got the real baptism of the Spirit; I don't know what alot of folks have. I don't judge it, I leave that with God. But if you really pay attention to it, you're LOST....you're LOST...your IDENTITY...your MANIFESTATION....all of that potential of YOU, that wants to GET...it's OUT OF SIGHT...it's BURIED...it's BURIED...it's BURIED. He says, "I will IMMERSE you. I will baptise you. In the SPIRIT. And under the power and impact of this dynamic, you shall BECOME unto Me in the world MY WITNESS.

14. I didn't mean to talk about that. Now it's on my mind. Do you care if I tell about some more things? I hope you won't care too much. But I want to show you something. I'll go on with this other thing another time. Will you let me break off of this and go on with what's on my heart? This is on my heart right now. And I want to talk about it. I wish I could put the Truth of this thing in such a indelible fashion that it would leave an impact on every heart, that you won't forget it after this morning. I wish it would go into the heart, that God would make you so...RESTLESS!!RESTLESS!!! TORMENTED WITH IT!!!! TORMENTED!!! So that you can't take it off by doing or having any thing else! I wish He's put a HOOK in some of you!!! A REAL HOOK OF THE SPIRIT!!! He'd say, "Here. Now you STOP this! I'm AFTER you!" I wish He would! So I'm going to talk about something here. He says, "I'm going to make you a WITNESS." Well, I never liked the way that text was presented. And it's been preached AT me and TO me for years. But I always said, "Uh hum...Yes...I'm baptised, and I'm Pentecostal." But I never could take it. Because I felt all the time that they had not gotten any kind of an OVERALL PATTERN about that verse. Why is it that Jesus should say to them at this occassion, "You shall BECOME!" NOT, "you shall DO! Now you're going to DO later! I'll get that 'to the work, to the work!' and all that business. I'll get that later on. Put that away for ten minutes!" He said, "YOU SHALL BECOME UNTO ME!" How many discern a PROCESS, or don't you? How many know, BECOMING is a PROCESS? "It is something I'm going to DO. I'm going to introduce something BRAND NEW. And you shall BECOME A WITNESS in the world unto to ME." All right. "YOU...WITNESS...WORLD...unto Me." Well, I take these things to the Lord. Sometimes it takes a long time before I get any heads or tails to it. But finally, He breaks through. I said, "Lord, you know how I am. I can't deceive You. You know I don't believe about a quarter of the stuff that's peddled." I don't. I don't see eye to eye with alot of them. But people have it because you have a PATTERN dear. And it would be "terrible" if anyone dared to break out of the little pattern! It would be SAD! Just would be SAD! You might lose your name and your reputation, but you see, when you don't HAVE ANY, you aren't scared! I don't have it so I'm not scared! I don't care under heavens what you do. You can hang me out here on the fence if you wanted! You couldn't touch ME! You can take this kind of a wreck that I live in, but you'll never touch me! I don't belong to anything that I have to give any kind of a report to in any way. I couldn't! I couldn't live in it! I couldn't! God KNOWS that. He's never ASKED me to. But people who are involved in it, it's very difficult for them to get any kind of life, or light, or liberty in God. Because the thing HOLDS. You wouldn't lose your standing, your name, your reputation. Well, that's supposed to be down under HERE, somewhere, BURIED. Ha. BURIED!! That thing should have been BURIED long ago! So I said, "Tell me about this witness. What do You mean when You said, 'You shall become my witness.'?" Well, maybe in two minutes I can show you, but I'd like about two hours, but I can't have that long. But I'd like it. To get any of it at all.

15. Now he said, "Listen..Not only in this question of the baptism of the Spirit, but in any doctrinal question. Say you had a teaching on prayer, teaching on the baptism, any of those. He says, "Now listen. Never try to interpret it from any ONE LOCAL TEXT.

And build your theory and all that you have from a LOCAL TEXT. No matter how charming, how profound it may be," He says, "You can't do it that way. You must always get back here for some prospective." So many times, when I am busy with a thing like that, God says, "Come here. Come here. You come with Me." And I become DETACHED. Now He says, "Come over here." And in the Spirit, I move way over here with Him. He says, "Do you SEE? Now look!" Oh....I wish people could look...I wish people could look. You're too CIRCUMSCRIBED. You're too BOUND. You live a PATTERN. You live in a DESIGN. Don't do that. It will CRUSH any impetus of LIFE. It'll CRUSH it.