

Third Exodus Assembly

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## **Be Certain Of God's Faithfulness** **Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2002.**

Hallelujah! We believe as we sing, we express the faith in our hearts. We confess and remind ourselves of the promise, that where two or three are gathered together in His name there He is in the midst. We want to remember that when we come, the Bible says that, 'he that cometh to God must first believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.' Tonight, how many believe He is faithful, how many know that He keeps His promises? Amen. He's here right now. Let's just look to Him in prayer.

Father, we bow our hearts in Your presence. We embrace this privilege, dear God, this opportunity to come and assemble ourselves together in Your name. Knowing, dear God, that by a divine appointment, Lord God, You spoke these things, and down through these years, till the time that You have spoken it, Lord. We believe and are persuaded, Lord, that You have never failed to keep that promise, where those people that would gather in Your name looking to You expecting, believing that they have received as they pray. Knowing, dear God, that You are faithful to Your promise.

And, Lord, You said, we can come with a true heart in full assurance of faith. We can draw near, dear God. We can come with boldness before the throne of grace knowing we shall obtain mercy. And, dear God, to see how You fixed these things. You have made these things so secure. You have proven these things time and time again that, dear God, when we walk in Your will and we confess what You say, You are a God that stands to keep Your Word. And, Lord, it is in that attitude we come tonight, Father.

Lord, recognizing the value and the privilege of gathering together in Your name. And we pray tonight as Your Holy Spirit is present we think in the Bible, it says, 'And the power of the Lord was present to heal the people.' We remember You said, the Spirit of the Lord is upon You, and anointing You, to bind the broken heart and to set the captive free, to give sight to the blind, and to open the prison doors.

And so, dear God, we realize that You have set up Your economy in such a way that when the anointing comes upon the Word for the hour... And Lord, the promises that You have made concerning that Word, the things for which we as a needy people can look to you expecting to receive, Lord, as we come. Sensing the presence of God here tonight, it gives us faith in our hearts, it gives us assurance that, dear God, You have already come. You are here Father. And so we can ask with faith. We can bring our requests to You with joy. We can cast our cares upon You because You careth for us.

Lord, we pray that every heart tonight would be brought into that sensitivity, would be brought to that awareness, oh God, that they might recognize the presence of the living God. And, Lord, it would cause them, Father, to look to You, to look in Your direction. Like Zacheus in the tree, Father, he knew You were passing by. He desired to see You. Like the Greeks, they came desiring to see You.

Oh God, that's the desire in our hearts tonight, to see Jesus. To see this living Christ, to see this never failing Christ, oh God, the One that came walking on the water in the fourth watch. Hallelujah! The One that was able to take the Church out of fear and lift them up into a realm of faith and see a power that could master their circumstances, Lord.

So we believe tonight, dear God, for that which we have need of, Father. We cast our cares upon You. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we pray tonight that, Lord, You in Your great sufficiency, Lord, will look down and see the hearts of Your believing children. Coming, oh God, like Israel came to that smitten rock expecting that, that grace, Lord, that was provided for them, that water would flow out that they would not perish in the journey; but that their need would be supplied, that they would be fresh under that gusher, that inexhaustible fountain that could release the blessings that they have need of, Oh God.

So we believe tonight that You are the same. In the name of Jesus Christ, let the blessings flow out tonight to every believing heart that can confess that You keep Your promises, oh God. Lord, let faith rise to the uttermost that Your children would know that, dear God, You are faithful and true tonight. Oh God, and may faith be so anointed in the hearts of Your believing children

that they could stand holding their profession, the very confession of their faith without wavering, knowing that You are faithful who promised. Oh, may You grant it tonight, Father.

Bless all that is gathered in Your house. Hasten the footsteps of those that are on their way. And, dear God, may You bring us all into that channel of communication, where we could receive inspiration from You. We could be in the same frequency, the same wavelength, that You could transmit Your thoughts to our hearts, if we could receive it, oh God, Father, in the bedding ground of faith. And Lord, it could cause us to pulsate with a greater faith, oh God, that we could take such a firm grip upon these things that You have given, refusing to let it loose, until we see it be made actual in our lives. May You grant it, Lord.

Bless all that are here once again, Father. Bless what You would put upon the heart of Your servant tonight, and may You send it forth with power and with clarity. And may it, Lord, so anchor the faith of Your children, Lord God, that they could walk forth in the victory that you have promised. Grant it, we ask, in the name of Jesus Christ. We will not fail to give You the honour and glory of which You are so richly deserving. For we ask these things, Lord God, that we might be closer drawn to You, in Jesus name, Amen. Amen. Praise His wonderful name. So God Bless you tonight. I'm very happy to be with you once again.

I would like to invite your attention to St Luke, chapter 4. Speak a little bit on a message I had spoken in Tobago and also in Grenada, being there for the last few days. St. Luke chapter 4 and we will read from around verse 21. From verse 14 to 20 tells us of Jesus returning, the Bible says, in the power of the Spirit into Galilee. And that's a wonderful thing when the Word could return in the power of the Spirit. And the only way I believe that you can minister the Word that it might produce what the Word has promised, is when the Word is in the power of the Spirit.

Then it says He came to Nazareth and the Book was delivered to Him. He came to Nazareth in verse 16 where He had been brought up most of His life. He was raised there, the people knew Him as a young boy, as a young man working in the carpenter's shop. And here in the very beginning of His ministry, He returns there after being anointed. The Book was delivered to Him; it was the Book of Isaiah .And the Bible says, when He opened the Book,

He found the place where it was written, 'The spirit of the Lord is upon me...' You know the scripture. And after He closed the Book (verse 20), verse 21 and we are going to read.

*And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.*

Every day has its own scripture. There's a Word allotted for every age. That's why He said, 'Give us this day our daily bread.' God allots His Word for a time and season and He puts people there to operate that Word, to quicken that Word and bring it to life. So Jesus didn't just believe in preaching, He knew He was the Word Himself. So He was going to operate that Word, He was going to quicken that Word and make that Word live. That's why He found the place where it said, 'The spirit of the Lord is upon me.'

Notice, He returned in the power of the Spirit, it says in verse 14. Sometimes the Word is anointed and the people don't know the Word is anointed. Sometimes the Word is anointed for a certain purpose to minister to certain needs and people don't know that the Word is anointed to minister to those needs. But it makes it easier for the people who have a need to know what the Word is anointed for. So you could expect from the Word to receive, if the Word is anointed for a particular thing for you. Amen.

So He was making God's economy known to them. He began to say, 'This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.' And that's not a twenty-four hour day; that was the day of His ministry. Amen. That was the day in which that Word was being manifested. Like in the days of the voice of the seventh angel when he shall begin to sound, in the day when the Son of Man is revealed; not a 24 hour day, but a day of prophecy. Day in the economy of God. Amen.

*And all bear him witness, and wondered at the gracious Words, which proceeded out of his mouth.*

Notice, it didn't say, they believed the Word; it says they wondered at the Word. Could you imagine people have the anointed Word in their midst identifying the hour, showing them in the economy of God what is available, what God wants to give to them and they are wondering. The Bible says, 'And they wondered at the gracious Words.' And wondering always produces questions. And they said, 'Is not this Joseph's son?'

See? It produced questions; it did not give faith to reach out and touch. It produced wondering like wondering stars, to sit down there and probe and speculate in their mind. Yet the Word was anointed for them.

*And He said unto them, you will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician heal thyself:*

Because if the Word is anointed, the Word can discern. When the Spirit comes upon the Word it is not a dead Word anymore, because the Spirit is the power that quickens the Word. So right away the Word could sense their atmosphere of wondering and not an atmosphere of faith. So He says:

*You will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician heal thyself: Whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy country.*

He was in Nazareth where He had grown up. So He was saying, 'You heard that certain works were done in Capernaum, but now you live in Nazareth, and you didn't see what happened in Capernaum. So you will surely say, wondering people would say, Well let Him do the same thing here because I can't believe it. I heard He did certain things in Jeffersonville. I heard He did certain things in Arizona. Let Him do that here.' So look at this.

*And He said verily I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own country.*

Right now so far He is dealing with his country where He is. He came back to His country where He had grown up. They were saying, 'We heard so and so was done in Capernaum but you say, do it here in this thy country.' And then He is saying, 'No prophet has honour in his own country.' He's showing there's something about people that are raised up in an environment, where they get familiar and things become common to them, until it becomes a routine and a ritual, until many times they find themselves in a place where they ought to rise up with faith to see Him. That's why He went to the Word because if they had seen the Word being identified and being fulfilled they wouldn't look at the human person standing there. They would look at the economy of God.

That's why he said, "*look away to Jesus*" in this day when He came. He said they were looking for a clergyman, they were looking for a man to talk religious terminology. They were looking for, you know, like when the when the Greeks came, "Sir

we would see Jesus?" They were looking for a God and they saw a man from a village.

And so many times when you look what do you see? Because how you see something is so you relate to it. That's why when you come to worship, what you bring to offer to God expresses your revelation of the God you're approaching. That's why some went in without blood and died because they thought they could go in God's presence anyhow; they thought it did not matter. And then God told Aaron, "you better see you come in here with blood."

So God many times had to fix the attitude of approach of people, because people many times become unconscious as to whether they are really scripturally approaching the Word in the attitude, and whether they are relating to the Word correctly. Sometimes they get disappointed that they don't get what they should get. But it's because of a lack of self-examination to see if they are meeting God's requirement in the Word.

So notice something, because remember in Nazareth He could hardly do anything there. Mark 6: "And He marvelled at their unbelief." Here is the same scripture in Luke 4, He is here in the temple but the people are wondering. Just like the people wondered if the prophet was really a prophet. They say, 'You know I think he's an Evangelist. I think he shouldn't really teach, he should pray for the sick. I think he shouldn't do this. I think He is really out of the will of God here. I think he's trying to bring back an apostolic age when that day is ceased.' Because they were not relating to it in the way that He was presenting it.

So watch now. So watch where He goes now. He opens the book of Isaiah and He was just reading from Isaiah 61. He identified himself in the scriptures and they wondered. And there now, He goes on how they would say this proverb.

*What you do in Capernaum do also in this thy country and He said unto them, verily I say unto you no prophet is accepted in his own country*

Now remember the scripture said He came to His own and His own received Him not. You have to receive what God sends. That's a law for faith. How shall you do the works of God? Believe on Him who God has sent. How the economy of God is set up. Moses said, "they wouldn't believe me." He said, 'I'll do things to get them to believe you because I can't fulfill my plan

until they start believing you'. Jesus said you believe in God believe also in me, because nothing can be done until you start believing me. The Angel told the prophet if you get the people to believe you, not just go and preach. Get them to believe you. Not just go and do miracles; get them to believe you. That's the plan of it, how it is set up. Watch.

*But I tell you of a truth*

Now there is only one way to teach scripture, so He jumps straight from Isaiah to the book of Kings, 1<sup>st</sup>. Kings 17. Because He made some statements but He realizes that He has to give them scripture to see what He's talking about. So He goes to scripture because He's talking about receiving Him whom God has sent. They were questioning, how could Joseph's son come and take the scripture that speaks of the Messiah and says that it's fulfilled? He's a carpenter, we know this man. He's trying to usurp an authority here that we're not sure He has. See? Now watch. So He now goes to the scripture.

*But I tell you of a truth*

Not a lie, a truth, because "thy Word is truth" and that was His scripture.

*Many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine, was throughout all the land;*

*But unto none of them was Elijah sent, save unto Zarephath, a city of Sidon, unto a woman that was a widow.*

Now they could have checked that in the Bible. They could turn to 1<sup>st</sup>. Kings 17 and read that. And He's telling them, "now watch your attitude," in other words, like that woman who received whom God had sent; and watch how you're relating to what God had sent. Because how many knows that Elijah was a type of Christ? Exactly right. How many know that Elijah was a type of the church? Exactly right.

*And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elijah the prophet;*

When God take the spirit of the prophet and put it on Elisha to do a double portion of the works, a type of the church; which Jesus had come to do that.

*And none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian. And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath,*

First they wondered. He took the scripture and showed them their condition and what their attitude should be and instead, that produced wrath. They became filled with wrath; not filled with faith, you know, filled with wrath.

*And rose up and thrust him out of the city,*

Could you imagine people sat in darkness, seeing a great light, seeing the anointed Word for the age, a greater than Solomon, a greater than Moses, the fullness of the Word anointed, revealing itself to them, and then take it and throw it outside the city? How many know that same thing is happening in this day. How many know He is put on the outside of the church, Revelation 3:20, the same Jesus, the same anointed Word. So we're in the same hour. How many know it's a day like Elijah and Elisha again? Exactly right. We are in a same kind of time.

*And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong.*

*But he passing through the midst of them went his way,*

And St John 6, Verse 28 and 29,

*Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?*

*Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.*

May the Lord bless the reading of the Word. You may have your seat. I spoke on this many times before but I am taking it in a little different way tonight and in relation to the way that we have been going. And I want to call it, ***Be certain of Gods' Faithfulness***. Be certain of Gods' faithfulness. And for a subject I want to think of, ***Discovering our true potential through obedience and self sacrifice***. Discovering our true potential, through obedience and self sacrifice.

Now many times... I want you to just settle in and listen to me close as we try just to create a little atmosphere here and find the place where we could really drive some of these things down.

Many times you find believers, they have more faith than they know. How many know that? How many have more faith than they had five years ago? You discover that in you. How many know that you can't add to a seed? So how many know that what you discover was already inside of you?

How many could look back and see the circumstances that God had to pass them through that brought that faith out, that brought that realization out? How many were in dark places where they thought that they couldn't go on and they realized somehow, 'something keeps holding me every day, I see, guiding me constantly, giving me victory, He's a reality, something keeps holding me.' That when you want to give up you can't give up; you just keep keeping on.

Sometimes you don't understand anything, it gets so dark you don't know what to do. But in the darkest hour new hope arises and you begin to discover that even though your flesh wants to complain, faith rises and says, "Though He slays me, yet I will trust God." Faith does that. God works that way with His people. He knows how to work with His children. Do you believe that? He knows how to do that.

That's why we love Him. That's why we walk with Him. That's why we learn to depend upon Him, because if God doesn't do it that way to you, you will be wondering. Amen. But then God shows you the reason and purpose for what He does. And then sometimes when you think that something is killing you, you can't take it, you wish you could get a relief from the pressure, you start to learn that pressure is a good thing. Pressure is a blessing. Amen.

Because in the sacred sands in the wilderness, in the testing times, when you want to think it strange concerning the fiery trials, you get to find out that the fiery trials are really more precious than gold that perisheth. Amen. And then you realize, 'My, you know God actually understood things about me that I am now learning and discovering that I have. And God doesn't have to wait until I come to a circumstance to fail. He knows that if that circumstance meets me with this in me I will fail.'

How many know He said, "Peter I prayed for you because Satan wants to sift you like wheat." Is that right? He can see this man is coming to a trial. He can see this man is going to burst to pieces and He could know this that that man cannot stand, yet that

man is thinking that He could stand. And He knows that the man cannot stand but He makes a way for the man to come through the trial and come out stronger, with a greater love for Him. Hallelujah.

He's been faithful when cold winds were blowing. Is that right? Hallelujah! He is faithful. You ever think of what He goes through to get the job done. You ever think of that? You ever sit down and think about that or you're too taken up with your own self? Me and me and me and my and what I want and what I have to do and what I plan and how God is going to use me. Haven't you taken time to look at Him and see how He works, see how He operates? Don't you admire His skill, His power (Amen!) His wisdom, to see how He does things, to learn He's the same yesterday today and forever? You learn to watch this God in action and you realize there's none like Him. He's God, the mighty God who has been unveiled before us.

Look at Gideon, when the Bible introduces Gideon, it introduces a man full of fear. Is that right? A man hiding behind the winepress. Man born to fulfill a certain job. Man who's elected and is going to be called of God in an hour to recognize his place, yet the man has not yet discovered his true potential, so the man is hiding. The man is living below his privileges. Is that right? The man is living in a world of self comparison: 'But I am not as great as this brother of mine and I am not as great as this other brother. I am not as great as that brother because look at what that brother did and I never did those things.' So when the angel came he said, "I am the least of my father's children." Not in humility, but in fear. Yet if he was the least in humility, (amen) think, he would have had faith. But he didn't have faith, he was hiding.

Sometimes it makes you... when you watch God in action, why would He come to you? Why would He give attention to you? Why would He hang around you and linger with you, and seems to want to come to visit you? Does He come to visit you? You expect visitation from Him. Did He promise that?

And so He came and He was talking to this man. Why? He wasn't watching the man's state. He knew what was in the man. He knew what was in the man. He watched a prophet praying, "Oh God, take away this vision, take it away, it is of the devil, Father. I don't want anything that is of the devil. They tell me it is

of the devil. I just love You and I want to please You. I don't want anything that is of the devil, Lord." And He's looking at him and saying, "What a mighty prophet, there'll not be a man like him to ever walk the face of the earth. His ministry will be even greater than mine." Is that right?

Here's a man who got a nervous breakdown and was off the field for eight months, trying to go and start a campaign. And he was parked up for eight months, after one year in the campaign. And God realizes, "He needs to get some wisdom here, he's catering to the people. He's letting love take him to the extreme when he needs some knowledge and wisdom to balance up the thing. He's trying to get the job done in one year and he doesn't realize that it will take a few years to get this thing done. He has zeal but he needs to get some knowledge with the zeal. He's just working himself up; not realizing that I'll take the spirit off of him like I did Moses and put it on something and get more machinery when the time comes."

But so we go along in the things of God. We love God, so we just want to serve Him. And sometimes people want to get their own personal claim on God... and you know; but it is an age of such uncertainty. It's an age when people are looking for an anchor. It's a time when people need to have faith, as we see the world is shaking, the world is falling apart, and the Holy Spirit after September 11<sup>th</sup> comes and says, "Get the church in order. Get your church into a certain channel. Get your church focused on that faith." The war is on, don't you know the war...the shaking is here. Everything that could be shaken would be shaken off.

As I was saying you see a nation like that, they looked so strong and talked so bold. Then some men got together and decided, "You will not be a nation by the time you come to December. You're finished. You would not be in existence, we would have a new Government, we'll have new things, we'll just change your whole system." And they did it. Bomb them back to the Stone Age and put in a new system. And get the rest out. Why? You see an expression of power in the political realm. It is given unto them to kill one fourth part of the earth. It is given unto them to kill with sword. It is given unto them to do these things. And when God gives the world over, you know there is not much hope for the

world left. He can't reach the world, He's reaching individuals. He's reaching individuals.

And then when that time comes there will have to be a little minority that will be standing that God can work and finish His plan through, because that's the way He chose to do it. He started in the beginning with a little group, in the Alpha, and He is going to end up the age the same way.

Think of how Peter at one time began to understand he was really called in the truth. Think of Lazarus realizing that he was called to be in the truth. Think of blind Barthemeus realizing that he was called to be in the truth. Think of Martha and Mary and those sisters realizing that they were called to be in the truth. Think of Mary Magdalene who thought society was rough for her and she didn't have a hope remaining and her life would be a life of prostitution; she realized she was raised up because there was one who came passing her way that day. Think of it.

And they as individuals could look back at that great age, and hear that the Messiah was here and recognize that was the Messiah. That was not just a kind man; that was the Messiah. Then, has it been different for us? Have we recognized the Messiah? Was the same Son of Man supposed to come back? And can't we today look back and say, "What are we doing in this Message? We were elected. We were called by this Message. We were not looking for it, but it passed our way.

And we see the same God began to raise us up from faith to faith. We see the same God began to teach us His ways. He began to work in and through us. He began to give us a personal identification. So that the rest of the world who claim Him cannot identify themselves with Him the way you can identify yourself with Him. Like your wife can identify with you, yet no other woman in the world could identify with you the way your wife could identify with you, because she has certain things that only the real wife could have. And she gets that from the husband. Is that right?

And no church today could claim those things except the real Bride around the world that Jesus Christ gives certain experiences to, and gives certain things to identify that she is the real Bride of Christ. So when you could look in your life and you could believe

what the Word of God says concerning you, you'll realize God is faithful. He keeps His promise.

He said He was going to bring back Israel in the homeland. They are back in the homeland. He said the church was going to come to a Laodicean condition and He will send Elijah at the end of the age, the Pentecostal age. And He will do two things: He will open up the mysteries of the book and reveal those secrets of the Thunders to turn the hearts of the children. And He did it. He says when the world comes back like Sodom, He'll give a last sign before the change of body, and He came and did it. Is that right? Showing His faithfulness, because when you watch those promises and see how many thousands of years it was given, yet God remembered it. When He's running the whole universe He is not forgetting that promise. Is that right? And when He says that every elected will see it, and there are six billion people on the earth He passes your way and He spends time with you and He makes it real to you that you can say, you are one of them. He is faithful. To me that is great faithfulness.

Because I may feel a sense of obligation He should do that for me because I was serving Him, I was sacrificing, I was looking for it. No, none of us were. Which one of us knew there was a prophet? When we began to find out, he had already died and gone off the scene. Is that right? But God said, this Message will come to you and He brought it to you. Is that right?

Brother, God even used people to bring the Message who walked away from the Message after. But they were just like the postman; they dropped the book in your hand. They dropped the tape in your hand (Amen) because that was all they were ordained to do. Not to put you in the Message and teach you the Message. They were just to hand you and say, "Take a hold of this." Sometimes they don't even believe what's inside of it. But they say, "Take a hold of this." And you recognize, "My goodness, this is none other than Elijah the prophet. God has visited this generation."

God had promised that no man was worthy to take the book and loose that Seventh Seal. God told Daniel, "Seal up these things until the time of the end," way back. Think of it, twenty eight hundred years ago, God gave it and told Daniel, "Seal up those thunders in that book." He saw that vision of this great one

swearing, that time and times and half a time would run out. He saw Michael standing to deliver the names of those written in the Book. He saw the resurrection when they will shine like the stars, when they that know their God shall do great exploits. Daniel saw those things: he saw Gabriel coming down there and opening up the mystery to him. Think of it?

And then all these things... we see the Jews back in their homeland, getting ready for the last half of the seventieth week. We see the bride here, brother, being called out and sealed. We see these things happening, because God is proving that He kept His Word. He did it by infallible proofs and these things have become the foundation for our expectations in this hour.

Why are we expecting a change? Because God was faithful, He came, appeared in human flesh, performed the sign, took the scripture. He says, "look the man's back was turned," he turned his own back and did the sign to let us know, "Look this day the scripture is being fulfilled." See where you are at. He showed us the Sodom sign. He showed us the sign of the lukewarm church in Sodom, not knowing, blinded from the door. Is that right?

And He said, "What sign did the one who stayed with the called out church did? And He did it for us. Did He opened the Word to them? And He opened the Word to us. Is that right? Who did that? Was it a man? You figured that out? Who could figure that out? The way he did it was to prove it was happening. He says, "Now watch in the Bible the man's back was turned." And he does it, to say, "You see how perfect the scripture is?"

He says, "I'm letting you know it was God in a man. He says, not the corporal body, but human flesh. Like a prophet, that knows the secret of the heart. Tell me another man in this generation who did it? None. What was God doing? He was showing the certainty of His promise.

Why? Why is He doing that? He's bringing you to a place that no fear, no doubt... He's doing it in a manner that nothing can paralyze that faith, nothing can destabilize or undermine that faith. Faith rests on the proven Word of God and God proves His Word by a believer. He vindicates the Word, operates the Word, manifests the Word, identifies the fulfillment of the Word, and He says, "This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears." And this

generation watched that anointed Word and says, "We don't want this to rule over us," and they put it outside the system.

And He came to sup with them. He says, "Your fathers eat manna in the wilderness and they are every one of them dead, but I'm the Bread of Life that came down from Heaven, if you eat of me you'll never die." Yet they began to argue, "How can we do the works of God?" He said, "Believe on Him who God has sent. As the Father sent me, so send I you. He that receives you receives Him who sent you. He that rejects you rejects Him who sent you."

So He is showing He is sending and He has to keep sending. "And behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord." Is that right? He makes known to us what He is going to do, how He is going to do it; when He is going to do it, and how we will recognize Him doing it. That we can say, God is faithful, He keeps His Word. He did it exactly, precisely like it was in the Bible proving He is the same God. And it was intended to give us peace, to give us rest, to take away the fears and the doubts and the flusterations.

When they saw Moses in Egypt performing those two signs, they knew, the deliverer is come. This is the deliverer. Yet we find that those people... God had a way to cause them to discover their real potential, because He's not just calling them, He's calling them for a certain service like He called us.

Could you imagine Peter one time was afraid to step out of that boat and walk. Could you imagine Peter at one time walking with a big head thinking that he can do all of these things and then he turns around and denies him? The Lord says, "You will deny me, before the cock crows, thrice you will deny me, boy." And he argues with the Word. He says, "I'll never deny You." And he is resisting what the Word is telling him. Then he gave him those experiences, "throw the net over on the right side," so he could see, "Look what has come to you, look at what you are relating to."

You see God doesn't want us to come to church, you know. God wants us to know this Word. God wants us to know how to work with this Word. God wants us to understand how this Word operates, what this Word can do when we face a circumstance. And so He has to bring it to us in a certain manner. So when you face a circumstance you will not say, "Oh God, oh God, where are you? You'll say, "I remember He did that one time. I remember

He did this. I remember when he came to me, and the way He called me to serve Him, He knew all of this. He was calling me and dealing with me in a way because He knew what my tomorrow will be.”

Because remember nothing in your life surprises God. As a matter of fact it is God who ordains everything in your life: A time to be born, a time to die, a time to be stripped, a time to tear down, a time to build up. Is that right? A time to be happy, a time to dance, a time to be sad and a time to mourn. And God appoints what time your mourning should come: weeping may endure for a night but joy comes in the morning. Is that right? Sure.

God takes you through a night time in your life, shakes you up real good. And sometimes you think you are done and He's finished with, only to realize you were on an ash heap. And then right in the lowest hour like Job, he drops a revelation, and you rise up with great faith. Like Martha and Mary in the darkest hour, thinking all was done but then He comes walking.

Like the disciples in the boat in their darkest hour, thinking they were going to perish and they saw a man on the fourth watch come walking on the water. Like the Hebrew boys going in the fiery furnace and they thought that He was not going to show up and then He comes and He shows up. Like Daniel in the lion's den, He was waiting there for him.

And then we realize we, with our puny little minds, want to dictate to this God sometimes, want to question this God sometimes, when we should be catching what real faith is. He knows the potential that lays within each of us. Your birth is connected to your placing. Your experiences are to develop your potential so He could place you. Gifts and callings are without repentance, you are born what you are. If you're born to be a farmer, you'll be a farmer, He'll place you as a farmer. If you're born to be a woods cutter, He'll place you as a woods cutter. If you're born to be a shipman, He'll place you out there.

He put Zebulun by the sea coast. He put Asher to dip his feet in oil. Is that right? He said Joseph is like a fruitful bough. Went over the wall and came back. When Jacob was blessing them, He was placing them in the Promised Land. When Joshua and Caleb brought them in, he placed them exactly where the prophet blessed

them. The prophet blessed them exactly where the Hebrew mothers groaned and called out their names. Is that right?

And that is the faith you'll have. That is the life you'll have. The faith you'll discover is within the thing He'll call you for, the way He wants to work with you. Your trials and your testings are going to come in that realm. He is going to test you on the things because that is where you have to overcome and that is where you'll have to be placed, because that's your world where you will have authority. That's why every man had a landmark for the boundary of their inheritance where they were placed according to their birth. And they had authority from that one stone to the next stone. David said, "The lines have fallen on me in pleasant places." Is that right?

Now Jesus is watching this woman here and He is trying to teach the people something about attitude. He's trying to teach His people something about faith, and He's trying to show the way the things of God are. Many times people look for the things of God in an intellectual way, lacking understanding and inspiration of the Bible. And that's why all scripture is given by inspiration. It's given for instruction. It is given for doctrine. It is given that we might be thoroughly furnished unto all good works. It is to teach us, it is to unveil God to us, because Christ is revealed in His own Word.

So Jesus was looking at a story in the Bible to show the certainty of God. To show how people, if they can believe - because remember He said, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah when the Heavens were shut up three and a half years, when great famine was throughout the world. And He sent Elijah. He couldn't send Elijah to all the other widows. Why? God is going to send the Word where the Word can be received.

The Word that proceeded from His mouth will not return unto Him void. It will accomplish the purpose whereunto He sent it. God never sent a Word without a purpose. God sends a Word that has a purpose. God sends a Word that is relevant. He says, "When you pray, pray, give us this day our daily bread." God knows your circumstances. He knows what Word you need to hear in your age. What if we're in the Rapture age and God sends a reformer message? He'll be defeating His purpose. Is that right?

But when the prophet came He said, "I cannot bring you a Methodist message or a Baptist message. It's Bride time, it's Rapture time. I have to give you a message for this time to show you how to prepare for Rapturing faith, because that's the time you're living in. Jesus couldn't bring a Sadducee message because it was time for them to get the Holy Ghost. And when He started, "You must be born again", Nicodemus, the Pharisee, didn't know anything about it.

He had a ministry of angels. Angels were going to come back to this church. Sadducees did not believe in angels. So He could not bring a denominational message, but there were a people there who could receive that message in their time.

God knows in this eagle age there will be a people predestinated to hear this kind of message, because the whole thing is preplanned before the foundation of the world. That's why the Bible foretells, that's why the Bible prophesies, showing the thing is already finished as far as God is concerned. It is just running out.

So Jesus was showing them here, He was like Elijah. And like Elijah had come to Israel because Elijah was a type of Christ, they turned him down and he had to go to a Gentile woman, so the Jews were going to turn Him down and He would have to go to the Gentiles. And then He refers to the next age after him or the continuation of the same age after he left and He says, "And in the days of Elisha," when the very same Spirit was here to continue the work of Elijah. Like the Holy Spirit was here to finish the work of Christ. What was the Holy Ghost given for? By and through the members of the bride, to finish the work, to continue the same ministry. That's what the Holy Ghost was given for.

So then there was going to be a people who were going to receive that. He says, "There were so many lepers." Think. This man Elijah, being sent to Israel was a man who could remove a plague from the land. He took a bullock and rightly divided it, saw the fire of God came down and cleansed the plague that Ahab threw the whole land into. He brought back the rain that was shut up. He was able to take the bread and multiply it. Think of the things Elijah did.

He could call fire out of the sky and call rain out of the sky. He was a prophet that the Word came to. He was a prophet that God had sent to that generation. His Word was coming through this

man, but the people didn't receive Him. And in failing to receive him then they had to receive Zedekiah, who had a lying spirit in his mouth and was going to send them to destruction.

The same way out of the mouth of a true prophet came Seven Thunders to turn the heart of the children back to the faith of the fathers and take us back to the Garden of Eden. And they refused that and they have another prophet with three unclean spirits like frogs coming out of his mouth to take them to their destruction, into the mark of the beast to be destroyed in this generation, and fed to the fowls of the air and the beasts of the field like that whole army who listened to that lying prophet.

When those demons came out of the bottomless pit and went into their mouth to teach a lie, trying to bless what the true prophet had cursed. You look and you see that. And Jesus was saying, "How is it that this man they didn't receive him?" Then He came with the Word that could remove the curse from Adam's sin.

Ahab was a type of Adam. Ahab threw the kingdom into death by going with Jezebel, the same way Adam went with Eve, who was Jezebel after the serpent got her, and brought death into the kingdom. Then Elijah was Christ removing the plague and bringing the blessing back, in restoration, at the evening sacrifice. The same thing Jesus did. He came and He removed the curse because we all were under the curse, and He brought the blessing back through the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Is that right? Okay.

He was saying, "But watch how the ones it was sent to could not receive it." Because they failed to see God preparing, God providing, God executing His administration to bring His divine providence to them. In an age God has something provided for us but we have to come the way God provided to get it. We have to be in God's provided place to enjoy it and use it. That's why the prophet says, "There is only one provided way for this day. God's only provided place of worship. There is only one way provided by God for everything."

He's teaching us how to relate to the economy of God. He's teaching us how we are going to enjoy the blessings that God has given, because He cannot give us another way. He has to give us the way that it is in the Bible because God is the same yesterday, today, and forever. He does not change.

But he is saying here, but this woman who He went to, she began to resist at first. At first she was not recognizing what God had said to her. Yet she was dying and would have died, but then she began to come in submission. She began to recognize God's provision and she began to humble herself to the Word that led her to discover a faith that she never knew she had. When Elijah came she was dying, she was only seeing death. "I am going to eat this last handful and die. By tomorrow I'll be gone. It's over for me, I'm finished." Elijah said, "You are not going to die, lady. God commands you to sustain me". Get this. I'm down in the message here now.

She couldn't live in that faith until Elijah came. The way God planned it, by the coming of Elijah He was going to take her out from that realm of death and gloom where she was shut up. His message was designed to awaken her knowledge to the potential that she had that she didn't know that she had. How many know the coming of Elijah in this day will have a message to give us Rapturing faith.

How many know He says, "You don't even have faith for a headache... but you have to get Rapturing faith to go in the rapture. But I will show you how to prepare it." Is that right? And he says, "We have to rub the make-belief out and lift faith in a higher bracket, lift the church up in the power of God. I come and I didn't meet you in the power of God. I met the church, blind, wretched, naked, miserable and don't know it, but when I am done with the elect, I'll call them out of that condition. I'll take them out of there. I'll raise them up into a perfect faith." I'll sup with them.

Think of it. He had come to sup with them but she did not know how to sup with Him. He says, "If you open the door, I'll come in and sup with you." But to sup with him, to have communion with Him, to have fellowship with Him, you have to be in oneness with Him; because it takes oneness for fellowship. It is two fellows in the same ship. You have to have the same nature, same diet, same attitude, you have to have agreement for fellowship. And when He came He found resistance.

Now Jesus said, "In Naaman's time too, there were many lepers in Israel." A type of sin. And they could not be cleansed and they didn't know how to approach God's gift. They did not know how

to relate to God's economy. He says, "You know what He did? God left all those Jews and cleansed a Gentile. Cleansed a Gentile.

Now watch something. Naaman, he said, "I thought the man would come and lay his hand on me." He said, "Aren't there better rivers, Abana and Pharpar and different rivers, why should I go that mud hole down there? He too, like the woman, began to resist the Word that was instructing him how to come from leprosy to cleanliness, how to come from sickness to health. He was fighting the Word.

But then finally there were some men who said, "If you listen to what the man is saying." Some good men, they put a little pressure on him. They said, "We know you are a man who is accustomed to giving orders, but you have to take some orders too. You tried doctor Kildare. You tried this other doctor. Nobody could help you. See? You tried every physician in the land. You are wearing long sleeves, high neck, and everything, living in pretense and hypocrisy, yet the man showed you a formula and you're afraid to walk in it. You are fighting up in your mind. Humble yourself." So he humbled himself. And what happened? He came back with his flesh clean.

So Jesus was telling those people here, "They were part of the Word, now here is the fullness of the Word. It comes to you too, to lift you up out of Judaism to bring you into this realm of the baptism of the Holy Spirit, to walk in a world of perfect faith; and you sit down there and you're trying to question how it's going to be or could it be?" And you're wondering, and you're failing to understand the economy. Yet the Word is doing precisely what the Word must do, to get you into that faith.

Now let's get back to 1<sup>st</sup>. Kings quickly and see: strike that and close. I believe that woman is a type of us. God was sending a prophet to a Gentile woman in the hour of famine, in a time of apostasy when that Jezebel religion was in control in the land and her paganism was spreading throughout the land and the land was being filled with sin and idolatry. And the very people to whom the message was sent turned down the message, being smothered up by that Jezebel system.

1<sup>st</sup>. Kings 17 we'll read it from a verse here. Verses 1 to 7 tells you how Elijah was in the land. You know that. He was by the brook Cherith. For about a year he was there, no dew or rain but

the ravens brought food everyday. God told him, "Go there, I will feed you there." He said, "I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there" In verse 4 he was telling him that, "I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there." And the Bible said, "And he went and did according to the Word. See? He went and dwelt by the brook Cherith that is before Jordan. And it said the ravens brought bread and flesh in the morning and bread and flesh in the evening. He drank from the brook and after a while it dried up. Now verse 8.

*And the word of the Lord came unto him saying,  
arise get thee to Zarephath.*

That is a place of refining and purifying metal, you know that.

*Which belongeth to Zidon,*

Zidon means fishing

*And dwell there, behold I have commanded a  
widow woman there to sustain thee,*

Before, God had told him, "I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there at the brook Cherith." He saw it happen for a year without missing a day. Then God said, "Move now, go to Zarephath, I have commanded a widow woman to sustain thee there." Well obviously if God commanded ravens to feed you and they came everyday in the place that God told you to wait, and you went to that place, you have already learnt by experience to follow God. You already understand what 'commanded to feed you' means. Because when He commanded the ravens to feed you, you saw how they fed you.

So if He says He commanded the woman, then you know the same God by the same command has control over His creation to sustain you. Then you know the importance of being in the provided place, the ordained place that God promised to send the blessing. Amen. Now watch.

*So he arose and went to Zarephath.*

Now he couldn't choose the place, notice that. He couldn't say, "Lord, don't send me by the brook Cherith, it is too rocky down there," because Cherith means piercing and cutting and slaying. He says, "You know the country is too rugged. I could hardly lie down there to have a good night rest. I understand there are all kinds of mosquitoes down there. The place is infested with it. No.

Israel, when they were leaving Egypt could not choose where they wanted to camp. Now learn something here.

How many know that all scripture is given by inspiration? How many believe God is revealed in His own Word. Then why does God do it like that? Is it for instruction in righteousness? He orders the steps of His people. He holds them. Elijah could not say, "Lord, I don't mind going but I have to stay there about three months." He says, "A year you will stay there." And when the brook dried up, God said, "Yes, move now to another place."

Now watch where He is sending him now. Zidon and Zarephath, is in Gentile country. It's moving away from the Jews and it is going over to Gentiles.

*And so he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, and, behold, the widow woman was there Gathering of sticks.*

Now again that is very instructive because it is showing us the point of interception between the two people. That is important for the lesson, because he could have said, "And when he went she wasn't home, so he waited by the gate. And when he went he knocked on the door and she was sleeping and she got up and she came outside." It tells you what she was doing when he met her, because that has something to do with the lesson. That is a whole key to the lesson.

That is why believers watch when things happen to them. They watch the time and they watch the place, they watch how it happens, because they know what happened to you there, could have happened to you anywhere. But God chose a place, God chose a time. He said, "You go there for experience, go there for this experience, I want to do that there.

Go to Arizona, I'll meet you there with seven angels. Don't go anywhere else. He says, "You have to go west, you have to be in the desert. You have to be on Sunset Mountain." God fixed all that. Let your ministry start in Galilee because Isaiah says, 'Galilee of the Gentiles.' That is where the ministry must start, couldn't start anywhere else. So you see how God fixes things. He didn't just do that in Elijah's life; He does that in the life of every person.

They had to go into Bethlehem for Him to be born. He had to be born in Bethlehem. Is that right? Must be! And God knows how

to bring conditions to get you in the place where He wants you. Now all this has to do with your faith. The reason many times people don't have faith because they just live a natural life and then try to manifest spiritual faith. How can you do that?

You have to be walking in a channel with God. You have to be walking under the leadership of God. You have to be sensitive as to where God is directing you, why God is passing you this way. Don't go this way, go this way! You are sensitive to those things. Then you come back and say, "You know if I had gone this way this thing would not have worked out but look how I went this way. Look how I put this off for tomorrow and I was to do that yesterday but when I did it today, you know it was God who told me to do that. I didn't even realize that. I just got the thought.

You know what carnal people say? "My mind told me." Well if your mind tells you then ask your mind. See? Unless it's the mind of Christ it can't answer you back but the mind of Christ will direct you in the Word. You see, this is where people don't grow up. When a person comes to the Word and you start to grow up, you realize, "That was the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost leads me, He directs me. He puts His thoughts into me. I receive His thoughts."

He put His thoughts into Moses and he said, "Take up water and pour it on dry land." He puts His thoughts and told him to call for fleas. He puts His thoughts in him and said, "Call for a squirrel there." He puts His thoughts in you. When it comes out of your mouth it becomes the Word. It becomes His Word because it was His thoughts. So look. So he goes there and the woman was gathering sticks and he called out to her and says.

*Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water, in a vessel,  
that I may drink.*

And as she was going to fetch it he calls out to her and says,

*Bring me I pray thee a morsel of bread in thy  
hand.*

Now in verse 8 it says, "The Word of the Lord came to Him." That was vision. That was vision. He saw the woman. When he got by the house, he knew the house. He knew the gate in the yard. He knew what dress the woman was going to be wearing, to know that was the woman. So that is why he started conversation right

away because he knew, "I was sent to that woman, that is the woman right there."

The guide would say, "Not this street, keep walking." How many knew He told Elijah, "Keep walking, keep walking, keep walking." And then the woman stood up by the gate and said, "Howdy parson?" Is that right? She was waiting there for him, same Elijah. "As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the Sons of God." He is walking in a vision. Now catch this.

He is walking in a prophetic vision that has to do with a Gentile woman. He's walking in a vision that has a promise to this Gentile woman where the power of God is to be manifested in this woman's life. He's walking, knowing the place of this woman in the economy of God in that hour. He's walking knowing this woman is chosen. She's elected to minister to me in this hour. He knows that.

The Bible did not say, a thought came to him or an idea, it says the Word came to him. The Word of God coming by vision to a seer and he's seeing the place, he's seeing the woman, he's understanding God's thoughts concerning this woman. This is an elected woman because Jesus came and said, "There were many widows but he was sent unto one widow." In Zarephath; in Zidon; one widow. He could not send him to any other widow because this widow had what it takes to minister to the Word in that hour.

God wasn't defeating His purpose. God was working His purpose out. You get that? He wasn't defeating His purpose, He was working out His purpose. His purpose was to meet that woman at the point of death. Sometimes your greatest commission, you start living at the point of death. Sometimes at the point of death when you want to give up, that's the point, where you are really going to enter into the faith you have never known.

To you it might be gloom but to God it is victory. To you it might be, 'I give up and I'm done and I can't go on,' and for God is that now you are going to enter into a period of your life, Amen. You are going to cross from the book of life to the Lamb's book of life. Amen. I'm going to send a man with a message to unlock the chains on your mind, to contact the faith inside of you that you don't know you have; to develop that faith inside of you until you have the same kind of faith the man has. He was coming to her.

She was a woman dying. She was a woman seeing death. When he is finished she is going to be a woman who is seeing in her house what she thought was the last, and going to die, multiplying every single day. She was going to see the creative power of God. She was going to see that she had faith to obey all the Word of God and be led into a paradox. The Word is going to meet her and she will be saying, "I can't do it." And when the Word is done with her she'll be doing it.

Do you get what I'm saying? You are that woman. You are that woman. Which woman is Elijah sent to in this hour? The Baptists? The Methodists? Is he sent to Israel right now? It's a Gentile woman, had to be a chosen woman. Is it a time of famine? Is it a time of apostasy? The vision that you came to see of yourself in the Word, did you get that through Billy Graham, through Oral Roberts? It was through Elijah's message. But you heard about Elijah after He came and went on.

So God knew about you. Elijah came knowing the Bride that's in the Bible is here on the earth. Is that right? Elijah came knowing, "There are a people here to receive my message and they're in the Bible." And he starts to point out to us ourselves in the vision. He said, "Over here you are in Mary, a mighty angel coming to you. Over here you are in Ruth, you will marry Boaz at harvest time." He said, "Over here you are in Esther, you'll manifest the full authority of the king." Is that right?

He saw us before we saw ourselves. He came looking at her under vision. God the Word that came to him, opened a vision of the woman he was sending him to. He came not knowing the woman, "Well, you're from Cocoyea village and it's a place in Trinidad." He is saying, "You could not be born in any other age. You are put between the Gentile prophet and the Jewish prophets. You were put here in this slot to receive Elijah's message and we've had churches, churches, brides, brides. But you in this age will manifest the fullness of what the bride ought to be.

'But in the days of the voice of the Seventh Angel when he shall begin to sound the mystery would be finished.' 'When that which is perfect is come, that which is in part shall be done away.' You who didn't know what you are, what the Word said you are, you shall know as you were known. You will realize that you have faith inside of you, a gene predestinated, a faith seed to manifest all

of God in the day that you are living in. And you will not know that until Elijah comes with the prophetic vision, in a time of famine, in a time of apostasy.

When that prophet came that woman was going to discover a faith that she couldn't know in her life before the coming of the prophet. How many know the Word says, "And before faith came we were shut up." But after faith is come, after the seed is come the faith that is to be revealed afterwards. He came with a key to unlock the chains of fear and doubt. He came with a key to open the prison doors.

Here was the Son of Man who had come to Israel with a Word to open up, to bring them into a new birth that they could come back to the Word that they bypassed. And they thought he was Joseph's son. He was packing the Word. He had the key. He was saying, "The spirit had anointed me to open the prison doors." He said, "Your first birth shut you up in a prison under the law. You are under a curse and you cannot manifest anything under that first birth. But I have come to open a way to bring you to another kingdom, to give you a new birth and cross you over. I am like Noah. I am the Rest, I am the Comforter, to take you out of the old world, to take you above the judgment and bring you back in the new world. Amen. To take you from under the first birth and bring you into a new birth. To take you from a sex birth into a Word birth, to take you from five senses to the super sense, when the same life I live by you will live by."

No wonder Paul said, "The life I live now I live by the faith of the son of God." He said, "I was shut up unto the faith but after He came, now I am redeemed." Amen. "It is not I that live but Christ that lives in me, and I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." Why? He recognized Jesus came with a key to take him out of the Pharisee room, and raise him up to live in a world of perfect faith.

The prophet said we are going to come to a place where we will become the Word under this Message. We will overcome all things under this Message. We will have faith to overcome this cosmos: the lust of the flesh, the pride of life, and the lust of the eyes to go back to the Garden of Eden. We will be His very victory. Do you believe that? But you could never have those things until Elijah comes.

Elijah is coming with a Word to unlock something in a people that is shut up; to wake up a people. He says, "These Seven Thunders will do what? Wake up the Bride. They can't wake up until Elijah comes. Until that midnight cry, all those virgins will be sleeping. But when he cries, "Behold the Bridegroom cometh, and Seven Thunders announces His coming, then it's a waking up time. Is that right?"

He says, "Could this be that mystery that'll open up a mystery and bring a power back in the church. Could it be my brethren that these vile old marred bodies would be changed and we'll leap over walls? Is that what is coming when the angels came? Is that here among us but we don't know how to move into it? And the Holy Spirit has to minister an entrance to bring us into it? That we can have faith not just for healing but faith to be changed. Well, watch this woman here quickly. He says,

*Fetch me, I pray thee a little water in a vessel,  
that I may drink.*

And as she was going to fetch it he called out to her and said,

*Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thy  
hand.*

When He gave her the first part of the message, she thought, "Well I'm going to die, me and my boy we only have a handful of meal and some water. I could give him the water. I don't need the water, I could spare the water. If I am dying, at least let me be true to my religion and my conviction. And as she went for the water, before she went in the house he said, "Wait!

Bring also a morsel of bread for me in thy hand,  
*and she said unto him,*

*As the Lord thy God liveth I have not a cake but  
a handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a  
cruse.*

*And, behold, I am gathering two sticks, and I  
am going to dress it for me and my son...*

Do you get that? Me and my son. He began to find resistance. Now watch obedience without sacrifice, but God doesn't want obedience without sacrifice, sacrifice, rather, without obedience. Watch sacrifice without obedience. He says, "Bring me some water" and she was running for the water. He says, "Bring me a

morsel of meat” and she wasn’t ready to obey all that the prophet said.

Like Saul. Saul couldn’t obey all that the prophet said. He wanted to sacrifice but without obedience. Cain was bringing sacrifice and God said, “Do like your brother.” Now I’m showing you what faith is. A lot of people want faith as a mental thing in their minds. Faith has self sacrifice in it. Faith has obedience in it. Faith has submission to the Word in it. Faith has self-denial in it.

When God told Noah to build an Ark, God did not drop down a bunch of wood from Heaven. He had to take his own money, maybe all his life savings and go and spend it on the Ark that God told him to build. Because God told him, “Judgment is coming and the beast is going to take all that money. Start to spend it now and use it in the work of God.” Do you think it’s easy?

God came to the woman and says, “bake me a cake.” She sat down there and says, “I think you’re a little bold face. I think you’re making too much demands on my life. You want to control me. Can’t you see that I have enough trouble already? Don’t you have any sympathy for my condition? Aren’t you entering into my suffering? You have not stayed in my house and walked a week in my moccasins and you’re making all this demand on my life? Don’t you think that I have enough trouble already? We’re talking about faith, watch where the woman was.

Where did the Word meet her? Not cooking and washing, not sleeping, not chatting by the neighbour, not testifying. The Word met her at a very particular junction. God timed the meeting of her and Elijah. God knew the time of the arrival of Elijah into the city by the gate of her house. From the time Elijah had about five more steps to reach that gate God said, “Okay, you go outside now” and she made five steps and both of them clashed. And she is going with a definite purpose, and He is coming with a definite purpose. And both of them were meeting in the vision that God had given the prophet, because God had preplanned that. Are you getting this now?

Are you seeing where faith comes from? It was coming from the thoughts of God. In other words, God had planned out that woman’s life. God knew the day that Elisha would know about Elijah the prophet. God knew the day she will come under the sound of the prophet’s voice. God knew the day that the prophet’s

message will start to turn her life around. God knew the day she will be instructed with supernatural instructions to cause her to discover the faith that is locked up in her; and she was dying not knowing that faith was there. But because she was born to express that faith, because that faith was to glorify God, God sent the prophet's message before she could die, to awaken that faith inside of her.

Can I say that you as a believer are born with a faith for this age? And you lived your life in the world but one day the prophet's Message came, and now the faith that is going to come out of you is going to again glorify the Message the prophet brought, to fulfill the Word of God and nothing else? And that's why the prophet came to you? Can you see your life wrapped up with this Elijah? Can you see that you are part of his life?

Remember my message on '*Desire to sup*' where Jesus said, "Go and wait by Jerusalem." And they were ordained to cross paths with that man who was going to lead them into the supper chamber. There is no way any Bride is going to heaven in this age without crossing paths with Elijah.

Elijah, a type of Eliezer, is sent to get the Bride for the Bridegroom. And his Words have something to activate what's down inside of you. That's why he preached those messages and they stored it up as stored up food for when the time of famine comes, and the Holy Spirit brings back the Words of the Son of Man to your remembrance. My! He knows what to say. She says,

*I have not a cake but a handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse, and behold I am gathering two sticks, that I may go and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat It, and die.*

She only had a vision of death. Catch this. She had only learned to live by bread. She had only learned to live by bread but when Elijah comes he is going to say, "Woman, don't you know Jezebel is going to control all your buying and selling, you've got to learn to live in a faith economy. Amen. And I have the kind of message (Amen) to raise you up. You are only seeing death because this is the only economy you know. But I know of another economy. Because a year ago, every single day of the year, the same way God commanded you, God commanded ravens. And ravens are not doves. Ravens were bringing that bread because

they were commanded. They could not eat it. They had to bring it and drop it. No matter where they were flying from, they had fly until they reached the brook Cherith and drop it there. Amen! Special delivery! God's courier service! God brought it right on time, never missed a moment.

God knows how to take care of His people. God knows how to minister to them. God knows how to meet their needs. You worry and fret, you boil up and get under pressure, you agonize with yourself but you don't have to do that, just watch in the Bible. God is right on time. God keeps His Word. God takes care of every situation. And for a year, day after day after day Elijah learnt that God was reliable.

He is able, more than able. He can be depended upon, He can be trusted. God says, "Elijah, you see what kind of bird I used. It's to show you that I am in control. It's to show you that it's not by chance. It's not some kind of humanitarian effort, it's by divine providence. So now this man for a year was already living by a faith economy, living in the supernatural, walking in the vision, with anointed faith and knowing that the woman now, was the raven in this vision. The food was going to come through her. The food was going to come through her.

So he did not say, "I'm hoping to stay here he says, "I still have about two and a half years. How much food do you have in your house? I find it strange that God sent me by you and even the king is looking for grass for his horse. This famine is so severe. Where did you get this kind of food from? You have that amount of food?" No, no, no. He knows the providence in that hour is supernatural.

He did not say, "Where is your barn? I am only seeing a little hut, I am not seeing any big storehouse. Do you have all this food packed up in your house? How is it that no thief has raided it as yet? And how are you looking so thin and meager and dry? You're looking like a person who is eating once in every three days. You're supposed to have a son. Where is your son, woman?" "He is in the house. He is too weak to get up and walk. For the last month we're eating once in every two days, and for the last two weeks we are eating once in every three days.

We are trying to hold off death, just trusting somehow that something could happen, that we might get saved, that God might

withdraw the famine and send back the rain. We don't know. I don't know what is going on. I'm a Gentile. I am out here, an outcast from God. I live behind God's back as they say." So what if you're living behind God's back, God knows where you are living. Maybe the back part of God's mind is where you are living, right in the lamb's section in the back of God's mind. Hallelujah!

And He's sending the prophet with, 'Thus saith the Lord'. Now catch this. "Behold I send you Elijah." God sending Elijah to a Gentile woman and the woman is here and Elijah is there. And Elijah is coming but he is not just coming as a man. He's coming under the power of a vision. He's coming with 'Thus saith the Lord.' It is not an ordinary vision. The woman is part of the vision. Elijah came with a vision and he was part of the vision.

God, revelation 10:1 sent you that Gentile woman, revelation 10:8-11. Elijah revelation 10:7 and out of Elijah's mouth was revelation 10:3-4, Seven Thunders to wake up that woman to a realization that she had that same kind of faith that he had, to raise her up in the super natural realm, where she was going to work with the Word and come into a realm where no famine could exist.

There was a place where famine could not exist. There was a place where death could not exist. Now catch this. God had planned for that discovery to be made under the message and the coming of the prophet. Isn't it a great thing that you discovered that you were a thought of God and your name is in the Lamb's book of Life? Where did you discover that? Under the Message, under the coming of Elijah.

Isn't it strange that you discovered what age you're living in and what your promise is and that you're fixing to be changed, because you saw God come and give a sign before the change? Where did you get to know that? Under this Message. Is it not under this Message that you know, like Enoch, the seventh from Adam, you will be translated? Is it not under this Message that you know, like Gideon, you will have a ministry of the sword of the Lord when those three powers come to a showdown at harvest time?

Is it not under This message that you know, between Nehemiah and Job, between the Jews going back in their homeland and the resurrection, that Esther is to go into the presence of the king and

come out with the authority? Aren't you seeing things about yourself under this Message? He is sent to contact you in a certain place.

Maybe some of you have related to the Message down through the years as another church. Maybe you came out of denomination and you related to it as the same form of Christianity only with a little more truth. Maybe some of you sacrificed to an extent for the Message but you can't obey all that the prophet says. Maybe the Message reached a dead end in your life because of 'me, myself and my son.' But God's plan was to use the same thing that was for 'me, myself and my son' to fulfill the Word and glorify God, to save her, to save her son and to save the prophet.

She did not get frustrated and say, "Take it, take it. You all are too advantageous. Take it." She gave it by faith. She gave it in love. Do you know why? She began to understand, "God, You sent Elijah to me. God, you are raising me up into a faith I have never known. God, I would have sat here and complained and murmured and live below my God-given privileges. But I thank you, you sent a prophet who had seen me in a vision and He could show me myself the way you saw me."

Elijah saw the woman sustaining him but the woman never saw herself sustaining the prophet. He saw her doing God a service according to God's will. He knew it took the power of God to do that service but she didn't know that she was chosen to do that service. But it was under the prophet's message she was seeing things about herself that God foresaw about her, and timed for that very hour.

My brother, my sister, let me say to you tonight, you might have lived a good life. You might have been a virtuous person. You might have been moral. You might have not missed any church service. You might have all the pictures of the prophet and the Message and you love God and you plan to keep on serving Him but we are not talking about that tonight. We are talking about you. God put something in you and you are ordained to rise up into this kind of faith.

And you are ordained to deny self and have self-sacrifice and put yourself aside and not be trapped and bound in chains of selfishness, where you can't walk into the deeper things of God. Amen. That woman at first, she started to resist. She saw nature

coming out, human nature. "After all, for the last three weeks I am fighting death. I could have eaten all this and died already. I am trying to hold off death as long as I could hold off death. And I am down to my last. My last handful and my last couple drops of oil, and when that is over I am finished, I am dead." She couldn't see beyond the meal.

Some people's faith can't see beyond what little money they have, what little thing they have hoarded up, what little possession they have. When they think of that and they work it out, they say, "Well I am worth so much. At least if I sell this I could still get along with this, I could still do this. At least if I can't eat ham, lamb and jam, I could eat chicken once a week. At least if I can't wear all that I could still wear this and do this, and they live there.

But this woman, it was not to live for her and her son anymore. It was a divine intervention of the Word from the mouth of a prophet to her who was chosen by God, and He sent His prophet to her. And Jesus was saying watch, "How shall we do the works of God?" He told those Jews their problem. He came to His own and they could not receive Him. He said, "No prophet is accepted in his own country."

So God took Elijah to a country that was not his to find faith that he could not find in all Israel. I have not found such a great faith, no not in all Israel. He was going to find it in a woman there. And that woman - You know what that says? The faith God knows that lays in you and me, even though we don't know it and haven't discovered it fully as yet, there is no faith like that in the whole world.

And that is the faith that will make you put on immortality. That is the faith that will make you move into another dimension. That is the faith that will make you do the greater works. That is the faith that will make you overcome this world. It is already inside of you but it needs to be developed. You have that seed. If that seed was not inside of there you could never get faith, because faith comes by the new birth and only the elected could be born again. In non-seed there is nothing to quicken. You could get the baptism of the Holy Ghost twenty-four hours a day and nothing will be quickened.

But that woman she had something there and the prophet had the message to contact it, and the message he had he saw her in the

vision. He saw that she was a part - she was a fold of the mystery for that hour. But watch something here. He is looking at the woman under vision. She is looking at herself by circumstance.

Could you catch that? Could you go that deep? You are looking at yourself by circumstance and He is looking at you by vision. He knows God's Word can't lie. You know why? When he comes and she says, "I have only a handful of meal, mister, my boy and I are going to eat it and die," the prophet could have collapsed. "I walked up all here for nothing. Lord, You deceived me. I've been misled. God lied to me. Maybe I did not understand the vision. Maybe I'm getting old and I'm going out of my mind." Oh no.

Because from the time he walked up and saw the house, saw the gate, saw the woman in the dress, his faith went up. 'That's her there. That's her there.' And then he looked back, "I see bread and flesh come everyday out of the mouth of ravens when there was no grocery, nothing round about. And God sent it right on time. And there was nothing in my environment to even encourage my faith.

So why should I look at how much the woman has and let my faith kind of - figure like, "If she tells me, I have two barrels of meal and about four cruises of oil, I'll say, praise God, He sent me to the right place." The person to whom God sent the prophet was destitute and dying. It seemed like God took the weakest person to do the greatest job.

Have you ever looked at yourself in this age and said, "God, did You choose us?" You ever see a lot of mistakes and failures and weakness in your life and say, "God, how did You choose us? What do we know about serving You and fulfilling all this Word? How on earth could we ever do this? We see that five minutes can't pass without us making mistakes." Because it's not by might or by power. It's not you and me, friends. It is God who planned these things this way. This is to glorify God.

He began to find resistance. He began to find some restraints instead of seeing obedience. So many fail right there. Let me tell you this, many of you fail and die right there. 'Me and my house,' 'me and my son,' 'me and my job,' 'me and this and that and the other,' when the Word comes to make a greater demand. That laid

between her and that supernatural faith: selfishness, self centeredness, self opinionation.

What was she going for? What was she going for when he met her? Two sticks; to dress the oil and the meal and bring it to two sticks. And God was saying, "Watch where I met you. Watch the timing. I timed you. Look where you crossed paths. You were going to get your meal and your oil and mix it and bring it to your two sticks."

You take the Word and you take the Holy Spirit and you mix it and you bring it to a self denial, you bring it to a full complete obedience without reservation to the Word. You bring it to a place where you could put the Word first. You begin to come to a place where you could learn submission to the Word that is coming from a prophet's mouth, more than your own desire, and more than the security that you find in what you have.

Now catch this. This Gentile woman that Elijah was sent to in the time of famine in the age of apostasy, he found her without that supernatural faith just like He found us. Yet, He came to sup with us. Is that right? But watch the instructions that He is giving. In other words, He is unlocking the door and He's ministering the entrance.

He said, "One of the first steps that you're coming up is self sacrifice. Next step, obedience. Next step, complete submission to the Word. Next step, putting God first. He says, "You are coming into faith. You are coming into faith for a paradox. You are coming into a faith for the supernatural because it is lying inside of you. But you think that you're going to sit down there and jump to the faith."

He says, "No. You are going to come step by step until you are the one. Not me, you are going to go into your cruise and you are going to see something come out. He said, "I saw it already and God sent me with the faith and I am preaching that faith to you." Because Elijah saw it with the ravens. He did not have to beg those ravens to bring it, you know? Those ravens were commanded, they had to bring it.

He said, "God commanded this woman to bring it." So Elijah said unto her, "Fear not." You see? "Me and my son will eat this and die." He said, "Fear not" The Word doesn't work in an atmosphere of fear. Fear has torment. Fear is insecurity. Fear

motivates selfishness. Fear doesn't want to give it up because that is your security, without that you're insecure. Fear is a lack of faith. Fear is a person without an anchor for their soul. Fear is a person who has no tie post.

But watch the tie post. "Go and do as thou hast said but make me therefore a little cake first." The Word starts to rearrange the way she thinks. He says, "You think, 'me and my son' first, and you would give me if you have anything left, after 'me and my son'." He says, "No, your order is wrong. Your thoughts have to be rearranged. You start with God first." Faith, friends. Faith, friends. Be certain of God's faithfulness. Watch. Watch God how He keeps His Word. We are finishing up.

Watch how God keeps His Word.

*For thus saith the Lord God of Israel*

Not him,

*thus saith the Lord God of Israel, the barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day that the Lord sendest rain upon the earth.*

And, she went and did. Somewhere between there, 'me and myself,' somewhere between there, she went and did. Works started to show that faith had taken a hold. She began to get works and faith together. She began to get works with her faith now. She is coming into something real now. She is getting ready for a paradox, something is going to happen.

*And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat many days and the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the Word of the Lord, which He spake by Elijah. (Through the Prophet.)*

When that Word began to diagnose that woman's condition, like the prophet diagnosed in this age, God sending a seer and the Word, every time God sent that Word, that Word is quick and sharp and powerful and a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. God knows where our problems are. And many times God brings the Word and directs it to those places.

But you know what we do? We back up and we stay in the same condition hoping that things change, without us having to

obey and do what the Word requires. Jesus said, That Naaman tried the same thing too but then finally he had to submit. The woman tried to resist but then she submitted. When they submitted and they accepted and they received the Word it changed the situation.

God was sending the Word where He knows even though it is going to get some opposition, even though it is going to get some resistance, even though that human nature comes up and that selfishness and that self centeredness would want to paralyze the working of the Word, God knows because they are elected, they are ordained to discover that faith which is going to bring them the victory under the coming of this prophet. They are going to come into full obedience to that Word.

Elijah knew the antidote with the right amount of toxin to kill the unbelief and the selfishness in the woman, to kill the poisons of fear and selfishness that had her shut up in a world of gloom and death. All that she could see was death, "When this is done, I am done." He says, "Lady, that is not God's plan for your life. According to the vision I have, you are not going to die under those circumstances.

You who are here in the squeeze will do greater works. When your surroundings and your circumstances get worse you're ordained to manifest the greatest power according to my vision. He put all our greatest blessings in our greatest crisis. Tell me where are the greatest blessings coming, for this Church, for this Bride? In the greatest crisis! Because great pulsations of faith go to work in times of crisis.

That's when Joshua stopped the sun. That's when Moses opened the Red Sea. (Amen) In times of crisis. That's when the woman began to discover that she had that kind of faith. Think of it. That prophet came walking under the power of that vision.

He said, "Lady, I am looking at your X-ray. I'm looking at your insides." He said, "I gave you a brain scan and I see the thoughts that you're thinking." He said, "I put you on my Cardiogram machine here and I read your graph and your heart is fluttering. You don't have that kind of faith. Your heart wants to fail almost but I have the right prescription here for you. If you obey this prescription you will walk out of that condition.

That brain tumour that you have that is making you think all those negative thoughts and you can't think positive thoughts of faith," he said, "that brain tumour is going to leave you. That fluttering heart that wants to fail under pressure where you can't believe and put God first," he says, "You obey this prescription and you watch that heart beat, I believe, I believe, I believe, I believe." He says, "This x-ray that is watching your insides and seeing 'me and my son' and all this self centeredness and selfishness," he says, "You humble yourself and put God first and you are going to see all your tests come back negative. All those things are going to leave you. You will be in condition to fulfill the will of God that He revealed concerning you in this prophetic vision that I have come with."

I believe tonight he saw me in the vision. If I have to overcome in this age I have to know that He saw me in the vision. I believe that He was sent to me as that Gentile woman. When I look around and see the age, and sometimes I see the Word making stronger demands, and sometimes when not being taught; then, sometimes resistance wants to come out. But when you can see that God is the one who sent the prophet and a prophet is the mouthpiece of God. And it was really the Spirit speaking through the prophet. He said, "Thus saith the Lord." He was speaking out of a vision, the Word of the Lord that had come to him concerning this part of the ministry.

That woman was shut up from faith to multiply the meal and the oil, but she discovered that faith under the message. She never knew she had that faith. She saw the meal wasted and thought she was going to die, but before it ran out, she received the faith that could multiply it. There is a faith that could change your situation tonight, that lays inside of you. It's not an outside thing it is an inside thing.

This Word is supposed to nourish and grow and build up that holy faith inside of you. This Word came to contact that part of you by showing you that he saw you in the vision. So that you could begin to have faith today in God's faithfulness, to know it is impossible for God to lie; that God cannot lie. Under this Message you will come to discover your true potential through obedience and self sacrifice.

God knew the woman had the faith. When Elijah was preaching the message to her, she said, "No, no, no, I can't minister that to you. All I have is for me and my son, I can't give that to you." She couldn't prove God's Word wrong. That's how she saw herself, to speak in that condition. But when the Message started to rub that make-belief out, and lift her up into a higher bracket of faith, it changed the way she saw things, and it changed the way she spoke.

And he says, "We have come to that Third Pull now, and I've come back to take this charge of faith and lift faith in a higher bracket, to rub that make belief out. He says, "Why doesn't our gifts and these things come to their colour?" He says, "We fall away in the time of testing. We think that the rock has left us." He says, "but He is with us."

Brother, when she thought that she was left alone to die, when she thought that she was not even known, she began to find out that she was foreknown. She began to find out that God had prepared a messenger, trained him in the supernatural and gave him a prophetic vision of which she was a part, and sent him out of the wilderness straight to her. The Message came straight to her very door. The Message met her when her circumstances were overcoming her and suppressing her and was about to kill her. And the message got down into her heart and showed her how to cooperate and obey. She began to get faith to put God first. You have faith but do you have faith to put God first, tonight? That is the faith that started the miracles.

He said, "Get out of that, 'me and my son;' bake me a cake first." She had known only to live by bread alone but now she was learning to live by every Word that proceeded out of the mouth of God. She was learning to lean on Jesus and gaining more power than she ever dreamed. She was becoming tied to, "Thus saith the Lord" that came by the mouth of a prophet. She moved out of fear and insecurity.

What about you tonight? Do you feel insecure at times? We all feel that. Fear comes and grips us and paralyses our faith. We don't know how the situation is going to change. Things are so dark and gloomy. We feel the only way of security is selfishness, hold on to what we have, try to work with what we have. And God says, "No, come in obedience to the Word of the prophet. Obey all.

Not just sacrifice without obedience; bring obedience with your sacrifice until obedience get better than sacrifice.”

Think of it. She broke those sound barriers of fear and doubt. She was travelling at another speed. Are you experiencing anything sitting from December the 31<sup>st</sup> to this night here? Or are you still sitting there wondering or are you still lost taking notes? Or are you hearing what the Spirit is saying? Can you catch the emphasis of the Spirit? Can you see the laws and the principles to move you up into that bracket?

How did this woman, who was shut up into a world of fear and insecurity and selfishness, move up into a faith to minister and fulfill the Word and keep the Word alive until the Word produced, not just creation, but resurrection also in her own house. She saw the power of God in her life and in her house. She saw sustaining power of the Holy Spirit, creative power, when she thought that she was going to die. She learnt to work with the Word when she thought that this man was coming to distress her and take her into further distress than she was already in. She said, “Can’t you see I’m in more distress as you come?” No, she could recognize God.

Can you recognize that God sent a prophet to you in this age? Can you recognize God opened the Seven Seals? Can you understand what He intended to produce in your life by that message coming in? Can you see your selfishness? You’re coming along and you’re holding on to temporal things.

She was looking to the things that are seen. Her hope was as long as the barrel had something in it. When that left she became hopeless. The prophet’s hope was God’s Word. He walked in there and she said, “I have nothing, I’m going to die.” He said, “You’re not going to die, you are going to feed me for the next two and a half years.” She said, “I can’t do it.” He said, “I don’t care what you say, I am looking at you under vision.

“I’m not looking at what you are talking for yourself. I am looking at you under vision. You are going to discover something that you never knew that you had, woman. I’ve come with the key to unlock you out of that realm and raise you up. You were shut up unto the faith. You see this faith that I’m walking with, woman? I have a vision. There are three realms. I met you in the humanistic realm talking about you will die. I’m in the realm of vision seeing you here. And then there’s a realm of revelation that

I come to raise you up in, where the gates of hell can't prevail against you."

He says, "Can't you see where I met you. I met you right in the place where, what you're going to do naturally, is exactly what the Word is requiring of you spiritually. You have to mix this Word that I am speaking with the Holy Spirit, with all the faith you have inside your heart. You have to look away from your circumstances and then you bring it to a self denial.

And that meal and the oil was Christ, the Word and the Spirit on the two sticks. And Christ on the cross, Matthew 27:15 is the voice of the Archangel when He cried out with a loud voice and He raised the sleeping saints. Out of that woman's life and experience came forth the mystery of Christ on the cross.

I remember when the Message met me I was a sinner outside there in a world trying to go to Tibet, but I see where the Message unlocked me from. I see where the Message taught me how to walk and put God first. I see the Message teach me how to mix the Word. I see the Message showed me the value of, "except a corn of wheat fall in the ground and die it abides alone." The mystery of self sacrifice and dying to self as Paul said, "I die daily that Christ could live and as long as Christ lives in me I could do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me. And nothing shall separate me from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus: no famine, no death, no persecution, no tribulation, no peril, because I've got a hold of a key."

He says, "No doubt she prayed day and night after a while. (Let's stand to our feet.) (Bro.Vin quotes from Message) *And as she began to see that the meal barrel was going down, (Let the musicians come) down, down, down, it must have gotten to a place where there was not another cupful of meal in the barrel. All she had was just a little handful. Death was coming right in the gate at her door for there was no way of getting any more. The whole nation was starving.*

*And the oil was just a good spoonful left in the little container. Just that much oil and that much meal lay between her and death. She must have got really sincere about her prayers. You let that strike your home. It will be a little more sincere than we are today. When we know that death lays at the door. Think of it, friends.*

*You know, it's a strange thing, he says, may God let this soak into everyone of you, if you never hear me preach again let this be a message. The prophet says, It's strange, most strange, that sometimes God does things that way.*

*You know when we have confessed our sins and met every requirement...we believe on God. There are circumstances that have to be met, and it is according to His will. And we have confessed our sins, and we have made all our wrongs that we have done, right, done everything that we know how to do. Every requirement that God has made, or asked we have met that requirement and yet He lays silent. He just won't answer us.*

*I'm sure that I am speaking to people today, who have come to this place. I've been there, many times, myself. When I went back a traced my life and turned over every stone, and I find I had done something wrong, I go and confess it and say, "Lord God, I'll make it right," and go do so. Then come back again and say, "Now, Lord, Thou art God; You will answer me. Surely I have met every request that You required me to do. And every requirement, I've met it. And still He won't move, seem to set silent, that's when you got to be sure that He is God.*

He is not talking about some little hot-house plant here, friends. He's talking about a person. You make your wrongs right. You confess your sins. You do all that God tells you to do. You line up with the Word. You obeyed everything and God doesn't move in your life, he says, "But you know something, you are certain that He is faithful." You know something about Him.

You know something about the promiser more than the promise. You know the one who is able to perform the promise, that there shall be a performance of those things told you from the Lord. That those things that you are looking for in your life, the victory that seems to elude you, the faith for your deliverance...

The woman did not have faith for her deliverance but when the Message came, the prophet did not preach all kinds of wild business to her and tell her all kind of things. He diagnosed her. He said, "Not 'me and my son', put God first. Bake me a cake first. Come into obedience. Come into total submission. Learn to humble yourself to the mighty hand of God. Look away from your circumstances. Here is, 'Thus saith the Lord.' See yourself the way God is seeing you." He says, "Go and start to do it. You don't

know how it is going to be, but in obedience to God's Word. God will keep that Word. That is your part to do that. God's part is to multiply it."

Like John Ryan's part, he'll use you had to go and testify about God's part. It is to bring the deliverance. And so she went and she did as he said. She began to discover something, something that she thought that she couldn't do. She turned from a picture of gloom and death. She thought that she was coming to her last days but God was opening up a whole new thing. That was the last day of living in that kind of realm.

God said, "That was the end of your life living in the humanistic realm, shut up from this faith." You got to be sure that He is God. Don't be discouraged. The only thing is that in your heart be certain of God. My text, 'be certain first before you do anything.' Be certain in your heart that it is God.

Is it God who sent His prophet? Is it God who said a Bride was going to come to perfect faith and live in a world of perfect faith? She'll be faith of His faith, virtue of His virtue and knowledge of His knowledge, that same Word met us. Is He going to sup with us? Are we going to come to the place where we will sup with Him on every divine promise, a whole seven-course menu?

All His redemptive blessings, we will partake of it. We will eat and drink this blessing. We will see this Word that will sustain us in every circumstance in every situation. This God who took care of them from Egypt to Canaan, the same God will do it for us. He will not see us fall in defeat, friends. He is the author and finisher.

He says, *and you met every requirement and you believe that He is and faith holds steady. Faith stands steady, faith knows that He is. That's when faith goes to work right there. Oh blessed be His name! Faith won't move, for it is sure that God is a rewarder of those that diligently seek Him.*

*May this go way down deep and never move from you, Branham Tabernacle. If you have met God's requirements, and in your heart you believe that He is, God is only testing your faith. Testing for reaction for He loves to do that. You have confessed your sin, you have met the requirements that God requires, and He still lays silent, remember faith says that He is. Then faith holds*

*onto it not knowing what it is all about, but it knows that He is and it is certain that He is.*

*Then remember, if He is, His Words has to be true. If He required you to meet these circumstances, and you did, He's obligated to take care of you by His Word.*

That woman discovered faith for the supernatural. She discovered a love for self sacrifice that she could actually put Him first and minister the blessing to Him. She discovered a submission to obey all that the prophet had spoken.

Do you know that there is resistance in you life tonight? Do you know that there are places that are harder than other places? Do you know that sometimes you wish that you could do that too, but it seems like you are weak to do it? Those are the places that keep you shut up and you can't walk in this victory.

Think of it. She moved up into that realm of self-sacrifice. She moved up into a realm of love for service. God said, "I know thy works, I know thy love, I know thy service. Thou hast not denied my faith. Thou hast kept my faith and not denied my name." What can He say about you and me tonight?

We claim that we believe. We claim that we believe Elijah. But sometimes we forget and sometimes we slip back into those places and sometimes we get back to struggling, and little areas in our life that we should walk out of, we seem still shut up and cannot break through. But she came to a place that she knew that was the Word. Can you recognize tonight that these scriptures, this very scripture Jesus said, "There were many women but that one woman, a Gentile woman, that Elijah was sent to, she could have received Him and obeyed, and she did the works of God.

How can we do the works of God? "Believe on Him." To believe is not easy always because that faith calls you to step out. He told Peter, "Step out of the boat and walk." You can't stay in there and master the storm. You can't stay in there crying, "Oh God, I will die," and expect deliverance, but you can learn to work with the Word. You can learn to receive the instructions of the Word tonight. But you have to have a desire to live in this place. Not, "Well if it be, it be. No."

She said, "I don't want to die. You mean to tell me I don't have to die, that God's plan for me is that this will not kill me. And you are opening to me the way to come out of this and be where I am

really ordained to live. Watch the faith that she had before the prophet came and watch the faith she had after the prophet came. Watch where she lived and how she related to her circumstances before the prophet came. Watch how through the Word of the prophet, watch how she related to the circumstances after she was instructed.

Watch you, before the Word began to come to show you what to do about your circumstance and how to come into your deliverance. See what you are doing about it, tonight. Is the Word finding resistance or can you take that Word and work with it? What are you going to do? Did she have another alternative or that was the way?

God was giving her faith to obey every Word. She was seeing and accepting what God had said. Can you see it tonight? She was coming under the influence of the prophet's vision. Is this part of the prophet's vision for you, to live in this place?

Can you come under the influence of it tonight? Can you sacrifice in your life? Can you put God first? Will you purpose in your heart to do that? Can you catch the faith tonight to put God first? She moved out of fear and insecurity and selfishness and she received a revelation of God's will. And she came up into a higher bracket of faith to take her out of the humanistic realm to bring her into a realm of revelation where she could have faith to master all circumstances. She had the same kind of testimony that the prophet had. She moved up into the Super Sense.

That's where God wants you to move tonight church. That's where He's trying to move you by bringing these Messages. It's with an objective in mind. It's with a purpose to achieve in your life. Like the woman. She didn't just stand up and hear what he said; she had to go and do. She went and did as he said.

I pray tonight that you will find something in you, moving you to begin to act on what he is saying. I want to live the way He wants me to live. I want to give when it seems there's no more to give. The Bible says, "He that feareth is not made perfect in love, because perfect love casteth out all fear." He says, "Fear not, you are not going to die."

I want to live in that place. I want to walk in that place that God is showing me. I want to come up and abide there and be locked in there never to be shaken out because I believe that the Bride is

ordained. The works that He did through his prophet she will do those works also.

That was a woman, a housewife. That was not a minister that was a housewife. That was a housewife coming in to know how to work with the Word of God. That was a widow woman, a woman who had sorrow in her life. That was a woman who was a poor woman in hard, harsh, economic times, who did not have much of the world's goods; but that was a woman who saw her economics change. She did not go in debt. The same way the widow with the oil, he says, "What do you have in your house?" She said, "A little oil in a pot." He said, "I'll teach you how to work with it, you will come out of your debt. It'll change your economics. You'll rise up into another level. Your children will never go into captivity. You wouldn't have to fear anything."

God is teaching us, friends, how to work with the Word, how to see the results, faith to operate the Word. Can't you catch that tonight? Maybe you complain about your economics. You wish you were in a situation that was better, but the way you're looking for it is in a better job with more money, or to trying to hold down two jobs or trying to get into more business and you can't control the first set of business that you already got involved in.

But maybe, tonight, He wants to teach you how to work with the Word and show you how He will take care of all your economics and take you into places that you don't know. Trust Him tonight. Believe Him tonight. Watch Him do it for you tonight. I want to live, a song of self sacrifice.

*(Sings) I want to live the way He wants me to live.*

*I want to give until there's just no more to give*

*I want to love, love till there is just no more love.*

Oh God, let me walk in those places tonight, take away my selfishness, Lord. Take away my self-centeredness. Circumcise my heart from these things. Bring me to that faith, Lord. That's my type.

*There've been times when giving and loving...*

That's where He found that woman. It was hard to give. It was hard to love and serve. That's what He found, resistance

*...Let it happen again*

But under that prophet message I found out.

*But then I found out that loving was well*

*worth the risk, and that even in losing I'll win.*

Let's sing I'm going to live the way you want me to live. Lift your hands to Him as a sign of surrender. Lord, I lift my hands not just as a form tonight, but as a sign of surrender. I purpose in my heart if that's my type I want to walk and live in that reality. If that's what the Message has come to produce in me, I want to see it identified in my life. I want to walk in those same steps that that woman walked in that raised her up into that higher bracket of faith, faith that could operate the Word, the Third Pull, seeing the supernatural made manifest in her life and her home. Lead me to discover, Lord, lead me to discover those untapped resources, that divine potential. Jesus showed us.

*Jesus showed us...*

He was the oil and the meal on those two sticks.

*That only through dying...*

Look at Him. And He gave not in the abundance of His possessions but He gave of Himself. He gave sacrificially.

*Was no more to give,*

Can you see it tonight? Jesus loved when loving brought heartache and loss.

*Brought heartache and loss...*

And He forgave from the old rugged cross.

*...Old rugged cross*

I purpose in my heart tonight, Lord I'm going to live the way you want me to live.

*I'm going to live...*

I feel your Word is calling me higher, Lord, saying come up higher. Walk in this realm and watch this supernatural God by a supernatural act of faith produce His supernatural promises in your life.

*Just no more to give, I'm going to love*

Oh, desperately from the bottom of my heart. I want to love, Lord. No matter how hate and resentment and selfishness want to grip my life. Fear and doubt, I want to break through those things tonight..

*I could never, ever out love my Lord.*

Oh, Jesus showed us. He showed us how to do it, friends. And I am going to walk in the footprints that He left in the sands of

time. I'm going to follow the example He left us because we live by the very same life.

*And He gave ...*

When it seems there was just no more to give. Oh, but she even came to that place to give up the meal and the oil. Jesus loved.

*When loving brought heartache and loss and He forgave from the old rugged cross*

Let it be your prayer tonight. I'm going to live. Let it go up before God like a sweet smelling savour from a surrendered heart, from a heart and life that is willing to dedicate your life to Him to see the glory of God, to see the divine promises spoken by the mouth of the prophet, to live in the position that God has called you to live in this hour.

You might be a little housewife, like that woman. You might be a little church here like that little widow in her house but she received the prophet. She began to cooperate with and knew how to work. She was instructed by the message of that prophet. She recognized that she was part of a prophetic vision brought by that prophet. She came up in that realm. Oh my, angelic beings associating together. She was a candidate for the supernatural.

*never ever out love my Lord.*

He is Jehovah Jireh, tonight. He's the great provider. His grace is good enough for us. I know that He will keep every promise if you trust Him tonight, if you believe Him tonight, if you yield and surrender to His Word, tonight, if you walk in the unfailing words of promise, friends. God sent that prophet with a Message with that promise of that power to be made manifest in the life of that woman.

He knew that no matter how the flesh and the human spirit might try to resist and the circumstances might bring fear and doubt and destabilize what little faith she had, He knew when she got under the atmosphere of that Word and that Word began to find that bedding ground of faith on the inside; and the seed of promise finds a place to grow, holy faith and holy works were not going to take into consideration the circumstances. But she was going to mix that word with that faith and bring it to a life of self-denial, a life of self- sacrifice.

When she began to catch that she was ordained to be a spiritual astronaut in the zero hour, to break through the sound barrier, to soar up into the realms of divine revelation, and live and walk in a world of perfect faith; she would see all those things brought into subjection to her in that hour, and be victorious manifesting what God said to the prophet she would do.

Oh Father, we bow our hearts tonight in Your divine presence, oh God. Lord, we humble ourselves under Your mighty hand. When Your Message could come and go into our hearts down beneath the fifth rib and find the selfishness. And find, oh God, the resistance, and, Lord, find where it is hard to sacrifice. And find, Lord God, where there is a lack of faith to put God first.

But, dear God, to see a Message that could show us, Lord, our place in the Word in the plan of God, and the thoughts that You have concerning us. And to believe what You say, Father, more than what the circumstances try to bring upon us to frustrate us to break through these things, oh God. And to soar into that realm and to know that You are faithful, to know that You are the author and the finisher, to know, oh God, that You have confidence in us.

That woman began to see. When she saw her circumstance, when she saw that she was dying, when she saw how the fear had gripped her, when she saw her selfishness, when she saw her own resistance, yet, oh God, she was hearing the prophet saying, that she was going to minister to him. Lord, she recognized that You had more confidence in her than she had in her own self. She began to catch a vision of how You were seeing her. She began to relate to the Word on a different level then.

She broke through, oh God, every veil of insecurity, every veil of fear. Lord, she began to mount up on wings of an eagle and began to come up into a realm where she only wondered about. Oh God, but now faith was leading her to the power, that the power could produce the promise. Faith was raising her up far above the circumstances. Faith was raising her up into a realm, oh God, where all the things round about her were fading away and she was hearing, "Thus saith the Lord."

Oh God, she was hearing the thunder of God from the mouth of a prophet. Oh God, she began to wake up under that thunder to a realization of her true position. Faith began to connect with faith. Life began to connect with life. And, oh God, she could put those

things under her feet and walk out, oh God, into that supernatural realm where she could exercise a faith that was locked up inside her. She began to discover the untapped resources, those potentials that you put in her to manifest the promise for her age.

Oh God, we see ourselves tonight, Father, and we take You at Your Word tonight. We are certain that You are faithful, oh God, and that You are a God who keeps Your promise. We stand fast tonight holding the profession, the confession of our faith without wavering.

Oh God, let that faith, Lord, move into every heart here tonight, that every brother, every sister, every little housewife in the environment, in these times of difficult economics, in these times when the world is falling apart economically, socially, politically. Oh God, when we see You are training a people to rise up and live in a faith economy. You are raising a people, oh God, to know the supernatural. Lord, we see You did it for Gideon, Father. We see Sarah when she thought that she couldn't have the baby; but Elohim came, and Elohim could give dunamis to raise her up to believe what she thought she couldn't do. Oh God, she judged You faithful.

Lord Jesus, we see in the Bible, Father, how You did these things with Esther when she thought that she couldn't go in the presence of the King and she was fearing death. And she was trying to preserve her life and she was insecure but You gave her faith, oh God, to break through those sound barriers, until she said, "if I perish, I perish but I am going in the presence of the king." Because she began to see how she was seen by Mordecai, how she was being seen by Hatach and that she was raised up for such a time, to manifest the Word. That was her position. That was her placing, oh God. And Lord, she began to soar in that realm, like a spiritual astronaut, far above all principality, far above all power, far above all doubt and gloom of fear, far above all wondering. She could do the works of God because she was believing on Him who God had sent.

Oh God, may we tonight, Father, see the things that go with bringing this Word into operation, the things that could take this Word, and make it a living manifestation. Oh God, may we not get away from it, but may, oh God, we meditate on it day and night. And may, oh God, we work with the principles, the key that Elijah

brought that unlocked the door to liberty for that woman, where she was shut up. And dear God, she took that key and worked with it and unlocked a door and brought them into a place where, even in the midst of famine, there was no famine. Even in the midst of death, death could abide there no more because she came up into a realm, Father, where there was victory. She came up into a realm where the power of God was manifesting the Word of God and producing and supplying the needs that they had in that hour from the very loving tender hands of a faithful God who kept His promise, who sent the prophet. And we know that you are that loving faithful God ministering Your blessings by Your tender nail scarred hands to a people that would trust You and believe you, believe that You sent a prophet that we might be brought into this condition in this hour.

Oh God, may You grant it, Father. Bless Your people tonight, Lord. Let them walk into this victory as they purpose in their heart, oh God. Let them see, Father, that it is not any great prophet, it was no great apostle or something; it was a little housewife that caught this mystery. A little widow when she was at her last, dear God. Shows what faith in God can do. Shows what the power and influence of divine revelation ministered by a God-sent servant can do to a church in this dark hour.

And Lord, as You did for that woman You could do for this assembly here. You can do for this Church that You sent a Message and a ministry too, Father. They can take the Word and hand it there. That they can take the Word and walk out into victory. May You grant it, Lord.

When we leave this place tonight, Lord God, to go to our homes may these things stay with us. And may, oh God, the Holy Spirit, teach us further on these things. And may you take us deeper in these things. And may we begin to see the results following, oh God, as we are not ashamed to exercise our faith in it and put it to work, Lord, to know that these things are given for examples. This is a channel of inspiration for us in this hour. Oh God, may You grant it, Lord. We commit each and every one into Your hands, thanking You for Your grace. In the name of Jesus Christ we give You praise and thanks. Amen. Amen.

God bless you. You may have your seat. He'll never let go of my hand. He's been faithful.

