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“... in the days of the voice ...” Rev. 10:7

The Deity Of Jesus Christ
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Introduction

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that line too. It is right out there before me somewhere, that hour that I enter that death chamber. When I hear my sentence read, I don't want to go like a coward, I want to go like you went Lord. Not trying to wrap my own robe around, but wrap the robe of Christ, the Holy Ghost, around me as Paul did, say, "Death, where is your sting? Grave, where is your victory?" Enter that dark chamber among those who are dead, listening then for His voice, of the Archangel, that shall sound and we will be called out from among the dead to meet our loved ones again.

¹¹¹ Oh Lord, if we miss that in life, life is been nothing to us. We have failed. But if we find Him, Who is precious in our heart, then we have found all the purpose of God. Oh how we love Him, this morning. May every Christian, this morning, see the vision, quickly Lord. The hour is getting late now, and I pray that You will let them see the vision and take hold of Life today, and live forever, for we ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen.

¹¹² You love each other? Turn around and shake hands with each other say, "God bless you. Christ be with you," instead of "Merry Christmas," say "Christ be with you," as you turn around. Now don't leave, just turn around and say, "Christ be with you."

...all,

(Now, just a moment...)

All to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

¹¹³ I thought it is after twelve, it is after eleven. I thought I had twenty minutes after twelve. What is that? Amen. Everybody love the Lord? Say, "Praise the Lord." Let us just have a little, just not over three, four words of testimony, just like, "I love Jesus." Just say, just no more than that That is right. Somebody else... [Congregation responds—Ed.] Oh, my. I love Him, I love Him.

Jesus, Savior, pilot me, over life's tempestuous sea;
Unknown waves before me roll,
Hiding rock and treacherous shoal.
Chart and compass come...

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The Deity Of Jesus Christ

¹ Morning everyone, and a Merry Christmas to all of you. We are so happy to be back again this morning here at the tabernacle, to be with this lovely little group.

² Brother Graham and I were just discussing in there a matter. He said, "Brother Bill, you got anything on your heart this morning?"

I said, "Just Christ." Amen.

³ That is all, we always have that, and so... That is in common to us, that we have Him.

⁴ Got in late yesterday from Dallas, where we had one of the most glorious meetings. And the thing we have been praying for now, it is fixing to happen. It is already in session, right now, that is, for a nationwide revival.

⁵ All the ministers yesterday there, the last few days that is had any size and caliber minister or services, we had met together at Dallas for this convention. And there was some fifteen, eighteen ministers there that have the ministry that carries up anywhere between three and fifteen thousand, maybe twenty thousand people. Raymond T. Ritchey, for instance, and Bosworth, and Oral Roberts, and Jackson, and all those fellows there.

⁶ Brother Jackson, the other night in his meeting, had five hundred receive the Holy Ghost at one time. So that is just wonderful, and we all met together yesterday, the other day, on a working agreements for the year, that we believe that God is here to do a work and a stirring the world has never seen before.

⁷ I believe friends, that we are just entering something wonderful. And these ministers who will probably have... Every night this next summer, if the Lord permits us, every night will be at least anywhere from, there will be fifteen or sixteen, maybe more than that, big tents set that holds up to eight and ten thousand people, around the United States at the same time. Oh, we just got to have revival now. It is already in session. Hundreds and hundreds are receiving the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, coming into the Kingdom of God now. It is not something that we even look forward for a little later on, but it is already now. God is doing it right now.

⁸ [Brother Graham speaks to Brother Branham—Ed.] Yes sir, I... Yes, Brother Graham. That is the thing that I always... It is good... You know, Brother Graham and I work together so well. He is so tall and I am so short, so I... [Brother Graham says, "He picks the low fruit and I get all the high fruit." Brother Branham laughs—Ed.] Sometimes I have to ask him to shake some down. [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] Thank you, Brother Graham. I still haven't figured that out.

⁹ The fire, we want it on the altar, don't we? Amen. Well you...The other night, where we were sitting thousands deep in there and all of them clapping their hands and praising God, we just had such a glorious time, we had fire right on the altar then.

¹⁰ And we are very happy to announce this coming summer for the revival. Now, I will be with the church here, with Brother Graham and you all, for the next eight or ten days, I guess, as far as I know. And I want to be in every service I possibly can. Then I am...we leave from there to the Houston, Texas, at the coliseum. Got a nice big building there, it seats seventeen thousand people, and we are just expecting a great time.

¹¹ Tried to have, all of us, have a prayer line down there, but we just couldn't do it. One minister one place, and one another wants the prayer line, but my, it just wouldn't work that way, it just...Brother Jagers had to go ahead.

¹² And say, another thing I want to announce, Brother Jagers stood and took the stand like we did at Calgary. He...the Missionary Baptists and the Free Will Baptist, and all you know Texas is full of Baptists, they stood for him, but the Fundamental Baptist rose up against the program. And oh, how they wrote him up in the paper, and everything...well he...They wrote him Bible questions, so he answered back, and they got a...after they had no proof than some bunch of political stand, why they wouldn't put it in the paper. So Brother Jagers...We called a meeting there, and seventy-five cooperating ministers of the city came in together. We took photostatic copy of it, and said, "Is this freedom of speech? Is this freedom of press?" Like that, and sent it out.

¹³ And the paper lost ten thousand subscribers the next morning. And they come crying on their knees said, "We will publish in the paper, just freely, you don't have to pay us a penny."

¹⁴ Oh brother, listen you church. One time we lived down by the railroad tracks. We don't no more. We live on Hallelujah Avenue now. Yes sir. We rank into the millions. We used to be it was only a few hundreds of us, but we go into the millions, millions now, and united together we are the most powerful church, in numbers, there is in the United States. That is right, or...I guess, in the world. Last year alone we had a million, five hundred thousand conversions. Think of that. A million five hundred thousand conversions in Full Gospel people, that is with the general orders, last year. Oh, we are coming up now.

¹⁵ And these little papers and things, that is been...They wouldn't talk about the Catholic people, they were afraid of them. See? They were afraid to do it. But we are numbering right on up there now. We got a

Thee Father to be merciful, and I pray Thee to be merciful to those who hasn't received...and not realized that You are near to their hearts, and realize that little things of the world, through cares of life...?...I pray God, that every one here this morning will be really consecrated to You, for the coming days, the coming hours. How much longer we are going to wait before Your coming? We believe it is right at hand now.

¹⁰⁷ After a while, you are...trying to get saved and believe it. I am thinking of those young people that night, down there at the altar, trying to be saved but had crossed the line. No redemption for them they were gone, could not be saved. Father I just pray that you will bless each one, while there is time for salvation, that they will receive it today, for we ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen. Let us stand.

¹⁰⁸ How many love Him with all your heart? Don't you want to get just a little closer to Him, love Him just a little bit more? Let us sing I Surrender All as we raise hands to Him this morning in tribute. Will you do that? Give us a lead there sister:

I surrender, I surrender all,

(All your habits, all your ways.)

I surrender all,

All to Thee, my blessed Savior,

I surrender all.

(Do you really mean it?)

I surrender, I surrender all.

I surrender, I surrender all.

All to Thee, my blessed Savior,

I surrender all.

¹⁰⁹ Oh Father, have mercy. We love You so much Lord. Some of these days the trumpet is going to blow. I may be out on the field somewhere. Lord I will be thinking about the church then, when the winds begin to howl, the worlds begin rocking. Someone say, "What is the matter?" Skies are turning red, judgment hour is near. I will think, "Oh, where is Brother Graham? Where is all of them at home?" But Father, then after a while we will hear a sound like never before; the trumpet...The angel sounds the trumpet. Oh God, those who have entered the chamber of death shall rise up. How screams will go out, "What is the matter with the world? We can't stand still," as she is rocking. And then we will be caught up together to meet You in the air.

¹¹⁰ Oh Father, if death shall come to us before that time, I mean natural death of this earth, separation here, may we enter the chambers with a gallant faith, wrapping the robe of Christ around us, the Holy Ghost. Someday we got to come down there Father, and I realize I got to walk

⁹⁹ Now remember, you are dealing with human souls. You are dealing with spiritual things, and each one of you has got to answer at the day of judgment. I can only be honest. I can only say, if you haven't received the Christ this morning, He stands at the open door...?...

¹⁰⁰ And you that has got the Holy Spirit, remember you are going to be judged by what you done with it. You might have received Christ, by the Holy Ghost, but you will be condemned. "Every man is judged according to the works that is done in his body."

¹⁰¹ After you have received the Holy Ghost what have you done with it? Have you talked about your neighbor? Have you done things wrong? If you have, remember, I would start right immediately right now say, "Lord Jesus today, from now on, I am going to be what You want me to be. I realize the immortal part of God, the Spirit of God, is in my body, and if I have been wrong, You forgive me now. I don't want to do wrong. I want to be ready." How many is in here this morning would like to raise your hands...?...say, "I want to start new today, Brother Branham." God bless you. I have got mine up too...?...I want to start new too, I want to do more for Him next year...?...

¹⁰² One of the most saddest stories I ever heard...?...a young lady. She was a very attractive young woman. She was in a fine home. Talked to her about Christ. Her father said, "I ain't staying here with her"...?...She was going to meet that class of people because she...?...But she got the best of education. When she was just ready to break through upon society and go with different fine classes of men, death struck her suddenly; she went with a heart attack. All of her training did her no good; she went somewhere else. Which way you going this morning, what are you training for?

¹⁰³ I don't care which kind of, groups of life, you belong to, you are going to go to that eternity one of these days, and without Christ, without the Holy Ghost, you are totally lost. Remember that. You cannot be saved, only by accepting Christ, by the Holy Spirit. If He is in you, He is the power of God. Live by it. He is God in you. The Bible said, and we thank God...?...

¹⁰⁴ Jesus said...The Pharisees answered, said, "Ye make yourself God."
Said, "Is it not written in your law, ye are gods?"

¹⁰⁵ He made Moses a god to Pharaoh. He made you a god, to the people. That is right. And you this morning are written epistles. Your lives are of God, and carries that Holy Ghost. Friends, don't let it pass you. Don't just let this go by just a little mythical something...?...

¹⁰⁶ Father, we come this morning as your humble children. I realize that we are living in the last hour, closing time. Something could happen at any time. Men, women, boys and girls here, are without God. And I pray

right. Let us claim our God-given rights. So we are going forward this year with God to be our help and our shield to cause the...try our best to have a revival. Now I...

¹⁶ [Someone speaks to Brother Branham—Ed.] Oh, up here. You all have to tell me when to stop, up there. Right up there, all right. I can walk up this way and look back. And...

¹⁷ So good. How many feels good for Christmas? Say, "Amen." Oh my, my. This is a time of rejoicing, the time of...when all of us can come together and worship Christ, and...I haven't got a message, not a thing. I just opened up the Bible here, when he was talking there, turned over here. I said, "Where is the birth of Christ?" Nearly everybody is talking about that now, so I will just have to read a little while and then find something and just keep staggering along till the Spirit of the Lord picks up something.

¹⁸ Now to start, let us begin at Luke, the 1st chapter of Luke. That is the beginning of the birth of Christ, and we will read some in here, just teach some on the Word if we can. We don't know what the Lord will do for us, but we just trust that He will give us a great blessing.

¹⁹ Say, I heard your broadcast. It was fine. Just keep a going, keep a going. Preach the Word. Just telling Brother Graham in there, if there ever was a time that Christians need one another, it is right now. Right now. Whatever you do, lay aside everything, 'cause I believe, by the grace of God...

²⁰ I will just talk on that a little bit, in a few minutes, that how we need each other right now. The great...I believe that we are facing...Are you listening to me? All right. We are facing now, looking at a great...this drama that has ever been set in all human history, working out here before us. The great field of the world here, and a drama that God is going to act out, right now. That is...it is...startling, to look around over the world and see how the thing is moving together. Oh, it is something fixing to happen friends. This, what we have talked about and said about is right now, here. It is already starting, everywhere, breaking out.

²¹ There is a great picture, I like to picture to you this morning. I see a lamb out in the field feeding. The little fellow becomes nervous, he just...he wonders. Look over in the reeds right behind him, I see a lion slipping up real easy. See. Patting his tail on the ground, getting his feet ready for a spring. That is the church, out there in the field. The darkness of communism is pushing all over the world, closing in like a great shadow, and this is the law of contrasts.

²² Take light before day, it is always the darkest before day because the day is breaking, pushing the darkness. And it is the law of contrast, you see, makes it the darkest before the day breaks. And we are in that same

thing now. It is just the darkest before day. The great shadows of darkness is pushing in to fulfill the man of sin.

²³ Did you notice? In this very Christmas time, all the communist countries are, instead of sending out the Christ in the manger, they have sent out little books of Stalin, putting Stalin's picture on it, the man who opposes himself above all that is called God, so forth, getting a great part of the world into his clutches. And another thing then that all these...that is to fulfill the Scripture.

²⁴ And then again, I want you to notice another thing, one of the fulfilling. These people who are formal, and these formal churches, is rising up against the move. And the Bible said they would, "Have a form of godliness but would deny the power thereof: from such turn away." And they are taking their stand. Communism is taking it's stand. Praise God, the Holy Ghost is taking It's stand. Yes, "When the enemy comes in like a flood then I will raise up a standard against it." That is right. And the Church is taking Her stand. I mean the Holy Ghost Church.

²⁵ Now that is all I am interested in friends, and I am here...Out there I will pray for the sick, but in here I am interested in one thing, and that is God's born again Church. That is right. That is what I am interested in, anyhow. I am not interested in bylaws, and deacons, and so forth like that, orders of churches. I am interested in the baptism of the Holy Ghost upon the church for this day that we are living in. That is the fundamental part and that is what we are looking for.

Just a word of prayer now.

²⁶ Heavenly Father, move down this morning into our midst. Grant it Lord, and may the Spirit of God take over the service. Bless the work here, Lord. Bless our brother, Brother Graham. God give him words of wisdom tonight at the radio broadcast. May he be able to shake the people with-by preaching the Word. Grant it, Lord. Make sinners weep, kneel down in the room and give their hearts to Christ. If there be any unbelievers here this morning, or any that has not accepted Christ, may they come also.

²⁷ And now, start a revival in the hearts of the people this morning Lord. May this be a renewing time, a time when the Spirit will be renewed. And oh Father, we would pray as this way. Come get us by the hand, each one of us. Walk us down this lane here. Show to us this great picture that has set in order here, revealing Your secrets to the saints' hearts this morning, that we might see what is out here just before. As we walk down then Lord, in the armor of God, may we go as gallant soldiers to face the enemy. But how can we face him unless we know his techniques? And help us this morning to understand and show us the-his foregrounds there, so we will know where to meet him, for we ask it in

today, not up to the manger, but to Calvary, not just altogether to Calvary, but to Christ, the Hope of Glory, the Deity of God, the magnificence of God, and the power of God that is now in our hearts, trying to draw us out of the things of the world, that He might take us out of this earth someday into a better land. God, grant it today. Hear the prayer of Your servant, and speak to the people. If there is any lost in here, or any without the Holy Spirit, may they receive of Thee this morning.

⁹⁴ Grant it dear God, for we ask it in the name of Thy dear beloved son Jesus, who nineteen hundred years ago was born in a manger, who suffered thirty-three years later at Calvary for our sins, who ascended on high a few days after that, forty days later. He was received up into glory, then ten days later come again, in the power of the Holy Ghost, and now living in the Church, and soon, with that same power that raised Him, the Holy Ghost in the Church to take it out. Oh God come, will you? And save the Church, for we ask it in His Name.

⁹⁵ While you have your heads bowed, we are going to sing Calling Today. If there is anyone here without Christ, without God, without hope, will you come now?

Calling today, calling today.

Jesus is calling, is tenderly calling today.

Jesus is comforting, calling today, calling today...

⁹⁶ Are you without God, without hope, without Christ? Do you you realize, Christians, if you haven't got just the right hold on God, won't you come?

...farther away.

Calling today, calling today.

Jesus is calling, He is tenderly calling today.

⁹⁷ Listen, God is here and He wants to save you if you are unsaved...?...But listen friends, I want to do something this morning for you, while you are standing here. I want you just to have your eyes closed. I want to pull down a curtain here, and just look over at somewhere.

⁹⁸ We are going to take a little visit this morning...?...drama. I am going to pull the curtain down, just for those who set in this tabernacle, young and old now. We are going to look over to the portals of hell for a while this morning. They...?...they know what they done at Christmas time. Some of them drink, some of them run around, some of them attend church, some mock, some made fun. What if their screaming, bony frame could get back to the church door...?...You know, next Christmas, you may be there? You may have been there a year next Christmas.

And people put their name on church books, try to turn a new page on Christmas Day, try to walk down to church and to pay a few tributes in a manger back there.

⁸⁸ When the Holy Ghost pushing in...?...and so blind they walk around say, "Well, that is a bunch of holy-rollers." Just like it was in the days of Noah, so is it now. The coming of the Son of God is drawing nigh. That is right. And only those who are charged by the Holy Ghost, who have Immortal Life living in them, the Holy Ghost, that is the type is that is going to be drawn from here just as certain as anything. There was something or other about that little old ark in the days of Noah that floated on top of the water. It was a drawing power from above. There was a light in the top, let the glory of God shine from heaven...?...and I tell you today friends, hear my words: there is a drawing power, not from the church, not from the pastor, but from glory. The baptism of the Holy Ghost, moving down in that light channel, to draw up a church.

⁸⁹ What is it? The power of God, the access to His Life, Zoe. "These things that I do shall you do also; greater than this shall ye do." He was persecuted and laughed at, made fun of, and died and went in the grave, but He was true. He had the Spirit of God in Him, and God raised Him up. If we go the same way, so shall we come out. Oh hallelujah. I love Him. Still hearing me? You love Him? You love Him with all your heart? Isn't He wonderful?

⁹⁰ Oh my. "Eye hath seen, ear has heard, what is recorded in God's Word. Isn't He wonderful? Wonderful." Let us bow our heads:

⁹¹ Heavenly Father, oh Jesus, I am looking forward for a great hour. I see it coming. I see there is no hopes nowhere else. I see the age moving up. I see the great red lights of communism swaying around over the earth. I see the formal churches taking a standard against Your Church, trying to condemn them, saying divine healing is wrong, it is a bunch of fanaticism; a bill in our own White House to close it down.

⁹² Oh but God, the other day setting there and seeing those saintly people all illuminated with the power of God, looking upon their faces and seeing the glory of God. They could be like the Hebrew children in the fiery furnace, "We will never bow down. No, our God is able to deliver us." You will come quickly, Lord Jesus. And I see that hour setting in when, "The form of godliness the people had, but denying the power thereof, from such turn away," You said, the Spirit speaking for the last days, and here we are in that day, today.

⁹³ Here is our little church sitting here Lord, men and women who I believe love You, and I pray God, that that Spirit that has filled in their hearts days gone by, will now come deeper in more. May they lay aside every malice, every strife, everything that is unlike You, and move up

Jesus' Name. Amen.

²⁸ Let us...the 2nd chapter. Let us read this:

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

(And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

...And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem;

(because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

...To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

²⁹ Now just as a background, till we get up to the part of it that I would use this morning...And all of you, just let yourself be in the Spirit of the Lord.

³⁰ We are...Today, all over the world is being celebrated the birth of Jesus, which now, it is just traditional. Jesus was not born on no December the 5th, or nothing like December the 25th. We know that is impossible. The hills of Judea was full of snow at that time, so how could it be that...Jesus commonly, by astrology, and so forth, and by all of...was born 1st-around 1st of April, so...when it was springtime. But this is a day, which is all right, just set aside to worship, in memorial of His coming to the world. One of the greatest gifts that God ever give to the world was Jesus Christ. That...We know that.

³¹ And now, I want to speak this morning upon His Deity; who He is. So many has Him a little baby, laying out there in a cradle, and so forth, but that was just one of the pictures, just one of the setting forth of the drama to bring it up to what He really is: His Deity. And He said in the Scriptures of His coming...He was-been spoke of since the days of John, plumb back even into Genesis, it was prophesied that, "The woman's Seed would bruise the serpent's head." Promising this child, Christ Jesus. And He has been there...All the prophets, most every prophet that was ever wrote in the Bible spoke of His first and second advent, when He had come to the world.

³² Jesus comes three times. He came the first time to redeem His Church. He comes the second time to receive His Church. He comes the third time with His Church. Everything in the Bible travels in trinities, threes. But all in one Christ. He-remember the first time to redeem His Church. The second time to receive His Church. The third time with His Church, as King and Queen.

³³ Now...But His first coming we will speak of, just a little bit, and then on His being here, and then on His second coming, on His-and then on the third time, if the Lord willing.

³⁴ Now in these days there was a great persecution against the church. Caesar Augustus had made a great plan that he would tax all the people, and that was only done for one purpose: that God's great prophecy would be fulfilled.

³⁵ Only thing you have to do when you see something in the Bible that sounds just a little mystic, and a little superstitious to you, just give God a little bit of time. God is in no hurry. We are the one gets in a hurry. Just give God just a little bit of time, and you will see the old prophetic wheels, cogs, run right up into the picture. It will develop just like the bringing up of a picture.

³⁶ Like someone was speaking the other day, he said, "God, what was He? When He was back yonder millions and millions of years ago, when He was no...just like this space here, and then He gathered up into the Logos, and then He came from the Logos down into Christ. See, it is just God coming down, like this, to the earth, then going right back into God again. (Don't you see what I mean?) Just revolving, coming down, from space, from Eternity, rolling together, coming down into the Logos, and the Logos down into Man, then returning right back again, for one purpose: to redeem that man that had fallen.

³⁷ Now that is what He came for, to be a Redeemer. And before God could be a Redeemer, He had to be, according to the law, a Kinsman Redeemer. He had to be kinfolks to us. And God in the beginning made His first man; He made him out of spirit. And spirit is the invisible part of man that you don't see.

³⁸ Now, God made man in His Own image. Are you listening to me? All right. God made man in His Own image, and God is a spirit, says the Bible. And the first man that was made had the government over all the creation, just like the Holy Spirit has government over the Church today. He led the creation. He led the animals. But there was no man to till the soil, so God made man out of dust of the earth. And that man...He might have give him a hands like a monkey. He might have give him feet like a bear. Whatever He did, He just throwed it together and made a man. But this man, He put this immortal spirit that never dies into this man, and he

by me. I am going to stand by You Father." And as you do, He is just pressing to get into you. He wants in there. He is wooing you to Him all the time.

⁸³ And I pray God, I want to see the Truth. I know people don't realize who You are. Every person in here can live above sin, can live without sin, live in God. You will make mistakes, but the blood of Christ will forgive you. "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." Is that right? That same power of Christ that was hung on Calvary's cross, the same God that raised Him up on the day of the resurrection, is in you now, you that has got the Holy Ghost. Oh, don't you love Him? Oh, my. Hear His Voice calling today.

⁸⁴ Move Him up to your close bosom and say-or close into your bosom and say now, "Lord Jesus, I have been a little different, but this Christmas day I realize who You are now. I once worshipped you as a little baby in a manger. I seen You back yonder as a little bitty fellow nineteen hundred years ago, and I thought, 'Oh, if I could have went up to Jerusalem.'"

⁸⁵ Today, they are getting passes and everything to go up to the cradle, up to the place where He was born, the same manger. But friends, it is not up there where He was born, it is right here where He was born. God has brought Him down to every one of us, and His living Being is living in us. Oh the Creator, the thing that created the world, and created the heavens, created the earth, created man, is right in every individual that has got the baptism of the Holy Ghost today. That is the thing. That is the secret. Receive the Holy Ghost. He is in you. He is the hope of glory.

⁸⁶ And look here, in the Old Testament, as I have referred to it many times, when the contract was made it was tore apart over a dead beast's body, and those two contracts had to be, come together, that contract had to dovetail one with the other. And today God made a contract. Not because you were good, not because you joined church, not because you being a good rank in society. You can be ever so good, you can live a clean life, you can go to church every day, you can sacrifice every day, you can give a part of your money, you can give up all the sins of the world and everything, and live just as true and faithful as you can, and you will miss heaven just as far as east is from the west. That is right.

⁸⁷ It isn't by goodness that we are saved, but it is by His mercy that we are bought, that God wanted to make sons and daughters. Goodness never makes them, the Spirit of God makes them. If it wasn't so, He wouldn't have had to send the Holy Ghost. How could the Holy Ghost be complete, unless...How could the contract be complete...? Jesus said, "I will go away, yet I will come again and be with you, even in you. Pray the Father, He will give you the Holy Ghost. He will abide with ever."

heart. There He is, the Deity. You love Him? No wonder the poet said:

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found,
I was blind, but now I seen.

⁷⁷ Dear brother, sister, if you haven't got the baptism of the Holy Ghost this morning, run into the Kingdom of God as quick as you can. The sealing time is on. The enemy has come in like a flood; He is raising a standard against it. The drama is set, the church is going home just as certain as anything. You haven't got always to wait, friends. You haven't got all the time to wait; you better come now. You better make it today, that is right, while today is today. Make it now.

⁷⁸ Remember friends, it may seem strange. The world never...The religion of Christ never was popular. It has always been unpopular, the religion of God, because the devil is the prince of the power of the air. He has all the governments. Every government is controlled by the devil, according to the Bible. Devil said it was, that is right. He controls all the governments. And then in the Bible said, "Rejoice, all you holy angels, and you saints upon the earth, for the kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our God and of His Christ and He shall reign."

⁷⁹ Satan took Jesus up on top of the mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world said, "These are all mine, and I will give them to you."

⁸⁰ And Jesus said, "Get thee hence, Satan." That is right. He wasn't caring. He said, "If My Kingdom was of this world. I could call legions of angels, but My Kingdom is not of this world, but My Kingdom is in heaven." And He said, "The Kingdom of God will be within you." So therefore the legions and powers and the backing of the holy angels, hallelujah, is in you this morning, by the Deity of Christ, by the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Yes, sir.

⁸¹ Who are you this morning? Who is Christ Jesus? He is in you, as much as you will let Him be. He is pressing, trying to get into you, to move into you today. And you stand off, and wonder, and look, and gaze, and hold back a little while. Don't do that. Move right straight into the Kingdom of God. The hour is here. Hallelujah! Oh, how I love Him. He is coming one of these days. I want to see Him, don't you? I want to see Him. I believe we will see Him, don't you?

⁸² He is here now. His power is moving. What makes the people cry and shout, go on? What is the matter? It is the Holy Ghost moving in them. If they could only realize and embrace Him, embrace the Holy Ghost, believe Him, hug Him to your bosom. Live right, do nothing that would hinder Him. Say, "Oh Lord Jesus, I want you. I want you to stand

become more than a brute. He became a man. Then this man here...

³⁹ That is what I think that atheists and some of them stand around arguing, but the hour is come when God has shed forth His Light. There is an hour here, when God is doing things. That is right. And so now, when they argue, "Well, his feet look like a bear and his hands look like a ape, or a monkey, or so forth," they try to say his origin come that...That has nothing to do with it. This is a body of flesh that he is just living in, like a house, he is going back to the dust of the earth, but the spirit is immortal, it comes from God. That is the image of God. God is a Spirit.

⁴⁰ That man lost his origin in the Garden of Eden. His relationship, communion with God was cut off there because of sin and unbelief. Unbelief in what? The Word of God. A picture was painted one time to Eve, and told her how much brighter it would be if she just discard the Word of God, look over here to reason. You can't...God...There is a difference between reason and God's Word. God's Word is true. Reason is false. You can't reason out nothing. That is right. Our mind is not...See? Is not good enough, or never will be, to fathom God's Eternal wisdom. And therefore, you can't reason it, you just got to believe it.

⁴¹ And so then the picture was painted out back there to our first father and mother, and they fell, and that broke off relationship with God, and was drove from the Garden of Eden. From that hour, God began to scream up and down the garden hunting for His lost child.

⁴² And then the only way that God then could ever redeem him... would have to be to make...to come down and redeem him Himself. Not in another...Not send somebody else. He couldn't send an angel; that wouldn't be right. But the only way God could redeem the man was come down Himself and redeem it.

⁴³ If somebody sins here, and my, I was the judge of this group of people, and I had the jurisdiction over you all, and if I—if someone sinned, and I said, "Now, I—Brother Graham, I want you to pay the price." That wouldn't be just. If I said for my own boy to pay the price, that still wouldn't be just. The only way that I can be just is for me, myself, to take his place, and what—I was the one passed the judgment, and then if I want to redeem the man I have got to take his place myself. Are you still listening at me?

⁴⁴ Now look, I want you to notice something. Then, when this...The only way that God Himself could ever redeem this man was to come down and take his place. And that was a law that was given by Moses, of redemption, that it had to be through a kinsman redeemer. A man, first, who was worthy. A man who was worth the price. A man then, who would make a public testimony and redeem the lost estate of somebody

that had fallen. And then, God was worthy.

⁴⁵ He came down, some nineteen hundred years ago, in the form of a baby born in a manger, overshadowed by the Holy Ghost, not born by sexual desire. He was God. God's Blood was in Him. The baby is always the blood of it's father, never of it's mother. We all know that, without...

⁴⁶ I have taught that before here in times, and you know that the baby has not one speck of its mother's blood in it. Not a bit. No, nothing does. It is always the blood of the male. A hen can lay an egg, but if it isn't fertile, it will never hatch. No matter how pretty the egg is, and how well she warms it, it will always be unfertile. It will lay right there and rot (that is right) unless the male bird has been with the female bird, and the germ of life comes from the male.

⁴⁷ Therefore when Mary, knowing not a man, she was with the male, God, the Almighty Jehovah, and He overshadowed her. And God is the Creator, that created a blood cell in the womb of Mary, knowing no man at all, and that brought forth the very creative Blood of God to redeem us from our life, coming in here, being born of sexual desire. And then that Blood was drawn out of Emmanuel's veins on Calvary's cross, and today has the same saving, redeeming, holy power that it did the day the transfusion was made out of Calvary. You believe it? Amen. Now, that is right.

⁴⁸ We are redeemed by the Blood of God. The Bible says we are bought by the Blood and redeemed by...bought...God's Own Blood. How was it God's Blood? God has no blood. How could it be? Because it was God's creative Blood that He created in order to redeem us, and came and lived in the same body that He created. Therefore He could not...

⁴⁹ God had to suffer temptation. He couldn't suffer temptation. He had to suffer sexual temptations, He had to suffer all kinds of temptation, to be tempted by the Devil, and riches, and powers, and dominions and so forth. He had to suffer all of that. In order to do it, He couldn't be as God in spirit, He had to be God in flesh. Now I am speaking this morning on the Deity of Christ, so that you will know who He is that we are worshipping today. Not a baby in a manger, or not Santa Claus, but we are worshipping Almighty God, in the Deity of His Son.

⁵⁰ And notice then, that blood came down, and it was Christ Jesus, and God Himself, coming out of spirit, went into Christ Jesus, and the Bible said that, "God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself." Is that right? God Himself, Jehovah, lived in Christ, and was made a kinsman to us, because He was born in human flesh, like we are. Is that right? The blood cells were developed by God, and the flesh cells were developed in the womb of Mary, that brought forth the child, and God came down and lived in human flesh, and was tempted in every manner just like we are.

talk alike. The Bible said it would be that way. He said, "The last days, that perilous times would come, men would be lovers of their own selves more than lovers of God, trucebreakers, false accusers." Is it here? That is right.

⁷² Oh glory to God, I feel something rolling in my soul. Oh, when I look out here..."As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the coming of the Son of man." Noah had some faithful ones in that day; God has got some faithful ones today. The hour is coming, this great drama is setting, men and woman, if the Holy Ghost is dwelling in you...The Christ that was born nineteen hundred years ago came to manhood. He never stayed in the cradle. And today, that for the memorial of His birthday, what do they do? They get some tree, cut it down, make a Christmas tree for the kiddies. But they think...That is all right, I am not kicking against that, but the thing of it is, they put more on the Christmas tree than they do for Christ.

⁷³ Kris Kringle is all over the country. Who was he? A German, a Catholic saint, years ago an old man went about doing good. And today it has become almost a worship. That is right. It is all right to tell the kiddies, or whatever you want to do, as far as I am concerned, but the thing of it is, it is so easy to fall in that rut on the other side and push out Christ, the real fundamentals of Christmas. And men take Kris Kringle instead of real Christmas. That is right. No room for Him in the inn.

⁷⁴ It is all drawn down. If we had time...I know it is getting late, and it is getting late, but look friends, that hour has come and is now that when God's great drama sets here before us. The Son of God that was in the cradle is in the heart now. He is the Deity of God. He is God the Creator. He said, "All things"...He was in the world and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not.

⁷⁵ And today that is what is the matter with the church. The hope of glory, the baptism of the Holy Ghost has come into the people's hearts, and they don't recognize what it is. They think it is a little church joining, or something like that, but that is the God, the Creator living in you, and giving you all the powers, and you are in possession of anything that He has, so is it in you, to abstain from evil, to do good. To shun evil and flee to righteousness. To turn away from temptation, all malice, hatred, strife, envy and so forth. Turn away from it, for that will take Him from your heart.

⁷⁶ If you will receive Him, embrace Him, and love Him, and hold Him in your heart and love Him, I tell you, the church together in that kind of a power has the power to bind the heavens, heal the sick, open the eyes of the blind. Hallelujah. He said the deaf hear, the crippled walk, the blind see. Why? It is recognizing the power of Almighty God into your

He is, for we will be made like Him.”...?...no room for Him.

⁶⁷ People around here saying that they are of Christ, their church is of Christ, they go to, and what happened last night? Opened up the Christmas presents. Let us see about Daddy. In there was under the Christmas tree of a many a man last night set a big box of beer somewhere. No room for Jesus; all for beer. Open up Mama’s present: a deck of cards. No room for Christ; cards. That is right. Instead of a little Bible or something, to the children, here is a little G-Man book or a little something like that. No room for Jesus. And instead of going to church, they go to show, dances, everything and call themselves Christians.

⁶⁸ Brother, when the Deity of God by the Holy Ghost comes into the human heart it crowds out everything that Christ hasn’t...?...You know that is the truth. God, Christ, the Hope of Glory, in you. Not in the cradle, in you. That was one time, God was back in the beginning, then He come into Moses, He come in the children of Israel, He come in the cradle. But now they are worshipping way back like some prehistoric something, when Christ is in you. Here He is today, the Son of God, moving up, His great church is moving.

⁶⁹ Today the church has soup suppers, pie suppers, see who can dress the best, go into the church for pomp, glory, who has got the best church, the best seats, who can play this, who can do that, and no room. All times they got something else to do besides prayer. They can’t pray anymore. They got something else to do. They can’t pray anymore, they just can’t serve God like they used to. No room for Him in the inn. And this is in the end time friends. No room for Him in the inn. ’Course, I know what that inn meant, but I am referring to this inn. But the Bible said, “In that day when the almond tree shall flourish, desire of man shall pale, because he goes to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets, or the silver cord be broken, the pitcher broken at the fountain.” Oh mercy, my friends.

⁷⁰ But the prophet also said, “It will be light in the evening time.” That is right. “The path of glory you shall surely find.” That is right. The evening time has come. The church now, that was once pressed back, that little manger experience that we been through has come to a place now that the people are realizing that the Deity and the power of Almighty God is living in the human being. Oh brother, sister, let me speak to you in the Name of Jesus...Do you still hear me?

⁷¹ Oh my, let me tell you something. The time is coming when women and men are just about alike. They dress so much alike you can’t tell one from the other. That is right. All those things that the Bible said would come to pass, it is here. That is right. You know that is the truth. Is it the truth? Is it the truth? It is the truth. They act alike, look alike, cuss alike,

Do you believe that? All right.

⁵¹ Now then, when He did that, He freely gave His blood. He didn’t have to do it. He made that sacrifice. He could have went right on up into Glory. He could have been transfigured like He was on Mount Transfiguration, went on into heaven, and never died for us, but to be willing to die for us, He gave freely His Blood at Calvary. That is right. And He picked out...He was a man of sorrow, acquainted with grief, and He made a public testimony.

⁵² In the book of Ruth, there is a very beautiful picture there how that Boaz, type of Christ...How that Ruth went over in a strange country, as a backsliding, went out of the land, and brought back with her...I mean Naomi, and brought back Ruth. And when Ruth came back she was of the country of Moab, and when she came back, she was a Moabite. Absolutely a picture of the Gentile bride, of the church. And when she went to leave Naomi, Naomi told her, said...kissed her and told her go back to her people, she said, “I will go with you to your people. Let your people be my people, and let your dwellings be my dwellings, let your God be my God, and nothing but death shall separate us. Where you die, I die; where you are buried, I will be buried.”

⁵³ Now there is a picture of the Gentile church coming into Christ. ’Cause we were once aliens away from God; only the Jews was the ones to be saved. But “We, being dead in Christ, take on Abraham’s seed and are heirs according to the promise.” And Christ got a Gentile Bride. That is exactly right.

⁵⁴ Now in order to redeem...Boaz, to redeem Naomi’s lost estate, that was the backslidden estate of Israel, then Moab had to come out, and when he did, Boaz rather, and when he came out he had to kick off his shoe before the gates, before the elders, to make a public testimony that he had redeemed that lost woman and her estate. And in doing that then, he bought back also...he got in there his bride, the woman he was looking for. He had to redeem the woman first, in order to get the bride. Don’t you see?

⁵⁵ And that is the same thing Christ did. He made a public testimony at the gates of Jerusalem when He was beaten, smitten, afflicted, and was led up Calvary’s...to Golgotha’s hill, and bathed the hill with His own blood as a public testimony that He had redeemed all the fallen estates from back yonder in the beginning, and has redeemed His people from the curse of sin, and from the clutches of hell.

⁵⁶ And knowing that she would need something more in the last days than what she has got now, He said, “I will not leave you comfortless, I will pray the Father and He will give you another Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost. He will abide with you forever.” “A little while and the

world seeth Me no more, but I am going up to heaven to get this thing fixed up and I will come back and be with you, even in you, until the end of the age.” That is what I am talking about. You still hear me? Say, “Amen.” That is right. That is what I am speaking of now. It is Him coming again in His power. Ages has flowed on. Oh, who is He? My, this morning they think of some little object of worship, some little manger out there, some little...that. I am not thinking of that. I am thinking of Christ, the hope of glory, in our hearts this morning, by the Holy Ghost. That is right.

⁵⁷ Oh, condemned by the world. God has always come into the world. When He did the world hated Him. As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the coming of the Son of God. We are in that day, friends. And now, notice, “A little while and the world seeth Me no more, yet you will see Me, for I will be with you, even in you, even to the end of the world.” That is right. He is here now, and in the days how His big picture always revolved up and made the same thing come to pass that we are seeing now, the great drama set, and we are ready now to see great things happen.

⁵⁸ The church has been brought from the cradle, that is right, Pentecostal rocked down yonder a few years ago back there, while the people threw stones and made fun and laughed at, but she grew to maturity now. That is exactly right. The hour is here! Hallelujah. That is right. That is what I am interested in, to see God’s church coming together now. We been beat out here, and beat out there, but the hour is coming when God is throwing the blanket around us all to draw us in, for the enemy is at the gate. Hallelujah. Yes, sir. He said in, I believe His people, Daniel said, “The great things of the last days, when these things come to pass, my the great exploits will the people then, the men of faith will do.”

⁵⁹ And that day and the hour is come now, that when the great drama picture of God set forth, of the latter rain. Joel said, “In the last days it shall come to pass that I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophecy; upon my handmaids and maidservant will I pour out of My Spirit, and I will show signs in the heaven above and signs in the earth below, and pillars of fire, and vapor of smoke. It shall come to pass before the great and terrible day of the Lord shall come that whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved.”

⁶⁰ Jesus said in there, “These things that I do, you shall do, and greater than this, for I go unto My Father.” Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Here is what He said in there, and the Word back there, It said, “If ye abide in me and My Word abide in you, ask what you will and it shall be given unto

you.”

⁶¹ A few years ago the people around here said, “You people up there at that tabernacle, that is holy-rollers, you are all this, that, and the other, and you are crazy.” But oh my, we stood on that what was true, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and now the power of Almighty God is formed in the church, coming forth. Hallelujah!...?...I just want to shake the whole thing, everywhere. Brother, it is already in session right now, it is going on. That is right.

⁶² Who is He? Some of them makes Him a little baby back there. He is the One that stood on the invisible, oh my, platform, reached out His hands and spoke, and said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. That was Jesus Christ. Oh, “He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world recognized Him not.” He was...He is the Deity of God.

⁶³ Look what He did back there. Talk about the miraculous, back there...You talk about shouting, when He performed the miraculous things to make things which are now out of things which was not. He spoke and it was so, and that same power, that same Christ...Hallelujah! Let the fundamentalists, let them people who deny the power of God say it is wrong, but that same power that spoke the world into existence is in those people that has got the Holy Ghost. That is right.

⁶⁴ Men and women, it is time that we found out who you are. The devil is trying to hide you back, tell you that you are some little cowed-down something you are not! You are a sons and daughters of God. The Deity is not in heaven, it is in you. Hallelujah! I know you think I am crazy, but let me tell you something brothers, when you realize that Almighty God lives in you, Immortal Life. “My Life I give.” Zoe, the Life of God, is in the human being.

⁶⁵ He stood back there; He is the Creator of all things. He made life, frogs, all beasts, ducks, chickens, animals, created everything, and “nothing was made, but what was made by Him.” By who? Christ, He is Deity. He brought down flood, plagues and everything in the days of Egypt. Who? Christ. He stopped the mouths of lions, He quenched the violence of fire, they escaped the edge of the sword, they raised the dead from the grave. Who? Christ. Oh, my. What was He? Who is He? Christ, the Deity.

⁶⁶ And brother, sister, that Deity is in you. “A little while the world seeth Me no more, yet you shall see Me, for I will be with you, even in you, to the end of the age.” Christ in the manger? No, Christ in you. Hallelujah. We are not worshipping Christ in the manger, but Christ in you, the Holy Ghost, the Hope of Life. Hallelujah, the Creator, God Himself. “It does not yet appear what we shall be but we will see Him as