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

Speak To The Rock And It Will Give
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Introduction

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Stand up, right here, and be healed in the name of Jesus Christ. I rebuke that devil that's a-bothering you and trying to keep you from it. The devil's a-lying to you. You're going to be alright. Go home and be well now. God bless you. Amen. Hallelujah!

¹⁶⁵ There's a man right back behind her there, sitting on the end, suffering with heart trouble. Mister, do you believe that . . . have you got a prayer card, mister? Do you believe God will heal you? You've got heart trouble. You was healed right then, Jesus Christ made you well! You touched the border of His garment, they was praying for you. Amen! I challenge you to believe it.

¹⁶⁶ Here. Here's a woman sitting right down . . . right down in this a-way, she's suffering with hemorrhoids. Oh, God, tell me, let me know. Mrs. Huddenpough, stand up on your feet and accept your healing and be made well in the name of Jesus Christ!

¹⁶⁷ I challenge this audience to "speak to the rock!" Do you believe Him with all your heart? How many in here believes you're on speaking terms with Him now? All right. Can you speak to Him? Then put your hands over on one another. Lay your hands on one another. That's it! Just forget yourselves. Speak to the rock. Put your hands on one another and offer a word of prayer. God heal you. Heavenly Father, I pray thee in Jesus name, send down the Holy Ghost; and may they speak to the rock, and the rock bring forth it's waters of healing, and strength, and power, joy, and love, and forgiveness of sins. Grant it, Lord. I commit them to You in the name of Jesus Christ. Speak to the rock and the rock will bring forth its healing powers.

¹⁶⁸ Do you believe that you're speaking to the rock? Everyone, accept your healing now, stand on your feet. Rise to your feet! That's it. Amen. Hallelujah! Speak to the rock! Now, let's raise our hands and praise the rock! Hallelujah! Praise be to God! We thank You, Lord Jesus, for Your power, Your omnipotence, You're the same yesterday, today, and forever. We speak to the rock and the rock brings forth its waters, it's the same Jesus yesterday, today, and forever. Your words can never fail. These people are Yours, Lord. They love You. They are praising You. Lord, grant sinners to come to the altar of repentance. Grant it, Father. In the name of the Lord Jesus.

¹⁶⁹ Now, how many of you accept Him? Raise your hands and say, "I believe He's in the midst of us." Raise up your hands and praise Him. Praise Him. Praise Him. How glorious. How marvelous. There's not nothing else can be done. I don't know nothing else to do now. He's already done it. There's no need of calling a prayer line. The rock's already here. The rock's already speaking. Hallelujah! Just believe the rock, and the rock will bring forth His waters. I commend you to the Rock of Ages. In the name of Jesus Christ.

Speak To The Rock And It Will Give Forth His Water

¹ Thank you, brother. You be seated. Sorry to keep you standing up singing so long but I just met an old friend I haven't seen for years, right outside here, Brother Noel Jones. We used to hunt together down in Arkansas. You heard me talk about it many times, the guy that had lizard eyes, that could shoot squirrels when I couldn't even see them. So, I just happened. . . I recognized him. He changed a little, and he's a grandfather now, but I was certainly happy to see him.

² Somebody told me, one of my field secretaries, that there is another friend of mine in here tonight. An old friend, Brother Morrison from down around San Francisco. I wonder if Brother Morrison would stand, or hold his hand or something, where I could. . . Morris, Brother Morris. Bless you. I'm sure glad to see you again. God bless you. An old Bible teacher. I remember. . . Is that sister with you there? Well, I'm certainly glad to see you. The Lord bless you.

³ They were some of my first sponsors when I first come to the West Coast, many, many years ago. Oh, this turned into be a homecoming week. Wonderful!

⁴ Well, we're glad to have our brother and sister, and Brother Jones, Sister Jones. I remember about them, years ago. . . I don't think he's in yet, he's at the back talking with some of them. He asked me, I'd been about eight days and nights at the pulpit, he said, "Brother Branham, don't you like to hunt just a little bit?"

I said, "Oh, I love it!"

He said, "Well, I'll take you hunting."

⁵ And Brother Johnson and I. . . So he had an old ninety-seven shotgun, you men know what I'm talking about. The best ones was ever made. And then . . . so then he had another old gun there that they had borrowed which was just an old poach stop. You know, the old . . . the old gun . . . and every time he'd shoot, a single barrel, it'd kick open. You'd have to take a stick along with you and knock the shell out the back. And Brother Noel said to me, he said, "Now, Brother Branham, you take this gun."

I said, "No, I can beat you any day with this here."

He said, "I'm telling you, you better take the gun."

⁶ So, they turned the dog loose and he run about fifteen squirrels up a tree and he barked. We started running over to where he was at, and he said, "Now, if you want squirrels, this is your last opportunity. You better take this gun."

I said, "Just keep moving."

⁷ Well, that guy had about three squirrels on a fly. I never seen so much shooting in my life. Squirrels dropping everywhere. I shot once. The old thing like to kick me down. I tried to knock the. . .

⁸ We took Brother Johnson, a couple days after that (and that was his father-in-law), and we had to walk across a little bayou of swamps, as it is, way over in Arkansas there. So he had one pair of boots, so Brother

Noel was the largest, tall, thin fellow, and he picked up me and put me on his back, and across the swamp he went. He came back and got Brother Johnson, he's a little short, fat fellow. Got out there and I got to teasing, he got to laughing and dropped Brother Johnson right in the middle of the water.

Oh, God bless Brother Johnson. He just told me that he's very ill. So, I pray that God Almighty will help Brother Johnson. That's his father-in-law.

⁹ Oh, I tell you, wherever I've roamed, some of the finest old hearts beat under them old blue shirts down in Arkansas. Don't you...? How many Arkies is here? Let's see your hands. Well. All California is made out of is Okies and Arkies, they tell me. Well, that's mighty fine. There's mighty fine people in both Oklahoma and Arkansas. Frankly, everywhere you find God's people, they're fine people. Exactly right, everywhere.

¹⁰ We had a wonderful meeting this morning. A fine fellowship at the Full Gospel Businessmen's breakfast. I got there a little late, but got to enjoy some of the blessings of the Lord. The Lord came down and blessed us as I spoke on "God's Provided Way to Fellowship" and how that God seen us through the blood of His Son and our red sins were white as snow.

¹¹ Now, tomorrow night, thanks be to ever who it was that changed that service from afternoon until night, because it certainly... I prayed for it. Now, we don't want to try to take meetings away from the churches. We try to have our meetings like this on the afternoons so the people can attend the churches at their own service, but it would have been a scorcher for tomorrow afternoon. And so we are very happy that the ministers are turning out their churches and so forth to come to the meeting.

¹² Now, you visitors here, in the morning find you one of these fine churches here in the valley. And I tell you, wherever you see a good church, a church of your choice—the ministers, I guess, have already been introduced and so forth, and told where they are from—attend some of those churches in the morning. And help them, because they are dismissing their services, many of them tomorrow night, to attend this service here.

¹³ God bless you, my brethren, that's a gallant thing. That's fine cooperation. I appreciate it. It's such things as that that brings to a man's heart and makes him want to return again somehow, to have fellowship. I trust that there'll be souls saved, that your churches will prosper; and whatever desire you have in your heart, may God grant it to you. You and your fine people that give us this fine cooperation during these hot nights of this revival.

¹⁴ Tomorrow afternoon we aim... I promised that everybody that come to the meeting would have a prayer card. We had some nights of discernment, we try to take up the cards afterwards. And then everyone

¹⁵⁸ Here, that you might know. Here's a little lady, sitting right here. Don't know her. Never seen her in my life, but the woman is suffering from a hernia condition. That's right, isn't it, lady? You had more faith than you thought you had, didn't you? If that's right, raise up your hand, lady. Way up so the people can see. There it is. What did she touch? The High... I say another thing, that woman's not from here. She's from another city, Ukiah. You believe with all your heart? That's exactly the truth. You can go home and be made well, for Jesus Christ makes you well. Amen.

¹⁵⁹ What did she touch? Ask her if she ever knowed me. I have no way of knowing her, but what was it? Look at her. Can't you see that light still hanging over that woman right there? Look at that light. Right there.

¹⁶⁰ There's another lady, goes over right back behind her there. Right back in this way. She's suffering with a female trouble. Miss Haggie, will you believe with all your heart? That's right. That's who you are. I'm a stranger to you. You're suffering with that disease, sitting there praying. If that's right, raise up your hand so the people will see. There she is. What did she touch? She touched the border of His garment. Not my garment, she's thirty yards away from me. She touched the border of the High Priest's garment. Do you love Him? Have faith, believe God.

¹⁶¹ Somebody in this section, believe. Here. Here sits a man sitting here looking at me. The man's got a dark spirit over him, he's got epilepsy. You believe that God'll heal you? Make you well? You suffer with them fall... epilepsy. You believe God'll heal you and make you well? If you do, raise up your hand and say, "I accept it." Go home and may the devil leave you and never bother you again. In the name of Jesus Christ.

¹⁶² Here, I see another woman. She's sitting right back here. She's suffering with a thyroid trouble. She's bowing her head, she was praying. She was praying, "Lord Jesus, let him call me." She touched the hem of His garment. Oh, God, don't let her miss it. Please don't. Her name's Mrs. Strait. Alright, believe, Mrs. Strait, and go home and be well. Do you believe with all your heart? You do? Stand up to your feet and witness that you believe that God will make you well. All right. If you're a stranger to me, raise up your hand. All right. But you're not a stranger to Christ. If that isn't the same Lord Jesus, I don't know what is. Amen.

MARK9:23

¹⁶³ Do you believe with all your heart? If thou canst believe. I see a lady sitting right back through this a-way. She's suffering, she's got oppression. She's got a breakdown, it's a nervous condition, a mental condition. Oh, if the woman could only catch it. God, tell me who she is, please do. Her name is Mrs. Adams. Mrs. Adams, believe with all your heart and Jesus Christ will make you well. Do you believe it with all your heart? Do you accept your healing? Don't be scared. If you're scared, you'll always be in that estate. It's a mental oppression. But don't doubt. Believe with all your heart. Will you do it?

¹⁶⁴ Then stand up on your feet, Mrs. Adams. Stand up on your feet.

Say-how many feels the presence of God? It's just tearing me to pieces here on this platform. That's right, friends. I don't even ... I believe we don't even have to have a prayer line. How many believes that God can call you right out there, whoever you are, and heal you anyhow, without a prayer line? If you'll believe with all your heart, God'll do it.

¹⁵² All right. Will you believe if He will do it? Will you believe Him, accept Him? All right. How many's sick in here, raise up your hand. How many wants God in your life for healing? Raise up your hand. Now, how many of you're strangers to me, that I don't know nothing about you? Raise up your hand. All right, now you pray. You pray to the High Priest and touch His garment, see what happens.

HEB13:8

¹⁵³ Oh, if He will do this-I don't know He will. I'm trusting that He'll do it. I believe the anointing, that same pillar of fire, is here tonight. I believe it. I believe it with all my heart. He said ... He told me! He told me that it would happen, I believe Him with all my heart. I believe Him. Satan, you might as well get away because I do not listen to any of your scum. I believe Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. This Bible promised it, and He's the same.

HEB4:15

¹⁵⁴ People can touch Him. Lord God, let it be proven tonight. Let the Holy Ghost prove it, that You are the same Lord Jesus, that You can be touched. Grant it, Lord. Use your humble servant. Lord God, speak to the people through me. If You can use my voice, here I am, Lord. If You can use their faith, speak, Lord, that it might encourage others. Let someone touch You, Lord, so that they'll know that You're the same Rock of Ages, you're the same rock that'll give forth it's waters, just as soon as you speak to it; for it's the High Priest now that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities. Grant it, Lord. Let it be, in Jesus' name.

¹⁵⁵ Just believe. Just enter in reverently and believe. I can't do it. It's your faith has to do it. Just have faith, humbly; don't press. Don't press; just relax, say, "Yes, Lord, I believe you. I'm coming to You, Lord. That man doesn't know me. How would He know me? He's a stranger to me. Now, I know He's preaching the truth, because here it is in the Bible. I know that's truth. But now, if You have honored Your people by sending a gift among us, then, Lord, let me have the benefits of it. If I don't need it..." If you don't need healing, say, "Lord, touch somebody in here that's praying." Say that.

¹⁵⁶ If you don't need healing, let somebody else. Just a few hands went up that needed healing. I don't know who they were, but if you don't need it, you pray for somebody else that does need it. Say, "I know somebody here that needs healing. Let the Holy Spirit speak to that man and call that person." Just believe it like that and see what happens.

¹⁵⁷ Oh, isn't this a great time? Here it is, no matter what I say, if God don't keep His Word, He isn't God. Now, there's no other religion can make that stand. Our Jesus is not dead. He died, true, but He raised again. He's alive for evermore. Thanks be to the living God.

that attended that wanted a prayer card could have one, and I'd pray for everybody that had a prayer card. Everybody wanted to be prayed for, I'd sure do it. So, we are going to try to do that tonight and tomorrow afternoon ... or, tomorrow night. The cards will be given out about an hour prior to the service. I'd say if it starts at 7:30, at 6:30. All who wants a prayer card, come at 6:30 and get it.

¹⁵ The reason we do that, it's best for them to come, as quick as they can, to get the card; but we give a little space there because we don't want to interrupt the other services. The field secretary, Brother Goad, Brother Mercier and them has just announced to me, of course, tomorrow will be too late to get tapes or books. We have made it a habit of never selling on Sunday, especially these tapes and books and whatever they have.

¹⁶ Now those things do not belong to me. They're not mine, I do not get any money at all. I get a salary from my church, \$100 a week. [Cars heard roaring by.] So if we could just reach up the highway to heaven like that, wouldn't we be doing something? Like those jalopy races going on out there. But I don't believe they can drown me out, I don't believe they can. We could just shout that down. If the walls of Jericho fell by some shouting, why a little bit wouldn't hurt now, would it? Maybe the shackles would fall off then.

¹⁷ So, we are looking forward for tomorrow night being a great night. And now as I said, I get a salary from my church-\$100 a week. And all other money that's out of the campaign goes into the Foundation; and then it's put aside so that it won't be for me or no one else, it's used for foreign missions. When I get enough money together that I can go over, I go preach to the heathen, them that don't even know who Jesus is. And in there we have seen the greatest results, our greatest need.

¹⁸ In Durban, South Africa, I seen thirty thousand blanket natives receive Jesus Christ as personal Saviour in one altar call-thirty thousand. Bombay, India, for the Mohammeds and them, and it was hard telling, there's no way to number. It's estimated in the city, to attend the meetings, five hundred thousand people. We couldn't even place them no where. So many that I had to leave because you could find no ample place to put them. Expecting to go back soon where we go up to New Delhi where the President give us the amphitheater that we can put a million people in it, outdoor amphitheater, panoramic of mountains. We're expecting great things there.

¹⁹ And over there, to those people who doesn't know, little black boys standing like that, never had a bath in their life, don't know which is right and left hand, would stand with their little tears running down their cheeks, to hear one time of a story of a God that loves them. When you're doing that, my friend... I know we support our churches here at home, that's exactly right. But here where we have big churches on every corner, big fine spires and everything, and them poor little fellows-Jesus died for them just the same as He died for your child and my child;

he's just as hungry, he gets just as hungry, as our children does. And it's not fair that we have everything, even into glamour, and them poor little fellows never heard the gospel one time. I think it's our duty to take it. And if you can't do it, the offerings that you give in it and a love offering to me...

²⁰ I want you to know that... I don't know, if expenses is not made... I do not take a love offering. And if the expenses is not made, I have to stand and borrow the money, myself, to stand expenses. We never leave a city owing a penny. That's my record. And if it ever gets to a place where God doesn't sponsor in my meetings, and doesn't pay it out, then it's time for me to come home and pastor the Tabernacle again.

²¹ I never took an offering in my life. I've always depended on God. I never would in my campaign let people beg, bum, and pull. If the people love God, poor people, they'll support all they can. And if they can't, then I'll have to... I'll borrow it some other way from some friend of mine or something, and pay it off.

²² And then, if they have it all paid up, and then free, I get a love offering. I don't even see it. My secretary takes it and gets it ready and it's banked and put into the bank under the name of the Branham Tabernacle at New Albany, Indiana; and there that money cannot be used for nothing else but for the kingdom of God, to support foreign missions as I go over to preach. And when I get enough built in there to go, then I take off and go.

²³ Now, I believe that's just making the people know that ... what it is. These books that we've got, they belong to Brother Gordon Lindsay. They're his. He writes them. We buy them from him at 40% less than what he resells them for. These boys are paid to sell these books. They're paid to transport them. Many of them are lost. Many of them are give away. We are always in the hole on the books. The boys sell the tapes for the Tabernacle. Now the tapes is a copyrighted article and they've got to be put on the very best of tape, like the book. If it isn't satisfactory, send it back, get your money back, see. And then the book ... the tapes are sold real cheap. The records and anything you buy are not mine, it belongs to others. We just put it in the meeting. And if I didn't think it wouldn't help you, or help the cause, I certainly wouldn't let them be sold.

²⁴ And I search through it to see if there's anything wrong with the prices, compare with others; and if there's anything that seems to be overcharging, right there I'd stop that right now. Yes, sir. I don't have that. But tonight, if you want books or so forth-my life story, "A Prophet Visits South Africa," sermons, "As the Eagle Stirreth His Nest," "Do You Fear Cancer," many of the others, "Jesus Christ, the Same Yesterday, Today, and Forever," "I Was Not Disobedient to the Heavenly Vision," many of those books-you want them, records, tapes, you can obtain them at the end of the building here somewhere. Where is that at, Gene? Back at the back? There is a book concession, I guess back

¹⁴⁴ Now, God doesn't ... God doesn't do things just... If I could stand tonight and say, "I'll tell you who'll be president," and tell you just exactly, and it would be that way, well, after while you'd say, "Brother Branham's a great prophet. Sure, he told exactly who would be president." But, you know what? What good would it do? See? It wouldn't glorify God any. That would glorify me. See? So, God doesn't do those things like that. God doesn't do it.

PSA22:1

¹⁴⁵ He just does things for His glory. He lets the prophet enter into such a place till even the prophet sometimes thinks it's himself. Like David in the twenty-second Psalm cried, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" The very words that Jesus said at the cross. What was it? The Spirit of Christ in him had him anointed, and he spoke the words of Christ.

2SAM15:30 MATT23:37 LUKE13:34

¹⁴⁶ Look at Isaiah, how he spoke and thought it was he, the Messiah was so in him. Look at David going up over the mountain, looking back over Jerusalem, weeping as a rejected King. Just a few hundred years after that, the Son of David went up a rejected King, looking back over Jerusalem weeping, "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how oft would I have hovered you, as a hen does her brood, but you would not." Think of it. Now, that's the Spirit of God.

¹⁴⁷ Now, God uses His prophets to glorify Him. Do you believe that? Now, in the line here tonight I do not claim to be any healer. I'm not a healer. God is the healer. All that God can do for you He's already done. Now, the next thing you have to do is to have faith and accept what He's done. He's give you the promise, He wants you to enter in.

HEB4:15 HEB13:8

¹⁴⁸ Now, how many believes that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever? Thank you. How many knows that He's the High Priest right now that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities?

MATT9:20,22 MARK5:27,32,34 LUKE8:44,48

¹⁴⁹ How would you know you touched Him, if you touched Him? Well, how would that High Priest act? The same as He did yesterday. Is that right? He'd be the same. If you could touch Him from where you are right now, and touch the border of His garment; then if He's the same yesterday, today, and forever, He'd turn right back around with His Spirit and do the same thing He did with that woman that touched Him. Is that right? He looked right over till He found who she was. There was great crowds of people there touching Him, but He looked over that audience till He found who she was. He said, "Thy faith has saved thee. Your blood issue's gone."

¹⁵⁰ See, He knew it. Now, what did it? She touched the High Priest. You can do the same thing tonight, if He's the same high priest. If it's the same pillar of fire, if this picture we got here, I sometimes have them laying here, but the picture of the angel of the Lord, if that's the same angel of the Lord, He will do the same thing.

¹⁵¹ If He's the same yesterday, today, and forever, it'll produce His life.

¹³⁷ Someone else raise your hand, say, "I, Brother Branham, would like to know Him." Just raise your hand, say, "Pray for me, Brother Branham." I'll certainly do it.

The Lord bless you. Would there be another before we close? God bless you back there, sir. That's good. That's real conviction. God bless you over here, sir, to my left. God bless you, the little fellow back there, the little boy. God be with you, sonny, make a preacher out of you.

Somebody else say, "I'd like to speak to the rock?" All right, no one else? God bless you, back there. I seen your hand just then. I'm just waiting a moment to see if there be someone else.

¹³⁸ Think of it now. Are you in a desert? Don't you know where to go? Have you got off the real beaten path? Why not speak to the rock? He will bring forth His waters. That smitten rock was Moses' judgment rod. The judgment rod of God smote the rock and it had a cleft in it. And out of that same rock they found honey one day. Oh, my!

¹³⁹ God's judgment smote Jesus Christ. He was the rock of our salvation. There's a cleft in His side, honey is in the rock, as we said this morning. They find food, you find shelter in a time of storm. You find healing for your body.

¹⁴⁰ God bless this young girl sitting here, find whatever you have need of. It's in the rock, if you just believe Him now with all your heart. All right, I got your hand back there again. I'm just waiting, waiting to see what the Holy Spirit will say. All right. If thou canst believe. All right.

¹⁴¹ Our Heavenly Father, You see their hands. They want to speak with You. I bring them into Your presence, Lord. May this be the night, God; tomorrow may be too late. That we may not, none of us, be here tomorrow. How do we know that the great thing isn't going on now to start the world ... to blow it up. How do we know that a missile won't get loose somewhere and will cause the firing to start. When that time starts, the church will be on its road to glory. Oh, God, it'll be taken up and across Jordan-Jordan of death-and we'll go into glory.

¹⁴² Let Your presence be known to these people tonight, Father. Let them know that this One that they've raised their hands to is still the same Lord God. He does not change. People changes, time changes, but God changes not.

¹⁴³ [Blank spot on tape] ... come up here, and one of the ministers here, the brethren. . . Sometimes in these healing services I get so weak I can't even see where I'm standing, and my son, or Leo or Gene or some of them, will come and hit me on the side and take me out. It's because those visions just make me so weak I can't hardly stand here. See? That's the reason I think it's more sufficient ... and I'm trusting you, brother, you sister, you that's raised your hand, you that don't know God, it's your salvation. God's already saved me, but I just couldn't be satisfied unless you're saved. I want you to go too. I want you to be there.

there, that you can get them. Tonight only, for tomorrow we won't sell them.

Now, can you hear me all right? All the way back? Way back at the back. Oh, that's fine. Let the engineer give us all the strength it's got, as long as you don't cause the transposition.

²⁵ Now, do you love Him with all your heart? Oh, that's just fine. My, I feel real religious to start with tonight. [break in tape] We want to read out of the book of Numbers. To you who are keeping down the... NUM20:1-8

Then came the children of Israel, even the whole congregation, into the desert of Zin in the first month: And the people chode ... in Kadesh, and [wait a minute, I got my...] the first month: and the people abode in Kadesh; and Miriam died there, and was buried there.

And there was no water for the congregation and they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron.

And the people chode with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God that we had died when our brethren died before the Lord!

And why have you brought up the congregation of the Lord into this wilderness, that we and our cattle should die there?

And wherefore have you made us to come out of Egypt, to bring us into this evil place? it is no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither is there any water to drink.

And Moses and Aaron went forth from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and ... fell upon their faces: and the glory of the Lord appeared unto them.

And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying,

Take the rod, and gather thou the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and thou shalt bring forth ... them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink.

²⁶ May the Lord add His blessings to the reading of His Word. And now I want to take for a text out of there... An old Scripture fell on my mind when I seen Brother Nole, of a message that I used to speak on many, many years ago. Kind of forgotten most of it, what I used as a context, but I'm sure the Holy Spirit will reveal it to me as I go along. My subject is tonight: "Speak to the Rock and It Shall Give Forth Its Water ... Give Forth His Water." You notice, "It shall give forth his water." It shall give forth His water. NUM20:8

²⁷ It must have been a hot morning. Everybody was all confused and flusterated because all night long the cattle had bawled, and the children had cried, and the people had fussed and argued and quarreled.

²⁸ Poor Moses, it was a dreadful time for him. You see, he had come down into Egypt and had brought the children out according to the promise of God; and was leading them to the promised land, a land flowing with milk and honey, with a promise of God to protect them and to supply everything they had need of until they reached this glorious land flowing with milk and honey.

²⁹ Moses, a God-called servant, ordained prophet, pillar of fire over him, following him, confirming the words that he spoke by signs and wonders, on his road to the promised land with the children. A very definitely anti-type . . . or, type, rather, of the journey today. We are on our road to the promised land. And we are being led by the great Holy Spirit. As they was led in the natural, we are led in the spiritual to this great promised land that God made the promise and gave to us. God had promised them to supply all their needs, but their carnal minds had taken them out of the divine will of God and had given them a desert route. That's a whole lot of it today.

REV21:4

³⁰ That's what's the matter with many of our churches. They've taken the carnal, intellectual route, and has been cut off the supplies of God's blessings of healing and power and the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and have took the desert route. Therefore we have arguings and fusses and stews and complaints. But those who are still remaining in the way, it's joy unspeakable and full of glory, with God, with His pillar of fire over them. With power, with joy, with signs and wonders, how that real borned again church is moving on to the promised land. The promise of eternal life, a land flowing with eternal life, where there's no more sickness, death, sorrow, nor nothing to harm.

³¹ Now, but when carnal minds begin to come among them, it finally drove them off the main path into the desert. They made their fatal mistake when they failed to go on. They were on their journey, not very many miles. They could have made it in a few days, with all this two million people out into the desert, if they'd have stayed on the path.

1PET4:17

³² But when they come to a place called Kadesh Barnea... Kadesh Barnea at one time, I'm told, was a great judgment seat. It says a great spring or well there. Many little wells. A perfect type of the church. The church is the judgment seat; where heaven is the great judgment seat of God, and the little wells represent the little churches all out. And judgment begins at the house of God, see, here's where the judgment begins.

³³ That's why... I don't see why so many complain that I speak too hard and try to make people straighten up and tell them the way they're living, the way they're dressing, and tell me I'm hurting my ministry; when the judgment seat is the house of God. That's right. Here's where it's to begin at, right here where justice and righteous and judgment of God is to go forth from the pulpit.

¹²⁸ The doctor's leaving the house, he's pronounced her dead, her heart's stopped, she has no more respiration, been sick for several days, now she's gone. She said, "Where you going now? What you got your hat?"

"I just happened to think, I'm going out to speak to the rock."

And the rock brought forth life again into his daughter. Hallelujah! That's our God.

¹²⁹ If you need life, speak to the rock. If you need joy, speak to the rock. If you need healing, speak to the rock. If you need the Holy Ghost, speak to the rock. Whatever you need, speak to the rock and He will bring forth His waters. Do you believe that?

¹³⁰ What the church needs tonight is get back on speaking terms with the rock. The Rock of Ages, Christ Jesus, God's smitten rock. That's God's rock, it's the salvation of God. That's still our commandment tonight is: Whatever we have need of, speak to the rock and use the name of the rock, and God'll bring it forth, His waters out of that rock! Glory!

¹³¹ I feel like I could run a hundred miles. Why? Oh, brother, I know that smitten rock's laying right here now. Don't smite it any more, just speak to it. Just speak to the rock, and it'll bring forth His waters. You believe that? Let's bow our heads and speak to Him then. Whatever you have need of, speak to that rock and see if He will bring forth His waters.

LUKE19:40

¹³² Oh, God, have mercy. We know that Thou art the rock in a weary land, You're a shelter in the time of storm. No wonder Jesus said, "If they hold their peace, this rock will immediately cry out." The rocks.

MATT3:9 LUKE3:8

¹³³ John said, "God's able of these rocks to raise up children unto Abraham."

¹³⁴ God, how we thank You that we can speak to You. We're so thankful to be on speaking terms. The blood of Jesus Christ puts us in this condition. I pray, Father, that You forgive every sin of the people in here. Take us all together tonight Father, forgive our sins, heal our sicknesses. May the Lord God of heaven show forth His power and His glory upon this people.

¹³⁵ While we have our heads bowed, I wonder if there's one in here that doesn't know Him and would like to speak to Him as your Saviour. Would you raise your hand? Say, "Lord God, have mercy upon me and give unto me eternal life." Will you raise your hand? God bless you, sir. Will there be another? God bless you, lady. Will there be another? Someone else? God bless you back there, a sister. Another? Say, "I'd like to speak to the rock, Brother Branham. Do you know Him?"

¹³⁶ Yes, I know Him. I'm acquainted with Him, He's my friend. He's my Saviour. I spoke to Him thirty-one years ago. He forgive all my sins. He's healed all my diseases. He gives me peace and satisfaction. Would you like for me to speak to Him for you? Would you like to know Him too?

sitting there shivering, his little old bare legs laying there in that sun, and his little old withered arms, and his old ragged coat; but he threw that coat one side to the other, and took off. For why? He was ready to speak to the rock, and the rock gave him back his sight. Hallelujah!

¹¹⁶ That's a warning to every blind man in here tonight, whether you're spiritually blind or physically blind-speak to the rock! He's a sight-giving rock, amen! Speak to the rock. Yes, sir. The blind man.

JOHN4:7,16

¹¹⁷ There was a woman one time, went out to the well to get some water. She was in bad shape, she was a prostitute. She seen a man sitting over there against the wall, and she didn't know who He was. After awhile He said, "Woman, give me a drink." He went to talking to her until He found out what her trouble was. He said, "Go get your husband."

JOHN4:17

¹¹⁸ She said, "I have none."

¹¹⁹ "Why," He said, "that's true. You've had five; and the one you're living with now is not your husband."

JOHN4:19,25

¹²⁰ She said, "Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet. We know that there's a rock coming someday, called the Messiah, and he will do this."

JOHN4:26

¹²¹ He said, "I'm he that speaks to you."

JOHN4:28

¹²² I can see her drop that water pot, her big pretty eyes shine, into the city she went knowing that she had spoke to the rock! Hallelujah! And she found water she didn't come to that well to draw. Oh, she had spoke to the rock.

JOHN11:21,22,39

¹²³ Little Martha, one time her brother was dead and was buried, four days out in the grave, rotten already, skin worms eating in his body. And she heard there was something in the city, that Jesus had come. She went out there where He was at, she fell down before Him, and she said, "Lord, if you would've been here, my brother would not have died. But, even now, Lord, whatever you ask God, God'll give it to you."

JOHN11:23

¹²⁴ He said, "Thy brother shall rise again."

JOHN11:44

¹²⁵ Why? She spoke to the rock, amen, and brought forth death out of corruption, and ... rebuked death and brought life. Where a man had been dead four days, stood on his feet and lived again, because she spake to the rock.

¹²⁶ The disciples one night was out on the sea, all hopes was gone, and what happened? They seen something. Looked like a spirit coming to them. And they found out it was the rock and they spoke to the rock. New hopes come in and away they went! And the whole thing was spared because they spoke to the rock.

¹²⁷ Jairus, the little priest. His daughter was dead, all hopes is gone. Directly he happened to think of something, His wife saw him run and get his hat. "Where you going, Jairus?"

NUM13:2

³⁴ Now, when they got there, they camped. God had been good to them, showed them many great wonders and signs down in Egypt. On their journey He had prepared everything for them, but still they had to come to this place which was almost in sight of the promised land, just a little while after they had left. And when they got to this place, Moses took a man out of each tribe and sent him over into Canaan to spy out the land.

JOSH2:1

³⁵ We're all acquainted with the story how they come, two of them, up to Jericho, and how the harlot had hid the spies and so forth. And when they went into the land they searched it out to see if the promise was right.

NUM13:23

³⁶ When they returned back they brought bunches of grapes that had taken two men to pack one bunch of grapes. I've often thought, if a land with a curse on it would grow that kind of grapes, what will it be when the curse is taken off? What a bunch of grapes it'll be! Oh, my! I just get a little foretaste of it once in a while. I was preaching here not long ago, I was thinking this morning, I do a lot of slobbering, you know, I guess, when I'm preaching; but I've been eating some of them grapes that's been brought back and it kind of causes me to slobber a little, you know, like a horse eating clover.

NUM13:27

³⁷ So then when they come back, they brought this great bunch of grapes and they all gathered before the congregation of the Lord, and they brought a report, "Oh, God has told the truth! The land is flowing with milk and honey, it's a good land, it's a land of seed, it'll grow anything. Oh, it's a wonderful place! We got plenty of water and rivers and irrigations and everything to make a great nation."

NUM13:29,33

³⁸ "But oh, the Amorites and the Hittites and all the others are there. Some of them are giants and we look like little grasshoppers." And when they begin to say that, oh, the strength left the children of Israel. They begin to cry and to scream-they'd left Egypt and come up, all these things, and that had taken place. But there was two, out of the whole twelve of them there were two that had confidence. Rest of them said, "We can't do it, we just can't go any further. It's impossible for us to meet that kind of people."

NUM13:30

³⁹ But Caleb and Joshua said, "We are more than able to take it!"

⁴⁰ Why was it? The others, the one with the intellectual part, was looking at what the giants looked like. But Caleb and Joshua was looking at the promise that God had given. Now, it all depends on what you're looking at.

⁴¹ There's people sitting here tonight that was in wheelchairs a night or two ago, they're up walking around now. It depends on what you look at! If you look at your affliction, you'll never go any farther; but if you look at the promise of God, you've got a right to every redemptive blessing that God promised in His Word is yours. That's right.

⁴² The Christian always looks at the unseen things. Every redemptive blessing of God is unseen. Here's the whole armor of the Christian: love, joy, faith, long-suffering, goodness, meekness, gentleness, patience. It's all unseen forces that work in the heart of a believer. Amen. That's right. We look at things we do not see. If we're the children of Abraham, then we don't walk by sight, we walk by faith; for Abraham walked by faith and called those things which were not as though they were—because God said so.

⁴³ Now Joshua had no way of knowing he could take that city, Caleb had no way of knowing it; but here's how they believed it, because God said, "I have given you this land. I've got an angel that'll go before you, but take heed that you don't despise him, because my name is in him. He won't pardon your sins, he'll carry you across the fireplace, he'll ruffle up your feathers, he'll do things for you. But remember, follow Him. He'll lead you to the promised land. But don't despise him, don't reject him; believe him."

DEUT4:1

⁴⁴ Now, and then we notice, and in the journey Joshua had found out that he'd seen that great God living there in that pillar of fire, had performed all kinds of miracles. He and Caleb had seen that and they had confidence that God would keep His Word. Watch God, way down in Egypt, "I've given you the land, now go and possess it."

DEUT11:24 ISA53:5 ACTS2:39

⁴⁵ God's given every sick person in here divine healing. Every one of you. Jesus was wounded for our transgressions, with His stripes we were healed. It's yours! but you'll have to fight for every inch you possess. "Everywhere the soles of your feet travel," God told Joshua, "I have given you." Footprints means possession. Let's move in tonight! Amen. Let's go in! Footprints is possession. Let's take every inch of ground that God give us. If you haven't got the baptism of the Holy Ghost, Peter said, "The promise is unto you, and to your children, to them that's afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call."

JOHN14:12 HEB13:8

⁴⁶ Footprints is possession. Let's go get it. It's ours. "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever"—let's possess it! "The works that I do shall you also"—let's possess it! It's God's promise. Don't look at the circumstances. Don't look how hard it is. Let's possess the land.

⁴⁷ We'll have a meeting, like this morning we were having a meeting there, and the Holy Ghost falling in the place, the people screaming, shouting, praising the Lord. And then someone come up and said, "Pray for me, Brother Branham."

I laid hands on him and prayed for him. I said, "Now go and believe."

⁴⁸ Now, here's what it is. It's easy to feel the power of God, to see it when you believe. But then when it comes to the show down, are you able to possess the thing that you profess to have? What's the thing, brother. We've got to get it, we've got to take it, it's ours; but you'll

the fiery furnace there. The Rock of Ages! Hallelujah! David said, "If I make my bed in hell, he will be there. If I take wings in the morning and fly away..."

GEN21:14,16,19

¹⁰⁸ Notice Hagar. She'd been put out of her home. She had a little nursing boy, Ishmael. She went out into the desert, no place to go, the water had run out, what could she do? She'd been raised in a home that was acquainted with the rock, and what did she do? She didn't want to see the baby die, so she took the little fellow and laid him under a tree, and went off a bow shot and fell down on her knees and she spoke to the rock, and the rock poured forth His waters and that baby was saved. And to this day Beer-sheba still stands there at that fountain. "God who has seen me." She spoke to the rock for her dying baby.

Can you speak to the rock tonight? Are you on speaking terms with Him? Do you know anything about it?

NUM13:30

¹⁰⁹ Joshua, his walk come over Jordan, after he'd made that great decision, stilled the people, said, "We're able to take it."

God said, "Joshua, you're the one who knows all about it. I'll just let you lead the children from now on."

¹¹⁰ He got over to his first campaign, he got up against Jericho wall. He walked around it and said, "Now, how am I going to get over it? How am I going to ascend them walls? They got all those rocks and things laying up there, their bows and things ready to shoot; and here we are out here mostly unarmed, just what we picked up from the spoils across our journey. And there we are, how am I going to do it?"

JOSH5:13

¹¹¹ And after awhile he saw a man standing with his sword drawn. He said, "Who are you? Are you our enemy, or are you one of us?"

JOSH5:14

¹¹² He said, "Nay; I am the captain of the host of the Lord," and Joshua spoke to the rock! And a shout went out and the walls fell down, because he spoke to the rock.

¹¹³ Several hundred years later from then, there was an old blind beggar sitting on some of those stones that had fell from that wall. Oh, my. The speaking of the rock had done been explained out of the church, there was no such a thing. But he was sitting there blind, thinking about, "On that road—" when he knowed that Elisha and Elijah came down that same road, arm in arm, going to the Jordan. Just beyond there Joshua had spoke to this great captain of the host of the Lord. He said, "Oh, if I would have lived in that day, I would have spoke to Him, too."

¹¹⁴ And about that time a noise begin to come. You know, usually where God's at there's a lot of noise. I don't know why it is, but there's a lot of noise wherever God comes.

¹¹⁵ Here come that same captain of the host of the Lord. People tried to get him to shut up; but he spoke to the rock, and the rock gave him back his sight. They tried to make him shut up. They tried to hold his peace,

⁹⁹ Jesus said, when He was asked, “That you’re a man yet fifty years old and you seen Abraham?” He said, “Before Abraham was, I AM.” And I AM was that pillar of fire that led Moses through the wilderness. When He was on earth, He said, “I came from God, and I go to God. A little while and the world won’t see me no more, yet ye shall see me for I, [I is a personal pronoun] I’ll be with you, even in you, to the end of the world.” Right.

ACTS9:3,4

¹⁰⁰ And when He died, buried, resurrected, about a few weeks later, Saul was on his road down to Damascus, and a great pillar of fire that led the children of Israel fell before him there, put his eyes out, and said, “Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?”

ACTS9:5

¹⁰¹ Said, “Who are you, Lord?”

¹⁰² He said, “I am Jesus, and it’s hard for you to kick against the pricks.”

¹⁰³ What was it? He come from God, dwelt in flesh, returned back to God. That same pillar of fire, that same Holy Ghost, is with us tonight doing the same works, the same signs, the same everything else, proving that He is the same yesterday, today, and forever! The woman can touch the hem of His garment, oh, the man can be told who he is, what he’s done, how to get out of it-all by the power of the living God that dwells among His people. Amen! All right! “Just speak to the rock.”

GEN3:7

¹⁰⁴ Let’s look at some people that spoke to the rock. Let’s find out what taken place. The first man ever spoke to a rock was a man that got tied up in some theology. He made himself a set of fig leaves-Adam. He thought that’ll do just as good as anything. But when he come face to face with God, he found out he was naked. What did he do? He spoke to the rock, and the rock made a way of escape for him-the rock that was in Eden.

¹⁰⁵ There was Noah, another man, who had preached, and the people ignored and laughed at him. One day he spoke to the rock, and the rock took him in the ark and tucked him away in His arms, rode him above the storm, and drowned the persecuting world. Yes, sir. Noah.

DAN6:22

¹⁰⁶ There was a man named Daniel, once, who was in the lions’ den. He went out into Babylon, and he said in himself that he was not going to defile himself with the king’s meat. He wasn’t going to have anything to do with the world, though he had to live among them people. But he wasn’t going to defile himself, he purposed in his heart he wasn’t. And one day the king throwed him into the lion’s pit, because he was walking in the line of duty; but he spoke to the rock, and that pillar of fire come down and kept the lions off of him all night long, because he spoke to the rock before he went to the pit.

PSA139:8,9 DAN3:25

¹⁰⁷ There was the Hebrew children, who wouldn’t bow down to the images of King Nebuchadnezzar, and they throwed them into the fiery furnace. And they spoke to the rock and the fourth man was standing in

fight for every inch.

⁴⁹ Joshua fought every inch of ground from one end of the country to the other. But he had a promise. God said, “I’ve give it to you.” Amen! Whether there’s giants, whether there’s atheists, whether there’s infidels, whether there’s cold formal churches, what difference does it make? God give the promise, let’s take it. It belongs to us. It’s our possession. Let’s go get it.

⁵⁰ Don’t be afraid. Don’t stay back and say, “Well, I believe the days of miracles is past. Oh, I don’t know.” Don’t do that. That don’t look like a child of Abraham. No matter how far along the promise seemed to hold out-well, it went on for twenty five years. But instead of Abraham getting weaker, he got stronger all the time, for he knowed it’d be a greater miracle all the time. And we’ll be prayed for one night, and the next morning we still got a bad stomach, we’ll say, “Maybe I never got my healing, I have to go through the line again.”

HEB13:8

⁵¹ O-o-oh, you call yourself a child of Abraham? Hallelujah, if God made the promise, God gave the promise, and you believe it, I don’t care what takes place, it’s yours. Fight the devil on every ounce of ground he stands on, walk over and take it. Take the sword of the Word. God’s promises are true. Nothing can stop them, they’re God’s promises. He gives us the promise of that, just like He did the children of Israel. The Pentecostal church has come to their Kadesh Barnea. Are we able? Can we do it? “Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever.” Can we walk up there and take ahold of God’s promise and say, “It’s the truth, I claim it, I own it, it’s mine; God gave it to me!”?

“How you going to do it?”

“I don’t know, it’s none of my business.”

⁵² Like I was preaching one time on Elijah. And a man told me after service, he said, “Now wait a minute, preacher. I believe that you’re a more sane man than actually believe in them crows brought Elijah fish and bread.”

I said, “I believe it, every word of it. The fish was fried and the bread was cooked.”

He said, “How do ... where ... tell me then, my friend [he was a Jehovah Witness],” he said, “tell me then, my friend, where did those crows get that fried fish and baked bread?”

⁵³ I said, “That’s not for me to question. It wasn’t Elijah’s to’ve questioned. The only thing he knowed, when he got hungry, the crows was sitting there bringing him the bread and fish, and he ate it.” I said, “That’s the same thing about the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I can’t tell you where it comes from, how it gets there; I know it comes and I’ve got it. That’s all I care about.”

⁵⁴ I can’t tell you how divine healing works. I can’t tell you how a black cow can eat green grass and give white milk, but I drink it anyhow! I don’t try to find the formula of it. I don’t know what causes the Holy

Ghost to fall in a meeting and people speak in tongues and prophesy, cripples jump up from the wheelchairs and sick gets healed. I can't tell you that. Only thing I know, God promised it and it's our possession. Let's take it and go with it.

⁵⁵ They can't explain how far it is to the moon or how many molecules is in an atom, that's none of their business. But the only thing they know, God promised it, they got it, and enjoying it. Amen.

⁵⁶ There's where they made their mistake, when they came to the judgment seat and brought back the evidence of a good land. I'm so glad that there was people years ago who approached through all the formalities and went up and possessed the land, and got the evidence, and come back that "there's a land beyond the river." Amen! I'm so glad of that.

JOHN5:24 JOHN6:49,51 2COR5:17

⁵⁷ Now, they made their fatal mistake when they begin to murmur against Moses and against God's servants and against God; and it bypassed them. And remember, everyone of them that murmured never went over into the land. Jesus said, when He was on earth, "Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, but they are everyone dead. [Right!] But I am the bread of life that comes from God out of heaven, that a man can eat thereof and not die." Oh, I like that. Passed from death unto life. Become a new creature in Christ Jesus.

⁵⁸ Carnality had cut off their spiritual supply. Carnality had cut off all their joy. Oh, they begin murmuring and fussing, they took them off in the desert. If anything I hate is a desert. It's hot, there's nobody hardly can live there, and everything you get against in the desert's got stickers on it. Every kind of little old vine's got stickers on it. You know why? It's because there's no water there. Now if that same little plant grew up in my country, or up in a country that's got rain on it, that little plant would not be a sticker. That little sticker would unfold and it would be a nice tender leaf, when it comes into a watered place.

⁵⁹ That's what's the matter with the churches, the reason they fuss, and quarrel, and stew, and so called Christians, because they've been bypassed from the land of blessing, from the fountain that never runs dry, from the rock in a weary land. And they have become dry, and carnal. They want to stick and say, "The days of miracles are past, that's a bunch of holy rollers. No such a thing as that."

⁶⁰ Oh, just let them come to the water one time. It'll just unfold and get tender and sweet, and kind and humble. Something takes place when you put him in water. I don't know why, but it happens that way. Oh, carnality had cut him off.

⁶¹ Look, here's what they had done. They had left the garlic pots of Egypt to eat angels food; and was complaining. Could you think of it? Yes, we see it.

1COR10:4

⁶² They'd also, they had left the muddy waters of Egypt to drink from that spiritual rock-still complaining about it. They had left the boasting

there's any divine healing it'll be in this great church that we belong to," or "it'll be in this great church that we belong to, the old spring"-how in the world you going to find one now to go on top the mountain and speak to that rock, when there's no water up there to begin with? But the thing of it was, it isn't how it looks, it's taking God at His Word! Speak anyhow!

If the doctor turns you down, says, "That cancer's going to kill you," how would it be anything for a man to lay hands on you?

MARK16:18

⁹² Don't make any difference what it looks like, how foolish it looks to science, God said, "They shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover!" No matter what it looks like.

⁹³ You mean in a day like this, when we got all the culture and all the ... all the culture... I always thought of culture, yeah, that's a great thing, uh huh. My opinion of culture is a man that hasn't got nerve enough to kill a rabbit, but can eat a belly full of it after somebody else kills it. Oh, my! What we need today is not culture. What we need today is the Holy Ghost to bring faith in us to the Word of the living God. That's exactly right!

⁹⁴ In this great day of education, this great day of science, what does that mean to God? Why, the science one time built a great big tower, was going to reach all the way into heaven; and God just sat and laughed at their ignorance. And the thing He done, He sent a little tongues movement down there and confused the whole thing. Oh, God can do just what He wants to, can't He? Oh, He's God, He's God forever more. Certainly.

NUM20:8

⁹⁵ Notice what taken place here. Now, when we find that God told Aaron, in the midst of all ... him and Moses, "Go speak to the rock, and it will bring forth His waters," how foolish, their carnal minds.

"Well, if that's the best you can give me, just let it alone."

1KNG18:41-44

⁹⁶ Like Elijah, one day when he went to pray, and he sent his servant up to see if there was any sign of a cloud. He went seven times. When he came back said, "Oh, yes, there's a little cloud about the size of a man's hand, over in the west over there," he said, "Roll up the rain barrel, I hear the sound of abundance of rain coming."

⁹⁷ What was it? Why, the carnal mind would've caught that quick and said, "Well, if that's the best you can give me, if that's all that you can do--"

⁹⁸ Oh, brother, how much more sign of that we got of the living God among us tonight. How we have... We've passed from death unto life. The baptism of the Holy Ghost is come upon us. Jesus heals us. Jesus saves us. Jesus fills us with the Holy Ghost. Jesus comes down and shows miracles, discerns the heart, does the signs, the pillar of fire, the picture's taken, it's here now. The same Jesus was yesterday, is the same yesterday, today, and forever!

something over on you; you forget that that's the God of heaven that was just making you shout, making you praise the Lord. You forget the God of heaven that brought you out of . . . like a fire brand, you forget the God of heaven who dug you from the pits, from the rock from where you was dug from. Easy to forget Him.

EX16:3 NUM23:21

⁸⁴ Let me tell you, my brother, what we need tonight is a man with a iron conscience that'll stand there in the power of the Holy Ghost. No matter what comes or goes, he's still waving that flag of victory going on to the promised land. We need tonight that kind of a church. That church unadulterated, sanctified by the blood of Jesus Christ, anointed with the Holy Ghost, with signs and wonders, a shout of the King in the camp, on their road, marching on. Yes, sir. All of this, in spite of all this carnal stuff that they had done, all desert, way over in that place. . . Like most of the churches are tonight, lot of Pentecostal there. When the heavy burdens come, and the people begin to cry, "Oh, we would to God that we'd died down in Egypt," now what happened? God called Moses and Aaron into His presence, come down in a Shekinah glory, and blessed them.

NUM20:8

⁸⁵ God told the prophet, said, "Go speak to the rock." Amen. In the midst of all their sins.

NUM20:8

⁸⁶ If God wanted to put judgment upon us, there's none of us but what has complained. We're worthy of going to hell. We're not worthy of our healing. We're not worthy of our salvation. But in the midst of all of it, that same God that forgave their sins and all their doubtings, He still said, "Speak to the rock, and it will bring forth His waters." Amen. That's right.

⁸⁷ No matter what took place, still, "Speak to the rock." In their sins, still, "Speak to the rock." Right in the day when the churches are all so in fussing and stewing. One who says, "I'm this"; and the other one, "I'm that." And one's this, that, and the other, won't have nothing to do with them, and that. God's right in the midst of all of it, still sends His Holy Spirit. Still sends His power, still heals the sick, still shows the sign of the Messiah living among the people, the same yesterday, today, and forever, in the midst of our carnal quarrelings and things.

⁸⁸ Look at them. Many of them said, "Well, now, if that's all you can do- Here we are camped out into the desert, we've dug in every spring, we've dug on every oasis, and there's no water."

⁸⁹ And yet the very driest place in all the desert was that old rock laying up there on the hill. "Go speak to the rock." How God does things! It just confuses the carnal mind, they just don't know what to do about it.

⁹⁰ Now the driest place in the desert is the rock. Anybody knows that. Well, if there's no . . . if they can't find any water in the old-time springs, then how're they going to find it in the rock?

⁹¹ If you can't find divine healing in a great church with this name -"If

physicians of Egypt, that boasted how great they were, to be with the great Physician that there wasn't . . . even their clothes didn't get threadbare, or there wasn't a feeble one among them when they come through the wilderness-still complaining. And then they had left the . . . they'd also left the people that said the days of miracles is past, to be with the people that's got signs following the believers.

⁶³ Now isn't that just the same today? You come up out of that old cold, formal stuff, got the Holy Ghost, and God fills you with goodness, and you're drinking from that fountain that never runs dry, and all them things there, joy unspeakable and full of glory; and then go to complaining. Just the same thing. First thing you know, you're bypassed off out into the desert. That's the way God does it. It's just that way. God doesn't do it, the people does it themselves. Their own carnal thinking does it.

⁶⁴ They had seen ten powerful miracles performed down in Egypt. Flies, lice, fire, death angel, all they had seen in Egypt, all these great miracles that they had seen God do, and were still carnal thinkers.

⁶⁵ And then they saw the Red Sea, that was laying in the path of duty. They were on their road marching then, come out, there was a pillar of fire before them, and they marched on to the Red Sea. And when they got there, right in the line of duty laid an obstacle. And first thing you know, fear struck them, and they didn't know what to do.

⁶⁶ That's the way people does today. When fear strikes them when they're right in the path of duty. . . Listen brother, let me say this. If you're walking in the light, having fellowship with God, with His people, and the Holy Spirit is upon you, and you meet an obstacle right in the path of duty, don't stop. Just keep pressing on. God'll make a way through it. That's one of the greatest experiences of my life, is to see God, when I can't get over it, get under it, get around it, or anyway, God opens up a way and I go through it. Some how or another His grace is sufficient to carry us through it.

EX14:21 JOHN1:1,14

⁶⁷ Now they come to that and saw that Red Sea open, and what a great thing it was. How could they murmur, how could they complain, after seeing those miracles? How can we complain today after seeing what we see? Great revivals, healing campaigns, the Spirit of the Lord coming down, a discer. . . The Bible said, "the Word of God," and Jesus was the Word. "In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." God crossed Himself, His own, to His cast. God, that created the earth, became earth and lived in earth. God, who made flesh, become flesh and lived in flesh.

LUKE2:7

⁶⁸ Oh, that ought to attract people. God could have come out of heaven with a full angel salute if He wanted to. God could have come down a full matured man, angels on both sides, coming down the corridor of heaven sounding the trumpets of heaven. He could have done that. He

could have come a full man, but He chose to come a baby. He could've been born in a palace, he could've been created in the heavens if He wanted to, but He chose to come ... not to even a bed to be born. He went to a manger, on a manure pile, and over a manure pile He chose to be born. It ought to be attractive.

⁶⁹ Jehovah crying like a baby. Jehovah playing like a boy. Jehovah toiling like a man. Oh, it's a great mystery! It's a super sign to the people. Everybody wanting signs, that's the greatest sign that God ever made, when God become flesh and dwelt among men. A super sign. Surely it would attract the people.

⁷⁰ But they get carnal, go away, "Oh, yes, I guess that's all right." Oh, it's more than all right! It's God's perfection working, making Himself, crossing His cast, making a tent and living in His tent, stretching out among us and living like we do. Amen! God, here it is, but it don't attract attention. The church gets carnal, it bypasses, goes over, gets away from these great things.

NUM20:11 NUM21:9

⁷¹ Now we find that they'd already seen these miracles. Look what was with them: They had a smitten rock with them, they could drink from it. They had a brass serpent with them for healing. Oh, my! They had a prophet with them that had the Word of God. Over the prophet was a pillar of fire that was doing the leading, and not one time had it ever failed them. Glory! Oh, I feel like shouting.

⁷² Look, it hadn't failed! God doesn't fail. He cannot fail and remain God. He's still God. The smitten rock, the brass serpent, a prophet, an atonement, a sacrifice-everything grace had provided for them already. And after God had done all those things... They were like a lot of people today that has to be babied around. God don't want babies; God wants man and women!

⁷³ I like old Buddy Robinson's testimony. He said, "Lord, give me the backbone the size of a saw-log. Put plenty of knowledge in the gable end of my soul. Let me fight the devil as long as I got one tooth left, and then gum on him till I die!"

⁷⁴ That's what we need! Courage! Not a wishbone, but a backbone. A real Spirit-filled heart, filled with the Holy Ghost, sanctified by the blood of Jesus Christ, living in a light, walking in the path of God, keeping His commandments, claiming every promise as your own property! Hallelujah!

⁷⁵ Oh, I know I act crazy, but if you felt like I did, you'd act the same way. All right. Because it's good. Somebody said, "Boy, you've lost your mind." Maybe I have, but if I have, just let me alone. I'm more happier this way than I was the other way, so just let me stay like this.

⁷⁶ I was walking in the city, I heard a man say one time ... there was a man come down the street, he had a sign on the front of his breast, like this way, like he was picketing somewhere, he said, "I'm a fool for Christ." And on his back, after he passed by, looked back, said, "Who's

fool are you?" So I just wonder now.

PHIP3:10,14

⁷⁷ I'd rather be a fool for Christ, to know Him, knowing this, that I know Him in the power of His resurrection, that someday, when death takes me... That last big channel sitting yonder, my heart beats every minute it goes towards that channel. But when I come to it, I don't want to come like a coward. I want to walk there, wrap myself in the robes of His righteousness, knowing this, that I know Him in the power of His resurrection, that when He calls I'll come out from among the dead. Leaving those things in the past, I press towards the mark of the high calling. Glory!

⁷⁸ Yes, sir, brother. We need an old-time Pentecostal backwoods sin-killing revival to strike this California, all other states and nations throughout the country, bring back the power of God into the church again! We've come to a Kadesh, a judgment seat. All these things-still fussing, still complaining. Pillar of fire over the prophet, his Words was perfect, smitten rock, brass serpent, miracles and signs they've done from it, then still complaining. "Ah, oh," just ... eating angels food instead of garlic, want to go back to the old garlic pots. It showed they wasn't ready to go into Canaan. That's right.

⁷⁹ You know, someone said one time... I was preaching, there was a woman crying, and she was just holding up her hands and crying, praising God. The Holy Spirit was there. The woman was filled with the Holy Ghost. How can a magnet draw anything unless it's magnetized to it? Correct. There was a man who belonged to another church, a friend of mine, was standing outside. He said, "Billy, I was enjoying your sermon until that woman raised up and started crying." Said, "How in the world could you preach, and her acting like that?"

I said, "That's the only time I can preach, when I see that the power of God caught away the church, caught away the message."

He said, "It just made shivers run over my back."

REV4:8

⁸⁰ I said, "If you'd ever be fortunate enough to get to heaven, you'd freeze to death, because they are crying and shouting and praising God day and night. Angels crying back and forth, crying, 'Holy, Holy, Holy, unto the Lord. Holy...'"

MATT13:42

⁸¹ Now let me tell you something right now, my brother. You're living in the quietest world you'll ever live in. Amen! If you go to hell, there'll be weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth. If you go to heaven, there'll be hallelujahs and praises of God day and night for all time. This is the quietest place you ever lived in. Yes!

⁸² Oh, how God wants to bless His church. They'd seen all those things, and still carnal minded. How quick they forgot all those miracles when a new thing arose. When a new trial come on, they forgot all they'd seen.

⁸³ We do that. We have a meeting, the power of God will fall, great signs and wonders will take place, then Satan will come along and smack