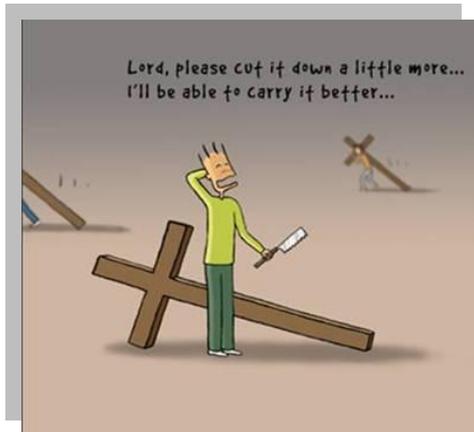
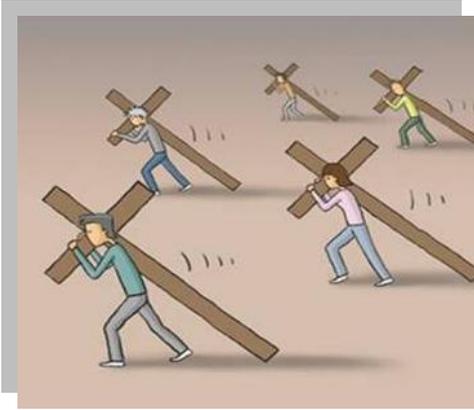


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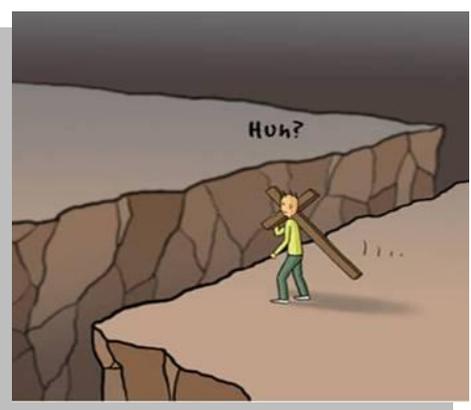
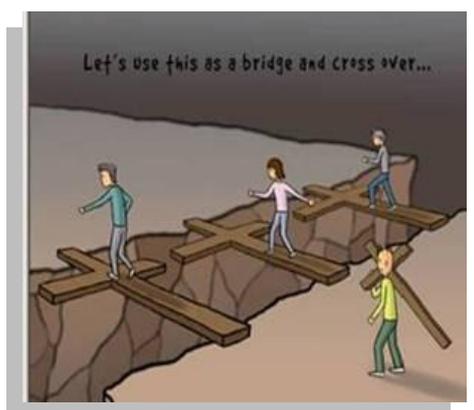
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how Big The Storm is.  
Instead tell the storm  
How Big **GOD** is.

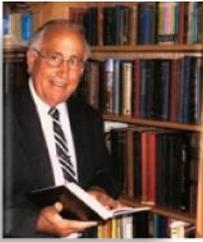


Sent in by Bro Dean Gilchrist

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## From The Editor's Desk :



Greetings, Saints. Here we are, halfway through the year 2010. I have been so grateful for the faithful servants of God who make themselves available to help with the technicalities and processing that we are

faced with each month.

This brings me to the faithful Brothers who are labouring on the Mission Field. Bro. Adrian Gray who is ministering in Vanuatu has requested us to remember him in prayer that Seed will grow in the hearts of the people there and there will be a great outpouring of God's Spirit.

Brother Richard Oliver has been on the Mission Field in Kenya and Uganda. There will be a report from him to us in the August Issue of the Believers' Newsletter.

If there are any others who are on the Mission Field, we would be happy to hear from you and to pray for you.

I know what a blessing it was to have loving brethren pray for me when I was unwell. And we know how faithful is our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ when we call on Him.

The Committee members, Bros. Adrian Gray, Bruce McCorkindale and myself wish you God's blessings.

Brother Charles Wilson  
Editor

**Pilate stood right in front  
of Truth**

**Pilate looked right at the  
Person of Truth**

**And then said, 'What is  
Truth?'**

J Jenkins

## Bro. Jeff Jenkins Visited us~

In Stratford, N.Z.



From June 1<sup>st</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> we had the privilege of hosting Brother Jeff Jenkins from Believers Christian Fellowship, Ohio.

Previously, he was scheduled to preach at our Family Camp last December, but had to cancel at the last minute, which meant he had a "Taranaki winter" experience instead!

Brother Jeff is well known – especially through the *Global Answers* series – and is one of the nicest, most honest brothers you could meet.

We opened the weekend services up to whoever wanted to come, and were blessed to have visiting pastors and saints from all around.

The meetings were lovely. Brother Jeff was comfortable and relaxed, and it showed, just by how the Word came forth.

Of special note was the wonderful Spirit that was in the services; The Presence of the Lord, and also the atmosphere and attitude that the Saints of God brought with them. We certainly appreciate all those that visited, and how easy you made it for us to host you.

Brother Jeff was accompanied by his daughter Leah (who turned 16 while she was here), and who was a continuous joy throughout the trip.

Again, many thanks to all those who were able to come visit. May the Lord richly bless you.

Brother Paul Moffitt  
Rapturing Grace Tabernacle  
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"<http://www.RapturingGrace.co.nz>" }

## ~Devotion~

### *In the Midst of the Whirlwind*

***And it came to pass, when the Lord was about to take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal.... Then it happened, as they continued on and talked, that suddenly a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. 2 Kings 2:1,11***

Eagles have an interesting flight pattern. Instead of fleeing the winds of stormy weather, they turn to face them. The same winds that blow others away are also used by these magnificent birds to lift them higher.

A storm lifted Elijah into the presence of God. Traveling from Gilgal with his disciple Elisha, he was fore-warned by the sons of the prophets in Bethel, and again in Jericho, that this was the day God would take him away.

But instead of fleeing, as the prophets of Bethel thought he would, by 'faith' the prophet continued on, content to let God have His will. When they crossed over the Jordan River, a chariot of fire separated Elisha from his master, and a whirlwind lifted Elijah up and away. The roaring winds of a desert storm, which had normally brought destruction, became for Elijah the vehicle by which God elevated him into heaven. When life's whirlwinds blow through our lives, we have a choice. We can focus on our trials and troubles, or we could use the whirlwind to be lifted up before the Lord in prayer and praise. What others see as a deadly devastation can become that which draws us more completely into God's presence.



***Don't run away from the storms of life. They may be God's method of bringing you closer to Him. Instead, spread your wings of prayer and praise. Consider the winds of strife as opportunities to be lifted closer to the Lord.***

***Don't let your trials blow you down; let them lift you up.***

Sent in by  
**Bro. Vaitiliai Woods**  
in Fiji.

*When your fears grow mountains high*

*And they block your pathway.*

*Wait Oh wait upon the Lord,*

*believing as you pray*

*Then your Eagles Wings will grow - Up,*

*Up, Up, Up they go! Over, Hallelujah*

*Over, With the mountains down below.*

*[Chorus]*

# ~Have Faith, Feed Faith~

Pastor Jeff Jenkins



Which is a greater sin?  
To sin knowingly –  
or - to be deceived?

And we would say well, my goodness; to sin knowingly would be the greater sin. That's what we would think, but not in God's mind. In God's mind deception is the greatest sin. Now all sin is sin, big or little and there are many places in which Brother Branham said concerning the sin in the Garden of Eden that Adam didn't sin. The Bible says that Eve was in the transgression, not Adam. And the reason for that was because Eve was completely deceived. That's what created the transgression.

Adam went into what he was doing with his eyes wide open because he loved his wife and didn't know any other way to be able to retain fellowship with her than to die with her and so that was his motivation. Now, remember when we talk about sin, or a man or a woman or whoever did the sinning, don't think of the woman as the culprit, or the man as the culprit. Somebody in the great drama of God had to allow these things to take place so that God can manifest all of his attributes and so it didn't matter whether it was a man or a woman, but God in His great thinking.

How many know that God is male and female? Now you know that in reality, if you want to you could lay the blame of the fall on His two children, right? His two children, they didn't go to public school, they didn't drink or smoke - there was nobody, the environment, the billboards - the internet wasn't deceiving them. There wasn't a culture that was mad and crazed like this one and yet they both fell. Quite a Poppa eh! Hello? So we could take that stance if we wanted to, but that is not even the issue of the fall or the reason for the fall.

So let's look at it in Revelation 12 verse 9 just to understand the nature of the fall and

the purpose for the great plan of God. "And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent that is called the Devil and Satan" (notice all of his names). He's a dragon. Well, Rome's a dragon. He's a serpent (that's the garden of Eden scene).

He is also the Devil and Satan, and notice his characteristics - 'which deceiveth the whole world'. So we are going to find out that in the back of the book in Revelations, the way God wants us to remember Satan is as the one who would deceive the whole world. Satan who deceives the whole world and then conversely it tells us that all those whose names were written on the Lamb's Book of Life from before the foundation of the world, will not be deceived.

So what we want to see is that God is going to a place. Brother Branham in a statement, and this is a strange statement and listen carefully. He said 'Your name goes on the book at sanctification'. Now, what a statement, because we know that our name was actually written in the Lamb's Book Of Life before the foundation of the world. But we are in a place now where God can begin to take the vessel, because his ultimate purpose, remember now, is to fill the vessel. Now the baptism of the Holy Spirit is when God, remember, recognizes your faith, your revelation. You can recognize Him. The baptism of the Holy Ghost is when God, remember, recognizes your confession. You can recognize Him, be justified and work through sanctification, but there is a point in your life that He recognizes yours!

Now, listen close to me. When God chose His disciples, who did he choose them from? From the world? No! From the church. Brother Branham said When God chooses His bride He doesn't choose them from the world; he chooses them from the church. He says He calls the church out of the world, and He calls the Bride out of the church. Like the 144,000 from the tribes of Israel when they are elect or the Bible said they were virgins. All 144,000 were church folk. They were virgins and no man's creeds or dogmas. They were staying true as much as they could to the Word of God, and so God put your name on the Lamb's Book of Life. He's talking symbolically. That's sanctification. What does that mean?

## Living Faith

Justification - you are being called out of the world. Sanctification - now you are churched, but you are not 'Bride' yet! Even though your names are written on the Lamb's Book of Life, you're still not Bride yet until He recognizes your faith and seals it with the seal - the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

And now look with me in Revelations chapter 7. "And I heard the number of them that were sealed". Now let's read verse one. "And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth holding the four winds of the earth." And that's the four winds of war. So World War 1, then World War 11 and now these angels are holding back the four winds. Don't let the four winds strike the earth - until when? When will the four winds hit the earth? When will the great tribulation take place? Not until the 144,000 are sealed in the forehead. So it is the Revelation of the Word of God that is the seal. **Your faith and when God recognizes your faith, He calls you.** I want you to understand this. **He calls you out of the world.** I was called out of the world. I was a longhaired dope-smoking hippie. I wasn't raised in church, but He called me out of the world. **He justified me, then He sanctified me.** Then, somewhere along the path in my service to Him **He recognized my faith and sealed me with the Holy Ghost.** Now, that seal is **Brideship.** How many knows that you can have the same status as a servant before you are ever adopted. So Jesus had the status of a servant for 30 years, and then at the river Jordan **he was placed and adopted.** Isn't that amazing! And so he was a church man for 30 years and then at the river Jordan, symbolically speaking, He was always the Son of God and the scripture says the Holy Spirit can only come to sons. Can you say Amen? (To be continued)



Bro. Malcolm Ferris

When Jesus was being presented at the temple along came Simeon led by the Holy Spirit. He had been waiting for the consolation of Israel knowing by revelation that he would not see death until his eyes beheld the Lord's Christ. When he saw Jesus what did he say? "Now let me depart this world in peace, for now I am no longer looking for the consolation of Israel with an earnest expectation. Now I have seen Him with my own eyes. I have seen the one who is to save Israel. Now I know I will raise with him and I'll not have to wait very long either"... so the revelation of this child to him was the seeing of reality, even though he was as yet a child (a Word in seed form as it were). **His presence meant that the Word of promise given by God was now in effect and the promise which had been waited upon for thousands of years was now a reality in this child.** That was a faith just like Joshua and Caleb possessed. They recognized the presence of God with Moses and as a consequence Joshua was told by the same God "as I was with Moses so shall I be with you. My presence has not departed..." They saw the promise of God given by Moses, not as something to hope for anymore but, as a reality though it was yet to come fully into view. (Whereas the people, before Moses arrived on the scene, saw it only as a promise to come sometime in the future. They hoped for it as something afar off). Such was Joshua and Caleb's faith in this promise, that Caleb's testimony after 40 years walking in it was: "I feel better today and more certain of it than when I first believed it"...

### Visiting Speakers

Bro Jonathan Goff from Texas and Bro Ben Norrod from Tennessee.

At Cornerstone Christian Fellowship,

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> 7:30 pm, Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm, for venue details contact

John Hazeldine 04 570 2292.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 10 am at Senior Citizens Hall,

Elizabeth Street, Petone – shared lunch to follow.

Bro Jonathan Goff - at Gospel Way Outreach - 34A Charles Street, Kaiapoi.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 10am and 4:30pm

Inquiries to Pastor Greg Alford 03 327 3888

All are welcome to attend these meetings.

# Who do you say he saw?

## Extract from The Final Quest

(A panoramic vision given to the author over the period of a year, including an unfolding of the last battle between light and darkness). In the chapter "**The Overcomers**" in his experience, The Lord, in the form of Wisdom, leads the author through the Overcomers' Thrones (Extract p144-5).

"As I was listening I felt compelled to look up toward one of the thrones beside me. Immediately I saw a man I recognized. He had been a great evangelist when I was a child, and many felt that he had walked in more power than anyone since the early church. I had read about him and had listened to some of his recorded messages. It was hard not to be touched by his genuine humility, and the obvious love he had for the Lord and people. Even so, I also felt that some of his teachings had gone seriously awry. I was surprised, but also relieved, to see him sitting on a great throne. I was captured by the humility and love that still exuded from him.

As I turned to the Lord to ask if I could talk to him, I could see how much the Lord loved him. However, the Lord would not permit me to speak with him, but motioned for me to continue walking, "I just wanted you to see him here" the Lord explained, "and to understand the position that he has with Me. There is much for you to understand about him. He was a messenger to My last-day church, but the church could not hear him for reasons that you must understand in due time. He did fall into discouragement and delusion for a time, and his message was distorted. It must be recovered, as well as the parts that I have given to others which were also distorted." Knowing that everything here happened in perfect timing with all that I was meant to learn, I began to think about how seeing this man must be related to what we had just talked - about the potential of power to corrupt.

"Yes. There is a great danger in walking in great power," the Lord responded. "It has happened to many of My messengers, and that is part of the message they are to give to My last day church. You must walk in My power, and even much greater power than these experienced, but if you ever start to think that the power is My endorsing you, or even of your message, you will open the door to the same delusion. The Holy Spirit is given to testify only of Me. If you are wise, like Paul, you will learn to glory more in your weaknesses than in your strengths."

This was not the end of the experience. The last recorded conversation to the author... "Without Me you can do nothing that will benefit My kingdom or promote My Gospel. You have fought in My battles, and you have seen the top of My mountain.

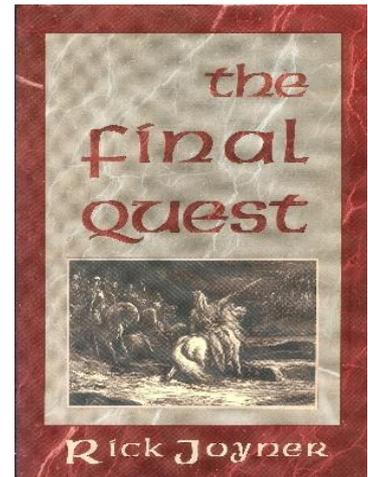
You have learned to shoot arrows of truth and hit the enemy. You have learned a little about using My sword. But love is My greatest weapon. Love will be the power that destroys the works of the devil. And love will be what brings My kingdom. Love is the banner over My army. Under this banner you now must fight." (p158)

**Brother Branham in the message "From That Time"** Klamath Falls OR 07-16-60

"82 I don't know whether it was here, whether it was a vision. I never had one like it. And let's say it was a little translation. (I don't say it was.) Say my spirit went out and went there. I don't know what it was. If--if that's glorious under that first heaven, what must have Paul seen when he went to the third heaven and came back and said, "Eye has not seen; ear has not heard; neither has it entered the hearts of man what God has in store for them that love Him." I've been more determined. I've... This is my second revival since then. I've been more determined to do everything that I can to persuade men and women--please be sure of this! If God's love doesn't anchor in your heart supremely, don't you take any sensation or emotion. You be sure that you--you can turn the other cheek, that it--that God is--Christ is all in all to you. Don't you miss it, my brother. Just remember. I'll say this, with the faith that I have in that vision, whatever it was, I'll speak it in the Name of the Lord: Except you have that perfect love, you'll never be there, 'cause nothing could ever be there without it."

Now – who do you think he saw ... and... what do we learn from his experience?

(Bruce McCorkindale)



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## Speak the Word and Go

### Forward~



Our confession of faith is absolutely necessary if we are to walk in the Spirit. With the heart we believe, but it is the lips that confess and manifest that belief in His Word, that shows whether it be lip service or genuine. It is

our confession that confirms our faith: our testimony that God is true.

Abraham believed God and it was imputed to him for righteousness. He did not merely believe God in his heart, but he confessed it with his lips calling himself, Abraham, "Father of nations". He didn't wait until the promise was manifest to change his name. Rather he confessed what God had called him. [We have been called Bride].

And his confession was not just lip service. He was strong in faith not considering the ever increasing hopelessness of his physical condition but looking to the promise as being sure. Now we must exercise our faith to move towards the promises that He has revealed to us and one thing is for sure, we live well below our privileges in this respect.

Consider Israel who could not enter into the promise because of lack of faith, (unbelief). Paul says that these things pertained to them: the promises, the adoption, the covenants, the glory, the service of God, the giving of the Law. They had all of these things, yet did not realize what they had, could not sink their faith into it. Israel was Jehovah's first Bride, according to Brother Branham, but she chose law for grace, not wishing to let God do her bidding. She wanted to do something to earn it. As a result what they had has been handed by grace over to us, but do we realize it? If you do not know what you have, you cannot take advantage of it. It is the Devil's job to keep that knowledge from us, to keep us from the full revelation of Jesus Christ which brings us into fellowship with a loving Father who wants to serve our every need with His exceeding great abundance.

What must we do? Speak the Word and go forward! Say what He said in confession as a confirmation of our faith: "Amen" to every Word and then walk in the light of the revelation of it, watching in awe as more and more unfolds from glory to glory by His Spirit.

Sent in by Bro Malcolm Ferris

## ~The age of 'dying out'~



### **An unpopular concept:-**

Now, the third stage is coming on. But the Church still follows on - Elisha, following Elijah. And when he gets across... down to the Jordan. Jordan has a meaning of separation or-or death. You've heard many times "when I come down to the chilly Jordan." Jordan was death. The Lutheran age followed by and so did the Methodist age. But we come to another age now, **the age of "dying out."** All your worldly pleasures. God has got to do something with you in order 'fore He could give you the Holy Ghost. He's got... Got to die out, get dead. You don't die out, you can't... You remember, life can only come out of death. A seed can only die. Anything else can only die. And out of death comes life. Out of the death of Christ come the resurrection of Life. And the only way that you can tonight, become alive to faith in God, is die out to yourself and symptoms, everything around you, and become alive. Die out, die out to symptoms, die out to circumstances, die out to everything else and become alive in Christ. Elijah and Elisha Phoenix AZ 54-0304

Sent in by Bro Ross D. Lane  
Nelson

## ~The Conflict between God and Satan~

*Taken from Bro Branham's Book 31.5.62 Page 15.*

"When you become a Christian you're placed behind The Word of God. Now, there's your fortress - Safety. Every promise in that is yours. Only thing you have to do is just reach out and get it and go right on with it.

'How do you know it's going to work?' I don't know how it's going to work. 'Explain to me.' I don't know. Only thing I know, that, God gave His children the best attack that they could have, and the best thing to attack with, 'cause He knows the working of the enemy.....

Now, what is The Word of God? The Word of God is God Himself. He gave the believer Himself. Amen. Whew! It's God Himself! He gave the believer, Himself, to attack the enemy by. In other words, He's the Father. We're born by The Word, and He's standing in the forefront for His children. Amen. There you are. He's standing out there for His children. What are we scared about? The rapture is sure. The Coming is sure. Every blessing that's been promised is ours. All belongs to us.....

But when you get out from behind that, like Eve did, the battle is lost." - Bro. Branham

God bless you,

Sent in by Bro Gilbert and Sis Barbara Leov

# ~And Lo, There Was A Great Earthquake~

## Pt 2 Brother Vinworth A Dayal

An excerpt from a message dated 30.3.97 in N.Z.

In verse 25 He says: *Behold I have told you before.* He had told them that before in Matthew 7. He was teaching that. See? Now watch this now.

*For as the lightning cometh out of the east,* - That's where the revealing of the Son of man was first.

*...and shineth even unto the west;*

That's where the Son of man has been revealed in the last days.

*...so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.*

So do you notice here, we are getting a revelation of the Son of man coming?

*For wheresoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together.*

And we see a gathering of the eagles when this great Jehovah Eagle comes. And that is taking place between the Fifth Seal and the Sixth Seal. This is taking place between the Jews back in the homeland. So we have seen that Jehovah Eagle – the Son of man being revealed in a Son of man. And that shout, that message that went forth, was to do what? To gather the Bride together. And this is the Eagle age: we know that.

*Immediately after the tribulation of those days...*

See, He's talking about...He's going to bring here to our attention now the great tribulation. But this great tribulation is coming immediately after the tribulation of those days. He's talking about the previous tribulation, the amateur tribulation; the one that has already taken place.

Last night we were saying that we are living in a time of trouble, between amateur tribulation and great tribulation; when the beginning of sorrows has already started; when hell is being created on the earth; when gross darkness is on the earth and upon the people; when the world again is falling apart.

We are in a time of trouble, and the days are cut short for the elect's sake, Amen, and the Son of man has been revealed and it's gathering to feed upon this Lamb with seven horns and seven eyes. Amen. Glory!

We have **“the right shoulder”** and **“the breast”** Hallelujah! It's a great time. Where **the carcass** is, there the eagles are.

*Immediately after the tribulation of those days;* Because these days are cut short inside of here, see... *The sun shall be darkened and the moon*

*shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven,...*

And we already have all that in a spiritual form going on here too. When the church...In Shalom, the Son-light was blocked out – the revelation of the Son of man. The church world went into darkness because worldliness overshadowed the church. Then we had fallen Methodists, fallen Baptists, fallen Pentecostals: they couldn't keep their first estate. They fell into organization, the falling away from the faith, see? See, fallen stars. Remember the stars in heaven represent the spirit of man on the earth.

So watch...But over here it is going to come literally. We are having it spiritually here. We're already having a Sixth Seal here spiritually. Amen. We know that. We have been rushed from all denominations back to the promised Word. Israel is rushed from all nations back to the Promised Land. We have come to recognise the true Atonement. We have already had our recognizing of the Atonement. Elijah restored the original Atonement. Amen. See?

We had one with the Spirit of Elijah, Moses and Christ, who called us out of Pentecostal traditions to come back to the Word. Like their Moses and Elijah will reveal Christ and call them out of Jewish

traditions to recognize the true Word. Exactly. We are having it here. Glory! It's going on now, on this side, spiritually.

*And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn...* See? Day of Atonement; A mourning. *...and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.* See, we are having this Son of man being revealed with us here. They are going to get the same Message, over there; same Word is going to come from here to go there. Glory. What happens to us under our Seventh Seal takes place under the Seventh Trumpet. Amen.



## ~Two Kinds of Services~



Rom12:1-2, *I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world:*

*but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.*

There are two kinds of totally different services, i.e. to bring ourselves into God's program and to bring God into our program.

To bring God into our program is a kind of religious service. By the name of God they intend to perform their set program and manipulate it to their religious satisfaction. They try to bring the God of infinity into their strictly finite program. It is like a man who has a bucket of water and lets the Moon reflect onto the water's surface, and says, look, the Moon is in the bucket. The religious service offers a sacrifice to the requirement of its own; instead of its receiver. King Saul once offered the same sacrifice (see 1 Samuel 13:8-14), that shortened his reign over Israel. His offering sacrifice was intended not to please the Lord but to serve his own political and military purposes. Same as today, the religious service does serve its religious and political purposes, and aims to win people's support but not people's souls. In their program they always lift up their scheme and plan more than God's and His Word and the leading of the Holy Spirit (the same as on his first trip to South Africa and the ministers' plans neglected the leading of the Holy Spirit in Brother Branham).

To bring ourselves into God's program is a Divine service (Heb9:1). Your body becomes a living sacrifice and is offered upon the altar. You do not have your own program; just walk by the leading of the Holy Spirit. You forfeit your own self and your program for God's eternal purpose and His program. "He that loveth his life (Psuche, a Greek word, meaning his own being) shall lose it; and he that hateth his life (Psuche) in this world shall keep it unto life eternal (Zoe, meaning God's own life. See John12:25)" You are a living sacrifice, forfeiting your "Psuche" for "Zoe". For something to be a sacrifice, his own life has to be taken away from him and he must die.

He is perfectly controlled and guided by the one who has received him as a sacrifice.

This is like when Jesus prayed to the Father, "nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt". If we have offered a right sacrifice which has pleased God and is received by Him, then He will answer us and show us His purpose and will, because it is a reasonable service or a Divine service.

(See also Elijah the prophet in the challenge on Mount Carmel.) In the Divine service God and His Word are always in the first place and His program as well. We can realize the importance of serving God according to God's program from what Brother Branham preached; he said, "We've got our programs all drawn out, and lined out, and so forth. I don't believe it was ever intended for the apostolic church of God to be led by a program.

I believe **it's God's program to lead us by His Holy Spirit**, just the way He will." And he said, "That's the only way we know God, is to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. That's old fashioned. **It's God's program. It's always been God's program. It always will be God's program.** 'Not by power, not by might; but by My Spirit,' saith the Lord. That's how it comes." And he also said, "No matter how many man-made programs we raise up, they'll every one fall just as sure as you raise them up. But God Himself will set up His program. And His program is Jesus Christ. As far as I know, it is to be baptized in the Lord Jesus Christ and be led by the Holy Spirit, free from condemnation."

God bless you all  
Brother Timothy Xu

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**Yea I say unto thee:**

**Take guard over thine heart this day**

**Search thine heart O man.**

**And let thy Maker search thy thoughts too.**

**And know thee this day**

**And I will reveal unto thee -**

**Things that thou hast never dreamed before**

**So search thine heart and trim thy lamp**

**And be sure that thou hast oil in thy vessel**

**Or remember thou hast no oil**

**Thy lamp shall be in vain**

**But this day I give unto thee another**

**opportunity**

**That thou mayest get Oil into thy vessel.**

A Prophecy from 62-1231  
'The Contest' Brother Branham

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## Middle East Update: The Battle For Jerusalem

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. While our status of being able to return to Lebanon remains unchanged, our hearts and prayers are certainly with the believers there, as well as a compelling desire to return to the area. In spite of our absence, the work of God continues in Lebanon, Syria and Turkey.

As I've been out on invitation visiting various assemblies across Canada and the USA, my theme has been the "**Battle For Jerusalem**" as I share testimonies and fruits of our labours in the Middle East. This thought arises out of the numerous references made by Brother Branham of how the Word of God must once again be preached in It's entirety in the East, and how natural Jerusalem as is the Spiritual, is increasingly feeling the pressure of forces opposed to our existence.

How striking it was that only days after sending my last email report in May wherein the reference to Jerusalem was made in Zech 12 of her "*becoming a cup of trembling*", that world opinion turned so virulent against Israel in the wake of the incident on board a ship full of anti-Israeli activists in the Mediterranean. Are we entering the era of the final stages of Zechariah's prophecy? Zechariah concludes by saying that Jerusalem and her people will stand alone as "*all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.*"

In the sixty-two years after its creation, Israel is fighting for her very existence against unprecedented challenges. The terror of suicide bombers and missiles raining from north and south is now eclipsed by the threat of complete annihilation by a nuclear attack as archenemy Iran advances ever closer in her quest to build the nuclear bomb. This repressive regime in Iran is committed to Israel's complete destruction.

What will be the outcome? Like Israel, we too are being brought to the place of isolation in the world. Our only hope and confidence must be as David confessed; *not in chariots or horses* – but in the "*name of the Lord*" [Ps 20:7]. Though all the world rise against Jerusalem (both spiritual and natural), deliverance in this third exodus will, I believe, follow the precedent of the first exodus. In the midst of judgment and plagues, God set apart those who dwelt in Goshen. He did so to establish the ultimate contrast – the supernatural glory of God displayed on an unprecedented scale against the backdrop of

the utter hopelessness of human weakness.

This was done to highlight the difference between God's chosen - and all the rest of the world, so the world will know that "*...I am the Lord in the midst of the land*" [Ex 8:22]. That too is our portion in the coming squeeze as Brother Branham declared; "*Watch the third pull then!*"

In the pattern, a war always follows the proclamation of truth as judgment follows the rejection of mercy. Our not being allowed to re-enter Lebanon has made us victims of the spiritual war that ensued as we proclaimed the truth in the Middle East. Of all the regions affected though, our brothers and sisters in Iran are feeling persecution and the heat of opposition even more as the *Prince of Persia* stokes the furnace of adversity and persecution.



It appears that in retaliation to the truth coupled with a new level of International sanctions imposed against Iran by the UN a few days ago, the government of Iran reacted harshly by arresting more believers. That brings the total of believers incarcerated to 11. Their names and locations are as follows;

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The Iranian courts have also served notice to Brother XX, who has been in prison 8 months, that they are seeking to impose the death penalty upon him. At this stage, two judges have signed the order – it requires a third to be implemented.

To demonstrate our love and solidarity with our Brothers and Sisters in Iran so they feel our support, it has been suggested that **Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup>** be set aside as a day of fasting and prayer for those in prison. May we at the close of the Gentile dispensation do as Daniel did at its inception – pray and *tarry* until the angel of the Lord overcomes the evil, spiritual powers of the *Prince of Persia* on behalf of those facing this great challenge.



**Lebanon & Syria:** Though opposition assails, the Word of God is continuing to be heard in other regions of the Middle East. The believers in Lebanon were thrilled to receive a Brother and his wife, from Switzerland. They came to minister in June during our absence. The Brother is seen serving communion with the Believers. Several newcomers attended the services and one confessed that he felt like he was being washed by the Word.



Though it was their first time to Lebanon, they also returned to Syria with Brother XXX after an absence of nearly 20 years. The Lord blessed their excursion in a great way and provided many more opportunities for Brother XXX and Brother XXX to share the Word. Brother XXX and Brother XXX have already just made a follow up trip to Syria since then. The Lord gave them great liberty to speak the Word and even more opportunities for follow up.

On the front of "home missions" I'd also like to share with you the need of a dear friend and minister, Brother Shawn Martin of Oklahoma, USA. Brother Shawn's wife, Sister Rebecca suddenly went to be with the Lord on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. She



was only 32 years old and leaves behind a 4 month baby and four other children. Notes of condolences as well as ways to share in our Brother's great burden can be found at the following website;

{ [HYPERLINK "http://www.sisterrebeccamartin.com"](http://www.sisterrebeccamartin.com) }

We are planning to make a trip back to the Middle East in July to seek alternate arrangements for our residence so the work we are so burdened for can continue. Your prayers for us as we seek the Lord for His will and direction will also be greatly appreciated. Once again we sincerely thank you for joining with us on behalf of the believers whose lives and ministry depend on your prayers. May the Lord bless you all richly.

Your Brother and Sister in Christ,  
Brother Tony & Sister Rebekah

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# PRAYER REQUESTS



## Brother Pearry Green - Tucson Arizona

Brother Green is well known to followers of Brother Branham's message and his health issues continue to be a matter for prayer. This

update on our brother's health is kindly provided by Bro Howard Searle who visited Bro Green a few weeks ago.

"As you know, Brother Green was found to have a melanoma growth on his ear. Of course all precautions were taken and he requested to have his lymph gland removed as part of this process. After the lymph gland was taken out, it was proved to have no cancer cells present.

As a result of this operation some of the nerves were damaged which ran from his shoulder and down his arm. This has given him great discomfort and the doctors have advised him it will take about 12 months for the nerves to settle down. This condition has taken its toll on Brother Green and he has been quite restricted in some of his activities.

We would greatly appreciate if you could continue to uphold him in prayer for his complete recovery. He is not a young man and he really needs strength of the Lord during this time of recuperation."

Bro Howard Searle  
Gospel Tape Ministry Gisborne

## Bro Adrian Gray

Bro Adrian requests prayer at this time as he is currently on a missionary trip in Vanuatu. We look forward to a report on the trip on his return.



**Remember:** Brother Shawn Martin (Oklahoma) and his family with the sudden loss of his wife.  
( See Middle East Update )

## Also the saints in prison in Iran



The Melbourne Bible Believers' Youth Camp running from 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> of July. For those organising the camp and for those attending.

**Yes - we certainly will pray for our precious Brothers and Sisters!**

While walking along the road, my wife, Joan, had an unfortunate fall, hitting her head on the stone wall beside the footpath. She was taken to the hospital, where the wound on her head was dressed and then she was sent home. The next day we played a DVD titled 'Mark 16 In Action' (July 2009) ministered by Bro. Tim Pruitt. And when a sister sang 'He'll do it again!', Joan sat forward and said, 'That was for me!' So we felt to share it with the Saints of God :-

*You may feel down and feel like I was - somehow forgotten  
That you are faced with circumstances that you can't get through  
And right now it seems that there's no way out and you're going under,  
But God's proven time and time again, He'll take care of you!*

*And He'll do it again for you! **He'll do it again!***

*If you'll just take a look at where you are now and where you've been  
Hasn't He always come through for you – He's the same now and then.*

*You may not know how, You may not know when, **but He'll do it again!***

*God knows the things that you're going through, and He knows how you are hurting  
You see, God knows just how the heart has been broken in two.*

*But He's the God of the sun, the moon and the stars and He is your Father.*

*Well, if He can calm the storm, I know then, He'll find a way to fix it for you.*

Bro Charles and Sister Joan Wilson