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# *GOD'S WAY THAT'S BEEN MADE FOR US*

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Together now, hold it up, real big now.

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

Let's bow our heads now.

<sup>2</sup> Our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the great privilege that we have to come to Thee. First, we cannot come except by Christ. So therefore we place His Name ahead of our prayer. And then we know, by His Word, that You will answer it, for we ask in His Name. No righteousness of our own, nothing that we possess that we could do; but by grace alone we come, asking in Christ's Name.

<sup>3</sup> Father, there may be many men and women in here, around this building tonight, who are sinners. Thou did die for the sinner. May this be the night that God will speak to their heart and call them by His grace, into the Kingdom. Grant it, Father. Maybe they've wasted a many a year, wandering around in sin, but may this be the hour.

<sup>4</sup> Thank You, Lord, for Billy Paul, tonight, my poor, little, motherless boy, tossed about, thank You, Lord, for giving him the Holy Spirit, as assurance now, some glorious day we'll see mommy again, all things are okay, be all right. O God, let the Angels let her know today. She cried so at her death, that, "Serve God . . . someday Billy Paul would be a man and receive the Holy Ghost." Prayers are answered. God, bless the boy now. May he follow along in the footsteps of the Master. How his little voice was trembling when he said, "Daddy, I've just received the Holy Ghost. I'm so happy."

<sup>5</sup> God, may that be the experience of—of every unborn-again person here tonight. May they receive the Holy Ghost tonight. We've did any sin, forgive us, Lord. Heal the sick. Bind up the brokenhearted.

<sup>6</sup> And now, Lord, I don't even know where to start, to speak tonight, but Thou will provide. I believe Thee, and I ask that You'll give us something that would help the people, for we ask it in His Name. Amen.

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7 Just for a little Scripture reading here, in Isaiah 35, I wish to read. Cause, my words will fail; God's Word will never fail. Therefore, no—no service is complete without first the reading of the Scripture.

*The wilderness . . . the solitary places shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.*

*It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even in the joy . . . singing: and glory shall come to Lebanon shall . . . give unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, and the excellency of our God.*

*Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees.*

*Say unto them that are of . . . fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with . . . recompence; he will come and save you.*

*. . . he will open, . . . the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.*

*Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing: for in the wilderness shall the waters break out, and streams in the desert.*

*And the parched ground shall become a pool, and a thirsty land springs of water: . . . the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass and reeds and rushes.*

*And an highway shall be there, and a way, . . . of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.*

*No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go . . . thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there in:*

*And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.*

8 May the Lord add His blessings to the read—reading of His Word. I want to speak tonight, if God willing, just a few moments to you. I'll watch my watch here, that I don't keep you too long tonight.

9 After through the services of this week, trying to show people that there's no need of being scared. The worse thing the devil can put upon you is fear. If you even had a cancer and didn't fear, and believed God would heal you, you wouldn't be in too bad a shape. God take care of that; if you were sick, whatever it is, if you didn't fear. So fear is one of the worst things that Satan can place upon the person.

10 Now, this week I've tried to prove, by the Scripture, that the man that's born again of the Kingdom of God has nothing to fear. You're

absolutely, safely secure in Jesus Christ. "All the Father has given Me," He said, "will come to Me. No man can come 'less the Father calls. The Father has got to lead him up to Me; and he that comes to Me, I will in no wise cast out. And all the . . . No man can pluck them out of My Father's hand; no man is greater than He is. He that heareth My Words and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting Life; shall not come into condemnation, but has passed from Life . . . from death unto Life. He that eats My flesh and drinks My Blood hath . . ." (Not "will have," but "hath," present tense.) ". . . everlasting Life, and I'll raise him up at the last day."

11 "Wherefore grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby you're sealed until the Day of your Redemption." There you are. "Sealed away until the Day of your Redemption." Not just from one revival to another, but till the Day of your Redemption.

12 My, how the Holy Ghost come in this morning and blessed us on that! Kept us here till one-thirty, this morning, from about nine-thirty. How He blessed us!

13 Now, tonight, I want to speak on a . . . Isaiah said here, "There shall be a highway, and a way of holiness." Now I want to speak on, "God's way," *God's Way That's Been Made For Us*.

14 Now, if I was going to New York City, the best thing for me to do is not try to find, geographically, how I'm situated and take off north. But the best way to do is get a map and follow the map, (is that right?) a highway. If I don't, I get in trouble.

15 There is no shortcuts in God's Kingdom. You know, we try to make a shortcut, we get out here in a pond somewhere and mire down. And that's what we do when we get off the grand old highway of God. God made a path, a way.

16 When the children of Israel come out of the land of Egypt, they followed God's path. It led up to the Red Sea. Strange, that God would lead His path up that way. But His path went right through the sea.

17 So when it come time, and the showdown, and Israel stood there before the sea, God's path led across the sea. So God looked down through the Pillar of Fire, the sea got scared and moved back, and Israel went across on dry land. God's path led through it.

18 Then He went right up to the wilderness, into the spring of *Marah*, "bitter" water. Isn't it strange that God would lead His children through bitter waters? But them all goes along the road. But when He was there, the remedy for the bitter waters was standing on the bank. Moses cut down a tree and throwed it in the water, and turned sweet again.

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Some through the waters, some through the flood,  
Some through deep trials, but all through the Blood.

19 That's the way God leads His children; God's path, God's provided way. If the children of Israel would have to try to bypass, and go around, down *this* way, they'd a-got in trouble. They had to follow the Cloud of Fire, the Pillar of Fire that led them. They followed That.

20 And if the Church, tonight, will only follow the Pillar of Fire, the Holy Spirit, you'll make Canaan as sure as anything. God has a way, a provided way.

21 There's two ways a man can go, and that's his way or God's way, and that's the right way or the wrong way. And your way is always the wrong way, and God's way is the right way. And you can't be in your own way and in God's way at the same time, so you got to get out of your own way so God can have His way in you. That's right. God makes a provided way.

22 Man has always wanted to make his own way. In the garden of Eden, God made a man so he didn't have to shift for nothing. God made him perfect, but man wanted his own way. He wanted to tamper. He wanted to find out. And then as soon as he fell. . . We've went through that this week, in the studies of the Scripture. He made himself a religion. He didn't wait for God to make him one. He made one hisself, but he found out that his religion, his covering, wouldn't work. That's always been man. He wants his own way. But God had a way. So man made fig leaves and put them over him, him and his wife, but, when he come down to face God, he found out that wouldn't work.

23 And I tell you, friends, there's been a many a man, and is tonight, that's coming down to the end of the road, will find out that that little shallow religion that you're holding onto won't work. Nothing short of being born again will work. Jesus said, "Except a man be born of water and Spirit, he will in no wise enter into the Kingdom." No wise, no matter if he's Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, whatever he is, he'll not enter in until he's born of water and Spirit. *Born* means he's "changed." He has to die before he can be born. So you got to die to yourself, be reborn, again, in Christ Jesus. That's right.

24 Now I want you to notice, he found himself trying to make his way. We had, this morning, how Cain tried to make his way. He brought down some apples and pears and peaches and pumpkins, ever what it was, laid it upon the altar and said, "Now there, Lord, I built an altar. I built a church. I'm a good church member." See? "I go to church every day. I come here, built the altar. I put the sacrifice upon it. Now I'm going to kneel down and pray. And now, Lord, I want You to receive me." But God refused him.

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25 And that same old religious spirit lives right down amongst the church today, the very same thing, just as religious as it can be, and knows no more about God than the Hottentot would know about Egyptian night. You know that's the truth. Religious spirits! Don't think that Stalin is the antichrist. The Bible said, "The two spirits would be so close together, deceive the very Elect if possible."

26 We find out that Judas Iscariot come right down, and went out and rejoiced and preached the Gospel; come back, hollering and shouting, and having a big time with the rest the disciples. Saint Matthew, the 10th chapter. But he followed the disciples right along, yet, the incarnated devil, and come right along; as Jesus was the incarnated God; the Cain and the Abel from the garden of Eden. But when it come time for him to go up to Pentecost, and get the blessing, he showed his color.

27 And when you go to talking about being born again, receiving the baptism of the Holy Ghost, nine times out of every ten, them spirits will show their colors, what they are. They'll say, "That's a bunch of fanaticism. Leave it away." Brother, it's God's provided way for man today. Hallelujah!

28 Look, God has always made a provided way. God is under obligation to make a way. God makes a way for nature. Why do we have these big floods through the country? Cut off all the timbers and things like that, let her wash down. You build up a dam down here and filled up the riverbed; there she goes, the water. You interfere with nature. God had a provided way. That's what causes the flood. Anything that man tampers into, that God has made perfect, then you im-perfect it. That's right.

29 Now, just like, for instance, like the—the ducks. I like to watch the ducks, of seasons when I go hunting up in the mountain. I'd be up there in the fall of the year. Well, there the ducks all come out of Louisiana and down there, and down in the swamps. And go up north and they settle down, make a nest and raise their little ducklings. Then the little fellows raise up, maybe come along about September, this time of year, or late September. And then the little old duck, little drake, he's never been off that pond. He's just right there in a pond.

30 After a while the frost flies up there on the mountain. A little snow hits up there, and a cold breeze blows down across that mountain. That little old duck feels that. Now he's never been nowhere but on that pond, he ain't a year old yet. He sticks his head up in the air, that little honker, and run out in the middle of the pond, and go "honk-honk," every duck on the pond will come to him. Every duck on the pond knows that he's a born leader. And that little old duck will rise off that

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pond, without a compass or anything else, and go just as straight to Louisiana, to the rice fields, as he can go.

31 Looks like Christians ought to have duck sense, anyhow. Doesn't it? That's right. Right.

32 Why? You say, "It's instinct." No, they go God's provided way. God give them a way, an instinct to lead them down there, and they believe it.

33 But, God give man the Holy Ghost, and he rejects It, has his own way. But God has a provided way for us. Hallelujah! I feel kind of religious tonight, after this, and those few nights of revival.

34 Notice, there it is. Yes, sir. That little duck will go down there.

35 And I'll tell you something else. You'd go out here to a newspaper; say, "Tomorrow it's going to be pretty weather." And you'd go hunting and watch them rabbits go to settling down in that grass. Don't you be interested in them newspapers.

36 You watch that old sow take the shucks off of the north side of the hill and take them over yonder, south side of the hill, and make her a—a bed over on the south side of the hill. She knows more about it than all the newspaper commentators in the world. Right. She's got an instinct. She's getting around on the south side, to hide that cold north wind coming down. Oh, my!

37 If a hog has got sense enough to hide from the breeze, what about you with the Holy Ghost? Hallelujah! That's your instinct. Yes, sir.

38 And God gave them an instinct. It's God's provided way for them. They live in God's provided way.

39 You take a flower, when he dies and goes down in the ground. Not the end of him; he lives again. God made a provided way for him, and he believes in it.

40 God always has made a provided way. Sometimes it don't lead through pleasant things, sometimes it goes through the hardships, but it's God's provided way. God makes it, anyhow.

41 One time He had a man in God's provided way, he had to go in, through a lions' den, but he went God's provided way. God brought him back out again. Hallelujah!

42 I can see some Hebrew children setting down there in Babylon one morning. They refused to bow to an idol. That's right. They said, "We won't do it. Beat all the music you want to, and sound your cornets and trumpets, but we'll not bow down to your idol." Hallelujah!

43 Give us some more Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego's, (yes, sir) that will not bow down to your worldly stuff. We don't have

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to knuck down to it. God has made us free, by the Holy Spirit. Hallelujah! Yes, sir.

44 Now I can see down there, one morning. Let's—let's—let's turn our cameras down that way a minute, and watch and see. I can see them boys down there, one morning. They said, "Now look, the king said, 'Everybody that don't bow down, we're going to throw him in the fiery furnace.'"

45 And they went and prayed through, one night. The next day, when the sound come that they'd bow before the image, why, they turned their back to it.

So he come around, said, "Boys, did you do that?" "Yeah."

46 "Well, we'll heat the furnace up, seven times hotter than it ever was."

47 Now isn't that strange! There was a gangplank laying out here, going up to the mouth of the furnace.

48 All over Babylon was red that morning, the fire roaring. I can see King Nebuchadnezzar, as a modern man today, he sit out there and said, "Now we'll just burn all of that Holy Ghost religion out of them guys."

49 Oh, yeah, don't you think the devil won't burn you. He sure will. But, remember, the Holy Ghost is Fire Itself.

50 Now, want you to watch, God's way led right up that gangplank. I can see Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego, walking the death march. I can hear Shadrach say, "Abednego, did you pray through?"

"Yep."

"All right, then."

"Are you sure you're in God's way?"

51 "Yes, sir. And God said in His Word for us not to bow to idols, and we won't do it. God is able to deliver us from this fiery furnace. But if He don't, what of it. We're not going to bow down. We're going God's provided way."

52 I can hear somebody say, "Are you sure you got His provided way?"

"Yes." Hallelujah!

53 Some say, "Well, don't you think all them people possibly could be right, instead of you?"

54 "No, sir. The Bible said so, and we're staying with It." Right up that gangplank they go. I can . . . The heat just so . . . The intense heat was almost . . . It did kill the men that brought them up.

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55 They just about ready to step in. God hadn't said a word. They're still walking the provided way. Walked right up to the mouth of the furnace. Just about time they got ready to step into the fiery furnace. . . You know, I got an awful black picture here in front of me just now. Men that tries to live true to God, walk in God's provided way; fixing to be burnt up. What a picture!

56 Notice, all the time there is something going on down here, there is something going on up There, the same time. Let's look up There a little bit and see what goes on. I can see Him standing there, and His princely robes around Him. Hallelujah! I can see, the first thing, coming from the right, a great big Angel, called Michael. They got One up there. Did you know that? I can hear him run up there by the side of Him, say, "Master!" I can see him taking his sword out of his shield, like *this*, and say, "Have You looked down at Babylon this morning? There is men walking God's provided way. There is men who is willing to seal their testimony this morning. Our brethren is just about to be burned." I can hear him say, "Let me go down there! I'll change the picture." I believe he could have done it; I do.

57 I can hear Him say, "No, can't let you do it. Gabriel, you've been a, or, Michael, you've been a very fine Angel. Go, put your sword back, stand at attention there."

58 Here comes another Angel, he is called Wormwood; he makes the waters bitter. Here he comes up, said, "Master, look down there. I've got all the control of the waters. You turned it over to me in the antediluvian destruction, and I washed the whole world away, all but Noah and his people. Now," he said, "let me go down there and I'll wash Babylon off the map."

59 I can hear Him say, "Woodworm, you can do it, that's right, but I can't let you go. It's a Man-size job."

60 Oh, I can see Him raised up, like *that*. They're just about to make the last step. I can see Him reach over there and say, "Come here," to a big thunderhead hanging back yonder. Oh, my! It obeyed Him.

61 I can see Him, to hear Him say, "East wind, north, west, and south, come here and carry this thunderhead. I'm going to drive you like horses. I'm going to set on this thunderhead, this morning, like a chariot. I'm going down to Babylon, Myself." Hallelujah!

62 I can see Him reach up and get a hold of a zigzag lightning and crack it across the skies, like *that*; just as they make their last step, walking in God's provided way. And about the time they hit in there, He passed by the Sea of Life and picked up a palm, and He was standing down there fanning the breeze off of them. Hallelujah! He is always there when man will walk God's provided way. Yes, sir.

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63 One time there was an old “quack” preacher, an old holiness preacher back yonder, a long time ago, by the name of Noah. He said, “You know, it’s going to rain, going to come a storm.”

64 I can hear the people go around and say, “Say, do you hear that old holy-roller up there? He said, ‘It’s going to rain.’ Why, it never rained upon the earth. And it’s going to rain? How, where’d that water come from? Well, let’s go get the science out and find out if there’s any water up there. Why, no, there’s no water up there. What’s the matter? That old preacher is off at his head.”

65 But God said so! God said, “Prepare an ark, Noah, for the saving of your household, for the saving of the people.” And Noah just had sense enough to do it. That’s all. He come and prepared the ark.

66 And one day, I hear some of them down on the corner, talking, down at the business corner. Some of them say, “Hey, what about that rain story up there, that old quack preacher talking about it’s going to rain up there? Did you ever hear of such a thing? And he thinks he’s in God’s provided way.” He was. Amen.

67 The first thing you know, there come a thundering and a lightning. I can see the old, big, old mammy camel out there, look up and say, “Papa Camel, do you hear what that was? That was thunder. That’s what Noah said. Let’s get to the ark.” Down across the hill they went. And here come papa horse and mama horse, and all the rest of the pairs, right into the ark, one by one. God closed the door, sent the rain. Noah was in God’s provided way.

68 Some of them got on logs, said, “I’ll float through.” But I’ll tell you, when the storms begin to rage, the ark went up. Hallelujah! Why? They were in God’s provided way. God will always bless people that will walk in the way He provides. He never provided a log. He never provided *this*. He provided an ark.

69 And, today, my brother and sister, there is a way provided for men and women, that’s through Jesus Christ the Son of God, Who died yonder at Calvary, and through His Blood we have remission of sins; and can receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost, as approval of God, that He has accepted us into His Son, Christ Jesus. Safely secure! Hallelujah!

70 Going to call me holy-roller, anyhow, so you might as well get started now. All right. I feel pretty good. All right.

71 Do you believe That? That is God’s way and the only way. It ain’t the Methodist way, ain’t the Baptist way, ain’t the Presbyterian, ain’t the Pentecost. It’s Christ’s way. Christ is God’s provided way. He’s God’s provided sacrifice. He’s Jehovah-Rapha. He’s Jehovah-Jireh. He’s Jehovah-Manasseh.

72 When Abraham offered up Isaac, he called the place there *Jehovah-Jireh*, “the Lord will provide Himself a sacrifice.” And there it is, the Son of God. Amen. God always makes a way of escape. Yes, sir.

73 One time there was an old preacher down there preaching, by the name of Elisha. He got up there and he looked out over the country, and he said, “I tell you, it’s the awfulest I ever seen.”

74 The old king down there went and married a little old painted-up Jezebel, enough paint on her face to make . . . The only woman in the Bible that ever painted her face. And you know what God did to her? God fed her to the dogs. That’s the only one I know.

75 You see a woman with a lot of paint on her face, you know what you can call her? Say, “Hello, Miss Dog Meat!” That’s what she is, like dog meat. Oh, my! Listen, brother, I just turned back from Africa. That stuff come from the strain of heathenism. The heathens paint themselves.

76 Oh, brother, when a man or woman gets right with God, you don’t have to tell them that; ashamed, themselves. Hallelujah! That’s right.

77 “Boy, the first thing you know, she’ll have all these Israelites doing that.” Elijah said, “Lord, close the heavens. Do something about it.”

78 God spoke down and said, “Now, Elijah, tell you what you do. Go down and speak to Ahab.”

79 And here come an old preacher, walking down through there, with a big piece of sheepskin around him like that, face burred out with whiskers like a woolly worm. Walked up before the king and said, “The dew won’t even call . . . or fall till I call from it.” Hallelujah! He was in God’s provided way. Yes, sir.

80 “Ah, get away from here, you fanatic. All right, we know what we’re doing.”

81 Old Elijah said, “Lord, what must I do? You provide the rest the way. I’ve done that.”

Said, “Get up yonder by the brook Cherith and sit down.”

82 “All right, a very bad place, but I’ll go up and sit down. You said, ‘Go up there.’ If Your path leads up there, I’ll walk up there.”

83 Walked up and sit down. Said, “Now, Lord, what am I going to do here?”

“Sit there. Just stay there.”

84 And the first thing you know, he begin to get hungry. He said, “Lord, I’m getting a little bit hungry.” And here come a raven by.

85 Some of them said, "Look at that old holy-roller preacher setting up there on the hill. Why, isn't he crazy! Well, that guy, sitting up there in the sun, will die. Why, he's a fanatic."

86 And the first thing you know, all the waters dried up. There's no water to drink, down in—in the land. But every time Elijah wanted a drink, he just stooped down to the brook Cherith and drank. Then when he got hungry, here come a raven by, with a sandwich in his mouth, said, "Here you are, Elijah."

87 You say, "Where did the raven get . . . ? You mean you believe that, Brother Branham?" Yes, sir. Yes, sir. "You mean that a crow brought Elijah something to eat for three years and six months?" I believe it. Say, "Where did he get it?" I don't know. The only thing I know, the crow got it somewhere, he brought it to Elijah, Elijah eat it and lived three years and six months on it. That's right. I believe it.

88 That's the same thing about . . . You say, "What makes you so happy? What makes you shake your arm?" I don't know. The only thing I know, Calvary paid for It, the Bible taught It, the Holy Ghost brought It, I got It. Hallelujah! I don't even know where It comes from, but I got It. Hallelujah! That's right. I can't tell you where It's coming from, but It's got here. Oh, my! It makes your coat fits you better. Sure. *Hallelujah!* Don't get excited. That means "praise our God." *Amen!* That means "so be it." Oh, my! Sure, it is. I don't know . . .

89 And they said he was crazy, sitting up there? My! Come a . . . Come time to eat, here come the colored porter up, said, "Here you are, Elijah. Here's your breakfast." Why, he was better off than half the people in here tonight. I imagine there ain't very many in here tonight that's got colored servants. But he had some colored servants, some crows bringing him something to eat at every meal. Hallelujah! Glory! God had a dining room somewhere; He fixed it up, cooked it up, sent it to him. Hallelujah! That same God lives and reigns today.

90 He stayed in His provided way. God said, "Go up there and sit down," so he done it. That's all he knowed to do. What do you think about that, believe that it's true? That is. Amen. Yes, sir.

91 A little girl was going down the street one day, and she said . . . Finally, the one said . . . "Oh, hallelujah! Hallelujah!" She just got the Holy Ghost.

92 So there was an old infidel setting over in the corner, said, "What's you so happy about, young'n?"

93 Said, "Oh, Jesus just saved me and filled me with the Holy Ghost." Said, "I'm so happy."

Said, "Look, what's that you got in your hand?"

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Said, "My Bible."

Said, "Do you believe That?"

"Sure."

Said, "Do you believe all of It?"

"All of It."

Said, "Do you believe that story about Jonah?"

"Yes."

94 Said, "Do you believe that actually that whale swallowed the man?"

"Yes, sir. I believe it."

95 Said, "How you going to prove it any other way besides faith?"

96 She said, "Well, when I get to Heaven I'll just ask Brother Jonah."

97 The infidel said to her, said, "What if Brother Jonah is not in Heaven?"

98 Said, "Then you'll have to ask him." Hallelujah! Only one place left for him, that's hell.

99 If you reject God's way, you've got to go to hell. You have to. It's the only other way. So you're in the one way or the other. Amen. All right.

100 I can see him down there, sitting up there and the ravens bringing him something to eat.

101 Walked back down there. He went down the hill, one day. And God said, "Now the pool is dried up. I want you to go down there to a widow's house." What a place for a preacher to go! God told him to go. That was the provided way. He walked down there. And she wasn't an Israelite, either. No, she wasn't. And she walked back there. . . . And he went down the hill.

102 And as he went down the hill, he met an old widow standing in the yard, a breaking her stick together. Said, "Go in and give me something to eat, and bring me some water."

103 She said, "As the Lord lives, and your soul never dies, I've only got enough meal in the house to make one little cake for my son. I'm taking two sticks that I might bake this cake, and he and I eat it and die."

104 Said, "Go fetch me a little water, first, and bake the cake and bring it to me." Hallelujah!

105 What's she going to do? There is God's provided way. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and all His righteousness."

106 You say, "Brother Bill, my mother run way from home. My husband won't live with me."

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107 "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness," hallelujah, "all these other things will be added." That's right.

108 "How am I going to do it, Brother Bill?" Just go ahead and do it. Jesus said, "Follow Me." That's right. Keep your eye single. All right.

109 And the first thing you know, she goes in, she takes these two sticks and break them. You know how the old Indian way of breaking a stick? That was the cross, of course. And in the cross, they burn it right in the middle. That's where the fire was burnt, that hoecake oven.

110 Brought the hoecake out and give it to the preacher, and he stood there and eat. Said, "Now go back and get one for yourself and your bo- . . . son. For, THUS SAITH THE LORD, the barrel is not going to run empty, or the cruise dry, until the day that God sends rain on the earth." Hallelujah!

111 What? Because she sought the Kingdom of God first, 'cause she walked in God's provided way, God rewarded her. Do you believe that? Yes, sir.

112 There was a woman one time who lost her brother. His name was Lazarus. Oh, he was a good boy; she hated to give him up. And he died. She sent for her pastor, or the evangelist, which was Jesus. She had come out of a church, and she had give up all they had. And she sent for Jesus to come, pray, and He just went on. Sent again, and He just went on. He said, "I do nothing till the Father shows Me." The Father had already showed Him Lazarus was going to die.

113 He come, after a while, after about three or four days. He said, "Lazarus is dead, and for your sake I'm glad I wasn't there. But I go wake him."

114 So then she heard Jesus was coming, so she went out to meet Him.

115 That was God's provided way, go meet Jesus. That's right, always. When you got sorrow in your home, go meet Jesus. Got sickness in your home, go meet Jesus. Got heartaches in your home, go meet Jesus. Hallelujah! If you got a need for anything, go meet Jesus. Go meet Him. He's got all the remedy, everything there; He ain't got the remedy, He's got the cure. Amen.

Then she went to meet Him, and she fell down at His feet.

116 And she had read a story, one time, where there was a woman way back in the Bible, and a Shunammite. She was very mindful of a preacher by the name of Elisha. So she made a little chamber on the side of her house there, put a bed and a candle and a stool, so forth. And Elisha come by and he seen all this goodness she had done to the preacher, paid her tithes and everything, you know. So he said,

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“Go and ask, see what we can do, if I go speak to the king or to the chief captain.”

117 She said, “I abide with my people and everything is all right.”

Said, “All right, go ask her what can I do.” Gehazi said, “She is barren. She has no children.”

118 Said, “Go tell her, THUS SAITH THE LORD, ‘About this time of the year, according to life, that she’ll receive a son.’” And she did.

119 The kid got to be about eleven or twelve years old. One day, about noontime, he was out in the field with his daddy, I believe he got a sun stroke. He begin to holler, “My head! My head!” He sent one of the servants in with the baby, the little boy. Set him on his mother’s lap. At noon he died.

120 What an appropriate place! She took him up and laid him on the preacher’s bed, where the prophet had laid. Good place to go. Laid right on the preacher’s bed.

121 She said, “Saddle me a mule now and go forward, and don’t stop your riding until I bid you.”

122 I like that. Go forward and don’t stop! Just keep going. That’s right.

123 The trouble of it is, we stop and talk to too many people. We stop for too many social parties. We have so much *so-and-so*, and organize a stitching party, you know, stitch-and-sew and talk about Miss *So-and-so*. You know how it is. All these different things come into the church. When, you ought to throw all that gully-wash out, and have an old-fashion, God-sent revival; pray through, till you’re back, Heaven is down and the Holy Ghost comes like a rushing mighty wind and fills the place and the people. Amen. That’s what we need.

She said, “Don’t you stop.”

124 And her husband said, “The man is not at Carmel.” Said, “This is neither new moon or sabbath.”

125 She said, “All is well.” She wanted to get to the prophet. So she went straight on.

126 Elisha looked out and said, “Here comes that Shunammite. Something is wrong with her; I don’t know what it is.”

127 She run up. And he said, “Is all well with thee and thy husband, thy child?”

128 She said, “All is well.” I like that. She had taken God’s provided way. Said, “Everything is all right now.” And then she begin to reveal it.

129 He told Elijah, said, “Go, take my staff and lay it. . . .” Or, told Gehazi, “Go take my staff and lay it on the child.”

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130 But she said, "I'm not going to leave you." So the prophet came back over, prayed, walked up-and-down the room, laid his body upon the dead child, and it come to life.

131 The woman, Martha, knew that the Shunammite realized that God was in His prophet. And if God was in His prophet, surely God was in His Son. So if she could get to Jesus, she would have the remedy. So she runs and falls down before Him. She said, "Lord, if," that's what He was, *Lord*, "if Thou would have been here, my brother would not have died. But, even now, whatever You ask God, God will do it." Oh, I like that. "Even now, whatever You ask God, God will do it."

132 That's good tonight. You say, "I'm a sinner, Brother Branham." Even now, whatever you ask God, God will do it. "Have mercy on me, a sinner," and He'll do it. If you're sick, "Have mercy on me, Lord," and He'll do it even now. You say, "The doctor give me up; but, even now, Lord! I haven't walked in five years; but, even now, Lord! I haven't heard nothing, for I don't know when; even now, Lord. I haven't spoke a word, in I can't tell you when, but even now, Lord." Whatever you ask God, and He's setting at the right hand of the Father, making intercessions upon your confession. Hallelujah!

Said, "Even now, whatever You ask God, God will do."

133 He straightened His little self up, said, "Thy brother shall rise again."

134 Said, "Oh, yes, Lord, in the general resurrection in the last day, he'll rise again."

He said, "I am the resurrection and Life." Oh, my!

135 The Bible said, "There's no beauty to look at Him, little frail-looking Fellow." But He said. . . When He straightened Himself up, there was God.

136 He said, "Now your brother will rise again." Said, "I am the resurrection and Life," saith God. "He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. Whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believest thou this?"

137 She said, "Yes, Lord. I believe that You are the Son of God which should come into the world."

138 Said, "Where you laid him?" Here He starts to the grave. Jesus wept.

139 A woman told me not long ago. . . a very good woman, a Christian Science who didn't believe that Jesus was the. . . had Deity. She believed He was a prophet. She believed that He was a good man, but He was not He wasn't a virgin born. They deny the virgin birth.

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140 Not only that, but a survey showed that eighty-five percent of the Protestant preachers of the United States claim that the virgin birth was a fake. Right. I could easily do that, I could easily think that by the way you live it. That's exactly the truth, believed it was a fake. And a greater percent than that didn't believe that Jesus would visibly return again. No wonder we need a revival!

141 Brother, listen here. You hear so much about revival, today. We never had a revival.

142 I followed up another man, here not long ago, where they talk about a lot of this. Said, "He went to one city and he had five thousand conversions." We followed right behind it, (not me) a group of ministers, and took the cards and followed them back again, and in thirty days time they couldn't find thirty that claimed to be saved. You know what I think? I think it's conviction instead of conversion, when a man is born again of the Spirit of God.

143 What we need today is not a protractive meeting, but an old-fashion, God-sent, Holy Ghost revival; an old-time, sky-blue, sin-killing, Blood-washed religion. Amen. Makes you take them tire tools back and do repentance. That's right.

144 She said, then she said, "Well, looky here, Brother Branham, I can prove to you that He wasn't nothing but a man."

145 I said, "Do it. If you can prove to me that He wasn't God, then I'll accept it."

146 She said, "No, He wasn't Divine. He was just a man. And I can prove it by the Bible, that He was just a man."

147 I said, "If you can prove it by the Bible, then I'll accept it." She said, "Are you ready?" I said, "I am."

148 She said, "When He went down, in Saint John 11, when He went to the grave of Lazarus, He wept."

I said, "What has that got to do with it?"

149 Said, "Why, that proved He wasn't nothing but a man, He was crying."

150 I said, "Looky here, lady. He was a man, truly, but He was more than a man. He was a God-Man."

151 God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself. Yes, sir. He came to do the will of the Father. He walked God's provided way. He never looked to the right or to the left; He done what God said do. He was God's provided way.

152 And on the road to Lazarus, He wept. He was a man when He was weeping.



153 But when He stood there by the side of a grave, where a man had been dead four days; and the crawling skin worms running in and out of his body, and a stink around; when He said, "Lazarus, come forth," a man had been dead four days, stood on his feet and lived again. That was more than a man. Hallelujah! Yes, sir. He was a man crying, but He was God in the resurrection.

154 He was a man when He come down off the mountain, that night, hungry, looking all around, over the trees, for something to eat. He was a man when He was hungry.

155 But when He took five biscuits and two little pieces of fish, and fed five thousand people, that was more than a man. That was God in flesh. Hallelujah!

156 He was a man when He laid on the boat that night, when virtue had went out of His garment, till He was so weak till even, a mighty sea roaring, ten thousand devils of the sea swore they would drown Him that night, when that little ol' boat, tossed about out on there, like a bottle stopper on a mighty sea, I know He was a man when He was laying there, asleep, but when they said, "Carest Thou not that we perish?" He stuck His foot upon the brail of the boat, said, "Peace, be still," and there was a calm, that was more than a man, hallelujah, that was my God! Hallelujah! Right, He was, yes, indeedy.

157 He was a man when He was hanging on Calvary, when they give Him the greatest tribute they ever did. When they said, "He saved others, He cannot save Hissself," what a wonderful tribute, or, compliment, they paid Him! If He saved these others, uh, Hissself, He couldn't save others, so He had to give Hissself, in order to save others.

158 He was a man when He cried for mercy, when He said, "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" He died like a man. Yes.

159 But when He rose on Easter morning, He proved He was God. No wonder the prophet said:

Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me;  
Buried, He carried my sins far away;  
Rising, He justified freely forever:  
Someday He's coming—oh, glorious day!

160 Hallelujah! I love Him. Don't you? [Congregation says, "Amen."—Ed.] Walk in God's provided way.

161 I can see some wise men, one time, going to His birth, to worship Him. I can see them all getting ready. They're packing up their camels.

162 I can see Jim Jones and all the rest of them, and John Doe, packing up. I can see them laying these card tables, packed here on the side like *that*, and they laid everything else on, and they was going to go to

worship Jesus. They come to find out, when they got there, decided the old camels couldn't walk.

<sup>163</sup> That's just what's the matter with the church today. You've packed so much world with it, it turns you back. That's right.

<sup>164</sup> I can see him start out like that, and all of them. They get to the side of the mountain yonder, they can't even get through, 'cause, "Strait is the gate and narrow is the way, but few there will be that will find it." Yes, sir.

<sup>165</sup> I can see one old guy packing up, he was making hisself light, 'cause, "I'm packing up, to go to Heaven."

<sup>166</sup> Brother, I'm not packing up, to go to Heaven. I'm unpacking, to go to Heaven. Hallelujah! Then, Rapture, cut loose everything. The Bible said, "Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin that doth so easily beset us, that we might run this race with patience."

<sup>167</sup> I can see that old fellow going, see. I can see his wife around, say, "John, what's the matter, boy? Where you going?"

Said, "I'm going to worship the Lord."

"How do you know you're going?"

"Well, I'm going."

<sup>168</sup> "Well, you haven't even got a compass. You haven't even got your ministerial license. What in the world is the matter with you? Will they receive you? You're going to worship the Lord?"

"Yes."

"Take your compass."

"No, I don't need it."

"Don't need it? How you going to get there?"

<sup>169</sup> I can see him point up to the morning Star, say, "I'm going God's provided way." Amen. God provided a Star, to lead the wise men. They didn't need a compass. They needed God's provided way, the Star. Glory!

<sup>170</sup> And the same God that led the wise men to Christ, by the Star, is here tonight in the form of the Holy Ghost, to lead you to the Christ, the new Birth, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, which is God's provided way. "Except a man be born of water and Spirit, he won't even see the Kingdom of God." Men and women, have you received It?

<sup>171</sup> My time is up. Oh, my, I just feel like getting into it. Put my hand down in my pant's pockets, and preaching like an old sassafras preacher. Why? I love it. "Boy, like to have ice cream," but you got to have some bacon and beans to stick to your side. Something to feed us, spice you up. That's what we need. Don't you believe it? Truly.

172 God has a provided way. Are you in It tonight? Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed? Now you good Baptist friends of mine, and know that I belonged. . . I was a Baptist, and my pastor here is a Baptist. But I want to tell you something. Acts 19 says, "Have you received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" Not *when* you believed, but "since" you believed. Yes, sir. If you haven't, It's for you tonight. God has a provided way.

173 Brother, sister, don't try to go your own way. Don't go through fig leaves. Don't go floating on a log, like they tried to do in the antediluvian destruction. Don't put fig leaves over, like Adam did. Don't try to go King Nebuchadnezzar's way, to persecute the Church of God. Don't go all these other different ways, these forms and ways, that we could mention many.

174 Don't go like the Pharisees did, a very religious person, said, "Now looky here, we're in a high place. And if there be anything going on, we'll know all about it."

175 And God slipped out there, and born a Child in a Bethlehem manger, took Him down to the world; and out of the world, capital punishment; and they didn't know nothing about it. Right! God's provided way.

176 Oh, one time there was a woman, she had spent all the money she had. Hallelujah! Doctors couldn't do her no good. And one day she just about to faint. She had had an issue of blood for many, many years. And one day she heard some roaring in a boat. She looked out, and there had come God's provided way! That's . . . ? . . . Oh, my!

177 I can see her come down to the high, classical Baptists. "The days of miracles is passed." She just crawled right between their legs. They had to move.

178 I see her come there to Brigham Young and all of his wives; she just passed right on through. What did she say?

179 I hear them say, "Halt there! Where are you going, that the physician can't do you no good? Where you going to go then? I seen you down there, with that blood issue."

She said, "I'm going God's provided way."

180 "Where is it at? You don't mean that hypocrite over there?"

"That's where it's at. I'm going right on in."

181 She squeezed through, and around, until she got to this fellow here. And he belonged to—*this* kind of a church, and *this* and *that*, and they all tried to push her back. But she made her way to Jesus.

182 Some of them said, "Now wait a minute, sister. If you eat meat, you can't do it." She was going God's provided way.

<sup>183</sup> “If you haven’t taken up serpents, you can’t do it.” She went God’s provided way. She wanted to get to Jesus. That’s right.

<sup>184</sup> I think of David of old. Hallelujah! Yes, sir. When he said there is . . . Where he talked about . . . He said, “Taste and see the Lord is good. It tastes like honey in the rock.” A little old description I used to use, thinking about an old scrip they used to carry on their side *here*, a little sack that they put honey in, the old shepherds did. And when the sick would give . . . the sheep would all get sick, they’d take off some of the honey out of the scrip bag and put it on a limestone rock, and call the sick sheep and let that sick sheep go to licking on that rock. And when they go to licking the honey off of the rock, he went and licked some of the limestone in while licking the honey. And you know what happened? The sick sheep got well.

<sup>185</sup> Now look here, brother. I got a whole scrip bag full of It, tonight. And I ain’t going to put it on the Baptist church, Methodist church, the Presbyterian church, or the Pentecostal church. I’m putting It on Christ Jesus, where It belongs, and you sick sheep go to licking and you’re sure to get something out of It. Yes, sir. Lick on Him. Like that old man, be buried, and . . .? . . . Lick on Him; you’ll get it.

<sup>186</sup> Don’t pay no attention to what your church says. Pay attention to Christ. Follow Him, for, in Him, He is the Church! I see, go God’s provided way. He never said the Methodist was God’s provided way, neither did He say the Baptist was, or any other church. He said, “I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.”

You say, “Well, how do I know I’m in Him?”

<sup>187</sup> “By one Spirit we’re all baptized into one Body, become members of that Body.” First Corinthians 12, that’s right, subject to God’s . . .

<sup>188</sup> Everything He’s got in His Kingdom belongs to us. He just takes the whole big Book full of checks, and signs His Name on the bottom, say, “Here you are, son. Anything you need, go get it.” Amen.

<sup>189</sup> Don’t be afraid to fill it out. Fill it out and hand it in, say, “Thank You, Lord.” Hallelujah! It’ll come to pass.

<sup>190</sup> “Whatsoever things you desire,” Mark 11:24, “when you pray, believe you’ll receive it, you shall have it.”

<sup>191</sup> Sign out the check, say, “Lord, I need healing.” Tear it off, say, “There You are, Lord, I ask in Jesus’ Name for healing.” Say, “Thank You, Lord,” and walk right on, believe for the healing. And it comes right back, like them crows sending down that food to Elijah. There it is.

<sup>192</sup> Say, “I need salvation for my soul.” What’ll you do? Just write out and say, “Said, ‘Come unto Me, all ye that labor and heavy laden;

I'll give you rest.' That's for me, Lord." Fill out the check. "I need salvation. Hand it to me, Lord."

"Here It is."

"Thank You, Lord." Walk away with it.

<sup>193</sup> Need the Holy Ghost? Yes, sir. "Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem till you're endued with Power from on High. After this the Holy Ghost come upon you, you'll be witness of Me in Jerusalem, Judaea, and Samaria, and the uttermost parts of the world." You believe It? Fill out the check and send it up, signed, see what happens. God will give It. God's provided way. He provided you a check-Book, go ahead and fill it out. God promised It. Do you believe that? Sure. God always has a provided way.

<sup>194</sup> There was a little old guy by the name of Jairus, one day. Oh, he had kind of joined hisself up with a bunch of unbelievers.

<sup>195</sup> Like a whole lot of preachers, they're joined up the same way today. The Bible said, "Yoke yourself not amongst unbelievers." All right. The first thing you know . . .

Wonder who said that? You are?

<sup>196</sup> Well, the Bible said, "These signs shall follow them that believe. In My Name they shall cast out devils, speak with new tongues, take up serpents, drink deadly things; they lay hands on the sick, they shall recover." You preach That, in half the churches, today, they'd kick you out the door. That's right. That's right. Don't know God's provided way, but that's what He said. That's what Jesus said. Do you believe it? Yes, sir.

<sup>197</sup> And then if He said so, amen, I believe it. I think It's the Truth, and I'm walk in His way, what He said do. And He's confirming It with signs, wonders, following. That's right.

<sup>198</sup> So just do the same thing, walk right in. It's for every . . . Whosoever will, let him come on in. Come on. God has called you, you've got to come, so come right on in. Don't wait any longer. Take it, tonight.

<sup>199</sup> I see this little old fellow; he joined himself up. He loved Jesus, but yet he was just kind of way . . . He didn't want to lose his prestige, you know, the blessings. So they come out; they did.

<sup>200</sup> So the Lord said, "Now look at that little old fellow down there. I predestinated him to Eternal Life, and there he is with that bunch of unbelievers. So I'll fix him up." He just let his daughter get sick.

He said, "Well, I'll call in Doctor Doe."

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201 Doctor Doe looked her over. He said, "Pulse is getting low, Jairus. Tell you what we better do; we better do *this, that.*" And he gave her all the drugs, and so forth. She went right on, dying.

202 Then he said, "I—I—I—I wonder if God has got a provided way?" Oh, my!

203 The Man that he had criticized so much, about Divine healing! Or, heard about Him, and he said, "Yes. Yes. Uh-huh."

"Jairus, don't you think He's a hypocrite?"

204 "No," said the Holy Spirit, "He's not a hypocrite. You believe in Him."

205 "Oh, all right, yeah. Oh, I—I—I guess He is."

206 See, that's the way some of these borderline preachers is, that's right, just afraid. Oh, God take the wishbone out of you and put a backbone in you!

207 I like what Buddy Robinson's testimony is. He said, "Lord, give me the backbone the size of a saw log. Put plenty of noise in the gable end of my soul. And let me fight the devil as long as I got one tooth left, and then gum him till I die." I like that. That's right. He said, "I had an old coon dog. She died, old. She brought the coon till she didn't have one tooth left, then she just gum them coon, and squeal." I like that. Right! Hallelujah!

208 You say, "Brother Branham, I hardly got very much education. I'm too small. The preachers will turn me down!"

209 Let's just go back to the story. "It ain't the size of the dog in the fight; it's the size of the fight in the dog." That's what it is today! Stand up there! I'm not comparing you with a dog, but stand there.

210 Like the old chief said one day, as he was getting ready to go. Said, "How you getting along, chief?"

211 Said, "I want to tell you, brother." Said, "There is two dogs in me. One is black and one is white. The black one wants me to do wrong, and the white one wants me to do right." Said, "They're always fighting and quarreling."

I said, "Which one wins, chief?"

Said, "Depends on which one chief feeds the most."

212 And that's about right, too. Yes, sir. All right, brother. I'm telling you, what the world needs tonight is a good old shaking.

213 Jairus said, "Now wait a minute." The daughter got real sick. The only hope there was, to ever get her, was to go to Jesus. She . . . They took off for Jesus.

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214 While he was on the road . . . I see him coming up there. And the woman just got healed with the blood issue. Here he goes on, he said, "My daughter is laying now . . . I don't care what the priest says, what anybody says. Will You come, lay Your hands on her? I believe You are God's provided way for her healing. Will you come, lay Your hands on her, she'd get well?"

Said, "I'll go."

215 Here He starts, going on. The first thing you know, here run a man from their house, saying, "Jairus, don't weary the Master, because, she is already dead." Oh, oh, my! I can see his little heart jump in him, like that.

216 I can see those lovely, tender eyes of Jesus roll over to him, say, "Didn't I say, 'Fear not, and thou shall see the glory of God?'" He is God's provided way.

217 There was an old man by the name of blind Bartimaeus, set at the gates one day, begging for alms. It was getting cold weather, about October. He heard a noise coming down the street. "What is that?"

"Why," he said, "that's the—the Jesus of Nazareth."

218 He never watched . . . He pulled off his robe. He never laid it down, and fold it up so, you know, he could blindly find his way back to it. He threw his robe aside. God had provided a way, and he was after it. He had run down here.

219 Some . . . ? . . . say, "Sit down! Sit down! He ain't got no time to fool with you."

220 He screamed the much the louder, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me! Have mercy on me!" He was pressing through. "Have mercy on me! I know You're God's provided way for my eyes. O Lord, have mercy on me!" That's right.

221 I read the history of blind Bartimaeus, one day, a little story. They said that he had been blind for years. He had a little daughter he had never seen. One night . . . And he used to go up there and sit at the street. He had a little lamb. The lambs used to lead the blind people like the dogs does today; the dogs lead the blind men. They had a lamb trained to lead the blind. And then one said, one day, that . . .

222 He had two little turtledoves and they would do little tumbles, like *that*, to attract the tourists' attention, going into Jerusalem, or into the—the city, and they would drop coins in his cup. He was blind.

223 So one night his wife got real sick, so he went to the Lord. And he said, "Lord, I haven't got nothing. I'm a poor man. I'm a blind man. I haven't got nothing to give You. But I believe You, Lord. And if You

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will just have mercy and let my poor wife live, tomorrow I'll give You my turtledove for a sacrifice." The Lord healed his wife that night.

224 The next day he went back, through a priest, offered up the two turtledoves for a sacrifice. Then he had nothing but the lamb.

225 Not long after that, his little girl got sick. The doctors could do nothing for her. He said, "Lord, I only got one thing left," and said, "that's the lamb. But if You'll let my little girl, who I've never seen, if You'll only let her get well, then I'll give You my lamb for a sacrifice." Then the Lord healed his little girl.

226 A few days after that, he started up the street, that lamb leading him. And Caiaphas, the high priest, come, said, "Blind Bartimaeus, where goest thou?"

227 He said, "I go, O high priest, to the temple. The lamb is leading me to the temple; to offer the lamb for a sacrifice."

"Oh," he said, "you can't do that."

Said, "Yes," Bartimaeus.

228 Said, "Here, I'll give you the price of a lamb. You go buy one."

229 He said, "I never promised God *a* lamb. I promised Him *this* lamb, *this* lamb."

230 Said, "Blind Bartimaeus, thou cannot take that lamb. That lamb is your eyes. You can't see without that lamb. That lamb leads you. That's your eyes, blind Bartimaeus. You can't offer that lamb."

231 Said, the old man trembled a little bit and said, "O high priest, God will provide a lamb for blind Bartimaeus' eyes."

232 God bless his heart! When he heard that coming by; God had provided a lamb. There He is.

233 He is God's provided Lamb tonight. He is the Lamb provided for our eyes, your spiritual eyes. He is the Lamb provided for your soul. He is the Lamb provided for your escape of hell. He is the Lamb provided for your glory in Heaven.

234 Won't you receive Him, while we pray, while we bow our heads?

235 O Lord God, Creator of heavens and earth, Author of Everlasting Life, Giver of every good gift; send Thy blessings upon this people. These poor, little, unprepared remarks, Lord; but I know that You have a provided way.

236 You said, "As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the coming of the Son of man." A preparation time, a time when . . . A place to be prepared for those who wanted to escape the wrath. I pray, God, that right now, that . . . that Lamb of God that was provided for the blind



man's eyes, or the woman with the blood issue, that stopped the blood issue, the Lamb that was provided for dead Lazarus. God, have mercy.

237 When I think about it, that's the same Lamb was provided for my blind eyes, one day; when Mayo Brothers told me, three years ago, I didn't have a hope of ever being well again. God provided a Lamb.

238 When You sent Your Angel down yonder, at Green's Mill, and said, "Go, do this," how could I do it before a great world of atheists and unbelievers? But God provided a Lamb.

239 God, my poor little church here, Lord, as I look at it! And I think, of many thousands of miles across the seas, and frozen plains and icebergs! How I've set there, many time, in a lonely room, praying. Think about the times that when they would come by here and shake my hand. The old sawdust spreading on the floor, the windows shaking when the wind blowed.

240 I think of bringing my own darling wife, and, laying her down here at the foot of the cross, preaching her funeral. Remember seeing my little baby, Lord, that's laid on her arm.

241 I remember poor, little Billy Paul, that You filled with the Holy Ghost a few hours ago. Coming down to her grave there that morning, to put an Easter flower on it, and he started crying; I put my arm around the little fellow, and said, "God has provided a Lamb, a sin-offering. Someday this little grave will open; mommy will come out, and so will little sister. God has a provided Lamb."

242 Some of these days, God, when my last sermon is preached; might lay me out in a room, and I'd feel the pulse coming up my sleeve, the cold death tide is floating into my room, as the window is open, the curtains blowing. Shove out the lifeboat then, Lord. I'll take my last ride. I'll just spread the sheet. Lid will close down, and the sheet will be covering me.

243 I want to walk down to the valley of the shadow of death. I want to come to the Jordan, "Spread out of my way!" And scream, "Give way, Jordan! Crossing over!" Lord, push the lifeboat by me then. Receive me, will You, Lord? Receive me then, will You, Lord? Not only me, but every one in here, may be received at that time, will You, Lord? Grant it. Since then, there'd be many of us cross, and go back to the Paradise and then live forever.

244 Father, if there is that man or woman here tonight that doesn't know You, don't know what the value is all about, never been born again, never found God's provided way, may they find it just now, as we pray, through Jesus Christ's Name.

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<sup>245</sup> With your heads bowed, my sinner friend. God bless your heart. Many outside or inside. The Holy Spirit is here. Have you ever accepted God's way out, God's provided way for you? Nothing you could do to merit it. God has provided it for you. Won't you come, receive it? Won't you, tonight? If there's a sinner friend here, raise up your hand, say, "Brother Branham, pray for me. I want God's provided Lamb in my life."

<sup>246</sup> We haven't got room here for an altar call around the altar. There's no room, so just ask you to raise your hand. Will you do it, a sinner? God bless you, sir. God bless you, sir. And God bless you, sis. God bless you, and you.

Back in the back, again, anybody back there?

<sup>247</sup> Over on my righthand side now? God bless you. God bless you. God bless you. Somebody else would raise their hand, say, "Remember me. O God, give me grace tonight, Your Lamb Life." God bless you, sister. I see you, setting here.

<sup>248</sup> Somebody on the outside, walk up and lay your hands against the screen, and say, "Brother Branham, remember me. I want God's provided way."



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