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Today we are reading in the Word of God in the Book of Matthew, Chapter 13. And I want to take my title from Verse 16—*“Blessed are Your Eyes, for They See, and Your Ears, for They Hear.”* This is what Jesus Christ was telling the people, and He was speaking in the spiritual realm. So in Matthew, Chapter 13, we want to begin reading Verses 14-17. And as we read, I want you to keep in mind that Jesus Christ was teaching something that was unlike what the priests were teaching. When He began to preach the Word of God, it was very strange to them, so most of them went on their own way, and they did not hear what He was saying. Yes, they could hear with their natural ears, but that was as far as they got; for He was speaking in the Spirit. The Word of God in its season and time has God’s Spirit in it, so we have to hear in the Spirit to receive God’s blessing from it. Oftentimes we will hear someone say in the worldly realm, “In order to understand, you have to get in the same spirit with the speaker;” and this is true when it comes to understanding the living Word of God. Therefore, we have to be in the Spirit of Christ in order to see the moving of God in this day.

Notice, the words that Jesus Christ was speaking to the people was living Word, and it was so strange to them, for it was something different from what they had been hearing preached, yet it was the Word of God. Therefore, in order to hear this preaching and this teaching, one would have to have spiritual eyes to see and spiritual ears to hear. Then when *Paul* preached the living Word, he said in the Book of 1 Corinthians, Chapter 2, that we speak the hidden wisdom of God, which was ordained before the world **unto our glory**. And we will get to that scripture on into this message.

Heavenly Father, we thank you, Lord, for your Word and for the fact that you had it written down and preserved and brought to us through time, even through the dark ages and all seven church ages, because we are part of the Word. You brought the Word through all of those ages, and it is still here at the end time; and the Spirit of it is perfect Word. We thank you for it, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

During Jesus Christ's earthly ministry, the Jews that heard Him knew the Law of Moses and the things of God that existed prior to this time, but *He* came introducing something that they had not heard before. And not only that, but He talked to them like a farmer, telling about sowing seed, and some of the seed falling by the wayside, and the fowls coming and devouring them up. He even spoke to them about catching fish and things of that nature; and that was different from what they had been hearing. But everything He said there in the natural had a spiritual meaning. So that is what we are dealing with here. He was telling them, "You are not going to get what I am saying unless you get it by the Spirit of God; for it has to be revealed."

Now let us read Matthew 13:14. It says, "*And in them (talking about those that could not see the kingdom of God) is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand (In other words, "Your ears are in good shape. You are hearing, but you do not understand."); and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:*" See, you can see an object, but you do not perceive what it is. So He is talking like that. And then He goes on and says in Verse 15, "*For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes (watch this) they have closed; lest at any time they shall see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.*" He is telling the people that He is speaking to that their hearts are waxed gross. And that is the way of the world today and the way of religion. When it comes to the real Word of God, they are not able to get ahold of it. Then He goes on to say to those that had spiritual eyes and ears in Verse 16, "*But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.*" Notice, He was not speaking about just seeing with your natural eyes and hearing with your natural ears, but He was speaking in the spiritual realm.

We are born of the Spirit, and we are not even of this world. And the things of the world means very, very little to us because we are seeing the things of God, and everything else goes out of our vision. Then He says in Verse 17, "*For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.*" In other words, what He is saying is, "What you are seeing now is what they were looking for all through the Old Testament and up to this time; for here stands the walking, talking, living Word of God." He

could have said it like this: "The prophets spoke about the time I would come, how I would be anointed and speak these things. But it was not the season for it to come to pass in the days of the prophets, nor was the anointing here to cause a people to see and hear. But blessed are your eyes because you see it and your ears for you hear it." And He was speaking of those that *could* see and hear; and there certainly was a people that did that in that hour.

So after Jesus Christ came into this world, it took hearing in the Spirit to understand what was being said; otherwise, one could not get it. The hearer might have heard Him tell about the parables; and that was nice. They could hear Him tell about many things; but they had to have ears to hear in the Spirit and eyes to see in the Spirit what it was all about. And it is the same today; for it takes having ears to hear and eyes to see this message of the last trump of God that He is sending to us now. Here is the walking, talking, living Word that is speaking, and there is a people that are hearing it; for they are hearing what I am saying with spiritual ears. Now we have come to a space of time in this end time when God is doing something so great and big, for He has spared 'a moment' for the uniting of the dead and the living, and everything else has faded away.

In the Book of Revelation, Chapter 20, John was seeing the vision of the beginning of the millennial reign (and there Satan is bound for a thousand years). He saw thrones and those that sat upon them, and judgment was given to them. And he saw those that had been beheaded for the Word of God and the testimony of Jesus, who will live and reign with Christ for the thousand years. But then he says something strange in Verse 11 concerning the great white throne judgment. I want you to watch here, because when I read this in the late 1970's when I was writing *The Interpreted Book of Revelation*, I was looking at it kind of from a literal standpoint, and I thought, "This verse says 'heaven and earth fled away.'" Let me read it and then I will comment on it just a bit. John says in Verse 11, "*And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away;*" Now I want you to watch. This would have the appearance here that heaven and earth are all going to disappear and be gone. It says they *fled away*, "*and there was found no place for them.*" This is quite a vision John was seeing here. He was seeing the great white throne, when suddenly the earth and heaven fled away and there was nothing

to be seen except this great white throne and the face of Him that sat on it.

The point I am making is that God was putting emphasis on what was taking place here, and He did not want anything to distract John in any way from what he was seeing, because he had his eyes on what God was showing him. The earth and heaven disappeared; everything just disappeared. But then we ask the question, did they really disappear? It was only in John's vision that they disappeared, because God was putting emphasis on the great white throne and the face of Him that sat on it. But the earth was still here. Heaven was still here. The people were still here. Everything else was still here. But 'in a moment of time' God wanted to show John something and wanted to put emphasis upon it, everything else went out of his vision; the earth fled away, the heaven fled away, and there was found no place for them.

Well, with this in mind, the thought came to me, "That is the way it is with *our* part of the Word of God." For this is the way we see the things of God as we go about doing that which He has ordained for *us* to do. When we look at the Word of God, it contains so much that we could get lost in it. But to us, the Wife of the Lamb, there is only one part of the Word of God that God is putting emphasis on at this time, and that is what is happening in this moment of the twinkling of an eye. And now we understand, when Christ came back to the earth in the fullness of His Spirit in the form of the Mighty Angel as seen in Revelation, Chapter 10, at that time Christ brought back those spirits of the departed saints so they could take on glorified flesh and bones. And when the season and time was right for this revelation to come forth, it was of upmost importance for the Wife to see and understand this, so God let everything else pass out of the picture, for everything else fled away. This teaches us not to try to gather everything else up and put with this, for we would be looking at too many things and would not see what He wants us to focus our attention on. So God temporarily blocked out everything else until this happening became a perfect revelation to us and it became as clear as crystal, which brought us to this message that we now have in our hearts.

A few weeks back, we had a message called, *Revelations that are Exclusive to the Wife of the Lamb by the Sounding of the Last Trump of God*, showing that when God sends a message, it is identified by the

revelation that is taught and preached. And this last trumpet message has revelations that are exclusive to it, which are contained in our books, *The Voice of Authorization; Christ Came as A Thief in the Night and Is Visible as the Wife of the Lamb; Now That Which Is to Be Done Will Now Be Done; Christ the Wife: A People Without A Country; A Seamless Transition; The Chronicles of the Tenth Chapter of the Book of Revelation and the Eating of a Bitter Meal; The Wife's Covenant; The Gospel for the Wife in Israel; Crowned With the Perfect Man's Revelation; The Gospel According to the Wife of the Lamb; With God a Promise Made is a Promise Kept; The She Part of Christ Is the Wife of the Lamb In All Her Glory; and God's Secrets Are Made Known At the Spring of the Day*. And all these revelations are exclusively manifested through the Wife of the Lamb, as we were married to our Lord Jesus Christ by a proxy marriage and are showing forth His glory in the earth.

Many things are going on in the world in this day, in religion, in politics, in the weather, and with plagues and earthly disasters; and the list goes on. And we can get all those things on our minds, when we need to just let all of that pass away. But the Spirit of God helps us to put all of that into perspective. And then we can only see the Wife of the Lamb; we can only see the fullness of Christ Jesus that came down to marry us. And now He gives to us these revelations that are exclusive to His Wife by the sounding of the last trump of God. Notice, when John was seeing all the things that God was showing him, there were just so many things that he had on his mind, because God used him to write the Book of Revelation. But when God got ready for him to zero in on something, everything else fled away. And now everything has fled away for us, the Wife of the Lamb.

In Revelation, Chapter 19, John heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, "Alleluia; Salvation, glory, honor, and power unto the Lord our God: for true and righteous are His judgments: for He hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand. And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever." But then suddenly he saw something else that had not been seen in such detail, and all of that which he had seen earlier passed away so that he could tell about what he saw; then he began to tell about the Wife of the Lamb. And when he did, he said, "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come,

and His Wife hath made Herself ready.” And then he brings something in that is most important, something that we do not find in the Word of God before this. He brought in the fact that the Wife was clothed in fine linen, clean and white; and we did not see that before Revelation, Chapter 19. And it was such a wonderful sight that everything else fled away as John was looking at the Wife of the Lamb.

So that is what happened with John. He saw the Lamb’s Wife for the very first time, and everything else fled away. Many times we must let go of everything except what God is putting emphasis on. Everything else fades away. And we do not want to get to looking at this, looking at that. Let us let everything else flee away to the point of low priority.

This makes me think about one of our trips to the country of Zambia in Africa where we went for some meetings. When we got back to our hotel, we went to eat at the restaurant in the hotel. After we sat down at a table, my wife went up to the buffet and got her food, while I stayed back at the table to keep it occupied until she returned, and then I went up to get my food. And while I was walking to get my food, she suddenly saw me as the Lord Jesus going to get His food. And it seemed as though everything around just stopped moving. She could see the people in the restaurant, but they seemed far away, at a distance, and I was right up at her. But it was not me she saw, but it was the Lord Jesus going to get His food. But it seemed as though everything else went out of her vision. And over the years, we have had other similar experiences, for we are a people that the Lord has blessed. He has given us His mind, and when He gives us a revelation, we become specialists on that part of the Word; meaning we concentrate primarily on that particular thing that God is giving us at the time. And then it becomes part of us. We become specialists on seeing the Wife of the Lamb. We become specialists on seeing the fine linen, clean and white. We become specialists on the righteousness of God.

I will never forget a message that I preached years ago, here at the church, about the righteousness of God and how it is not by works, not by what we do or do not do, but that God *gave* us His righteousness. And because He gave us His righteousness, we automatically do what is right. And when I finished the message, one of the minister brothers came to me and said, “Brother Howard, do you not think you should bear down a little more on how the people ought to live or what they

ought to do? You are leaving too much space for them to wobble out of the way." And I said, "No, because the Wife of the Lamb will do what is right because of the righteousness of God."

The point being here is that it does not matter what we try to do or do not try to do; God gives us His righteousness, and then we do not work to be righteous, but the righteousness comes because it is a gift of God. And His righteousness is what the Wife of the Lamb is dressed in; it is the fine linen, clean and white. Yes, we could say certain things about works, and the Pentecostals once were strong on the works of righteousness; but that was in their day, before God began to move in the realm of the Wife of the Lamb. But now we are living in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, with God's great grace upon all the members of His Son's Wife.

Notice again what Jesus Christ said unto them, "Blessed are your eyes, for they see, and blessed are your ears, for they hear. Many people have desired to see this and have not seen it; although it has been in the Word all along." And many have desired to see Ephesians 4:13-16 where all the body of Christ are speaking the same thing. Well, we saw it, for we have come through it. And many have looked and wondered about the time that is called *a moment, in the twinkling of an eye*. Well, that is where we are at. We are living right in that. And if we emphasize on that from time to time in a way of repeating ourselves, it is because we are seeing everything else passing away and we are zeroing in on that.

So in this moment that we are living in, we realize that the things in the Spirit are the things that are important; and from just the natural standpoint, we would never understand. Jesus Christ said, "Their hearts are waxed gross that they cannot understand. They have eyes, but they cannot see, and they have ears, but they cannot hear. But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and blessed are your ears, for they hear." He made a clear-cut separation between those that could see only with their natural eyes and those that could see with their spiritual eyes, and between those that could hear with their natural ears and those that could hear in the Spirit.

The predestinated have always been able to hear what the Spirit was saying, for they knew the Word for their day, and the revelation was wonderful to those that could hear. But now we have come up to the place where we are at now, and it has become the greatest movement,

the greatest working, that all the reformers, all the church age messengers, and all the others looked for as they anticipated this time that we are now living in. That is what Jesus Christ said—“Many prophets and wise men have looked for this and longed for it; and now here it is!” And we say the same, “Here it is!” But you cannot see it unless you have spiritual eyes. And you cannot hear it unless you have spiritual ears. And that means you do not just hear words, **but you hear the Spirit of the Word**. Let Him that hath an ear hear what the Lord is saying to us. And the Lord speaks in the Spirit.

Yes, we can preach a message about Noah, which is good natural Word. And we can teach the history of all the good things that God did through Moses. But it does not really take a spiritual ear to hear those things unless God just wants to show us a spiritual truth from something that is applicable up here where we are living at now, for He is an ever-present help in time of need. So just preaching what Peter did or said, or what John or some of the other apostles did or said, that is not going to fill the bill, we would say. That is not going to quench that thirst. It takes living Word. It takes present-tense Word because He is an ever-present God to supply the needs. Therefore, that is what we are looking at today.

Now everything that John saw fled away—his vision of the tribulation, his vision of those dressed in white robes, his vision of the church ages. Everything faded out, and there was one object before him. And watch that, ‘heaven and earth fled away and there was found no place for them.’ In other words, it just went out of sight so that there was found no place for them. And yet there was the great white throne and the face of Him that sat on it; and John’s vision was right upon that. And now for us, everything has fled away. The desire of the things of the world, the desire of having church, the desire of even friends and family, they do not exist in the Wife of the Lamb, because those things have fled away and we have *tunnel vision* where we are zeroed in on one thing and that is being the Wife of the Lamb, because that is what we are.

We are zeroed in on the Word that is for us in our time of the moment, in the twinkling of an eye. Therefore, many of the things that are in the Bible are not for our time. But what *is* for us, one of the final things that is taking place now is that we are taking on glorified flesh and bones (those whose bodies went to the grave and we which are alive

and remain) as we are all hearing by the Spirit the trump of God sounding. And God's Word has given us a space of time that this is taking place in—'in a moment (that has to do with time), in the twinkling of an eye (that has to do with an action).' And it all takes place right here; and we are seeing it being fulfilled. And now the action has taken place, for we have become bone of His bones and flesh of His flesh. And the part of the Wife that passed off the scene before this revelation of overcoming death was given, Christ brought all of those back with Him to this earth (1 Thessalonians 4:14), and they are hearing us as we speak in the Spirit, and together we are taking on glorified flesh and bones.

God said He would send a message, and it would be the trump of God. And now we have gotten to the place where we speak in the Spirit, and they that hear, hear in the Spirit. Someone asked, "How can those that are already gone hear what we are saying?" Well, they are not hearing our words necessarily in the sense of just vocal sound, but they are hearing what is being said in the Spirit; and that is more important! If we speak it in the Spirit, they can hear it in the Spirit because they are in the Spirit. Therefore, they are taking on glorified flesh and bones as we also are being glorified, and we did not have to come down with them because we are already here. We have a job to fulfill, and we are doing it by sounding forth the last trump of God!

Those spirits that came down from heaven helped us to get to this point. Remember the story of those that labored through the heat of the day and those that came in at the last hour—they all got the same pay. And now here we are, and we have our part. They did not let us down, and we are certainly not going to let them down, for we all together are being glorified in this time of 'a moment, in the twinkling of an eye.' For we have come through these other periods, including Ephesians 4:13-16, as we have already grown up into the stature of the fullness of Christ.

Now I want to read something here, and I want you to listen as we read; because I want to take things as Paul is taking them and speak in the Spirit. So this is 1 Corinthians, Chapter 2, and we will start with Verse 7. It says, "*But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery,*" Now you cannot get this mystery and figure it out with a carnal mind; it takes the Spirit, because he is speaking the wisdom of God in the Spirit and in a mystery. The Word says here, "*even the hidden wisdom, which God*

ordained before the world unto our glory:" I love that, "unto our glory." We are already glorifying Him; and He is now glorifying us. That is why He took our cross and gave us a crown as His Christ Wife, and we wear our crown proudly, walking around 16 foot tall, in the perfect stature.

So Paul says, "This is for *our* glory," not the glory of God, but he said, "unto our glory." Well, if we get glory, the Lord gets glory, because we are bone of His bones and flesh of His flesh and Word of His Word, the Wife of the Lamb. And then he goes on, and I love the way it says it. Verse 8, "*Which none of the princes of this world knew:*" They did not know who Jesus Christ was. They did not know who this man was that was telling them about 'how to farm,' 'how to sow seed,' and 'he that has an ear, let him hear,' and 'he that hath eyes, let him see.' Well, they all had ears, and they all had eyes. But there were some that did not hear or see a thing that He was speaking about, because He was speaking in the Spirit, and they were hearing in the carnal.

So here is what Paul is saying, "*Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.*" He is talking about the religious people that were looking for Him, waiting for Him. What did they do? They could not hear Him. They could not see Him. They could not recognize who He was, so they said, "Let Him be crucified!" But the Roman governor, Pontus Pilate, was determined to just punish Him and let him go, for he saw no fault in this man, Jesus. And after receiving a note from his wife, he became even more disturbed; for she warned him in the note, "Have thou nothing to do with this just man because I have suffered many things in a dream because of Him." So He immediately began to say to the Jews, "What evil has this man done? Why should I crucify Him?" And he could prevail nothing. In other words, he could not get those religious people to agree with him. Then he surrendered to them. And *that* we do not do, whether they understand it or not. Religious people cannot understand this, and we know they cannot, but we do not surrender to them and try to blend with them to the extent that we pacify them. No! We say we are the Wife of the Lamb, glorified flesh and bones, and we are moving on with God on into the rapture.

Notice here what it says. Verse 9, Paul is writing, "*But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man (natural man), the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.*"

He is telling here, "This is off limits to the natural man, for the natural man cannot get into this realm just being natural minded and reasoning it out." So here he said, Verse 10, "*But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit:*" How does He reveal it? By His Spirit. You say, "How do we get in that spiritual realm?" He brings you there; and He is the only one that *can* bring you into the Spirit of God. He looks at your heart. He said, concerning those that I read about in Matthew, Chapter 13, "Their hearts are waxed gross and their ears are dull of hearing." In other words, they are just not that interested. And if you *are* in this spiritual realm, you *will be* interested; and when you hear it, nothing else will satisfy your soul, and you cannot see anything else but the Wife of the Lamb.

Yes, there are other Christians. But the point here is we want everything else passed from our vision, even as it was with John, that we may focus on what He has given *us*. We want to see heaven and earth fled away, where there is found no place for them, so that we can see that which He wants us to see, and talk about it, and be part of it in this moment that we are living in. And that is the marriage of the Lamb, which has come. So let us be glad and rejoice!

Again, Verse 10, "*But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.*" See, 'the Spirit.' It does not say, 'the Word,' but the Spirit. And Paul waxed bold when he said, "The letter killeth, but it is the Spirit that giveth life." In other words, the Spirit of God has to move. Just preaching the Word, just going to the seminary to learn the Word, all those things *have been*. But they looked for a time when they could be in the Spirit and be led by the Spirit. These are the things that God said would be here, and He fulfilled them, and here we are! Without holding back a thing, He has given us a new house and filled it with good things—the spiritual blessings and revelations of God that are exclusive to the Wife of the Lamb.

"*But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.*" That is how we do what we are to do. It is by the Spirit, for the Spirit reveals it. Sometimes we will be listening to a message, or reading, or just meditating, or just riding along in the vehicle, or doing our daily chores, and suddenly a thought will come to us, and we will say, "I have not seen *this* before." It is the Spirit seeking out the deep things, bringing things within you because

you are a spiritual being. Yes, we are living in a human tabernacle. But when we talk to our Lord, Husband, and King, then He also speaks to us, and most all the time it is by the Spirit **as the Spirit reveals to our spirit—and we know when it happens.**

So Verse 11 says, *“For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him?”* I love this. Yes, it is by the spirit of man that we know things of the natural realm; but when it comes to the spiritual things, the Spirit of the Lord gives revelation in this time we are living in, and the Wife of the Lamb will know the spiritual things that are exclusively for Her. That is why it does not take an educated man to get a revelation. The fact is, an educated man many times is hindered from receiving revelation because he cannot submit to God and let the Lord reveal to him (or her) what He is talking about; they will look at it from the natural standpoint and try to get the answer themselves by the tree of knowledge.

Watch this. The natural man does not know anything except by the spirit of man, *“even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.”* See, the Spirit of God is the only one that knows it. He is the only one that knows what this means, what that parable means, or can take that natural Word and break it down and make it a spiritual Word. No man can understand these things except by the Spirit of God. It is hidden in God. When the Lord is speaking to us by the Spirit, many times it is just you and Him. And did you know *this*? We are hidden in God. The Word of God says we are dead and our life is hid with Christ in God. That means the old natural life. Yes, we have natural things, and we can enjoy some of the natural things that God created for us. But in this hour He has brought us into a spiritual realm where the natural things seem to have lost their hold on us here.

Our beloved Paul went into the spiritual things deeper than any writer in the New Testament. And he cared very little about some of the other things. Even when it came to natural circumcision, natural baptism, and all these natural things, he brought it into the Spirit. And when the Jews in the Book of Galatians, Chapter 3, were saying, “We are the seed of Abraham through his son Isaac,” Paul just said, “Christ is our Isaac. Isaac was the natural seed, but Christ is the real seed, for we are the seed of Abraham through Christ.” And that seed of Abraham, not natural seed but the spiritual seed, is Christ; because Abraham was the father of faith, for he believed God against all odds.

So Christ speaks in the Spirit. And that is how this preaching can go beyond the barriers of natural preaching, and natural wording, and any barrier that would separate us from the other members of the Wife of the Lamb, including those that went by the way of the grave. And soon they will appear to be visible among us, for there is nothing to block them; because it is being spoken in the Spirit, and God is revealing it in the Spirit, and the living and those that are coming into visibility are getting the same thing because we are changed in a moment, in the twinkling an eye. The natural barriers do not hinder.

I know sometimes a person can have a headache or a backache, and through the natural realm, yes, they would feel the pain. But when they get in the Spirit of this Word, the Spirit just passes all of that and goes right to their soul, and it feeds their soul. And that is what God is doing in this hour; He has brought it another step, which is from out of the natural realm of thinking. Paul brought this in so good here as he wrote this in a prophetic way, and it was profitable for his time too. He is making it very clear that the natural man cannot understand the things of God but only the spiritual man. So you might say, "Brother Howard, some of these things I cannot understand." Well, that is what the Bible talks about. And many times we have to put forth an effort on our part. And that is to not let ourselves get involved in things that will pull us away from our fellowship with the spiritual world.

Recently I had a dream that I was in Israel for some meetings. But some other people came to me in the place where I was waiting and told me that their ice maker on their refrigerator had stopped working and they needed help in getting it fixed. And I like to fix things, so I said, "No problem. I can fix it." So I went and started working on it, and the more I worked on it, the more problems I seen with it. I saw water had gotten down in the insulation and on the wires and that it would need a total overhaul to get it back in working condition. But the clock was ticking and it was time for me to go, so I had to immediately drop it, and I said, "You have to get a service man that does this kind of work." And I went on. And something said within me, "Do not let anything hinder you from your mission." Well, that was telling me something about my nature, which is that if you have something that needs fixing, I can hardly wait to get my hands in it and fix it for you because I just love to fix things. But the Spirit warned me, letting me know not to let anything like that hinder me from my

mission. It is good to try to help people, and He does not mean you should never try to help anyone, but do not get so involved in it that it takes you from the mission that He has called you to.

So that is the Wife of the Lamb today. We do not let anything hinder us from this time of 'in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye' that we are in. For it is with us as it was with John when he saw the great white throne; let everything in heaven and earth pass away, as we view *this* Word and *this* moment of time and know what is promised to us. There is a promise that goes with that, and a promise made is now a promise kept. And the promise is that those that are dead are going to come amongst us soon in a visible way. Paul used the word *dead*, because fleshly they went on, they were put in the ground. But now we do not see that part; we are looking at the spirit now, for it is their spirit that is taking on glorified flesh and bones. It is all in this time of 'in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye.'

So here we are, and we are in this little moment of time, and the Lord is speaking by the Spirit. And this thought came to me, and I did not realize I said it, but in last week's message I was praying, and I said, "Lord, hear the Spirit of my words." "Lord, let the Spirit of the Word be heard." Not just natural talking, but let the Spirit of the Word be heard, because when the Spirit of the Word is heard, it is as Jesus Christ said, "My Words, they are Spirit and they are life." Well, when the Spirit of the Word speaks, there are no barriers that can stop it, whether a barrier between the dead and living, or whatever the barrier might be, this spiritual Word goes forth because we are not speaking in the natural, but we are speaking in the Spirit. And those in the Spirit, they are hearing, and they understand.

Let us get Verses 12-13, "*Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.*" Now if you are not spiritual and do not see spiritual things, how are you going to compare spiritual things with spiritual things? In other words, he is saying, "It is not what *you* are saying, it is what the Spirit is saying." Verse 14, "*But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God:*" Now that is so clear—"The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God." "*for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually*

discerned." Sometimes I say things and do not realize what I have said until after I listen back, but it works out just right. So with that statement I will close.

Heavenly Father, we appreciate you, and we love you. We thank you for this opportunity to speak again and tell about the great things of the Spirit, and, Lord, that our Word is Spirit and our Word is life. I pray that you will use this Word for your glory, in the wonderful and majestic name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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