

AN OVERCOMER IN THE GALLERIES 112

SONG OF SOLOMON 3:6

6 Who is this that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, with all powders of the merchant?

SONG OF SOLOMON 3:7

7 Behold his bed, which is Solomon's; threescore valiant men are about it, of the valiant of Israel.

SONG OF SOLOMON 3:8

8 They all hold swords, being expert in war: every man hath his sword upon his thigh because of fear in the night.

SONG OF SOLOMON 3:9

9 King Solomon made himself a chariot of the wood of Lebanon.

THE. GREATEST. BATTLE. EVER. FOUGHT_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-11 SUNDAY_ 62-0311

13-4 And in this, there's a--a mutual ground, "no-man's-land," and they fight here at this place. They just don't one fight over here, and one down here,

and one right over here; there's a battle front where they meet and test their powers, where each army tests its strength against the other army--a mutual meeting place.

Now, don't get--miss this. When this great battle started on earth,

there had to be a mutual meeting place; there had to be a place selected for the battle to begin, and for the battle to rage; and that battlegrounds begin in the human mind. There's where the battle starts.

The human mind was chosen for the place of the battle, where it was to begin; and that is, because that decisions are made from the mind, the head.

the battlegrounds, where you've got to meet your enemy, is in the mind. You've got to make your choice. It meets you.

THE. GREATEST. BATTLE. EVER. FOUGHT_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-11 SUNDAY_ 62-0311
14-2 Decisions are made in the mind, the head. There's where Satan meets you. And the decisions are, because that God made a man that way.

THE. GREATEST. BATTLE. EVER. FOUGHT_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-11 SUNDAY_ 62-0311
15-3 Now, there's where the battle begins--right in your mind, whether you will. . . Now, you remember, it's not Christian Science now, mind over matter; that hasn't.

The mind accepts the Life which is the Word of God, and there brings the Life. Just your thought doesn't do it, but the Word of God brought in the channel of your thought. See? It's not the thought, as Christian Science make it, mind over matter.

No. That isn't it. But your mind accepts it and grasp it. What is your mind controlled by? Your spirit; and your spirit catches the Word of God, and that's the thing that's got Life in it. It brings Life into you.

Oh, brother, when that takes place, when Life comes down that channel into you, the Word of God is manifested in you. "If ye abide in Me and My words abide in you, then ask what you will and it'll be done for you. "

PRIVATE. INTERVIEW_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 64-0705X
E-1 [The following is a personal interview Brother Branham had with Sister Georgia Bruce during the song service preceding the Message, "The Masterpiece".]

I visit you in the hospital that time. And I prayed, constantly, God wouldn't let you die, 'cause you're a value to the church. Now, I know you. I know you're going to be all right, Sister Bruce. I believe that with all my heart, see.

[Sister Georgia Bruce says, "Brother Branham, most of all, I want the experience that I been sealed in the Holy Ghost. And if God will reveal it to your heart!"--Ed.]

I believe, with all my heart, that you are a real born-again believer, Sister Bruce. How could that Spirit just leave? When you get sick, you get weary. And you're a nervous-type person. [Sister Bruce says, "Yes. "--Ed.] See?

And--and you get things on your mind, see, little bitty things. It just keeps building up, both ways. You'll get somebody on your heart, you want to pray for them, get up and pray for it. You can't rest till you get that person prayed for.

That's you. Then, take on the other side, Satan maybe might present something that you. . . and out this way. See? Then God. . . You, you're a nature. And God works. And Satan works,

then when Satan tries to make you believe that you are not. See? You keep building This, and maybe this and this. See? Don't look at yourself, Sister Bruce. Remember.

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E-2 I'm fixing to pray for you. I'm not worthy of that. I think, "What would I do if Jesus Christ was sitting here now? And what would He do if He was sitting here?" He'd lay His hands upon you,

and with His great faith, see, you'd get well. "Well," I think, "well, I'm a sinner. I'm not Him. " But I come to represent Him. But, remember, me being a sinner; and before God, I'm not a sinner, neither are you.

We got a Blood Sacrifice laying There. God don't even see us. He hears our voice, but He sees the Blood of Christ. That's it. See? He sees the Blood of His Own Son. It's our voice;

Christ's Blood; then it's Christ that's talking through us, to God, so therefore we're not sinners no more. We are Christian. I believe you to be a genuine Christian woman. I remember the thing.

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E-3 [Sister Bruce says, "I make so many mistakes, and I fail so many times. "--Ed.]

That's why Christ had to die, so that you, with your mistakes, wouldn't be lotted to you. See?

He took your mistakes. Your desire in your heart is to serve Him. [Sister Bruce says, "Yes. "--Ed.] All right. That's what He died for, so you could serve Him. See? Not. . . Your mistakes are not looked, not lotted to you. See?

He is your propitiation. See? He is your sin-offering. Your sins are not known. You're not a sinner, before God. Christ took your sins, and became you. Cause, your desire is to serve Him.

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E-4 [Sister Bruce says, "But I've never had an experience that I have been filled the Holy Ghost, that I could put my foot on. "--Ed.]

All right. Notice this. Ordinarily, a human being is born in sin, shaped in iniquity, come to the world, speaking lies. That's the nature of a human being. [Sister Bruce says, "Yes. "--Ed.] That was your nature. It changed once.

But what changed it? ["Christ. "] There you are, sister. See? That's it. "He that heareth My Words, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath Eternal Life, and shall not come to the Judgment; but hath," past tense, "passed from death to Life. "

Saint John 5:24, Jesus speaking. See? So, you, you're--you're a Christian, Sister Bruce. I've watched your life. I've watched you,

under vision, and I know you're a Christian. See? Not one speck of. . . See, I am your shepherd, as it was,

[Sister Bruce says, "Yes. "--Ed.] somebody to help. See? If there was any doubt in my mind, if I thought you was something was wrong, I'd tell you, Sister Bruce. ["I believe that. "] But if there's anything wrong, in your experience,

anything wrong between you and God, as far as I know anything about it, Sister Bruce, there's not a thing. There's not one thing. We're going to pray.

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E-5 [Sister Bruce says, "Course, I'm going to die, unless God undertakes for the heart. "--Ed.]

You're not going to die, I don't think, Sister Bruce. If it is, it's hid from me.

[Sister Bruce says, "Thank you, brother. "--Ed.]

Dear God, this little woman has constantly, constantly done good.

[Sister Bruce says, "O God!"--Ed.] She is tried, like Dorcas of old. And now she is getting this time of her heart is very bad.

["Oh!"] But did not Your Word, that we put our whole soul and mind in, say that all things will work together for good to them that loves You? Then it must be that You're working something that we know nothing about. ["Thank God!"]

It's all for the good, for she loves You. Now, to the great Shepherd over all of us, the Lord Jesus Christ, and in His Name, I lay my hands upon my sister. May the God, Who made her and brought her to this earth,

may His Spirit that sealed her away from the things of the world, to be Your servant, may It heal her sick body and make her completely well. For we need her in the service, Lord. I commit her to You, with this prayer of faith,

my hands laying upon her, to identify myself with the prayer, and say to this mountain, "In the Name of Jesus Christ, be moved," that our sister may live to the Kingdom of God, and for the glory of God.

II CORINTHIANS 10:4

4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

II CORINTHIANS 10:5

5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

THE. POSITION. OF. A. BELIEVER. IN. CHRIST_ PHOENIX. AZ SUNDAY_ 55-0227A
E-52 Don't look at yourself. God don't look at you; He looks at the Lamb. He looks at Christ, and there was no fault in Him. And God accepted the offering.

You put your hand upon the Lamb, Christ Jesus, confess your sins as being a sinner, and the Lamb has died for you. The Spirit that comes out of the Lamb comes back to the believer. Amen. And you stand perfected, because the One Who died,

the innocent One, the powerful One, the overcoming One, the accepted One, in His own Person returned in the form of the Holy Ghost and brings the believer into rest.

There it is. Not you, Him, God don't even see you; He sees Him.

You don't have to die; He died in your place. Amen. . . ?. . . He was wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquity; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him,

and with His stripes we are healed. There's the foundation. Come to those Lamb, confess your sins.

THE. FAITH. OF. ABRAHAM_ LA. CA WEDNESDAY_ 59-0415E

E-38 if you're in Christ, you're part of that covenant. And the promises. . . You say, "I'm not worthy. " Neither was Abraham. Nobody's worthy. It ain't how worthy you are; it's what God promised you.

I'm not worthy to stand up here, but He called me to do it. You're not worthy to be a Christian, but God made you one. This temple is not worthy to set on this ground, but God set it here. That's it. It ain't what you are; it's what He is.

Everybody's always looking at theirselves. Why you can't look at yourself and get anywhere. You are finished to begin with. You're a failure to start with. There's nothing to you to begin with. It's what God made you, is what you are.

THE. FAITH. OF. ABRAHAM_ LA. CA WEDNESDAY_ 59-0415E

E-40 Now, you look at Jesus and find any fault in Him. Don't look at yourself; look at Him. Don't look who you are; look Who He is. Then you'll be getting close to Divine healing.

Search your sacrifice over. If you can find any fault in that, well, that's--that's different, then you have a right to disbelieve. But there's no fault in Him. God don't look at you; He looked at the sacrifice.

There was a perfect One died for us faulty ones, we who are disfigured, and immoral, and ugly, and everything. But He took the perfect One and looked Him all over.

"This is My beloved Son in Whom I am well pleased. " He was the sacrifice. God accepted Him. So ours is finished. All we have to do is walk in grace.

JEHOVAH. JIREH_ TULARE. CA SUNDAY_ 61-0226

E-37 Don't look at yourself. Look at your Lamb. God don't accept you; He accepted the Lamb. And the Lamb took your place. O God, can't you see it? Not you, you're not worthy. I'm not worthy.

There's none of us worthy. But, see, is He worthy? God said so. He accepted Him. He said, "This is My beloved Son in Whom I am well pleased. This is My Son. Hear ye Him," on the day of the adoption, "This is Him. "

Don't say, "Well, the doctor says I'll never be well. " That's what the doctor said. Now, the man's a scientific man. He looks the way nature's running, and he sees you can never be well. That scientifically shows him that.

Well, that's what he's looking at. If you look at the same thing, you'll never be well. But don't look at what he said. Don't look at what you're--how you're diminishing. But look at your Sacrifice.

JEHOVAH. JIREH_ TULARE. CA SUNDAY_ 61-0226

E-47 So how can you be perfected? You can't look at yourself and be perfected, but I looked at One that is perfect, the One that took my place. He's the perfect One.

ABRAHAM. AND. HIS. SEED. AFTER. HIM_ BLOOMINGTON. IL SUNDAY_ 61-0416

E-58 Do you see it? Don't look at yourself; look at your Sacrifice. God don't look at you; He looks at your Sacrifice which is Christ. Don't look at yourself.

I'm not worthy; you're not worthy; nobody's worthy; but He is the One. I'm not counting on what I've done, what I am, or I--I'd never make it. But I'm looking to what He done. There's where I'm trusting: What He done. He's my Sacrifice. I'm not worthy of healing. No, sir. Lord, ought to have died long. . . I ought never even been born. But I live; I got Eternal Life; I'm going to heaven. Why? Because He done it for me. . . ?. . . He took my place.

I was knock-kneed, cross-eyed in every kind of condition, but He took my place. Spiritually speaking, I was all twisted up, and all messed up; but He took my place; so He makes me a perfect son of God, a perfect daughter of God.

His sacrifice did it, not mine. I had nothing to do with it. I was borned all out of shape anyhow. But I--I don't trust in what I done. I trust on what He done (See?), what He was, that's what it was.

THE. MASTERPIECE_ JEFF. IN V-4 N-7 SUNDAY_ 64-0705

57 On the interview a few moments ago I was speaking to a person in the room, that's present now. Said, "But, Brother Branham, I have so many things that I--I know that's wrong," and a--a godly little woman.

58 I said, "But--but, look, sister, you don't look at yourself. It's just what your desire is and what you try to do. And if you really love the Lord, you try to serve Him with all your heart,

and then all your mistakes is hid in the Blood of the Lord Jesus. " See? See, He made a way.

LAW_ CHICAGO. IL SATURDAY_ 55-0115

E-18 Now, it's a strange thing that this is so much thought of people; they say, "Well, I'm weak; my faith is not very much; I'm not a very good Christian. " That's just what the devil wants you to say.

You're just talking his language right then. See? You mustn't never say that. Don't never let your testimony be negative; let it be positive all the time. "I am saved. I have God in my heart.

I believe Him with all my heart. " Do you believe in Divine healing? "With all of my heart. " Let your--your testimony always and your thoughts, everything. . . Never permit a negative thought to come in your mind if you can help it.

When it starts that, don't entertain it. Well, you say, "I can't help the thoughts from coming. " Well, that'll be like the farmer that said he couldn't stop--he couldn't stop the birds from flying over his place,

but he could sure stop them from roosting. " So that's a--that's a good thing. You see? You can't help the thoughts when they come, but don't--don't--don't entertain them; just pass it on. "No, sir. Jesus Christ is my Saviour;

all things are mine by God. And I--I'm going to keep them. I'm going to testify of them. "

And God can only bless you as you confess that He has done it for you. See, He's the High Priest of our confession. Is that right? Hebrews 3.

He said that He's the High Priest of our confession. He can only do for us as we accept it, and believe it, and confess it.

WHO. IS. THIS_ SAN. JOSE. CA SUNDAY_ 59-1122

E-18 What if Abraham would've took what it looked like, twenty-five years waiting for a promise that God gave him? Why, he'd have never had the baby.

They'd have never--he'd never been the father of little Isaac. But he believed God's Word and wouldn't turn It loose. But he watered it day and night, strong, giving praise unto God. Oh, when Sarah would say,

"Honey, it's been twenty-five years ago since the promise was made, here I am nearly a hundred. "

He'd say, "Praise God, we're going to have it anyhow, 'cause God said so, and that settles it. " That's right.

He knowed the nature of God because he was a friend of God. He knowed how to take Him, because he knowed that His promises, no matter how foolish they looked, or how simple they looked, or how unreasonable they looked,

they were true because God said so, and that settled it forever.

GOD. REVEALING. HIMSELF. TO. HIS. PEOPLE_ CLEVELAND. OH SUNDAY_ 50-0813E

E-39 The right mental attitude towards any promise of God will bring it to pass. Do you believe that?
The Word is a Seed (Is that right?) that a Sower sowed in the ground.

And every Seed will bring forth of its kind. If you need salvation, the Seed's here. If you need healing, here's the Seed in the Word. The Word of God is a Seed. Put it in your heart.

Don't dig it up every morning to see if it's sprouted, put it in there and leave it there. It's God's business to bring forth the harvest. You just leave it there; water it by faith and praise every day thanking God for it. All right.

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. 3_ JEFF. IN COD SUNDAY_ 64-0830M

1115-253 Look, the very camel she watered was the camel that packed her to her bridegroom and all of her success. And the very camel,

the very power of (that beast in the Bible represents power). . . And the very power that we give water and praise to (Amen. See?), water, life, praise to the Word, is the very thing that packs us into the gloryland to meet the Bridegroom. Yes, sir. Amen.

DEUTERONOMY 26:11

11 And thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the LORD thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that is among you.

I CHRONICLES 16:34

34 O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.

I CHRONICLES 16:35

35 And say ye, Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to thy holy name, and glory in thy praise.

PSALM 30:4

4 Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.

PSALM 34:1

1 A Psalm of David, when he changed his behaviour before Abimelech; who drove him away, and he departed. I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

PSALM 68:19

19 Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah.

PSALM 84:11

11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

PSALM 92:1

1 A Psalm or Song for the sabbath day. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High:

PSALM 103:1

1 A Psalm of David. Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

PSALM 103:2

2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

PSALM 103:3

3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

PSALM 103:4

4 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;

PSALM 103:5

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

PSALM 103:21

21 Bless ye the LORD, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure.

PSALM 103:22

22 Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the LORD, O my soul.

PSALM 104:1

1 Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty.

PSALM 106:1

1 Praise ye the LORD. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

PSALM 115:18

18 But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. Praise the LORD.

PSALM 118:29

29 O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

PSALM 134:2

2 Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.

EPHESIANS 5:19

19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

EPHESIANS 5:20

20 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

COLOSSIANS 3:17

17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

I THESSALONIANS 5:18

18 In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

I TIMOTHY 2:1

1 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men;

HEBREWS 13:15

15 By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.

PSALM 119:108

108 Accept, I beseech thee, the *FREEWILL offerings of my mouth, O LORD, and teach me thy judgments.

FREEWILL: HEBREW LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5071

ndabah {ned-aw-baw'}

voluntariness, willing offering

PHILIPPIANS 4:8

8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely,

whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

"Sow a thought, reap an action.

Sow an action, reap a habit.

Sow a habit, reap a character.
Sow a character, reap a destiny!"

BLIND. BARTIMAEUS_ SAN. FERNANDO. CA TUESDAY_ 55-1115

E-29 when you get to thinking about Divine healing, get to thinking about Christ. . . Keep Him on your mind. "If there be any praise, if there be any virtue,"

the Bible says, "think on these things. " If any thought comes by, "Well, maybe it couldn't be so. Maybe. . . " Get it off your mind right quick. Think on things that's positive.

Never let a negative thought pass through. The. . . Don't let it stop, anyhow, if it starts to. Keep your thoughts positive: Jesus.

BLIND. BARTIMAEUS_ SAN. FERNANDO. CA TUESDAY_ 55-1115

E-30 Don't think, setting there in a wheelchair, you, that you're hopeless, helpless. You're not. Don't let that negative thought ever pass through. Don't let it anchor.

You can't help it from going through your mind (That's right.), but don't let it stop. Like the old farmer said, "I can't keep the birds from flying over my place. " But he had a double-barreled shotgun, said, "I can sure keep them from roosting. "

So you do the same thing, and you too. See? Don't let them roost. Let them pass right on through. Now, here's the shotgun to use. Both New and Old Testament's a double barrel, very good too. I'll tell you, It keeps them all away.

GOD. USING. HIS. GIFT_ SHREVEPORT. LA SUNDAY_ 56-0311E

E-30 You know, when you think about God, when you keep your mind. . . Oh, you're think. . . You set in church and think about everything else but God: how you going to do your washing;

what are you going to do at the office tomorrow; how are you going to do this, that, or the other?" Keep your mind off of that

and think on God. The Bible says, "If there be any praise, if there be any virtue, think on these things. "

"Wonder if I'll be called in the prayer line?" "Wonder if God will speak. . . ?" Don't think that kind of a negative thought; don't let it go through your mind. Make every word positive, and every thought positive.