# Lead Me to The Rock That Is Higher Than I.

### PSALM 61:1-4

 $\sim$  1 <sup>+</sup> ¶ To the chief Musician upon Neginah, A Psalm of David. Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.

 $\sim$  2 <sup>+</sup> From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

» 3 <sup>+</sup> For thou hast been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the enemy.

» 4 <sup>+</sup> I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings. Selah.

### **I CORINTHIANS 10:1-13**

> 1 + Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea;

» 2 <sup>+</sup> And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;

» 3 <sup>+</sup> And did all eat the same spiritual meat;

» 4 <sup>+</sup> And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.

 $\ast$  5  $^+$  But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.

» 7 <sup>+</sup> Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.

» 8 <sup>+</sup> Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.

9 <sup>+</sup> Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.
10 <sup>+</sup> Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer.

\* 11 <sup>+</sup> Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.

» 12 <sup>+</sup> Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

» 13 <sup>+</sup> There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

### 65-0718E SPIRITUAL.FOOD.IN.DUE.SEASON\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-8 N-7 SUNDAY\_

« 3 <sup>+</sup> I know many of you are standing again tonight. And, outside, met groups that said they couldn't get in, and they're listening to their radio in the different cars. And now we'll try to make just as quick as we can tonight, on Sunday night, we give over to pray for the sick, have a prayer line as we can get one up here. But we are dedicating this service tonight for prayer for the sick.

And I want you to get built up now in the... this Holy Oracles of God, in the Faith, the Faith of this hour. The Faith! It's going to take more faith than ever was in any age, for this has to be rapturing faith, be taken up. And so we want you to believe tonight in all that you have seen, heard, the Word that you have heard preached, the--the signs and wonders that you have seen done. We want you to accumulate all that together in your heart, and consider it, whether if that be God or not.

5 Is like Elisha of old, said, "If God be God, then serve Him." And if Jesus is the center of all things to the Christian, then I think we ought to let loose of everything else and cleave to Him. Remember, He is the Center, He is the North Star, He is the Ultimate, He is the Absolute. And if He is the North Star... There's only one thing that'll point to the North Star, that's your compass that you're sailing with. And the Compass that I'm trying you to sail with is the Word, and the Word always points to Him.

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« 6 <sup>+</sup> And we feel like that we're going through a great time of distress and trials, perplexity of the time and distress between the nations, and all kinds of things happening, and sometimes I get engulfed like... Everywhere I look, it's like on a... in a ship out on the sea. And I've been give charge of the Boat. And how we going to make it? And here comes one with a white cap, hundred times bigger than my ship. But we'll crest them, every one. "We are more than victors through Him." The Captain, the Chief Captain, has got a hold of the string on the end of the ship, He'll pull it through. We'll crest every one of them.

# **II CORINTHIANS 4:3-18**

» 3 <sup>+</sup> But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:

» 4 <sup>+</sup> In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

» 5 <sup>+</sup> For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.

For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

 $\sim$  7 <sup>+</sup> But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

8 + ¶ We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;
9 + Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;

» 10 + Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

» 11 <sup>+</sup> For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

» 12 <sup>+</sup> So then death worketh in us, but life in you.

» 13 <sup>+</sup> We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;

» 14 <sup>+</sup> Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you.

» 15 <sup>+</sup> For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.

» 16 <sup>+</sup> For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.

» 17 <sup>+</sup> For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;

» 18 <sup>+</sup> While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

### 63-0113M LETTING.OFF.PRESSURE\_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY\_

« 149 <sup>+</sup> This old eagle, he gets a crust over his face and head when he gets old. Can hardly eat. He gets poor; his mouth won't open right. Gets almost blinded. And when that crust gets to a certain spot over his head, they say he flies way up in the air, and he sets there, and he beats his head against that rock, knocking that crust off, if he can. And he rolls his eyes and looks back. He beats the crust. Oh, it must come off. It's got to come off. If it don't, he's going to die. He's got to get that crust off of his face and his mouth. And he'd beat his head one way, and then the other way. He beats until he beats that crust off. And when he beats it against that rock until the crust comes off, then he screams, and he throws his wings back and forth, and rejoices because he knows he's going to get new feathers; he's going to eat his vitamins again; he's going to renew his youth. And I thought, "What a wonderful thing that is for the eagle. That's good."

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« 150 <sup>+</sup> But I know a Rock that a man can come to, and can beat, and be beat, until all the doubt is gone, until the worry and cares of the world is gone. And when he's beat the crust of sin from around him, until the Blood has sanctified his soul, then Eternal Life is sure to come. He can just set back and let off the pressure, because Eternal Life is sure.

151 Oh, eagles, today, that's why you're here. You're eaglets. But if the crust has begin to blind your eyes, the cares of the world, or you can't just swallow all the Food of God, let's come to that Rock in a weary land. Let's come There and beat upon the altar until the crust is broke, and our eyes can see clearly, Jesus again, and the cares of this world has passed away. Then the pressure will go off. "He's a Rock in a weary land, a Shelter in a time of storm," a Refuge, a Haven of rest, for the weary. Let's come to that Place.

Let's bow our heads just a moment.

### **ECCLESIASTES 7:14**

» 14 <sup>+</sup> In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him.

### **HEBREWS 13:3**

> 3 <sup>+</sup> Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; and them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body.

#### **ROMANS 8:28**

» 28 <sup>+</sup> And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

### 58-1005E GOD.CALLED.MAN\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-27 SUNDAY\_

« 30 <sup>+</sup> We hear this cry on the radio and in different places and coming from sincere hearts: "Lord, give us revival in our time." And from letters from Christians around the world, we hear that cry, and it does something to your heart. It's inspiring; it's uplifting; it's quickening to the soul to hear the people of the Lord call for a revival.

### 58-1005E GOD.CALLED.MAN\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-27 SUNDAY\_

« 30a <sup>+</sup> And God has made a promise: "If the people that are called by My Name shall assemble themselves together and pray, then I'll hear from heaven."

And so, we tonight, want to think on that, and remember that in the midst of all this cry, God cannot send a revival until He's got man in shape to take it. We cannot have a revival until we get men--God-called men, God-trained men, that's not trained up in the schools of theology and of education, but rugged men of faith that God has brought up in the school of His rugged training, men who are not afraid to face the fire, men who has come in the Presence of God and knows His power, and knows His omnipotence, and knows His healing power, some men that's trained to know the living God. It's all right to train them by the Word, but the letter killeth; the Spirit giveth Life.

### 58-1005E GOD.CALLED.MAN\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-27 SUNDAY\_

« 31 <sup>+</sup> And before we can have this revival, God has to call out and train men (God-trained men) to carry this Message. And they don't care what the opposition is. They are willing to go to the fiery furnace in defeat, or to the lions' den, or wherever it may be; they're ready to go, because they've been in the Presence of God and know that He is. Whether it's to victory or defeat, they still stand the same. That's the kind of training God does to man. And it's very strange to think that God would do that--that God trains His men like that, but He does.

### 58-1005E GOD.CALLED.MAN\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-27 SUNDAY\_

« 32 <sup>+</sup> You know, we have an old song we sing. "Some through the waters, some through the floods, some through deep trials, but all through the blood." God leads His people through great trials to purge them, and sometime it takes years to do it. And as for myself tonight, I believe that right now God is training such men to meet the front line, men who are going through and times shook from their feet. Sometimes look like the whole thing's falling, but yet in the midst of it all, they know that living God and keep their face forward, keep moving on.

# 58-1005E GOD.CALLED.MAN\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-27 SUNDAY\_

« 33 <sup>+</sup> And many people praying for a revival, I wonder if there sometimes (if those who are praying), if their own prayers don't stop up the wells of blessings. When they're cowardly and afraid to trust God, afraid to take Him at His Word, afraid to believe that He still lives today, when His Bible plainly says that He is the same yesterday, today and forever.

### 57-0705 THE.EAGLE.IN.HER.NEST\_ CHICAGO.IL FRIDAY\_

« E-14 <sup>+</sup> I'm so glad that we have a heavenly Father that if we'll just permit Him, He will place us in a place where the devil's howls, and all the whiskey, and nightclubs can never touch us, far beyond the screams of this world, and all of its pomp, and all of its worldly mixture, and all of its frazzle fantastics. If a man's ever tasted of that good gift of God, these things become as dead as midnight. And as she goes up there and well places her nest back into the rock, she feeds her little ones. And one day she decides that she'll not have her brood to be like chickens. You know, a chicken is a bird just the same as the eagle is. But he's an earthbound creature. Oh, he can flop and fly a little bit, but he can hardly get his feet off the ground. It reminds me of some of this so-called Christianity we got today, just enough religion to make you miserable. That's right. Oh, you can say, "I got my name on the book," but have you ever soared the heavenly?

### LUKE 21:8-28

» 8 <sup>+</sup> And he said, Take heed that ye be not deceived: for many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them.

9 <sup>+</sup> But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end is not by and by.

» 10 <sup>+</sup> Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom:

» 11 <sup>+</sup> And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.

» 12 <sup>+</sup> But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake.
» 13 <sup>+</sup> And it shall turn to you for a testimony.

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14 + Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:

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15 + For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist.

 $\sim$  16 <sup>+</sup> And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death.

» 17 <sup>+</sup> And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake.

» 18 <sup>+</sup> But there shall not an hair of your head perish.

» 19 <sup>†</sup> In your patience possess ye your souls.

 $\ast$  20  $^+$   $\P$  And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

» 21 <sup>+</sup> Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.

» 22 <sup>+</sup> For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

» 23 <sup>+</sup> But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.

» 24 <sup>+</sup> And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

» 25 <sup>+</sup> And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;

» 26 <sup>+</sup> Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

27 + And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.
28 + And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for

your redemption draweth nigh.

### PROVERBS 17:17

» 17 <sup>+</sup> ¶ A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

## 62-0518 LETTING.OFF.THE.PRESSURE\_ GREEN.LAKE.WI FRIDAY\_

« E-97 + Now, with your heads bowed, I'm going to ask you. I've held you lengthy. But how do I know that the next blow up won't get me? Somewhere down the line I got to go. If God hasn't backed up every word that I've said... Not because it's me; it's because it's His Word. I've had to...?... your organizations from place to place not against you; against that system that separates you from others, that system that lets you set in there and live like the world, and still claim to be a Christian when you know you're not. If you can't compare with the Word, then there's something wrong. That's for minister and all. You know that's right.

Now, think of it. Some explosion, something somewhere is going to get you one of these days. You've got to go, and you've got to face God. You... And while there is a chance to outrun the hounds, let's go to the Rock tonight. Will you go with me? I'll lead the way. While you've got your heads bowed, every eye closed, who'd like to be remembered in prayer, raise up your hand, say, "Brother Branham, pray for me." God bless you, you, yes, just look over this building.

### 62-0518 LETTING.OFF.THE.PRESSURE\_ GREEN.LAKE.WI FRIDAY\_

« E-98 <sup>+</sup> "Oh, lead me to the Rock, Lord. Lead me to that Rock that's higher than I, the shelter in a time of storm. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. I don't--I don't want to stay in this world. I don't want to be left here to be consumed with it. "They that live by the sword shall perish by the sword." They that live in the world shall die with the world. They that live for this world and in this world will perish in the atomic blast. It's just atomic fodder.

Look at these people today on the streets. Look at them in the yards. Look wherever they go. You wonder what's the matter. They're pleasure-seeking, cigarette-smoking, drinking, diving, women immorally dressed, knowing that they're committing adultery.

You say, "I'm just as clean as anybody." But lady, the way you dress yourself and get out here on the street, men look upon you. Jesus said, "Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her." When that sinner answers for adultery, you'll be the one that presented yourself. Think of it now.

### 62-0518 LETTING.OFF.THE.PRESSURE\_ GREEN.LAKE.WI FRIDAY\_

« E-87 + He said that... "All those that love His appearing, He will appear the second time," those who love His appearing. But if you're so earthbound and still living down here, that that don't hold a million times more than this does for you, then you're still down here. And if you're up here, you've passed from that to up here. Amen. Just let off the pressure, friends; it's all right. Oh, yes. That's right. Just let off the pressure. If--if you just come to Christ, this Great Rock, beat off all the unbelief, and it'll... you start to rejoicing then, because the pressure's going to be gone pretty soon. That's right.

### 62-0518 LETTING.OFF.THE.PRESSURE\_ GREEN.LAKE.WI FRIDAY\_

« E-88 <sup>+</sup> Like the old slaves, back when the Emancipation Proclamation, when it was signed that morning. I was reading here some years ago about where--when they signed the--the Proclamation. Them slaves was so glad, on a certain day they was going to be free. And the time they was going to be free was when the--the sun come up. You know what they did? The women and children and the little ones and the cripples, they was all down this a-way, they were strung all up and down the hillside, because as soon as the sun begin to come up they were free on that morning at sunup. I just forget the date of it now. Wished I could remember it, but I don't just at this time. I thought I did, but I didn't write it down, so I don't remember the date.

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« E-89 <sup>+</sup> But anyhow, that morning, as soon as they could, they were going to be free as soon as the sun come up. Well, the most strongest one of them, like the strongest Christians today, they climb plumb up to the top of the hill, and they watched as day begin to break. And when, the first thing you know, the first little peep of the sun, the one on top of the hill screamed out, "The sun's up. We're free." And he hollered down to the next one. The next one hollered to the next one, the next one to the next one--till it got all the way to the bottom. They could let off the pressure. "We're free." Why? The sun's up. Amen.

That was s-u-n. But today let me scream, "The Son's up, the S-o-n. The evening lights is shining. The Holy Ghost is here. The Son of God reigns in the hearts of the people." Let off the pressure. He's here. The Son is up. Now, I'm so glad of that, seeing the same things take place it did when He was here. Here it is working again in His people in this last day. So we can just let off the pressure.

### 62-0518 LETTING.OFF.THE.PRESSURE\_ GREEN.LAKE.WI FRIDAY\_

« E-90 <sup>+</sup> He's up, up from the grave. He's up from the dead. He's been raised for two thousand years, and we're living with Him, resurrected Him, setting in heavenly places in Christ Jesus (amen), already raised from the dead. What's the use of having the pressure on you? Live? Why, you've got to live. You can't die. "He that heareth My Words, and believeth on Him that sent Me, has Eternal Life." That's right. "I am the Resurrection, and Life," said Jesus, "He that believeth in Me though he were dead, yet shall he live: whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die." See, we're already raised with Him. We got the earnest of it; the Holy Spirit declares it so. We've passed from death unto life. How do you know? All the world's beat off.

The old eagle can just scream as he wants to 'cause every shackle is off of him, all the old crust is gone. And when the worldly crust, worldly habits, all the fuss and tempers, stew, and all the carrying on, running from denomination to denomination, is all settled and you're in Christ Jesus, you know Eternal Life dwells, for you look back and see where you come from, back down there in that muck and fuss down there. Now, I'm up here, safe forevermore in Christ Jesus, a new creature.