

In The Way - Aaron Roberts

I Sam. 9:1-8

1 Now there was a man of Benjamin, whose name was Kish, the son of Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah, a Benjamite, a mighty man of power.
2 And he had a son, whose name was Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and there was not among the children of Israel a goodlier person than he: from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people.
3 And the asses of Kish Saul's father were lost. And Kish said to Saul his son, Take now one of the servants with thee, and arise, go seek the asses.
4 And he passed through mount Ephraim, and passed through the land of Shalisha, but they found them not: then they passed through the land of Shalim, and there they were not: and he passed through the land of the Benjamites, but they found them not.
5 And when they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his servant that was with him, Come, and let us return; lest my father leave caring for the asses, and take thought for us.
6 And he said unto him, Behold now, there is in this city a man of God, and he is an honourable man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither; peradventure he can shew us our way that we should go.
7 Then said Saul to his servant, But, behold, if we go, what shall we bring the man? for the bread is spent in our vessels, and there is not a present to bring to the man of God: what have we?
8 And the servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, I have here at hand the fourth part of a shekel of silver: that will I give to the man of God, to tell us our way.

60-0604 TO.WHOM.SHALL.WE.GO_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SATURDAY_

« E-20 † Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and..." Another thing, the third thing Jesus... We have come to Him; He's the only Light there is. That's right. Oh, we want to differ with that, but it's true. Jesus is the only Light there is.

You say, "I'm a Russellite, Campbellite." Whatever you might be, it's a false light. You might be in the Russellite church; you might be in a Campbellite church, or some other "lite" church. **But until you get in Jesus, you're not in Light; you're still in darkness. You don't have light till you come to Him, for "He is the Way, the Truth, and the Light," and the only way to God: "No man cometh to the Father except by Me." So you can't go to God; you can't go to heaven; you have to get in the Way, and Jesus is that Way.** He is the only Truth that there is, and He's the only Light--the only true Light. The only true manifested Light is Jesus Christ. We have Mormon light; we have Methodist light; we have Baptist light; we have Pentecostal light; we have all kinds of lights. But Jesus is the true Light! He's the only Light.

55-0109M MELCHISEDEC.THE.GREAT.PRINCE.AND.KING_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SUNDAY_

« E-22 † And now, we found salvation that will save us from sin, that will take the vilest woman or man, drunkard, prostitute, and make them a child of God. Well, that same faith, that same power that will lift up a fallen man or woman with that, it'll work for us in many different ways. It will heal our bodies, if you can just find the right approach. You've got to find how to do it. Like if I had a--a farm over on this hill full of good corn, and it's just about dead on account of water. And I got an artesian well on this side of the hill. Well, I can't make that artesian well throw the water down here and up this side of the hill to water it, but I've got to survey that land and find out how that water will take its own current and course and come around and water that crop. It'll do it if I'll just let it run in its own channel.

And that's the same thing the Holy Spirit is in God's promise. If we'll just let It run Its way and not us get in the way, not us throw our doubts there, "cause this didn't and that didn't," just let God's Holy Spirit working in you rest upon the promise, it'll do just exactly what God said it would.

62-1014E A.GUIDE_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-12 N-7 SUNDAY_

« 49 † When Israel left Egypt for the promised land, in Exodus 13:21, God knewed that they had never traveled that way before. It was only forty miles, but yet they needed something to go with them. They'd lose their way. So He, God, sent them a Guide. Exodus 13:21, something like this, **"I send My Angel before you, the Pillar of Fire, to keep you in the way," to guide them to this promised land. And the children of Israel followed that Guide, the Pillar of Fire (night), Cloud by day. When It stopped, they stopped. When It journeyed, they journeyed. And when He got them close to the land, and they wasn't fit to go over, He led them back into the wilderness again. He wouldn't go with them.**

« 50 † That's what it is, the church today. No doubt but what the long-suffering of God today, like it was in the days of Noah, the church would done been gone if it had just corrected and set in order. But He has to lead us around and around and around.

51 **Little did Israel know, when they was shouting, on seeing the dead soldiers of Egypt, the drowned horses, Pharaoh's chariots turned upside down, they got their victory, Moses in the Spirit, singing in the Spirit, Miriam dancing in the Spirit, and the daughters of Israel running up and down the bank,**

shouting and dancing, they were only a few days from milk and honey. Little did they know it was forty years away, because they begin to grumble against God and the Guide.

< 52 + And we find ourself the same way. I go to Shreveport after here. And the Holy Ghost fell Thanksgiving Day, fifty years ago, in--in Louisiana, on Thanksgiving Day. How the church has fell since that time! Do you realize that the Roman Catholic church at its beginning was the pentecostal church? That's the truth. That's right. It was a pentecostal church, but the starchy dignitaries begin to get in and change the--the Scriptures of God to their traditions, add to It dogmas, and so forth. And look what they got now, not a speck of Scripture in any of it. They substituted something for something else, a piece of bread for the Holy Ghost. They substituted sprinkling for immersing. They substituted "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost" for "the Lord Jesus Christ." They substituted all these great articles of God that was laid down to us, and they're far, far away, way away from the Scriptural Doctrine.

60-0604 TO.WHOM.SHALL.WE.GO_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SATURDAY_

< E-17 + Here some time ago (I believe it was in Louisville) there was a young man, and he got something wrong with one of his ears. Well, he went to his doctor, and his doctor waited on him for a number of weeks. And it grew worse. Finally, the doctor said, "I've got to send you to a specialist." And when the specialist diagnosed the case, it was some great medical name, that I don't believe if I knew it... If I could say it, I'd have to have it wrote out, and practice on it a hour to spell it, and then you wouldn't know what I said when I spelled it--or said it. 'Cause I wouldn't know what it was to begin with. But it was something wrong in his ear that would have taken his life. And he said, "The case is far advanced. And I don't know of anybody that could give the case a thorough diagnosing to see if it's really the truth or not, but a certain man that lives in St. Louis, a doctor." The boy rushed quickly to St. Louis. This doctor had retired and had went to New Orleans; he was a Southerner, so he went back down to New Orleans. The boy got a plane quickly, and rushed to New Orleans. The old doctor looked at it and said, "They have diagnosed it right, son. And it's far advanced." And the young fellow said, "Doctor, will you make the operation?" He said, "No, son. I cannot do it; my hand is not steady enough." He said, "And I don't know but one man in the whole world that could perform this operation." He said, "That man is in New York City now, going in embarkation for six months vacation in Europe; and I don't whether you'd even catch him. And if you even catch him, whether he would even do the operation. He's the only man that I know of, of this rare disease, could perform this operation. And you cannot wait; you'll be dead within six months." He said, "Get on the phone; call him; do something! I don't want to die. Get a hold of him somehow!" And they finally caught the doctor, and he consented to do the operation.

60-0604 TO.WHOM.SHALL.WE.GO_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SATURDAY_

< E-18 + Now, when this young man was talking to the old doctor, and he told him what his trouble was, and there was only one man that could perform the operation, he didn't look at the old doctor like some people look at a minister, when he tells him that Jesus is the only way to be saved. He didn't look at the doctor and say, "Very nice speech, doctor; I certainly enjoyed your talk. I'll come back to hear you at another season."

Now, that's the way people take Christianity. But if you only realized, that it's death to reject that Way! That's the reason Peter said, "Who would we go to? For You alone has Eternal Life. You're the only One and the only Way that God has laid down; and that's Eternal Life."

Now, we must remember that He is the Way. And if you're in Christ, you come in Christ by being born into Christ. Now, there's no need of telling the people a Way and what is the Way, unless you tell them how to get into it. Now, you're borned into Christ; you become a part of Him. You become a new creature, or a new creation, when you're borned in the Kingdom of God. You become a part of Christ. When I was borned in the Branham family, I become a Branham by birth. That's the way you become part of Christ and the way you get in the Way--by new birth. That's right. That's how you get in the Way. And Jesus said, "I am the Way."

55-0115 LAW_ CHICAGO.IL SATURDAY_

< E-27 + I'm not a legalistic; neither am I an Arminian or a Calvinist. But I believe that each one had a doctrine. But they run off on the deep side of it. **They just stayed with that and didn't balance the thing up. There's a highway and a way, and the way is the road. A highway has a post way over here and a post way over there, but in the middle of this highway comes a road. You get over in the... You can be in a highway and be in a gutter. But get in the way. Isaiah said, "There shall be a highway and a way."** "And" is a conjunction which brings the highway down to a way. And here's where you travel, is in the way. That's where smooth running is in the way. **You remember how they called it "the way," in the Bible? All that was found in "this way." It was called, "a way."**

57-0821 HEBREWS.CHAPTER.ONE_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB WEDNESDAY_

< 67 + Now, I believe, and there's a middle of the road. The road, now, a lot of times... I used to go to a Nazarene church. The Lord bless those dear people. Old-fashioned, sanctified Methodists is what they are; church of God, Nazarene, Pilgrim Holiness, and many of those good old holiness churches. And they used to sing a song:

I'm walking in the grand old highway,
Telling everywhere I go,
I'd rather be an old-time Christian, Lord,
Than anything I know.

68 Good. Wonderful. And then they used to talk about the highway of holiness. Now, if you read over that, they get that out of Isaiah, the 35th chapter. Now, if you notice, he said, "There shall be a highway, and a way."

69 Now, and is a conjunction. See? A highway, it wasn't a highway of holiness. "It shall be a highway, and a way, and it shall be called, 'The way of holiness,'" not the highway of holiness. **"The way of holiness!" And the way of the road is in the middle of the road. It's built like this so that the waters will wash off the trash, to both sides, keeping the road clean. You don't, you have puddles standing in your road, all the time, if it isn't built right. "The way" is the middle of the road.**

< 70 + Now, on this side, when people get converted, their minds is set right on Christ. And if they're just a little scholarly, and don't keep under prayer, they'll get real cold, and stiff, and starchy, and indifferent. And then if they're just a little bit nervous, if you don't watch, they'll just get radical and wild, on this side, see, they go into sensations and everything.

71 **Now, but, the real Church is a real sane Gospel, right in the middle of the road. It's not cold and starchy, neither is it fanaticism. It's a real good, old, warm Gospel, heartfelt love of God, going right down the middle of the road, calling from both sides. That's right. Now that's what... And how you going to get that, church? Right out of the Word, the Urim Thummim.**

< 72 + **Now, Paul wanted to get this church right in the middle of the road, so he went and studied three years on the Scriptures that he knew. Therefore, Paul wrote the bigger part of this New Testament. God had him do that because it's coming a Gentile age. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, the four Gospels, they were Jews. But Paul wrote the most of the letters.**

73 **Now notice, now, we're going to start getting this background now, where he's at, writing It, from prison. And he's had all this experience. But, first, this experience was first proven, and this is his key letter to it. This is his key letter. Romans and Ephesians, and so forth, have their place, but this is the key letter.**

GENESIS 24:27

27 And he said, Blessed be the LORD God of my master Abraham, who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I being in the way, the LORD led me to the house of my master's brethren.

59-0418 A.TIME.OF.DECISION_ LOS.ANGELES.CA SATURDAY_

< E-12 + Now, we find out that Eliezer decided, that though he was a good man, and he was on a great mission, and he was under oath... Now, when a man gets to that place, it's time not to use his own thinking. **So he knelt down and begin to pray, and said, "Lord, if You have blessed me in the way and have brought me here, let it come to pass that the first damsel that comes from the city to get water..." Because it was in the evening time that they had come out to get their water. And he said, "If I go ask her for a drink (See him asking for the sign of God?), and if she gives me a drink and said, 'I'll also water your camels,' that'll be the one that You have chosen." He committed it to God. "Let it be Your choice, Lord." Oh, if we could only learn to be a trusted servant of God like that, that we could commit things to God. It's the most powerful thing that I know of is a committal. "Commit thy ways unto the Lord." Commit your thinking to Him. If you're sick, and the doctors can't help you no more, then just commit your case to God and act like it's already done. Something will have to take place. It just can't keep from it, because God is a Creator.**

Acts 2:28

Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.

ACTS 24:14

> 14 + But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:

< E-42 + **He come up man's way. He come up some way, the church's way. He come in some other way. See? But God has a Way provided. And that Way is Jesus. And when you come by Jesus, you take on Jesus by a spiritual baptism. And you're dead and take on Christ by the new birth. And you're borned again and filled with His Spirit. And how you know? Because that your life would compare with those of the Bible, those apostles who was robed in His righteousness. Then why can't people, who claim to be Christians, believe in signs and wonders, Divine healing, the working of the Holy Spirit? Why, they should do it. The thing of it is, they've come in some other way besides the Door. If they come the Door, they'd be robed with the same kind of a Spirit; they'd have the same kind of life; they'd have the same kind of testimony. They would be the same people.**

< E-43 + Now, you take, many-times, people who climb some other way will have that disgraceful name. Say, "That's a bunch of holy-rollers." Did you know that's what the apostles was called? Do you know, John the Baptist was declared a wild man? Did you know Jesus Christ was declared by the Sanhedrin Council an insane Man? "Now we know you're mad." "Mad" means "insanity." You know all the apostles was declared insane?

But I like what Paul said, "In the way that's called heresy, so worship I the God of our fathers." Oh, because he'd been robed in that same righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ. That's what it is today, friend. So many people are trying to get in, but they're not taking God's provided entrance. And if you go any other way besides Jesus Christ... And when the apostles come into Jesus Christ, when the early Church came into Jesus Christ, they received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. It made them a different people. It made them act different, live different. Their whole--their whole life was motivated different. They had different motives. They had different objectives. Everything was different when they come into Christ.

< E-44 + **Everything's different when you come into Christ. It makes you forsake the world. It makes you forsake the things of the world. You'll turn off your TV any time to go to church on Wednesday night, if you've ever come in on Christ. When there's a prayer meeting, why, there's nothing can keep you away from that prayer meeting. When the love of God that's in your heart that was in Christ Jesus, will pull you to the church, and when you get there, and you get that overflowing joy, there's something will make you sing out with all that's in you the praises of God.**

See, we're coming some other way besides the Door. People are coming in, say, "Well, I come in a Baptist." It's all right be Baptist, if you come by the Door and picked up the robe.

Say, "Well, I'm Catholic." That's still all right, if you come by the Door and got the robe. But unless you come through the Door, you'll be rejected, because He said it would be. And there's going to be many of them there without the robe on.

I Samuel 15:10-35

10 Then came the word of the Lord unto Samuel, saying,

11 It repenteth me that I have set up Saul to be king: for he is turned back from following me, and hath not performed my commandments. And it grieved Samuel; and he cried unto the Lord all night.

12 And when Samuel rose early to meet Saul in the morning, it was told Samuel, saying, Saul came to Carmel, and, behold, he set him up a place, and is gone about, and passed on, and gone down to Gilgal.

13 And Samuel came to Saul: and Saul said unto him, Blessed be thou of the Lord: I have performed the commandment of the Lord.

14 And Samuel said, What meaneth then this bleating of the sheep in mine ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear?

15 And Saul said, They have brought them from the Amalekites: for the people spared the best of the sheep and of the oxen, to sacrifice unto the Lord thy God; and the rest we have utterly destroyed.

16 Then Samuel said unto Saul, Stay, and I will tell thee what the Lord hath said to me this night. And he said unto him, Say on.

17 And Samuel said, When thou wast little in thine own sight, wast thou not made the head of the tribes of Israel, and the Lord anointed thee king over Israel?

18 And the Lord sent thee on a journey, and said, Go and utterly destroy the sinners the Amalekites, and fight against them until they be consumed.

19 Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the Lord, but didst fly upon the spoil, and didst evil in the sight of the Lord?

20 And Saul said unto Samuel, Yea, I have obeyed the voice of the Lord, and have gone the way which the Lord sent me, and have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites.

21 But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice unto the Lord thy God in Gilgal.

22 And Samuel said, Hath the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.

23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the Lord, he hath also rejected thee from being king.

24 And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the Lord, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice.

25 Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my sin, and turn again with me, that I may worship the Lord.

26 And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word of the Lord, and the Lord hath rejected thee from being king over Israel.

27 And as Samuel turned about to go away, he laid hold upon the skirt of his mantle, and it rent.

28 And Samuel said unto him, The Lord hath rent the kingdom of Israel from thee this day, and hath given it to a neighbour of thine, that is better than thou.

29 And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor repent: for he is not a man, that he should repent.

30 Then he said, I have sinned: yet honour me now, I pray thee, before the elders of my people, and before Israel, and turn again with me, that I may worship the Lord thy God.

31 So Samuel turned again after Saul; and Saul worshipped the Lord.

32 Then said Samuel, Bring ye hither to me Agag the king of the Amalekites. And Agag came unto him delicately. And Agag said, Surely the bitterness of death is past.

33 And Samuel said, As thy sword hath made women childless, so shall thy mother be childless among women. And Samuel hewed Agag in pieces before the Lord in Gilgal.

34 Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house to Gibeah of Saul.

35 And Samuel came no more to see Saul until the day of his death: nevertheless Samuel mourned for Saul: and the Lord repented that he had made Saul king over Israel.