

I SAMUEL 17:26-33

26 And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?

27 And the people answered him after this manner, saying, So shall it be done to the man that killeth him.

28 And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake unto the men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why camest thou down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart; for thou art come down that thou mightest see the battle.

29 And David said, What have I now done? Is there not a cause?

30 And he turned from him toward another, and spake after the same manner: and the people answered him again after the former manner.

31 And when the words were heard which David spake, they rehearsed them before Saul: and he sent for him.

32 And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine.

33 And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth.

1)64-0404 JEHOVAH.JIREH.3\_ LOUISVILLE.MS SATURDAY\_

« 260 † Now just take a look at yourself in God's mirror, and just see if you can identify yourself tonight. If you had been living in the days of--of Noah, in time of the flood, what side would you be identified with? If you was living in the days of Moses, what side would you have been on? If you had lived in the days of Christ, when all the churches was against Him? He had to stand alone out there, and the things He did. Only thing, was God with Him, that's the only thing. Even all of His disciples, nearly, walked away from Him. But what side, just your present state now, where would you, what side will you be on? What side would you be on right now, when you see Him again right among us?

261 Now He is here, and can turn the Light on in your heart, and just fill your life with the Holy Spirit. How many in here now, with your heads bowed, and your hearts, too, will pray with me just a moment?

2)58-0325 FAITH.BY.EXPERIENCE\_ MIDDLETOWN.OH TUESDAY\_

« E-17 † That's the way Goliath was. Oh, how he liked to brag. He said, "I'll make you a proposition. You let some of your men... Chose you out one, and come over and fight me. If I whip him, then you all serve us. If he whips me, we'll serve you." Oh, how Satan can make it so reasonable looking. That's the intellectuals. "We will have no bloodshed; just let one of us die. One man die, the rest of us live." Sure, he had the upper hand. And everybody was scared to death.

And if there was one man in the whole nation of Israel, that would be equipped physically to fight the giant, was Saul. He was head and shoulders above his entire army. And he was well trained. He knowed all the maneuvering: how to handle the spear, or to--how to hold his shield to knock a lick off. Not only that, but he was a trainer of men: The largest man in the nation, the best trained man in the nation, but one of the biggest cowards in the nation. And that's the way it is today. It doesn't take the educated and the trained, but he had never put God to a test.

« E-18 † But one day, from way back on the backside of the desert come a little ruddy looking, drawed up knot, Jesse's son, David, a little sheepskin coat on him, was packing a slingshot in his hand. That giant made his brag at the wrong time. David looked over and said, "Do you mean to tell me that you'll let that uncircumcised Philistine stand up there and defy the armies of the living God? Could you imagine the littlest man on the ground taking up his challenge? The biggest man, and the best trained man, and the more equipped man to fight the man, was cowardly. Brother, it doesn't lay in training; it lays in experience.

« E-19 † And David was brought up before Saul. Saul said, "Why, that man is a military man. He's been a warrior from his youth and you're nothing but a youth."

But he was talking to a man that had experience. He said, "Sir, when I was taking care of my daddy's sheep, out behind the mountains, one day there was a lion come in, and he grabbed one of my sheep, and he run off with him. I took my slingshot and knocked him down, and I went after my lamb. And when I picked the lamb out of his mouth, he rose up against me, and I slew him." And he said, "A bear come in and got one. And I knocked him down." He said, "And the God that delivered me out of the paws of the lion, and out of the mouth of the bear, how much more will He deliver me out of the hands of that uncircumcised Philistine." He didn't know any theology, but he knowed God. He had an experience.

« E-20 † He was talking to a man that was full of fighting theology, but he never had put God to the test. That's the way it is today. It doesn't take education. It doesn't take a lot of thinking. It takes a humble heart who's been dedicated to the power of the resurrection of Christ and filled with the Holy Ghost, that knows what they're talking about. He said, "Your servant will go fight him, and the God..."

You see, the first thing; there was a need; there was a crisis. And if there ever was a crisis, it's now.

"Oh," he said, "I'll go fight him."

« E-21 † And of course, Saul couldn't let him go like that; he knowed too much about modern theology. He said, "Come out here and pick up my sword. Let's see how you handle it." And he put his armor on him. And when this great big armor of a man, head and shoulders above every man in his army, got on a little bitty knotty runt, you could imagine how his little legs bowed together and his eyes stuck out and the helmet down over his ears.

He said, "Take this thing off of me." Like a man, feel a calling of God, and he has to go away and spend twenty years of his life learning Greek. You don't want to know Greek; you want to know Christ, is what you need to know. Huh. He said, "Take the thing off. I've never proved it. I don't know what this theology will do for me. Let me go with this, what I know about. That's what the church needs tonight, is not a school to educate you, to get a lot of stuff in you, don't belong there. You need faith and an experience in a resurrected Jesus Christ to set your soul afire to call those things which are not, as though they were. That's what the world needs tonight, or what the church needs: not the world, the church. You can't blame the world, but you can the church that's already had an experience of passing from death unto life.

3)55-0116E JESUS.CHRIST.THE.SAME.YESTERDAY.TODAY.AND.FOREVER\_ CHICAGO.IL SUNDAY\_

« E-10 † In this time Jesus had done great things in these early days, in His early ministry. He was misunderstood as most everyone.

Did you ever come to think of it, that most men who ever do anything great for the Kingdom of God stand alone? Did you ever think of it? You have to stand by yourself. Jesus stood alone; and all down through the ages other men who stood alone: Finney, Sankey, and Calvin, Knox, even to Abraham Lincoln. That's right. Stood alone... Men who do great things, men of vision, men of spiritual understanding, stand alone. And I think that's because that Jesus had to stand alone Himself.

« E-11 † Now, the one principle of us being here... trying to help you. And the only way that I know, Christian friends, to help you is to get your faith, the best that I can by the Word of God, centered on the will of God for you. See?

If you can only see that it's God's will to do these things for you... It's God's will to save you all. It's God's will to heal you all. And He will certainly lead you into deeper depths and higher heights, if you'll just trust Him.

Don't be satisfied with your fire built here from last night. Let's build it a little farther up the road tonight. Never build it in the same place. You can't stand still. You're either backsliding or going forward.

4) 61-0723M THE.EVER.PRESENT.WATER.FROM.THE.ROCK\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-14 N-6 SUNDAY\_

« 21 † You see, many times, people thinks that a prophetic gift, that God just says, "I'll pick you up right here, and set you down here. Now, you just go right over here." And He doesn't tell you all those things. If He did, then what overcoming faith did you have? See? See, you, He lets you stand alone more than anybody else. See? You all can come to me and ask for certain things, and He's never failed yet but what He's give you the answer. That's right. Yeah. But I can ask Him for things for myself, and many times He just let's me alone (See?), just let me go ahead and walk into it. I have things now that I have to solve out myself, and decisions I have to make. And this is such a vital one, till I cannot exactly make it until I'm sure that it's Him speaking to me. And I-- I... He won't give me a vision. He just lets me alone. So I'm just setting as an orphan like this morning; I--I don't know which way to turn. So I have committed it to the Lord.

5) 58-1228 WHY.LITTLE.BETHLEHEM\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-19 N-13 SUNDAY\_

« 90 † Another great event that I wouldn't forget to call, that was when David was in his worst of time, when he was a fugitive. He'd already been anointed; he knowed what he was to be. He was to be king, God said so. And yet he was hated. He was standing in between two great deep fires; here was the Philistines on one side, after him, here was Saul on the other side. And he was a man without a nation. Just as the Church stands today, the true living Church of God, without a denomination or anything else. She stands alone, but yet she's had the anointing poured on her. She knows what she is.

6) 63-0728 CHRIST.IS.THE.MYSTERY.OF.GOD.REVEALED\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY\_

« 185 † Now you see His secret? What to? To restore fallen Eve, as she was a prefigure of the Church. And now notice, as God opened up the side of Adam and took out Eve, by his own flesh and blood; and divided his spirit from masculine and feminish, to feminish, and put it in Eve. Took the rib from under his side, and made Eve out of it; so God did the same thing, taking out of the side of Christ, the Blood and the water. And Christ is the Word, and taking the Word and making up His Church, Eve; see, back to Himself again, redeemed by the Blood that was come from His Body. You see it now? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] 186 God's great mystery now being unfolded, that's been hid since the foundation of the world, but prefigured it all the way down through. Now watch, we find that, that He--that He did that. And here in Ephesians, and many other places, but that will give you enough to... Now, down through the ages, He has been slowly unfolding this mystery. Can you see now? Now, down through the...

« 187 † How did He? What happened in the prefigure now? He opened Adam's side and took part of his flesh, which was Adam, to make Eve. The Bride has to be the Word, for He is the Word. She cannot stand on creeds. She cannot stand on denomination. She cannot stand on good behavior. She has to stand alone on the Word, because She is part of It. She was taken from Christ. See?

« 188 † And to be sure, that, the whole Rapture now; Luther was a part, Wesley was a part, the prophets was a part. If they're--aren't a part... Just in the revelation that they was making up, the body, feet, toes, arms, and so forth, until the Head (which we get to that in a few minutes), see, that makes the entire Rapture. It's the Body of the Word, which is Christ. Amen!

189 Outside of That, you're lost. I don't care how good you are, or what your relationship is, or what your fellowship is, or what your organization is, you're lost, outside of that Word being in you.

7) 64-0705 THE.MASTERPIECE\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-4 N-7 SUNDAY\_

« 159 † Now, closing in a few minutes. I want you to notice real close of something that just happened. Malachi 4 is to bring back, back to the original.

160 She is smitten from the church, from the church body; smitten with Her Master, for the same purpose. She is the Word. Just the same as Joseph was smitten from his brethren, because he was the Word. And Jesus was smitten from His brethren, because He was the Word. The church is smitten... The Bride is smitten from the church, because She is the Word. There is your stages again; one, two, three, see, just exactly.

« 161 † The Word, living and in action, the Bible Bride, not some man-made bride; the Bible Bride, smitten and afflicted of God. "No beauty we should desire Her, but yet we did esteem Her smitten and afflicted of God." That's right. She stands alone. She is smitten from all the denominations, according to Revelations 3. She is smitten out of the Laodicean Church Age that She was raised up in. See? This Church was raised up in the Laodicea Church Age; that's the husk. But if them others went...

162 Can't you Pentecostal man see that, if that other was husk and died? If that other (stalk) had to die, if the tassel had to die, so must the husk die; the three stages of organizations.

163 And remember, you said, "Well, now, there was a lot of tassels hanging on. There's a lot of this." Yeah. There had been Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, church of Christ, all these other little things that fell onto it, leaves and everything else had hung onto it, but the original was the reformations, now, see.

« 164 † Stands alone, like the Bridegroom, "rejected of man, despised and rejected of the churches." The Bride stands that way. What is it? It's His Masterpiece, see, it's the Word that He can work through, make manifest. Rejecting!

165 So, the stalk, the tassel, and husk, never become Seed, no, but are all the time becoming more like the Seed.

166 Now at the harvest time, the Seed is back to its original Life, back to the Bible. Malachi 4 said it would be brought that way. Oh, oh, my! Must have all! To be this way, It must have all of the Word. Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.]