HOW TO FOLLOW THE SPIRIT

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We go to school and we have to study for years and years and years before the world will pass us out as fit, having passed our examinations, whether we go to college to get the B.A., or whatever it is, we become graduates. We spend a lot of time getting ourselves ready for that examination. Those of us who are spending time at the dining table of God, we do indeed have a reward. There are people who are not taking the time to come and sit down hours like this. How many of us could find something else to do. Some of us are sitting at our television tonight and we feel that it is more important than to come and be with the saints of God and enjoy the presence of Jesus Christ. But the day is coming when all this is going to be judged. Can you imagine God judging you for your time? How you spend your time? If you spent it wisely or if you spent it foolishly?

He called some foolish virgins and wise virgins. He called some foolish men. I'm looking at Matthew Chapter 7 here and it says here from verse 15:

Mt 7:15 "Beware of false prophets..."

I mean coming from Jesus Christ this is a very powerful one.

Mt 7:15 "Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves."

Now we cannot see man inwardly. Man looketh at the outward, but God looketh at the heart. We have forgotten this because we mostly judge men by their outward. You imagine, think of it, that we the Christians although we know what God said we are still judging to a great extent we are judging people by how they look. He said:

Mt 7:16 "Ye shall know them by their fruits..."

And yet we see bad fruit sometimes and we say, "Oh no, this person is good, it is only you know, a bad manifestation coming forth, but he is good."

The Lord says here:

Mt 7:16 "Ye shall know them (judge them) by their fruits..."

17 "...a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit."

18 "A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit."

Sometimes we believe that the scripture is saying that the preaching of a man is his fruit. Do you know the preaching is not the fruit? I knew a sinner who preached the gospel and saved a lot of souls. So you would say that this man is a good man, but he wasn't good. He never had anything for God. He didn't have salvation. He was preaching to get money and he preached and he got souls saved. It wasn't him that saved the souls, it was the gospel of Jesus Christ that saved the souls. The point God is trying to show us here is that **THE FRUIT OF A**MAN IS NOT HIS PREACHING, IT IS HIS LIVING, IT IS HIS LIFE, IT IS THE WAY HE

BEHAVES.

Mt 7:20 "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."

21 "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."

Isn't that peculiar? Only the people who do the will of God will enter into the kingdom. So here is another one. You know when I get to them I mark them.

Mt 7:22 "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast our devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?"

23 "And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."

Praise God. Then it went on with the story that I had given in the previous message:

Mt 7:24 "Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon the rock:"

Now we understand that God is likening us to people putting up buildings. That is everything you do in your life is a stone that you are putting down upon a foundation. Now the people of God need to be sure upon what foundation they are building because you can build a good building upon a bad foundation and what do you have? A bad building. In other words it is finished, it is going to be wrecked. You build a good building on a bad foundation and if you build

a bad building on a good foundation it is still bad. Amen. What I am trying to say is that God is trying to help us to build on the right foundation and when we talk about the right foundation we mean you must have the right intention. Your motive must be right.

If you turn your Bibles to Isaiah Chapter 28 we see another story about building here, spiritual – verse 10:

Is 28:10 "For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:"

Then he is going to give you the basis of the foundation.

- 11 "For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people."
- 12 "To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear."

Now we find that in the modern church an hierarchy is built, a foundation is built and on top of that foundation is another on and here the church has let's say a Bishop and on top of the Bishop you have the next one to the Bishop. In the different churches you call him differently. Okay, let's say you have a Pastor and then on top of that now you have the Deacon and then you have the Deaconess, etc., etc., etc., Then of course in different churches you have different names, you might have down here a Pope, then that is a whole big thing going up there. Your foundation is built upon an order that is basically not divine order.

But divine order says that the church must have as its foundation Christ. Of course all of these will tell you that Christ is their foundation but the church itself must stand on its foundation of Christ. Between the congregation and Christ you have elders. Right. Now these elders are not bosses but this Pastor is the head of the local church and the Bishop is the head of the Pastor. So you find that this man rules the local church like a King rules a country or like the Governor rules or whatever – which according to the word of God is wrong because you see the word that God used that translated in the scripture as pastor is the word shepherd. In other words, there is no word called pastor in the Bible, the only word that is in the Bible is shepherd and they translate it pastor. But if either shepherd or pastor retained its ancient meaning then it would be right. Do you follow what I am saying? Then it would be right because it doesn't matter, words don't matter if I call the man shepherd or if I call the man Pastor and he is doing right he is right.

So it is by their fruits that we know them. What are they doing that is wrong? Instead of the shepherd being a co-shepherd with Jesus Christ working with

Jesus Christ, he takes over the congregation as the boss, the Pastor. So this word when you think of **the**, that word is a wrong word. The only time you see that in the Bible is when it refers to Christ. You want to see it? Look at John Chapter 10 and you see the scripture saying "...I am **the** good shepherd..."

Jn 10:11 "I am **the** good shepherd...."

If you look in the Greek you will see that the definite article is before the word shepherd. So it must be referring to Christ. Whenever you say "the good shepherd" you mean Jesus Christ. It is like in Spanish you say "el Señor" and "Señor" normally means "Mister So and So", but if you say the, if you put that the before it means God. When you say "el Señor" it means God, you mean "the great Señor". So it is the same that we have deliberately made this error in the English and we say "the Pastor". Don't you hear that commonly around? "The Pastor of the church is So and So…" If he is the Pastor of the church then he has taken away the church from Jesus Christ. Hallelujah.

You turn to Psalms and you take Chapter 23 and the first thing you notice, the first thing you notice in this chapter is "The LORD is my shepherd;..." You see they will not translate it "the Lord is my pastor" because if they translate it "the Lord is my pastor" then it is going to exclude the pastor of the church and it will give the brethren a feeling that they are not supposed to call this man the pastor. But the whole truth is that there is no different word for pastor and a different word for shepherd. The same word shepherd is the one they translate pastor. When we hear of shepherd, the shepherd in the church – who is a shepherd? A shepherd is one that is the example of the sheep. He goes before the sheep and gives an example. Remember the first thing we read was saying that the whole of Christianity by their fruits. (Mt 7:16, 20,) Let's take out the word fruits and put example. By their example you shall know them.

The Lord definitely says, "Brethren you had better know the people who labor among you." (1Th 5:12)

Know them whether they are saved or not. Know them whether it is psychology they are using on you or not.

"Oh sister So and So. Praise God. You are so nice and you are so wonderful..."

Go around and you must know whether it is real love, whether they are working on real love or it is only part of their job. Do you see what I mean? Scripture said:

Ps 23:1 "The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want."

I am going to show you something even a little more. Let's go into scriptures, let the scriptures do the talking for us tonight. Turn right back to Matthew 23rd Chapter, verse 8, Jesus says, Jesus now speaking:

Mt 23:8 "But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren."

That means the brother elder is your brother, as well as the little brother or the little sister that just come in today or yesterday is your brother. Brother and Sister is the biggest most honorable word in the whole of the church that we call each other, "My brother in the Lord." Because you are saying that "I am brother with you through Jesus Christ." Nothing else. Immediately you say, "This is my brother, this is my sister", you are recognizing Jesus. So He says:

"Don't call anyone Rabbi, Master. But do you know something? In the Discipleship program if you have a disciple you must have a Master. Don't let them fool you, whether they call it Master or not they are calling it shepherd or whatever, you know. They have another name, what do you call it? One is the Disciple, who is the other one? But you see they shy away from calling themselves the Master but that is what they take claim, because if I am discipling you I am your Master unless I get you discipled to Jesus, then I am only the servant getting you on to Jesus. But there is no way that you can follow a man without having your eye on Jesus. In other words if you follow a man you are going to have to follow the Jesus in the man. When the man fails from Jesus you are responsible to put him back in order. Do you see what I mean?

We have had so much trouble in the church with this whole condition that it is necessary for you to address yourself to the situation before it happens in your midst. A lot of people are going around overthrowing a lot of churches by getting them to be disciple. Let me tell you something: the churches that run with a Pastor, they run more orderly and they have more people and they seem to be carrying on much better than we – but they are not.

You know, I am going to tell you some secrets. When Jesus called me He spent seven months talking to me personally, instructing me in the Bible. One of the greatest warnings that I have standing up in my life is the warning about the church – not to take over and to rule the church. When I started out first I didn't know how not to. Did you hear that? I didn't know how not to. Right? I would let them lead the song service, but I would be this and I would be the kingpin and they would call me any hours of the night to come and to pray for sister So and So. I had to do this and I had to do that and nobody would do anything "except elder comes", you see. I tried every way to wean them and couldn't wean them. I didn't have the kind of sense that I have now.

Eventually God blessed us. Do you know what He did? He smashed the whole thing. That was the greatest blessing we ever received. God gave us an instruction and we could not carry it out because we did not have the knowledge or the understanding of how to carry it out. I'm telling you there are many good men right now who are in the position of Pastors because they don't know any other way and God is waiting on us to show them.

You see a rebellion is when you deliberately go against the instruction that you have received from the head. That is what we call a rebellion. It can be very orderly, a rebellion can be very orderly. If I come in here now and I am telling all of you what to do and all of you are obeying me then if I am rebelling against Jesus Christ it is a very orderly rebellion for everybody is going together. It is like a revolution, these revolutionaries: they are under a leader; they are under a head; they are obedient; they are soldiers. You know what I mean, but they are revolutionists. So we are talking here about Jesus instructing the church.

Let's go on to the next story in verse 9:

Mt 23:9 "And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven."

Did God mean to say, "Son that you mustn't call your daddy your father?" No sir. Even you know that. He didn't mean the natural, He meant the spiritual. So when a man is in a position where he is called Father So and So and Father So and So – you become guilty every time you call a Catholic Priest Father. Oh yes, because the Bible said you must not call him father.

You ought to see some of the Charismatic circles where they are calling: "And now we will have the message from Father So and So and Father So and So." And he comes up with his collar and he begins to give the message. It is against God, it is contrary to scripture and I won't do it and I don't agree to you to do it either.

Mt 23:9 "...call no man your father..."

Let's go again, verse 10:

Mt 23:10 "Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, even Christ."

Praise be to God. So there is an order in God's business which God instructs His brethren to "do so" and "do so" and "do so" and "be careful". One of the things that I got in my soul, I tell you the thing stands up before me, I could not do it if I wanted to. I cannot be a Pastor of a church and I cannot work with

those who are Pastors of churches because they are in an unscriptural position and God is at this time trying to bring the church back in order.

You come to this one they call Deacon. What is that? No such word in the Bible. Ok brothers, let me show you it in Timothy. I still say there is no such word in the Bible and I say categorically and if somebody will find that scripture in Timothy I will show you that there is no such word in the Bible. It is something coined by translation and put in there to make you believe that there is a hierarchy that God set up a hierarchy with this one above the other one and you have a low minister and you have a high minister and whatever else.

1Tim 3:10 "And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being found blameless."

"Let them be proved and let them be found blameless." Those of you who have your Greek Interlinear just turn around there to 1st Timothy Chapter 3 and verse 10. Does anybody have another translation? Only King James here?

"I have:"

New International Reader's Version

1Ti 3:8 "**Deacons** also must be worthy of respect. They must be honest and true. They must not drink too much wine. They must not try to get money by cheating people." (NIRV)

All right, verse 8.

King James Version

1Ti 3:8 "Likewise must the **deacons** be grave, not double tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre;" (KJV)

Let me see what the *New International Version* says.

New International Version

1Ti 3:8 "In the same way, **deacons** are to be worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain." (NIV)

Amplified Version

1Ti 3:8 "In like manner the **deacons** [must be] worthy of respect, not shifty and double-talkers but sincere in what they say, not given to much wine, not greedy

for base gain [craving wealth and resorting to ignoble and dishonest methods of getting it]." (AMP)

It says deacons. That word is oversight, if any one wants to be overseer, if anyone cares to oversee.

American Standard Version

1Ti 3:8 "**Deacons** in like manner must be grave, not double-tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre;" (ASV)

Verse 1 and 2 speak of the bishop - <episcope> meaning to oversee.

Anyhow, let me give you the point that I am driving at. The word that they have there for deacon is the same word for minister and the same word for servant. That the word has no such meaning as "deacon", but the word <diakonos> from this chapter here:

1Ti 3:10 "And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, <diakoneo> being found blameless."

1Ti 3:8 "Likewise must the deacons < diakonos > be grave, not doubletongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre;"

<diakonon> and the meaning of that is servant. Now any kind of servant is a <diakonon>. A servant work in your yard the servant, any servant so that in the Greek the word for servant is <diakonon>. So when the scripture speaks of a servant of God it never speaks of rank of a high class servant and a low class servant. All it speaks of is that when a minister is appointed first in the church that he should be allowed to use the office. That is a young minister should be allowed to use the office of a minister until he proves himself. That is what it says, but it never said anything about a deacon. There is no such word deacon. <diakonon> doesn't mean deacon it means servant.

So the same word is used for minister but one place they translate it minister, the other place they translate it servant and when it came to the woman do you know what they translated? Deaconess. Some books say deaconess, but some of the translations say "she was sent to look after tables, teaching the work in the kitchen." The scripture definitely said "she is a servant of God." A servant of God, Paul was sending a servant of God from one part of the country clean across to the other country to go and to clean the tables. But you see how they built up? They built up a hierarchy and they made a bishop up there a high man and the made this one over here and they made the other one. So after they do that they paved the way to have a Pope. They paved the way to have a Pope and do you know that all these churches that are saying they are against

the Catholics because the Catholic Church has a Pope – each of them has a Pope. I always say, "I prefer to deal with a big Pope rather than a small one," because you get more trouble with the small Pope.

What we are driving at tonight is that to have, to grow in Christ you must be built upon the foundation that Christ puts. You cannot grow in Christ upon the wrong foundation.

Somebody says, "Oh well, I am staying in my Catholic Church and the Lord is blessing me and so on, so on, so on..."

I say, "Well, if you feel like staying in there you better stay," because I know they are not growing.

Anytime you start growing you cannot remain on the wrong foundation because a wrong foundation, a rotten foundation, God says, "When the storm comes and when the flood comes the house will fall."

Now if we are going to understand what we are talking about then we will not be looking for any Pastors in our local congregation. Do you know something? You will never grow further than the Pastor. You cannot. How could you? Which Pastor is going to allow you to grow in the Spirit more than he? Then you take over the church. No sir. The Pastor will not allow you.

I remember one dear sister, precious saint of God. She got baptized in the Holy Ghost and she was in I think it was a Methodist Church and she said, "Well God called me here to stay here and to bless this church."

So she stayed in her church and was really blessing the church. Hallelujah.

But you see, one Sunday morning the Pastor got right up without any warning and he pointed to her down there and he said, "Sister So and So is a disease."

She was shocked. I don't know how she survived. It seemed like that would have probably given her a heart attack.

He said, "She is a disease."

And she sat down there looking and he said, "I don't want you in here. I want you out of this church."

She just began to bawl and picked up her books and left. That was a blessing for her you see. The point is that she was building on the wrong foundation. If you got people saved and baptized in the Holy Ghost there what would you do with them? You watch what is happening to the Charismatic move, most of

them are falling right back into the church system. Why? They have no teaching, no foundation, you see.

When you come into Jesus Christ and you accept Jesus as your personal Saviour - we call it "justification". We call it "justification". On top of justification, that is you know now that your sins are forgiven. The next step that you must take is to know that you are baptized in the Holy Ghost. Baptism, let's say baptism in water. Next step is baptism in the Holy Spirit. Next step, you are getting into trouble now. Don't you see you can't go any further? How are you going to be baptized into Christ if you are a good Catholic? Or a Lutheran? Or a Baptist? Or a Methodist? You cannot. You cannot, because do you know what baptism into Christ means? That Christ is now my Head. I cannot any longer take orders from Rome or from Springfield, or from wherever. I have to now take orders from Jesus. Do you hear me? Where is the orders from Jesus coming from? Remember now we go back to the tabernacle - you have the table of showbread, you have the candlestick which represents the church with Jesus Christ walking in the church so you become a part of a new church. This church is the body of Christ and as a member of the body of Christ you don't set down your name here or there, but as a member of the body of Christ you have a certain amount of duty bound towards the body of Christ that is Christ, God's business.

- 1. Justification
- 2. Baptism in water
- 3. Baptism in the Holy Spirit
- 4. Baptism in Christ

You begin to pay your tithes, tithes to the body of Christ. Your tithes to the body of Christ mean right where you are being fed you must pay your tithes to where you are being fed to strengthen the local work. Tithes is for the local church to strengthen the local church. If you people here are not paying tithes you might as well begin to confess before God and repent and start put your tithes together. If you don't have a church, three of four of you put your tithes together and pray to God as to what to do to help the work of God in your midst, because this is righteousness. Abraham paid tithes. Have you got your magazine (The Omega Message) for this month yet? Anybody? Is the Post Office letting us down? Well that is what it talks about, so you take particular note of the magazine this month telling you about paying your tithes to the local church to strengthen God's work and to increase your prosperity because that is not the main point. If you pay tithes to increase your prosperity then you are a carnal Christian and your tithes are not acceptable before God. You must only pay tithes to increase God's work and then you get increase yourself which is the fringe benefit. Amen. Okay, so you begin to pay your tithes to the body of Christ. Then after you pay your tithes to the body of Christ you have, you begin

to receive different kinds of strength from the body of Christ. You begin to receive from the apostles, from the prophets, from the evangelists and from the shepherds and from the teachers. But these are not man-made people, ministries, these are God-sent ministries.

So when you begin to read papers that are telling you that God made the Devil so that he might tempt you – you tear those up and get your name off those lists and stop the destruction from coming into your house. Oh yes. When you begin to get papers that start to tell you all about ultimate reconciliation you destroy them and throw them away and you begin to feed from the right vein in God because God has provided feeding for you and deliverance for you and blessings for you and Jesus is your Pastor. Do you follow what I am saying? So the Pastor business must cease.

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Then you see I stopped at the fourth move because the fourth move is taking you into a body and you become a part of a great world-wide movement. You might not have an organization in your area, you might not have a group in your area. But you know what happens? There are people in your area who are just like you. You meet people in the shopping centers, on the streets, all over, people, people, people. That is your problem now. That is your business. People become your business because people belong to God and once you belong to God brother – you belong to me. Some will reject you, some who belong to God will reject you because they don't belong to Christ.

"Isn't God and Christ the same?"

Oh yes, but there is a difference in belonging. Can you read that? Let me run that over. When you accept Jesus as your Saviour who do you belong to? At justification whom do you belong to? You belong to God. God and Jesus, you belong to them. But as you go on, as you go on, you begin to do the will of the Father by doing, by living. Right? So you can start off here and stop here and won't go any further – you are not doing the will of the Father. Remember we read it a while ago? Some of you weren't here? We read it in Matthew 7.

Mt 7:21 "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."

Praise God. I want you to hear that. I want you to hear it, I want you to see.

Mt 7:21 "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of the Father (he who enters into Christ)...."

We are talking about the baptism into a spiritual body, a spiritual body. Remember we are not talking about Christ coming into you. Hear me? Because Christ, when does Christ comes into the believer? Can anyone tell me when does Christ enters into the believer? At the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Amen. Because Christ entered into His kingdom at Pentecost. Do you remember that? If everybody don't remember that say "no". You don't remember that? Let's check it out.

Get Matthew 16 and verse 28:

Mt 16:28 "Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom."

"Some standing here" Jesus said, "that shall not taste of death until they see the Son of man coming" where? "In His kingdom."

Now if you take Luke 17 and 21:

Lu 17:21 "Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you."

Okay, put the two verses together now and what you glean from Lu 17:21 and read Matthew 16:28 for me and tell me what it says?

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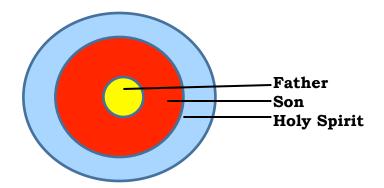
Mt 16:28 "Verily I say unto you, There be some (of you) standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom (until you see Jesus Christ coming within the human being)."

If the kingdom of God is within you then it is the coming within that He is talking about. Don't you understand? So therefore at Pentecost the scripture was fulfilled where they saw the Holy Ghost coming in you. Now if you are spirit, soul and body and Jesus Christ began to come in humanity at Pentecost then I say that the Holy Ghost came in our spirits at Pentecost.

"But then brother duCille, didn't you say it was Jesus coming? Than how you say the Holy Ghost came?"

Can you understand me? I'm not getting your full attention. Praise God. Amen. Now how come I say the Holy Ghost came into us and then I said Jesus? Do

you know who the Holy Ghost is? The Holy Ghost is Jesus. Look here – that is the Holy Ghost out there, that is a circle, but inside of the Holy Ghost, Who is it in there? Christ. Who is inside of Christ? The Father.



So whenever you see one part of the Godhead, all three is in there. So Jesus Christ was the Godhead bodily: He was Son, Father and Holy Ghost. (Col 2:9) Because He manifested the Holy Ghost but He was the Son and He said the Father is within Me. (Jn 14:10-11) If you see Father you see Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

You can't divide God. It is like my looking at brother Gordon's body and saying, "That is only his body."

I am only seeing his body but his spirit and soul is somewhere in there. If I ever saw his spirit I knew that his body was there also because unless he is spirited out you know. Praise God.

The scripture said, Jesus said, "The Father is within Me." (Jn 14:10-11) He speaks of the Holy Ghost and He speaks of the Holy Ghost being sent by Him you see. So you see then when you receive the Holy Ghost you really receive the Godhead. But the One Who is operating in front on your soul is the Holy Ghost. You know why don't you? The Father couldn't come into you your soul just like that – He would blow your circuits. Amen. Too much power. So the Father then is there and the Son is there but what is He doing? He is trying to get into this area (the soul). So all God working on your mind and on your this and that and your emotions – He is trying to get into your soul area to live in there like how He lives in the Spirit.

The brothers asked Jesus to teach us how to pray and Jesus said, "You pray that what is happening in the spirit might happen in your soul."

Mt 6:10 "Thy kingdom come. They will be done in earth, as it is in heaven."

So you can well understand that when Christ gets into us, Christ gets into us in order to get us into Christ. For you to be **in Christ** it means that you have surrendered your will to Christ, that Christ is your Head, your King. How many Christians you know who have Christ as their King?

I'll tell you something, it was a long time after I became a Christian before I even understood how to make Christ my King. I used to go off and feel that I have the authority to do and so I would go off and do my thing and do everything, you know. One time I even made a picnic with gambling and everything to get money for the church. It was real Catholic. Oh yes.

You see you don't know how unless you are taught how to make Christ your King. Do you know one of the smallest ways to do it? Just don't make any decisions until you hear from God whether it is God's will. If you are going to move this chair and you feel a little funny feeling inside – hold back. You see. If the door look closed hold back. Go back to Christ and say, "You..." So you treat Him as a King. You pay Him homage, you pay Him proper respect. Do you understand what I am saying? I believe some of us pay our Pastor's more respect than we pay Jesus Christ. That is why I am saying that the Pastor is standing in the place of Jesus. But in the Catholic Church the Pope says that "he is in the place of Jesus". Do you understand that? He says so. The Pastors would tell you, "No, no, no," but yet he is – because if he is the mediator between you and Jesus Christ and if he is your shepherd, then he is usurping the position of Jesus.

So I want you to understand very, very clearly that the position of the church, the thing that we are dealing with is causing you not to grow in the Spirit, those that have the Pastors because I know that the Pastors are telling the people, telling all the people that they should have a Pastor. Do you understand?

"Who is your Pastor?"

"Jesus!"

You know, it makes a lot of trouble. I have seen it make a lot of trouble.

So if you understand that principle you will understand talking about being founded on a proper foundation. It does not necessarily mean what some people call a foundation because the foundation that you are on is the apostles and prophets that Jesus Christ put in the earth and you have to recognize them and feed at their table. (Eph 2:20) Do you follow what I am saying?

So when you get into Christ is after you obey the Holy Ghost. The scripture is in John 14.

Jn 14:23 "Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with (within) him."

Yes. You can take the with and put within.

Jn 14:23 "... *If a man love me...*"

Means to say if you obey the Lord then God is going to come in, come in He said and make His abode in you and not only Jesus but Jesus and the Father. Do you know why? Because you have the Holy Ghost here (in your spirit) and you get Jesus and the Father, Christ here (in your soul) and anywhere you see Christ the Father is in Him. So Christ is supposed to dwell in your soul and Christ dwelling in your soul becomes the Master, the Head, the Boss, the Leader and He tells you what to do. That is marvelous because I am telling you, we don't know what to do sometimes. I'm telling you we really want Christ Jesus to tell us what to do and this is what God is saying that Christ will come in and WE will make our abode with you.

What then, what foundation you need to do that? Obedience to Christ. Obedience to Christ. I want you really to see this.

But then you said, "Okay, where is Christ that I may obey Him?"

"I would like to see Him."

Or, "I would like Him to write out: 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 for the day and then I just jump to it and obey Him."

It is not that easy. He wouldn't make it that easy for you because He doesn't want you to be a robot. If He just write out 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10 for the day. This is what you need to do - then you would become ma beautiful robot and you would just do what you know Christ wants you to do and you would be just perfect. But that is not it – He wants you to become obedient, for something in you to change so that it is so tuned to Christ that when the enemy come you won't even pick it up. You won't pick up Satan on your wave length, you will just pick up Jesus Christ and you will do what Jesus wants you to do. Do you think that is possible? It is possible.

I remember one night, one morning early morning the Devil came to me and it was one of the hardest lickings that I ever got in my life. I heard this knocking. "Knock-Knock-Knock-Knock" on my bed head. I got up at three o'clock to pray, I was on my knees ready to pray when I heard this knocking. "Knock-Knock-Knock-Knock" and so I normally you get frightened. Right? This room was dark

and with this knocking I got frightened. So this thing began to talk from my bed.

It said, "My son..."

It sounded to me just like Jesus. I was completely taken in and the instructions that he was giving me was instructions that would have torn us apart, but I thought it was Jesus. I jumped up, grabbed my pen to write down the instruction when a voice cried out in the room:

"SATAN YOU ARE A LIAR FROM THE BEGINNING!"

And he took off. Now I was indignant with the Lord.

I said, "My God, how could You do me that? How could you allow the Devil to come and talk to me?"

In just His usual calm and quiet way He said, "But you have been talking to him for half an hour."

All of a sudden the whole picture came to me. Something was wrong with me basically because I was able to sit down and talk with the Devil for half an hour. That is I had something in me that was for the Devil. In other words if some devil comes and starts talking to you it should hurt you deep down. You shouldn't be able to sit down and listen to him unless you are on the same wavelength with him, unless you have some wrong thinking, some wrong thing inside of you you cannot listen and sit down and listen to the Devil for half an hour.

I realized that my thoughts were impure and all my thoughts (I tell you how impure they were,) all I wanted was to be a good Pastor. That was the impure thought. The impure thoughts went so far that I wanted to get all of this information about the people who I was ministering to so that I could go up and say, "Well you are so and so and you are so and so and the Lord says you better put your ways right and the Lord says..." Do you see what I mean? That is all I wanted and I would have been exalted in the congregation as a great Pastor. God thought that serious enough to allow the Devil to come and deceive me, but He bailed me out of course.

I am saying this to let you understand that whatever is wrong inside of us that that is what is preventing Jesus Christ from taking over. We said, "O Lord, let Your kingdom come in me. Let the Christ take over my mind." Yet we rush off immediately to use our brain and to use our mind upon something where we should have said, "God, what do You want?" Amen.

I have some strong feelings at times and sometimes I don't know whether it is me or God. So the way I do it is that I go to God and say:

"God, I would like to have this chair. I want this chair." I say, "Now God, what do You want?" I said, "The only way I would forgo wanting or having this chair is if You don't want it."

Generally He can relate to that, He can understand that because you are not cheating. You don't say, "Oh God, Thy will be done O Lord," and deep down in here you say, "O God I wish I could..." You go and you confess your weakness to Him and you tell Him what you want and you say, "God – not what I want must go, but what You want – that is what I will live with." You can't just say it from your mouth, but you have to make up your mind that you are going to live with what God wants for you. Isn't that marvelous?

Oh, consecration is baptism you know. Consecration is really baptism when you make a covenant with God. If anybody is not baptized in water you need to be baptized in water because at baptism you make a covenant with God that you are going to go through with the whole works of baptism which is: baptism in water; baptism in the Holy Ghost; and baptism into the body of Christ. So you see the true baptism leads you into Christ and it is death and burial and resurrection.

"Lord God, I give up everything. I don't want anything else in this world more than I want Jesus Christ."

That is baptism. It is a heart condition, therefore the water is only a symbol but you make up your mind. In other words you sign the contract with God before you go into the water. So that is where sanctification comes in. You get sanctification first, cleansing – then you get consecration, putting aside. Because after baptism you are put aside for God's use. So those of you here who are not baptized go pray to God because you need to be baptized. Once you make up your mind to follow God the Spirit of God will tell you that you should be baptized.

I remember the day when Jesus Christ came into my room and I don't know anything about baptism. All I knew is that the Baptist Church used to baptize people to make them members. That is the baptism of initiation where you become a member of the church. So that is all I knew.

And Jesus came in and He said to me, "You need to be baptized."

I didn't know what He means. I go and I look up baptism and everything else. I knew a church, a Baptist Church that was having a baptism and I called them immediately and asked them if they would baptize me. "Oh sure" you know.

They come down now where to give testimony before the baptism and I was asked to give testimony.

I said, "Well everyone that I hear say that they are happy, glad and free and it is mighty wonderful. Oh what a glorious life." I said, "I am most miserable."

"What?"

"I am most miserable for my God say, I have such a desire for God and a longing that can't be satisfied. Nobody can answer my questions." I said, "I am the most miserable man around here."

Anyhow the guy took me and dipped me in the water. I got up back – well, baptism, so I went home. That evening I had an appointment to meet the Lord Jesus. When I went in the first thing He said to me:

He sighed, "Well, you need to be baptized."

I said, "What?"

"You need to be baptized."

So I realized that I got a wetting and the man who baptized me didn't know anything about baptism. He was baptizing me to be a member. You see the moment the Baptist Church realize the truth of the gospel the first thing that would happen to them is that their church would be empty because they would be baptizing people unto Christ and not unto being a member of this church but being a member of the body of Christ. That is where baptism goes, that is where it end you up – into Christ.

So God bless you. If there are any questions let's ask them. I want to pray for some of you tonight. Just anybody who feel you have a need I want to pray for you tonight.

Question about deacons and ministry.

Brother Cecil: There is no deacons. The word deacon is <diakonon> which means minister. Everywhere you see minister it is <diakonon>. Everywhere you see servant it is <diakonon>. The same one word right through and through the scripture and they change it up to suit themselves. They call some deacon, call some minister, call some pastor. That word pastor is the word shepherd that they translate pastor. But all those words have been disfigured, made into man's order.

For instance, the word minister, minister in the Latin is servant. It coincides with the word <diakonon> in the Greek. So if you use the word minister 2,000

years ago you would be right. But now when you say minister you mean the man who boss the church which change the meaning of the word changed and therefore it disfigured. So the poor modern young boy or girl reading the Bible and the Bible tell them about the minister and the deacons and the servants and whatever – he doesn't know that they are all servants. He believes that if it is in the Bible... It is very difficult for me to get it away from the people because some people are lazy, they want a Pastor to reign over them. They want somebody to tell them what to do. Amen. And you have Pastors that don't want to give up their positions. Praise God.

Question about not being able to grow under a Pastor?

Brother Cecil: You can't grow above the Pastor unless you leave. I know some people under a Pastor and they grow to a point and they cannot pass the Pastor.

Question: I know some people in a denomination but they go to other meetings where they get life somewhere else.

Brother Cecil: They go get life somewhere else. What she is saying is that many people are in the denominations but they are going to home meetings and other meetings and Charismatic meetings and things and they get growth from those places, but not necessarily from the denomination.

Well you see, it depends on what you are talking about if it is the church, the body of Christ and it is in a building – that would make it a denomination. If it has a Pastor over it like the denomination then that particular person cannot grow beyond the Pastor. I tell you one of the chief reasons: your growth when you get to this point here with the baptism of the Holy Ghost – let's say you get the baptism of water and you don't know about the baptism into Christ but you get the baptism of the Holy Ghost. That means that the Holy Ghost is pushing you on.

Now the moment you get here you start getting gifts in the Spirit, you start getting dreams and visions, you start prophesying. Now you cannot do it in the denomination because that gift in you which is the Holy Spirit, His intention is to push the church forward. The prophesies that will come forth will touch the lives of the Pastor and the leader first (because that is what the Holy Ghost wants to do). Then you will become a target and you will be kicked out. I mean in that thing that is well known. There is no way that she could grow as the Spirit would have her grow. The Spirit cannot give her the prophesies that she is supposed to get right there. She is in the wrong place. If she were somewhere else He would give her the prophesies. So if you see her and she is growing it means that she has not gotten up to the stage of the Pastor yet wherein the

Spirit of God will begin to use her as a catalyst in the midst of that congregation to change people's lives.

Question: You were talking about the logos and the rhema. Where is the scripture that says you are to wait until you have the rhema?

Brother Cecil: Where is the scripture that says you are to wait until you have the rhema? Well there are many scriptures you see. There is no scripture that says, "Now brother wait on until you have the rhema." But there are many scriptures which show the two things. The scripture that I brought as an example in Matthew 28 or Mark 16:

Mr 16:15 "And he (Jesus) said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

Now the same disciples He was talking to to go, when He resurrected He came back to them and they were ready to go. He said:

Lu 24:49 "...but tarry ye (don't go)...until ye be endued with power from on high."

Ac 1:8 "...after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you (then go): and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth (all the world)."

So you see there was a final instruction. If you take all the time, every time the Lord speaks to David and the prophets He gives them a word.

"Shall we go up? Shall we go up against the enemy?"

God say, "Yes, go up. You will overcome the enemy."

When they reached the point of actually going into battle they will ask again, "Lord, should we go now?"

He said, "God now," or He said, "Don't go now. Wait."

You see what I mean? So there is always the rhema that comes after the logos. Another point you will notice in the scriptures – now this is a chief point which I left for the last. That some words speaking of the word of God speak of the word of God as the logos. Others words speak of the word of God as the rhema. So you will see the difference between them. The rhema is going put the logos into action. The logos is the firm word of God that remains from everlasting to everlasting.

Question: I wanted to ask you about gambling, dice and cards it suggested that those excite lust in a person and that they are not good for children to play with. Lately I have noticed a flood of these games everywhere, giveaways and things like that. Now I think that we should avoid those things but can you give any reason?

Brother Cecil: Well they are tools of a gambler. They are tools of a gambler. The dice is a gambling tool and the cards. The history of cards is horrible, it is terrible. The history is bad, if you read what is really on the cards you wouldn't want your children to handle them anyhow. So the truth about it is that although the card in itself has no sin and the dice in itself has no sin, these are instruments of gambling that the world use for gambling. If you teach a kid to handle a card and the kid learns to handle these cards he will be tempted to handle cards and it will be easy for him to go into gambling. I would love not to give my kids cards. As a matter of fact I don't give them cards. Anybody give them cards I throw it away.

Question: Another thing I want to ask you about is music and rock music and so called country western music and music of that nature...

Brother Cecil: Music on the whole excites the emotions. It has something to do with the emotional part of a human being. When you have rock music, rock music is the Devil's music, just like how some music that David used to play was God's music. In other words the heathen had their music and their music was mostly worship to the Devil. This was basically the key part of their music was the drums, a heavy beat music that affects the emotions.

There are some down where I come from where drums beat and your liver actually vibrated. It is a weird feeling you know. They have the thing is so heavy and the heavy sound – "wroom" it jerks, it vibrates your insides. Oh yes. If you don't want your inside to vibrate you have to hold on to it because it is vibrating. People, that is where the marijuana and the liquor and everything go and somehow some of the music have an auto-suggestion. For instance we have what we call sensual music, that you can listen to sensual music and it acts upon your subconscious and after you are through all you want to do is something sinful and sensual things.

I will tell you even more than that. They had a rock concert, I am just showing you how far they have gone with the power of music upon people. They had a rock concert and the people started fighting and the guy who knew the science of this thing – he rushed into the music room and he put on a certain sound that caused everybody to run to the bathroom and he broke up the fight. You check that out. You check that out and you find out how true it is. To me that is a great mystery but that is where they are in music. On the other hand as we were being told some days now and brother Jerry gave me some tapes to show

this thing. They have what you call backward masking wherein they play some of those thing that you hear in rock, when you play them backwards they are saying:

"Smoke marijuana. Smoke marijuana."

"Do so and so. Do so and so."

"Worship the Devil. Worship the Devil." And all of that.

What were the name of those tunes?

"One of them was Another one bites the dust."

Did I hear you say the other night that one of these were playing on one of the Christian programs? Which one was it?

"PTL was exposing it."

Oh, PTL was exposing it. I see. Praise God. So that is the answer for the music question. Any more questions?

Praise the Lord.

It is not magic, it is just God that whatever you desire in your heart and you hold it before the Lord at this time when we pray you are going to get it. You are going to get that deliverance that you want according to the will of God. You are going to get that breaking of that bondage according to the will of God. You are going to get whatever you desire. It says:

Mt 7:7 "Ask, and it shall be given you..."

When we pray immediately heaven is going to send out her angels to do the job. So brother you know what it is that brings you here. Hallelujah.

"Do you want me to speak in utterance?"

I don't want you to but if you want to it is quite all right. I'll pray for it whether I know or not what it is. But sometimes it is a good testimony if you want to speak out something and you feel in your spirit that you should speak out – then go right ahead. But if not I will just pray anyhow.

All right brethren, we are of one mind and one heart that we want Jesus Christ to break the yoke in Terry's life. Thank you Jesus. And to bring forth the blessing according to God's holy will for him. Loose. We do command every spirit that is not of God that has had any kind of influence upon this brother and upon his actions and upon his life that these spirits be loosed now and be

bound in the name of Jesus and my brother be set free. That Thou Jesus Christ will endow him with patience and let the love of God come upon him, in his home life. Lord God let him be exemplary. Hallelujah. Yes Lord. That one day you promised to bring him into the eldership and the ministry and that he should submit himself to God so that the work may be done in him so that God will be able to work through him. Lord bless you in Jesus name. Amen.

Spirit of oppression I speak to you in the name of Jesus and I command you to leave this my sister forever. Hallelujah. The Lord has commanded that what we bind on earth is bound in heaven and what we loose on earth is loosed in heaven. Now in the name of Jesus Christ we loose our sister and we bind you. Glory to God. Amen. Jesus. Pour upon her Lord God the oil of gladness and let the blessings from heaven fall upon her life Lord Jesus Christ. The path that You have ordained for her to go regardless of the circumstances that might befall her, let her know that from this day onward God, the Almighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace has taken charge of her life and her business. Let her not fear Lord Jesus we pray. Loose them. Take away fear from her life and let her not be afraid of the circumstances that stand before her but let her stand straight for God, for in God is your destiny. Praise God.

"In God is your destiny," saith the Lord. "Don't be afraid of what you see before you for in God is your destiny."

Thank You Jesus. Amen. Hallelujah.

"When peace like a river attendeth my way," saith the Lord God, "the peace of God be upon you," saith the Lord God, "and God will bring to pass the desires of your heart. Believest thou this?" saith the Lord. "That God will bring to pass the desires of your heart in the name of Jesus."

Thank You Lord God. Touch her now Lord Jesus Christ in her body and in her soul and lift her up according to Your will and bring to pass the desires of her heart according to Your promise. Thank You Jesus. Hallelujah. Praise God. Amen.

