The Idol Shepherd

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We are blessed this morning for having the privilege of being here, because Jesus is here. Some of us have traveled thousands of miles to be here. I see a sister from California. Amen. I see brothers here from Nigeria. Hallelujah. I do believe that you are here because God wanted you to be here, because it is a very, very special meeting this time. We don't know if these will be the last meetings that we will ever have like these here, or if it is only the beginning of those that would flee to be here. We do know that something is in the atmosphere, something deadly, something Godly. We are afraid of midnight, but the glory of it is that the Bible said that at midnight there was a cry made, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh..." At midnight, so it will not only be the sufferers that will be crying, but the angels of God will be crying. They will be crying two different things. One will be crying, "Woe, woe is me!" The other will be crying, "Hallelujah! Behold, the Bridegroom cometh..." So, when we talk about midnight, brethren, and we talk about the great distresses that are coming upon the land... some people say, "Oh, Brother duCille preaches nothing but destruction, that they are going to cut our heads off." Bless the Lord God if they could cut it off now, for it would mean to me that it is midnight and that in three and a half days' time I will be standing right here, hallelujah, and no man could touch me then!

So, we are developing to our perfection point. Midnight is the time of the perfection of the saints, when the Bridegroom will be in the bride chamber with the bride and the door will be locked. That means that nobody else is going to come into that bride class. Don't you understand? God said He will have a people through which He will reproduce a new world and He calls them the bride. This people will come forth at midnight.

Now, the world is trampling on the verge of midnight. Yesterday I was shocked when I got up to see the news that they had just killed Bhutto in Pakistan. Do you know what that is? The terrorists and those who would love to destroy us, destroy our world, believe that they can take over those atomic bombs inside of Pakistan. Amen. It might well happen, but that doesn't phase us because God said that at midnight man would be raging but at midnight God would be raging, also! Amen. So let us not be depressed. Let us not be worried about what is coming to pass upon the earth, because God is in charge. He is in charge. He made the thing what it is. He has planned the thing to be what it is, that sin might be judged and that sin might be eradicated. Don't you understand, brethren? If sin is judged and it is not eradicated, it will come back. But if it is eradicated, it is gone forever and this is what God is working on. He is producing a people who will stand and who will overthrow and who will police righteousness forever and ever! No more sinners will come forth! No more devils, no more demons! We will lock them all up. Hallelujah.

I mean, this is just an introduction to the message, you see, because when I get into details I don't want people to be trembling. I want them to be rejoicing. Amen. Turn with me. I am going back over all the scriptures that I have worn out in my Bible, so don't believe it is anything brand

new, except for the Spirit that is coming. The newness of Spirit that has taken me, bless God Almighty, I feel like I could leap like a hart and jump! Amen! Glory to God! Thank You, Jesus! Hallelujah!

Turn with me to Zechariah 11. There is a dimension that God has shown me that is fearful, it is terrible, but we have to face it. Look with me at verse 16. Now, I want you to know that this prophet Zechariah was a man who prophesied of the death, burial and the resurrection of Jesus Christ. He prophesied that Jesus would come and that Jesus would feed the flock. So, this man who prophesied

about the coming of Jesus, in the same prophecy he is telling us of something that will also come after Jesus. And he said, 16For, lo, I will raise up a shepherd in the land, which shall not visit those that be cut off, neither shall seek the young one, nor heal that that is broken, nor feed that that standeth still: but he shall eat the flesh of the fat, and tear their claws in pieces. A flesh-eating shepherd. 17Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword shall be upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened.

He is not going to see straight. Amen. He is not going to see straight. Now, this prophecy came 487 years before Jesus Christ. Do you hear me? So, we have to believe it because we have seen the greater part of it fulfilled in the coming of Jesus. That is why this prophecy here is proof to itself that it is true. Right? Because it has begun to come to pass. It has come to pass to our time that is the end of time.

Now, the reason Zechariah called this shepherd an "idol shepherd" is because an "idol" is a thing that is worshipped. Therefore, he is saying that something is going to come into the Body, the world, the church, that is worshipped outside of Jesus Christ, like men worship idols! Now, this happens upon two dimensions. It happens upon the natural and it happens in the spiritual. Now, you know that anything you see in the natural is a manifestation of something that exists in the spiritual. These are basic spiritual laws that you must learn. If you see something happening to you in the natural, know that there is a spirit behind it. Don't struggle with the natural. Leave the natural. Turn to the spirit, slap him and when you hit the spirit, the natural will conform. It is a divine principle that all Christians must understand.

We are no longer ordinary Christians. We are a people at war. This is the final battle! God has selected certain people. YOU ARE NOT ORDINARY PEOPLE. You cannot expect to have ordinary lives! You cannot expect to have ordinary problems! You know, "Poor me! Why me? Why did this have to happen to me?" WHY? Because you are part of the army of God and you must go to war! God help you if you don't have your equipment in order. Get your equipment in order. Know that when you speak, God hears. This is part of your equipment.

You know, this is a problem with us Christians. "God's not hearing me." Nonsense! You are talking from the devil. God is hearing every word, every breath you draw. God is hearing every sigh, every cry, every joy. He is hearing you! Yes. God is hearing you. Do you know what is great? I didn't know what I was going to tell you. Glory to God!

You know my condition, don't you? I have told you so many times. I wasn't a preacher, I was an accountant. I loved accounting and I was running my business, but I wasn't satisfied with my sin life. Amen. One thing drove me to God and that was violence. Some men have other problems, but my problem was violence. I couldn't take foolishness. I got blind mad and would do anything and I couldn't help myself. I was sorry afterwards, but I couldn't help myself until God arrested me. Hallelujah! Amen.

Have you ever heard of a sinner being translated by the Spirit? Have you ever heard of that? I was in a fight. I knocked the man down. I stood over him to kill him. All my intention was to kill him. I said, "God, if You can save, save now!" I was coming down with the blow and by the time I got midway, the man was cowering on the ground. He was a dead man as far as I knew. I found myself down the street. Something came behind me, a great power, and lifted me. It lifted me and I found myself way down the street, looking at the scene. The man was on the ground cowering. People were running and crying, "Murder!" and I was down the street. Nobody knew where I went. How I moved, I didn't know. The weapon dropped out of my hand when the Spirit of God took me. That day I knew that God wanted me. I had forfeited my life and I said, "God, I'll give it to You." Yes. Amen.

So, the day came when I was mad again. I couldn't help myself now. I said, "Well, I better stop myself before I do anymore damage." I got my gun. Something said to me, "Alright. Take the shot out and put it on the bed. Put the gun on the bed. Walk out in the field and when you come back in, just slam it in and fire and you kill yourself." I started a plan. I put the shot on the bed. I put the gun down. I walked out. When I went out, I saw a lady sitting on a porch and I remembered that she said she was a Christian.

I went up to her and said, "Ma'am, are you a Christian?"

"Yes, yes, I am a Christian."

I said, "What kind of a Christian are you that you never tell any one of us who is going to hell how to be a Christian?" (I didn't know anything about Jesus saving or anything like that.) I said, "You just kept it to yourself," and I really tore her up.

She just started to weep and tremble. Do you know what God told her to say? "I challenge you!" For somebody to challenge me and I was a half mad-man already was something amazing.

"All right, what is the challenge?"

"You go to your room and tell God that I say that He must save you by the Blood of Jesus Christ."

God bless Sister Rainford. Hallelujah. I went into my room, kneeled down before the gun and said, "Mrs. Rainford says, God, that You will save me by the Blood of Jesus if I ask You. Now I ask You." And I got up. I wanted to feel saved. I felt nothing. Amen. I felt nothing. So I said, "I don't feel anything."

Then the Lord came to me and He said, "Why don't you use the gun on the bed because it is six o'clock now and that is the time that you set for your death."

But a revulsion came into me. "Oh, God, what a madness. I would be a fool to use that gun." So all of a sudden, like a man that woke up, I realized that something had happened to me. Do you know where it ended up? I started hopping around the room. I couldn't make much noise because the men would come in and tie me up. They would believe that I had gone over the edge, you see! So I began to dance in the room, the quickening of the Spirit was so great. Jesus stayed there from six o'clock that night until one o'clock in the morning.

I said, "Tomorrow at four o'clock!" and He came back the next day at four o'clock. When He came I said, "Tomorrow at four o'clock!" My cry to Him every night was, "Tomorrow at four o'clock!" Blessed be to God. From the third of August to the seventh of February of the next year He came and taught me the Bible and showed me the Word. Hallelujah! When He baptized me with the Holy Ghost, I didn't know what it was, but a voice began speaking through me. I knew I wasn't speaking, because I didn't know Hebrew. He spoke through me and He said to me, "Whenever you

want Me, you just open your mouth and I will fill it." Brethren, I am opening my mouth today. Amen. He said, "Just open your mouth and I will fill it."

So, Mrs. Rainford called and wanted a meeting. I said, "Yes, we will go to the meeting. I will give my testimony to everybody." I said, "But Lord, I have never been in a meeting before. What am I going to do?"

He said, "You don't do anything. You just open your mouth."

So when she called me to speak, I came up and stood there with my mouth hanging open. Believe you me, it was like a pantomime. When I opened my mouth, Somebody came in my ear and said, "Tell them your testimony." I told them the testimony and when the testimony was over, I opened my mouth again. So He came back in my ear and began to tell me sentence for sentence, word for word what I should say and I was there saying it, not even paying attention to the congregation until somebody screamed and fell to the floor and ran to the altar. That was the first altar call and God made it. I never made it. But I tell you, brethren, it has been marvelous.

I went to California, began to preach and the Spirit came down so powerfully. He was telling me everything to say and they were taping it. When I was finished, they presented me with a book that we call The Pattern. It is a message that I preached for five hours in California. That is how The Pattern came about.

Now, I am saying this to you to say that if God tells me something to tell you, it is deadly serious. I want you to hear me, hear what I am saying, because it is deadly serious. I know men have said this before and they have not performed so well. Amen. That is not my business. My business is to give you what God gives me. My business is to know that you who are here are here on a divine appointment. Check your business. You had a lot of problems deciding, didn't you? Amen. You had a lot of problems moving, and at one time you didn't know if you were going to make it, but you had a divine appointment with Almighty God in Jamaica at this time, for you are going to be the messengers that carry out the stuff to the others that are waiting in the darkness to be delivered. God bless you!

Now, this idol shepherd is in the natural. "Huh?" Yes, yes, he is and he is in the spiritual, also. The spiritual is more deadly and more dangerous than the natural. I am trying to tell you where the message is going. The reason is that the spiritual is inside here (your soul). I am the temple of the living God and the idol shepherd is knocking at my door asking entrance and the only person that can open that door is me. My wife cannot open this door, nor can I open her door. Don't you understand where we are? Oh, bless the Lord, hallelujah. Praise God, brethren. Thus we prophesy to the door and we say, "Lift up your heads. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors" (Psalm 25:7). Everlasting doors! These natural doors are not everlasting. The everlasting door is the door of your mind. Unless you give your mind to something, it cannot come in. Your mind needs to be protected so that the devil cannot come in. No matter how much he batters the flesh, the mind must hold. Amen.

We have one Senator in the United States running for Presidency. He was a prisoner of the Vietnamese in a cage. Not a cage where you can stand up, but caged like an animal for six years and he has a sound mind. So, it is you alone that is going to control the egress and the entrance of your mind, that is, the things that come in and go out of your mind. God bless you.

Now, if you turn with me, let's look at that idol shepherd a little bit, because they call him by a different name over in Matthew. Jesus Christ Himself comes and He talks about the idol shepherd coming in the end of time in Matthew 24 and He is speaking about NOW. RIGHT NOW! As I told

you, these verses are very marked up in my Bible, but here you are going to get a different dimension to the verse. Now God is telling us "when."

Somebody says, "Oh, but Brother Cec, you cannot tell us when Jesus is coming. It is against the rules of the Bible to know when the Lord is coming." They keep on with the same old thing, but God is telling us that He is giving us a sign so that we might know when. He said in verse 15, "When you shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet STANDING, STANDING, STANDING in the holy place..." He said, "whoso readeth, let him understand." Why did He say that? Because it is hard, especially for a Jew, to understand that there is another holy place besides Jerusalem. Amen. Hallelujah. But Jesus came for that very purpose, to expand the Word of God and the truth. When He speaks of Jerusalem now, He is not talking about that little piece of land. Amen. He is talking about the occupation of the saints, Jerusalem. When He talks about Judah, He is talking about the first fruits company. Amen. When He talks about Israel, He is talking about the Body of Christians all over. So, you have Outer Court, Holy Place, and Holy of Holies Christians. So, the Outer Court would be Israel, the Holy Place would be Jerusalem, the Holy of Holies would be the Jew.

So, you get to understand scripture. You now are in a position to be blessed by the truth. He says here now, "when ye therefore shall see." It means to say that He wants you to see. But He said that one ear of the idol shepherd would be gone and one arm would be withered. Therefore, he won't see or hear. One eye would be gone. He is a one-eyed person and the eye that he is seeing through is the eye of the flesh. He can see all the scientific knowledge and details, but he can't see Jesus.

What a madness. A man can just look up in the sky and see the stars at night. Look at the earth. Look at this body. What could have made this?! There is nothing that we can even conceive that could make a human cell. One cell is above all the knowledge of the scientists. God never gave us the ability to conceive it. I don't even think that the angels know. Angels couldn't produce one human cell. Do you understand? When we worship God, we worship Him as a Creator above all. "For You are God alone above all things" (II Kings 19:15). This God is a concept that we cannot fully conceive. You can't fully conceive God. You can only look around and see the things that He has made and say, "My God!"

When you look at your finger - why is my finger wiggling? Can anybody tell me why my finger is behaving like this? Because my mind tells it how to behave. Amen. Don't you see the wonder of your finger? Who could make a finger? Nobody, because God alone is God. He is God! You know, Pharaoh said, "Your God is God. Yes, that is God. All of them around here, those idols that you are worshipping, that is nothing, but this is God."

So, we see that the idol shepherd, or the anti-Christ, his destination is where? In the temple of the Living God. He would love to go into the Holy of Holies but he can't. But God said that his progress would come from the Outer Court into the Holy Place and he would stand up. That word *stand* means to say he took charge of, he is over it.

My goodness. I sat down at the television two days ago and I saw Christmas. Have you ever seen Christmas? I saw Christmas. The world, everybody, said, "We are not Catholics. We don't believe in the Roman Catholic Church. We are Protestants." Amen. The devil just created that to fool you. Every Protestant is a Catholic that obeys the Pope without knowing. Amen. Do you know that Pope Gregory said that the missionaries should capture the holidays of the heathen and should convert the holiday?

In Jamaica we had men that were called "Rastafarians." As Rastafarians, they were not supposed to eat pork, because pork is unclean. So somebody was involved with his jerk pork and just

couldn't get away from the taste of that marvelous dish. Hallelujah. So do you know what he did? He baptized the pig. Ask any Jamaican. He baptized the pig and instead of calling it pork, he called it Arnold. He ate Arnold. He didn't eat pork. Amen. Praise God. Yes. He ate Arnold!

Now, with deception, you can deceive yourself anytime you want. Amen. So here is the sort of thing that we have. We have Christmas, the "mass of Christ," ordered by the Pope, created by the Pope. Liberius and every Pope that has come after him adds his amount to it until we get the Christmas that we have now. "It must be done with lights and the lights must be various colored lights. It must be done with great feasting and singing ("Joy To The World, The Lord Is Come")." Well, you haven't heard anything yet until you hear that played with reggae. When they play it with reggae your liver jumps. Praise be to God. FALSE JOY! When I see the people of God begin to praise God and you feel the energy of God in your soul, I know that is REAL JOY! Amen. But they don't know it. They believe that what you are doing is just like what they are doing, because he is following the false shepherd, the idol shepherd who has no right ear, no right eye, no right arm. He is following this idol shepherd and they have a war of a time: Christmas, dancing, drinking, having fun, because they must drink. Did you know that? At Christmas you must drink, because it is the feast of Bacchus that they changed into the feast of Christ.

I was blessed. I heard a reporter ask a minister on the television, "If Jesus should come now and see this Christmas going on, how do you think Jesus would feel about everybody keeping His birthday?" The minister said, "He would be abhorred! It would be abhorrent to Him. It would hurt Him."

Yes! It is not Jesus. Some years ago there was a thing that happened in Russia. The underground church were in some basement praising God. All of a sudden, a great big hand appeared, like in the time of Nebuchadnezzar. It wrote in the wall ten things you must observe now, number one being, "The one that is standing by you, make sure who he is, because when you think it is Christ, it might be the anti-Christ."

Do you know what the word anti-Christ means? The translators translate it anti-Christ, but you know, when we say anti-aircraft gun, it means that it is against the aircraft, to shoot down the aircraft. *Anti*- basically, in the Latin, would mean the opposite against, but the word translated anti-Christ does not mean "showing himself to be against Christ," but "one who wants to take over the place of Christ." Let's read it described in the scripture in II Thessalonians 2. It is described as one who wants to take the place of Christ, not one who is coming out and saying, "I don't believe in Christ." No, no, no, this anti-Christ business is the one who takes the place of Christ.

II Thessalonians 2:1, Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him, ²That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. ³Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come (a rebellion in the church first) and that man of sin (the idol shepherd - the same anti-Christ is called "man of sin" here) be revealed, the son of perdition... The scripture said that Judas was called the "son of perdition." Did you know that Judas felt that he would take the place of Christ and lead the Jewish nation when he sold Christ? A stupid man, thinking like that after spending three years with Jesus Christ? If you spend one minute with Jesus Christ you are supposed to feel so humble and so low-down that you will know that you can't take His place. But Judas thought that he could take Jesus' place and so he was "man of sin," "son of perdition," anti-Christ. Amen.

It says here that there is going to be a rebellion. I believe that they deliberately translated it "falling away" because they were afraid to say that the church was going to rebel. Therefore they say "falling away." Now, that is a little easier. I come along, stub my toe and fall. I didn't deliberately lie

down. But what the Bible is teaching is that if you follow the son of perdition, if you follow the abomination of desolation, it is a rebellion. A rebellion. When Daniel talks about the abomination of desolation, do you know what the Lord said? He said, "It is in you." That is why I quickened a while ago. He said, "It is in you." I am not pointing my finger at you because I have one pointing back at me. The spirit of rebellion is in every man and he must overcome the spirit of rebellion before he can serve God in the Spirit and in truth.

How simple it is and yet we don't seem to have understood it. The Bible says that your body is the temple of the Living God. That means God wants to dwell and manifest in your body and show forth the glory from you. So you are the what? Give me a word. God wants to show Himself through you and His glory in the earth through you. That is why He has chosen a people to minister to the other people so that the people might minister. The will of Almighty God is not for people to go and minister and minister. We are supposed to lose our position. Amen. I am so blessed. I can sit down there in Florida and receive blessing from the meeting going on there, or the meeting going on in Africa, or somewhere else, because the people of God are growing into Christ and Christ is growing into them. Jesus!

He said, *Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom* (Luke 12:32). LOOSE! Don't be afraid. Don't let these dirty devils fool you. Every time that a thought of failure comes to you, it is a devil. Rebuke it. Every time a thought of weakness comes, rebuke it. For God is saying that but for the elect's sake no flesh would be saved. Do you hear me? You are the saviors of this world. It is because of you that we are not yet destroyed. Hear me now. I don't want to prophesy something that I just believe and I didn't hear. You understand? There are things that I hear and there are things that I believe because of what I hear, but not because I was told so. I want to tell you everything that I am told and not what I believe, because I have found out that I believe some wrong things sometimes.

When God first sent me to America, do you know what He said to me? "I want you to go to the United States with the Word just - J-U-S-T - just before the destruction." We were sure that within two years America would be destroyed, because we saw the visions of cities upon cities destroyed, completely bereft of life. But we prayed. When I say we prayed, I mean the Body of Christ prayed. I believe that because of the prayers of the people of God that God has held back and the Bible said so: "…he who now letteth will let, until - *ek mesos gevntai* - until out of the midst comes the anti-Christ." (II Thessalonians 2:7). The anti-Christ is coming out of the church. Amen.

You see, the point is that many of us are being deceived that the voice that we heard is Christ when it is not. We have to be careful, for the anti-Christ would like nothing better than to speak through you. He would like nothing better, so every wrong thought you have is a door open to the anti-Christ spirit. You thought that it was only the church system that had idols. I mean, they put up Mary as an idol, the precious mother of Jesus. They put her up as an idol and people are bowing before her, genuflecting and making the sign of the cross before her, before Jesus. Jesus becomes an idol instead of your Savior. Don't you understand?

I have a peculiar television that when you turn it on it goes to Channel 2 so I have to choose the channel that I want. When it came to Channel 2, I saw a girl. She was dressed in a flowing robe and she came out wheeling and wheeling and wheeling. The music started up and the guys came out, "Jesus!" She start to twist and, "Jesus!" and she twist, "Jesus!" I said, "What?" Then she said, "You are my Savior!" Anyhow, I found out it was a show. It was a show and they were artists and they were playing like a negro spiritual. His name has become the song of the harlots. Oh yes, the name of Jesus. So, you can worship Jesus as an idol. You can worship your pictures of your men and children as idols. Amen. "Nobody can touch that one." Whether he is wrong or right for you, he is right. That means that you have a vacancy. Hear me now, sisters and brothers. That means that you have a vacancy in your soul that is wide-open for the devil to come in. Amen.

I have been preaching for 60 years. I had a brother, a lovely brother, I loved the brother with all my heart. I mean, I looked at him as one of the powerhouses that God has created. You know, God creates people with different talents and this man had the talent of a man of power who was a powerhouse that God could express through and bless people. Hallelujah. I hope he is hearing me. I was praying for him and I went into a vision and I saw him preparing for a duel with a man who was dressed in Islamic garments. You know, Eastern. They were going to sword fight, and I was hurrying to get to the place, for I was rooting for him. While I was hurrying along the road, there came a man beside me. He was also hurrying and he was dressed in kind of ancient Eastern garments, like people from Saudi Arabia. He was beside me and he said, "My man is going to win." But Jesus Christ whispered to me and said, "Brother So-and-So is going to win." Now, I want you to hear this, brethren, and I want you to pray with me, too, for this brother.

As we got to the place, this is the scene that we saw. They were fencing with the sword and the man flashed the sword and he took off the brother's left ear. (Now, remember, your left ear is your material side, your carnal side.) I said to him, "Fight!" but instead of fighting, he dropped his sword and held on to his ear. Of course, you do that in a fight and you are finished. The man came up with his sword and put it in the center of the brother's forehead and twisted it like this. (In the occult you call that the third eye.) He just twisted the sword and opened his third eye. Believe you me, brethren, the brother began to preach Eastern doctrine. One of the doctrines that has overthrown him is that a man can marry more than one wife. The truth is that he will do anything that he believes. He believes the Word of God, he will live by the Word of God, but he believes that it is in the Word of God that he can marry more than one wife, because Solomon had more than 900. But Solomon was not a son of God in the way that we are sons of God. Jesus hadn't come yet. Amen. Solomon was yet a sinner. We are in a different era, a different time, and what we have received, the baptism of the Holy Ghost and everything else - poor Solomon, he knew nothing about these things. Hallelujah. The brother had to withdraw from us. But do you know something? God reminded me, "The Word of God never fails." God told me, "He is going to win." Brother, he is going to win. Help me pray for him. At the end he is going to win. He has gone very far into this doctrine, but I praise God, he is going to win.

You see, we are talking about the Holy Place, our holy place. We are the temple of the Living God. Look out there and see what has happened to the churches. All the churches have now turned from God and are now worshipping the anti-Christ. Let me repeat it so that those who are far and near might hear that the Lord God says that all the churches have turned away from God and are now worshipping the anti-Christ. That is why they keep Christmas. That is why they keep Easter. That is why they behave the way they do, obey another spirit rather than the Spirit of God. But that is for the Outer Court. What about us? Are we obeying the Spirit of the Living God? Brethren far and near, examine yourselves, for he whom you think standing beside you, that it is Christ, it might well be the anti-Christ! Amen.

Two weeks ago, a man went into a church in Colorado Springs. First of all, he shot up some of our brethren who were outside in their car. Amen. Then he went in to shoot up the church there. But that church is not walking with God. Our brethren that had left our group and had gone into that group, we give them our condolences. Amen. We give them our condolences, but they had no right to be there. Amen. A church that will play rock music is not a church that is hearing from God. Rock music comes from hell. When the son of Ahab went to Elisha and said to prophesy, to tell him something or the other, Elisha said to him, "You have a minstrel here" (II Kings 3:15) Do you think the musician came and played rock music? Come on, tell me. If he played rock music for Elisha, what do you think would have happened? Rock music comes from hell. All of the rock musicians should hear me speak: Your music is from hell.

There is heavenly music. There is heavenly music. When the shepherds were out in the field, they heard the angels singing. Amen. What did they sing, brother? "Glory to God in the highest." Glory to God; Lord help us. I almost said, "Gloria in Excelsis Deo." They didn't say that! They sang in Hebrew, "Glory to God in the highest."

So, if you will understand where we are coming from, brethren, if you could understand what goes on in the spiritual... Music is a spiritual thing. It affects you inside. If you listen to bad music, it creates in you the spirit of the musician. Let me try to say that again. Hallelujah. If you listen to wrong music it creates the spirit that is motivating the musician in you. So, if I am singing, "Jesus," and I sing, "Jesus," and I begin to hep it up, what kind of a spirit do you get? You would get a hepped-up spirit. So "Jesus" is to be said from the heart and it is to be expressed with the nature of God. It is to be expressed the same as in the Word of God. Amen.

When I looked at them the Spirit of God said to me, "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Matthew 16:26). Then I heard a dear brother who has passed on into the heavenlies begin to sing. He was singing, "If I should gain the whole world, but not the Savior, would my gain be worth a lifelong strife?" You know, it is reality. It takes you in the soul and the Spirit of God ministers life to the soul and you say, "Lord Jesus, I am Yours." Yes. So we must understand what we are talking about today. We are talking about the anti-Christ seeking entrance into your holy place.

Now, let me show you a thought here. "How could he come into my house and I did not willfully," (do you hear the word?) "I did not willfully, deliberately open the door for him? How could he come in?" Aha, if I had a hole in the wall that was not taken care of, for I was born with many holes in the wall... You know what Africans are. My parents come from that side of the world. Amen. I understand that they were brought into Calabar and that they were sold to Hawkins and Drake, two Englishmen that were in the slave trade business. They brought slaves here into this island of Jamaica. SO, you can take the man out of the country, but it is another thing to get the country out of the man. You come from Germany, brother. Your father was a German. You don't easily get rid of that father. He is in your veins. He is in your thinking. He is in your behavior. Get the German out! Hallelujah. Do you hear me, brother? Get the African out! Because the sons of God will neither be Germans, nor Africans, nor Europeans of any kind, nor anything else but Jesus, sons of God. Amen.

I heard you were singing "Arise." Yes sir. WE ARE IN DANGER and I'll tell you why. When the forces of darkness begin to rage, if you don't have oil in that lamp, you are a goner. Do you hear me? You are in trouble. The oil in the lamp is the Spirit of God in the heart and soul that will produce light under pressure. WHEN PRESSURE TAKES YOU, THE LIGHT GETS BRIGHTER! Amen. When pressure took the foolish virgins, THEY WENT OUT INTO THE DARKNESS! Amen. They wanted to receive oil. But God Almighty said that a lot of things are going to happen very soon, very soon. Those who are not ready will be caught because God said it will be sudden, like "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye," when you think not! Amen. The world is thinking, "Oh, we have so many years before Iran can make an atom bomb." Because when Iran makes an atom bomb, they are going to bomb Israel and then Israel is going to bomb them. Amen. Do you remember a scripture that said, *And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse* (Malachi 4:6)? Do you remember that scripture? One of the curses is that atom bomb. Do you hear me? I won't tell you the other one, but you can imagine who is going to use it, because the men who had the atom bomb did not have the guts to use it. Let me put it another way. They had the sense not to use it. But here comes a man that says that God appointed him to bring forth Armageddon. Now, I will ask a question: Is the next war that we are talking about, the atom war, is that Armageddon? The answer is no. So when he is talking about Armageddon, it is because he doesn't know what Armageddon is. Do you understand?

God is saying to His people, the angel is now standing on the land and the sea swearing that there should be time no longer! TIME IS UP! You know, the referee comes and he blows his whistle and the game is over. This is what we need to do, because if I tell you all of these dreadful things and don't tell you what to do to be encouraged, you are going to go away and be discouraged. It will be too much for you. But no, no, God created you to be a warrior. He is telling you what to do. We are going to obey God from now on. We are going to obey the voice of God from now on. Amen. The Word of God is going to be the forefront, like the Jews used to wear a little black box right between their eyes. For every natural there is a spiritual, so God's spiritual is that you wear that Word of God. Above all, sister, you don't have to have great knowledge. You don't have to have the ability to remember everything that was preached. BUT IF YOU HAVE A CLEAN HEART, IF YOU HAVE A PURE HEART, GOD WILL DELIVER YOU ANYTIME!! Amen. So then what the enemy tries to do is get your heart unclean. The enemy will come slap you. The enemy will do all kinds of things to you to make you react, then you disturb the glory passage in your soul. Amen.

Let's go on, because I must continue telling you what God is expecting of you today. From the church, the Body, God is expecting, first of all, obedience to the Spirit. But you say, "I don't know when it is the Spirit of God from when it is not the Spirit of God." You know by the Spirit that is within you. Yes. He said, "After these days..." Sister, this Word is for you. God says, "After these days, I will plant My law in your heart and in your inward parts." When the devil begins to fool around, you call upon the Holy Ghost within you and see what happens. He will come forth like a cannon. Amen.

That is the reason why we have the Holy Ghost. All around us, things look impossible, there is destruction, everything looks bad. Amen. You have the cure inside of you. Therefore, the Spirit and the Word is going to deliver us under every circumstance. Yes sir, the Spirit and the Word. You don't mind what other people have to say. You don't mind any distressing thing that you hear. You don't mind the trouble you are in, because the Spirit and the Word are going to give you the victory.

Now, I mentioned the victory we need to have over our ancestral things that are standing in our holy place. These ancestral things were in the Outer Court, but they got so deep that they entered into our holy place. That means that the mind has been taken by whatever it is. God is saying to His people that we must get down on our knees and say, "Lord God, take away my grandfather's temper from me." Yes. You couldn't be worse than I was and I know when it went. Amen. When it went, God sent me a test, because no man could touch me in the natural, because if he hit me, I would kill him. That was my condition. I couldn't help myself. God Almighty is saying to you that you could not be worse than me and He delivered me! You know the peculiar thing about God delivering you, brother? When God delivers you He doesn't just leave you to guess, "I wonder if I am really delivered or not?" He sends somebody to box you up. When you get hit and you realize that you are not resisting like you used to, you praise God.

I remember the first time a man touched me, the first time a man beat into me after I got delivered. A bubble of laughter came up. I just laughed. The people said, "He has gone loco!" A man beating you and you are laughing, because that is the first time that I never felt to kill him! I couldn't get that feeling; it was gone! God had taken away the demon of violence from me. So, don't be afraid of what your grandfather did to you. Amen. Hallelujah. You have the power to overcome. Hallelujah.

I am closing, but I want to make sure that you get the thought. The thought is that this is the time that the anti-Christ has entered into the Outer Court church. He came from the Outer Court. Now he has made a step further. He has gone into the Holy Place. So, the anti-Christ is in the minds of the people. I walk on the street. I see them. You know, the new style now is that the women are naked on the top, the whole top is naked. That is the new style. You are going down the street and even to the supermarket or someplace like that. You see the women and they are all in style: short little pieces of pants, empty belly, empty top. You know what I mean. They are showing as much skin now as they can legally, because apparently the men like to see the skin. Amen. That means that the anti-Christ has taken their minds. Amen.

You go into a church and a man is preaching the rapture. He is preaching it and they are really jumping and everything. A man put out a book and it says that the rapture will come before the tribulation. They need not bother. That means that the rapture came 40 years ago, because we are at the end, the END of the tribulation. Amen. We are going for the three and a half year END and the destruction. It says, *For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee* (Isaiah 60:2). Darkness shall cover the land, and gross darkness the people: but I shall arise upon My people as the light upon the mountains.

Don't you understand where you are? Be encouraged. Look up! "Lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh," and, "to be redeemed from this body..." Hallelujah. Tell me now, how can I get away from my body? Tell me what kind of a thing would have to happen? If the body remains in the condition that it is, then I can't get away from it. I have to give up the body. Do you know the greatest demonstration on earth that will convict the whole world of Jesus Christ is what God wants to use you to do?

Let me explain something to you. The people were in Babylon and King Nebuchadnezzar had them as his servants - remember, he had seen different miracles done by Daniel and all like that - but there were three young men: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. I won't go into the meaning of those names, but three boys who believed God. "Now, when you hear the sound of the sackbut, dulcimer and this and that - when you hear my music played then you all must bow down before me." The boys stood up. They did not bow. He said, "I am going to give you a chance." He didn't want to kill them, you know. "I'm going to give you a chance, now do it again." They said, "Though you give us a chance, whatever you do, we are not going to bow."

The furnace was heated so hot that the men who did the heating died. The heat killed them. Come on now, imagine now! Two men held them, swinging them! Three men fell down bound. They tied them and swung them like you would swing a bag and throw it and threw them into the midst of the fire.

The king said, "What? Did we not throw three men bound into the fiery furnace?" "Yes, But there is a fourth man there with them, and He is the Son of God!" Who told him that? Had he ever seen the Son of God before? But the revelation of God hit him. You can't see Jesus and not know whether it is Jesus or not. When you see Jesus, you know it is Jesus. Amen. He confessed God. He said, "From now on, nobody worship any god but this God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. If

anybody worships another god, even myself, take him and throw him into the fiery furnace." He was very impetuous, but he was converted in one minute. That is what God wants to use you to do.

When the fullness of Christ comes into you, they are going to be killing Christians. God is going to say, "All right. Get yourself in there and get killed." Would you like that, Sister Johnson? Amen. "Get yourself in there and get killed." Hallelujah. According to the vision that I saw, because remember now, Jesus taught me everything. I questioned Him and He showed me this. I saw a vision. I saw a long line of people going up to the guillotine and there were some just bowed down, but there were some who were rejoicing. "Yeah! Hello there!" You know what I mean. They were calling to people across the way and they were just praising God. Hallelujah. What did they know that the others didn't know? They knew that in order to manifest God in His fullness, there must be a demonstration of life over death that "I, being alive and a son of God, I want you to kill me and I am going to prove something to you," and they lop off the head. They cut off the head. Did you notice that the Islamics love to cut off the head? Well, I don't say that they are Islamic, but they are going to take the bodies and put them on show. Do you hear me? All over the world on the televisions and in the newspapers and everything, people will be seeing these dead people without heads. That is a demonstration, sir. Amen. Hallelujah.

I'll give you another thought. Jesus was away from Bethlehem and He got a message that his friend Lazarus was sick. Jesus deliberately tarried until Lazarus was dead for four days! Are you with me? He deliberately tarried, the Bible said, until he was dead for four days, until the sister said, *Lord*, *if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died* (John 11:21). He said, "Sister, I am the resurrection, and the life…"

She still didn't understand it. The Bible says Jesus wept. When you are dealing with people and they are so dense and they are dark and you are showing them the truth and the truth is not coming through... He just wept. But guess what? When He said, "Lazarus, come forth," Lazarus came shuffling, you know. He was tied up from head to foot. People began to back off from him. It is a ghost now, huh? Jesus said, "Loose him, and let him go."

So then our end is going to be a greater pantomime than that man's. I'm telling you, we will be on show, dead. People will be looking at it everywhere and crying for us. Three and a half days come and go and like Lazarus, the trump of God will sound. Guess what? We will get up and search around for our heads. Come on now, my head will be mixed up with many other heads. So I will have to step over some of the heads to go and get my head and put it on. Hallelujah. Do you think we would make a picture, a show? I will put on my head and go to the courthouse and show myself. Now, when Jesus resurrected He didn't go and show Himself. He kept it a secret. Only the brethren saw Him. The scriptures say that 500 saw Him at one time. But this time, everybody must see you. Why? Because if they are going to be saved, they will have to be saved right then. You will have made a last effort, a last preaching of Jesus before destruction hits them. Any man who sees that demonstration and investigates it to make sure that it is so and doesn't get saved, he is finished. He doesn't want God at all. So, the greatest and final demonstration of the power of life over death will be the sons of God rising up first, the first fruits company, God calls it, taking charge of the world, overthrowing the powers that be. Do you hear me? Overthrowing the powers that be, putting down all authority. God says, "And the kingdom and the dominion and the greatness of the kingdom under all heaven will be given to the people of the saints of the most High God and His kingdom and His dominion shall be everlasting" (Daniel 7:27).

We are heading into victory. Some people may call it defeat, but it is victory of life over death. The life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death. The law of life...

Learn the law right. Get it into your being. The law of life that is in Christ Jesus made me free. I am free from the law of sin and death. I look the devil in the eye and say, "You can't kill me!" Amen!!! Amen!! "You don't have the power to kill me. I can prove it to you; kill me now." The devil is so foolish that he killed Jesus. If the devil was smart he would have gone in the opposite direction of killing Jesus, for Jesus really set it up. He said, "No, you didn't kill Me. Ask My Father, He's the one responsible." So it was set up, amen, because Jesus had to demonstrate the power of life over death. Amen!!! And if you have the same life, you will do the same demonstration at the end of time.

So, brethren, let us believe God, let us believe the plan and the purpose for which God created us. Let us all press on into the position of perfection that has been prescribed for us by the all-knowing, omnipotent God. God bless each and every one of you.