



# Keeping In Touch

*...whether I come and see you, or else be absent,  
I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit,  
with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;  
Philippians 1:27b*

*And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.*

*<sup>10</sup> As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.*

*Galatians 6:9-10*

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A warm welcome to all of our readers! We are so happy to give you the May 2008 edition of *Keeping In Touch*. There are so many good and challenging messages found within these pages and our hope is that they might serve to encourage and strengthen your walk in the Lord!

As always, we want to hear what the Lord is speaking to you, also, whether it is a testimony, word of encouragement, a book review, or anything that you feel would be a blessing to the Body of Christ. Please send it to us at one of the addresses below. God bless you all!

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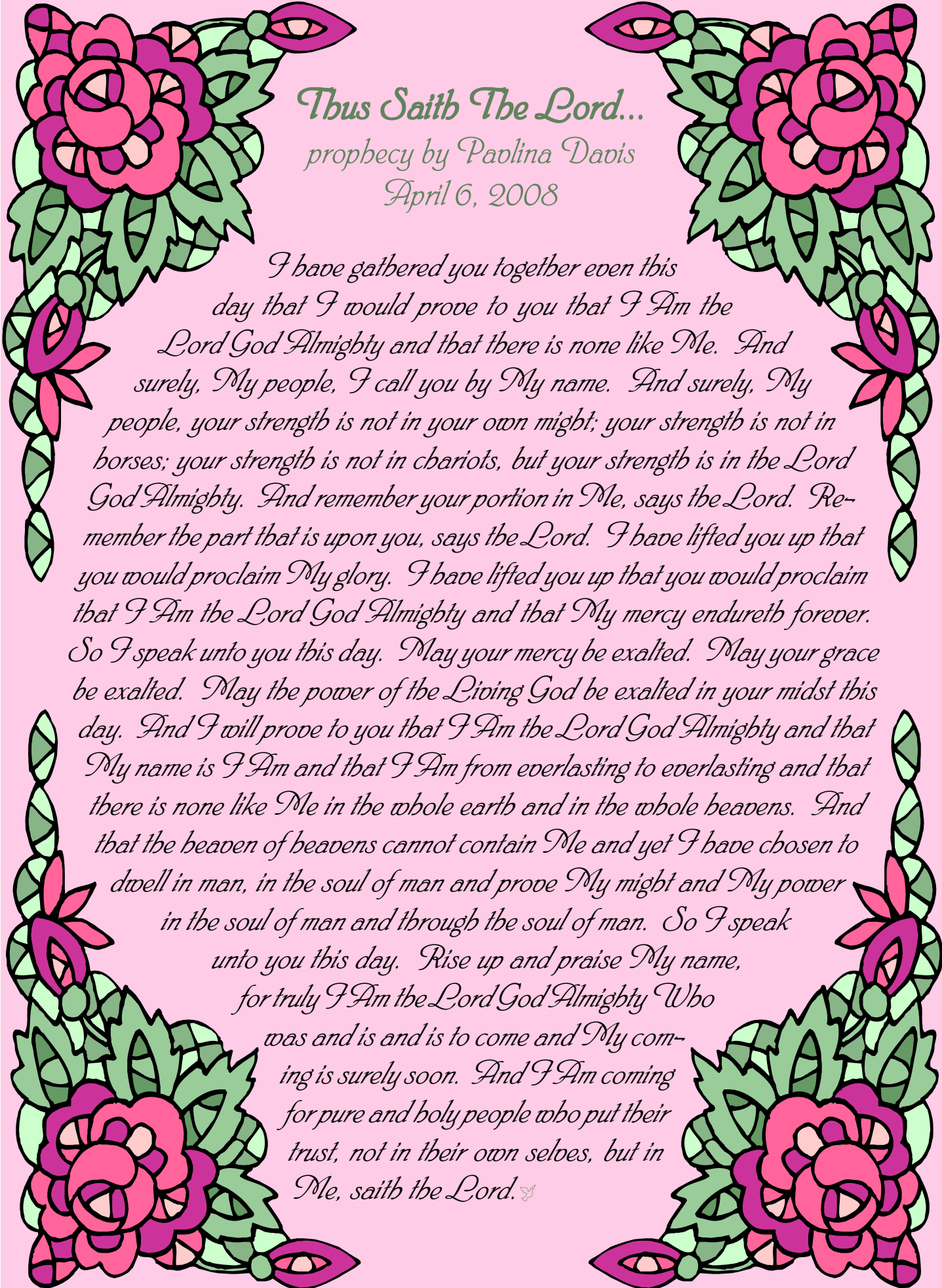
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*Thus Saith The Lord...*  
*prophecy by Paulina Davis*  
*April 6, 2008*

*I have gathered you together even this day that I would prove to you that I Am the Lord God Almighty and that there is none like Me. And surely, My people, I call you by My name. And surely, My people, your strength is not in your own might; your strength is not in horses; your strength is not in chariots, but your strength is in the Lord God Almighty. And remember your portion in Me, says the Lord. Remember the part that is upon you, says the Lord. I have lifted you up that you would proclaim My glory. I have lifted you up that you would proclaim that I Am the Lord God Almighty and that My mercy endureth forever. So I speak unto you this day. May your mercy be exalted. May your grace be exalted. May the power of the Living God be exalted in your midst this day. And I will prove to you that I Am the Lord God Almighty and that My name is I Am and that I Am from everlasting to everlasting and that there is none like Me in the whole earth and in the whole heavens. And that the heaven of heavens cannot contain Me and yet I have chosen to dwell in man, in the soul of man and prove My might and My power in the soul of man and through the soul of man. So I speak unto you this day. Rise up and praise My name, for truly I Am the Lord God Almighty Who was and is and is to come and My coming is surely soon. And I Am coming for pure and holy people who put their trust, not in their own selves, but in Me, saith the Lord. ❧*

# The Idol Shepherd

*Cecil J. duCille*

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*Montego Bay, Jamaica, West Indies*

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, <sup>16</sup>*For, 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. <sup>17</sup>*Woe 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 some-

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body 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!

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prophet, stand in the holy  
place, (whoso readeth,  
let him understand.)  
Matthew 24:15*



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, <sup>2</sup>That 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. <sup>3</sup>Let 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

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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 instead of 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 life-long 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. The anti-Christ is trying to come into our 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. Now, when God told me 2008, it was about 8 years ago. 2008 was far away. Nobody paid much attention. Before I get back to my home in Florida, 2008 will be here. 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. That is what we are thinking, but next year, whoever is to have the atom bomb will have it. 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. There is the passage that the glory comes in, you know. 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

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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. You know, if you think 2008 is going to be bad, live until 2009, because there is supposed to be famine and distress of nations and in all that God is going to have His people. 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 at least have that principle and they are going to cut off your head. Amen. Then 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. ✨



# *A Love Letter*



*by Mederana Gomez*

*Thank You, Lord Jesus, for everything, for giving Yourself for me. John 3:16, For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

*It is hard for us to look past ourselves and the things in this life that bombard and distract us daily and truly say, "Thank You, Lord. I love You with all of my heart, mind, soul and strength." But you know something, when we are able to think of God's love and His truths, and start to strive more to be like Jesus, focused on God rather than our everyday view of the natural, physical things of this life, we truly realize where Christ got His strength to go to the cross.*

*Love answers all things. I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart and into His courts with praise (Psalms 100:4). I know with all my heart that to say everyday to my God, "I love You," in spite of what is going on in my world to distract me and keep me down, those distractions have no power over the love of God that I have received. When I was yet a sinner, Christ died for me, and it was the love of the Father to look beyond my mess of sins and love me anyway.*

*I love You, Daddy, my God, my Friend. You mean so much to me, and I want to truly express my love to You daily. I love You my God, with all of my heart, mind, soul and strength.*

*Saying, "I love You," to God daily in the thoughts of our hearts produces actions of love. It helps to keep our minds in the right place. Where the love of God is the enemy flees, amen. God's love produces unity, peace, joy, and the true attitude of servanthood. The Word says that God IS love, and His love is what will complete and perfect us. If I love God first with all of my being, then I am of God, for where love is, God is present, amen. Think about God's love. Believe in it, live it, say it. I love You, Lord, My God, My King.✝*

*I love You.*

# The Function of the Body of Christ

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*Heavenly Father, I come before You this evening and I pray that You would give us a word that would refresh us, inspire us and give us the power to smite the enemy of our souls. Lord, we want to take the word that You have given us and use it as a means to overcome. I pray, Lord God, that You would open our ears and our hearts to understand the practicality of Your Word, that it would not just be something that we preach about, but that it would be something that we live. So, I pray, Lord, that You would give us the strength and the power this evening to hear and to become the works of the Word. Amen.*

Praise the Lord. Last Sunday a sister was sharing a marvelous story about water buffalos. I am not going to repeat it but I am just going to use the point. The principle was about the power that is in the Body of Christ. We are not talking about a multitude of people, but we have to understand that it is speaking about the Body of Christ. God created a man. God created all nature. Everything in nature is there for us to understand the principles of God. Isn't that true? When I started to study biology in school, I realized that there must be a God. There is no other way. There is no other explanation. If you are honest, the more you study, the more you will see it.

One of the principles God gave for us to understand the function of the Body of Christ is mathematics. I hope that I will not confuse the children, because this is something different than what your parents told you in your home schooling. It is very basic math. One plus one equals what? [congregation: two] That is the problem - it doesn't equal two. One plus one doesn't equal two in the economy of God. Does it? One plus one equals at least ten because the Word of God says that *one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight* (Deuteronomy 32:30).

So, what I am saying about the Body of Christ is that the whole principle of being together is not only about adding, but it is about multiplying. It is very important to understand that if I build my house, that is okay. Now, let's say that we have five brothers and each of them is building a house. In our fellowship many are at an age and circumstance that they are building houses. The tendency that we have in our building is that I do mine, you do yours, and he does his instead of all of us working on mine, then all of us

working on yours, and then all of us working on his. Amen. But we don't believe in the function of the Body. Amen. We don't believe in the mechanism. We don't believe that it works, so I keep my business, you keep yours and let him keep his. Rather than, "Can I help you with yours?" and "Can I be helped with mine?"

There are so many different skills and different abilities that we have that there is a different power. The Body is not about adding; it is about multiplying. Amen. If we start realizing these principles, if we realize how it is supposed to be in the Body, then we will desire the Body to be built up. If I believe that I have everything that I need for my life in myself, I actually don't need you. I don't have an interest to build you up. Why would I? I have everything I need. Yes, I know that I am a Christian so "I should." Yet we do all these religious things by "I should." Do you know what I mean?

We need to move from "as a Christian we *should be* doing this," without understanding what it is good for. We cannot run the long run on "I should." "I *should* look good, because if I don't, they will say..." I strongly believe that we need to understand and comprehend the mechanisms which are in the Body of Christ. There are different members with different functions and each of them is specific. We know that I Corinthians 12 speaks about this.

What else do we need to know practically? "Well, I know that I am something in the Body." People usually don't know who they are. "Who knows who my hand is?" Well, you are not sure, right? "Who feels his liver?" All right, we cannot relate it in the natural but all of us understand that we don't want to just have livers, or just hands. What it means is that we don't want to be the same. We want to be of one mind and that is to have the mind of God, the mind of Christ. But we don't want to be the same, right? So it is good that we are different. We have different talents. I can be "short." Somebody else is "taller." Maybe I am "soft" and somebody might be "hard." What is better? Somebody can be "loud." Somebody can be "quiet." What is better? It depends what I am. If I am quiet, quiet is better. If I am loud, loud is better.

But I remember once I was meditating and speaking to the Lord and the Lord was telling me about different tools that I have at home. I have a nice power hammer, power drill. I think Brother Peter has some experience with that in our house. You know, it makes noise. But our walls are different. Some walls in our house are three and a half to four feet of stone so you need to have some very powerful tool if you need to make a window. I remember when I was here years ago and Brother Barak said, "We are going to hang a window." So he brought in his saw and just cut the window out. It is not the case in my country. We have to have this tool like a jack-hammer and it makes all this noise and it jumps all around and drills and there is power. It makes noise. "Are you complaining about this tool being loud?" "No, that is part of the business." We don't want this tool to be gentle, do

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we? No, we don't want it to be gentle. We want it to be hard. We want it to hit, because that is what it is for.

Well, that same day, somebody had a little problem with their tooth. You wouldn't expect me to use the same power tool to drill a tooth, right? Imagine saying, "All right. Just open your mouth and keep it open. I'll try not to miss." After jumping around in his mouth you would say, "Well, this is not right. I have to

find something gentle or something not too big which could possibly be used for a child. Is that what you want?" "Yes, we need that." We need a smaller tool to use on the tooth. It might be similar in nature to what we use to make the window, but it is for a more delicate job.

So believe it or not, we have different tools, separate tools that do different things. I have to understand that each of the tools can have a characteristic. It can be a good tool or a bad tool. It could be a good toothpick or a bad toothpick. Do you understand? This is what matters and this is what is important. It can be a diligent toothpick, or maybe not diligent. It can be broken or functioning. Amen. Each of the tools can be broken or functioning. It can be reliable - each time I use it, it works - or unreliable. For example, maybe every other time I try to use it, there is a problem with it. This is the characteristic that we all should work on, and we should be able to encourage the diversity of gifts and ministries in the Body of Christ.

I am sure that you see when I speak, that I speak differently than Brother Peter, than Brother duCille, than Brother George, than Brother Whoever. Amen. Shall I try to be like Brother Peter or Brother Burt or Brother duCille? Well, in many aspects, yes. There are many ways that I want to be like Brother Peter. There are many ways that I want to be like Brother Burt and Brother duCille. Sometimes we are afraid to say that. "No, no, no. I don't want to be like a man. I want to be like Jesus." I want to be like Jesus is in these men. Amen. There are certain things that we don't need to necessarily try to copy, but we do need to encourage one another in whatever he is doing, however he is doing it, and we need to encourage him to be reliable. Don't become a toothpick like I am. Be the power hammer, but you need to be reliable. You need to be available. You need to not be broken. Amen. You need to be functioning.

What we don't see is that we need one another. You know, honestly, if you just kind of pick a person who is sitting here and imagine that he wasn't here, you wouldn't necessarily feel the loss. "Well, I can imagine I would feel the same if they left as when they were here." If that is our thought process, there is something wrong. If I tell you to chop off your hand, would you feel the same? You would say, "NO! I need it! It is part of the function and I would not survive without it." Amen.

This is one of the things that I want to tell you before I leave. We will not survive without the Body. We will not survive without one another. I mean, I don't care how good your heart is, if your lungs are not there, the heart will very soon cease and we cannot just be building ourselves. My responsibility is not only to care and to try to build myself, I have to also go and care about you, because I love you. If I spend the time with the Lord, He is giving into my heart something for you so that I love you. I honestly care for you, not

because "I am a Christian, I should." I would rather love him and there is something that God creates in me. The second thing is that I need you. I need to see the way you see. I need to have your perspective. Amen.

I was speaking in Jamaica about Revelation 4, about the eyes and the changed soul. One level, and that is mainly where it was, is speaking about us being able to see. The other is the body ministry. We have to be able to have all the others in the Body tell us how they see, that we all may see the whole picture. I don't know a single person in the world, I haven't met him yet, who sees the picture right. I always say, and I have talked to some of you through the course of the week, "Well, I'll tell you how I see it. I know I see it wrong. I just don't know how wrong. Okay. But I will tell you how I see it. Then you tell me how you see it and I know you see it wrong, I just don't know how wrong. Then let's see if together we might start to see it right." Amen.

We have to change our attitude to one another. We have to understand and believe that we aren't even seeing without one another. Amen. This might be very difficult for you. It might be very difficult for you to comprehend, but we have to come to the conclusion that we are blind. We were speaking from Revelation 3 and it says, "You think you see and are rich. The truth is that you are blind and poor." Revelation 3:17, *Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:*

We have been living and walking and believing that we see. This is the first sign that we are blind. We have to start walking and believing, and understand that, "Lord, I cannot see without You! Lord, I cannot see without the Body. I need the others to help me, to open my eyes and see how things really are." Amen. We need to walk; I won't use the word "humble" because it is often misunderstood. But we have to walk in the understanding that whatever you think the picture is, **you still might be wrong.** We had a situation today and I don't want to mention that it was Paul, because it was kind of terrible. We had this situation today where this brother was absolutely sure and he said, "Well, you must be kidding me!" We were in this lover's quarrel. We had three Czech people there teaching the English man about language things, because he told his boy, "The squirrel is going "hop-hop." So he goes, "hop-hop." I said, "No, the right pronunciation is "hōp-hōp"." He said, "It is hop-hop." I said, "No, it is like hōping, 'hōp-hōp'." He is there thinking, "What is your problem?" I see him laugh, "Are they kidding?" You know? So we think we are right with the pronunciation "hōp-hōp." Yes. Do you know why? That is the Czech verb. We were trying to teach him a Czech verb. The poor brother just believed that we were pulling his leg, trying to tell the natural-born English speaker how to speak and pronounce right. This was a funny situation, so we had fun and a good laugh. But what I am trying to say is, before we found the key to it, he was there thinking, "I must be absolutely right. There is no way I could be wrong. I am here in this United States and everything and I know what the problem is." **The thing is, we have to enter things believing that we are WRONG.** Do you know what I mean?

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Let me give you an example. I came to a meeting and I saw a situation that I presented before my boss. I said, "I think we should do this." He said, "No, no, we should go there." I said, "You're the boss. Yes, Sir." That was that and I went and did it. I thought, "That is it, I am fine." He was more pleased than before. So after a while of doing this, I went and kind of thought that I would get a little star from the Lord. So I said, "Lord, what do You think?" The Lord said, "Nay, nay." "Okay, what?" The Lord said, "You don't believe

that he is right." Of course I don't. I have my own opinion, don't I? Yes, I have my own opinion. I see it my way. Okay. I can obey and respect him and do whatever he says but how can I believe he is right? "Lord, Lord, Lord!" Well, all right. I won't deny it. I just couldn't figure it out. It just didn't make sense to me. I don't know if it does to you now but it didn't make sense to me then. So I kind of struggled with it. I went to the next meeting with him and we had another situation and I presented to him a solution and he said, "No, no, no. That is not true. We need to do it otherwise." I said, "Yes, Sir." This time I meant it; I knew how it was. I was sure that I knew how it was. All right, he didn't have enough information, so all right. I did it his way.

Do you know what I realized in the course of action? **HE WAS RIGHT! I WAS WRONG!** I knew I was right, but I was wrong. So I could think I am 100% right and still be wrong. Is it making sense? So I said, "All right. I think I am getting the point."

So the next time I came and presented the situation and again he told me a different idea. I said to the Lord, "That is a plus." The Lord does it to us when He wants to make a point. So I am there sitting in front of my boss and now I am more careful, because I think I am learning my lesson. He tries to explain and I don't see it. I still think, "My goodness, I see a different thing." But this particular morning, I started getting the point and I told him, "You know, Sir." Jack was his name. I said, "Jack, I don't see it. I know you are right. I am 100% sure you are right, but I don't see it. Can you explain it to me?" So he started explaining it to me and then he said, "Go and you will see." So I went and looked and he was right. The next time when I came and approached him, I knew that however I saw it, I would trust that he was right.

What am I saying? Shall we always believe we are wrong and whoever else is right? Not necessarily. But there is something that clicked in me and I was able to come to the situation and, regardless of how I had seen it, I knew that it didn't matter. I could still be totally wrong. Okay, where is this going? Well, I believe that in the Body of Christ we have to have the mentality of needing the Body and knowing that, even in the Body, I don't see it properly. I need the Body. I need the Body to tell me how things really are to give me the full picture.

You know, we have a tendency to have opinions. We have a tendency to see things how they are. "I think I know how things are." "I have opinions." "I know how you work in the church." "I know how this is in Jamaica." "I know how this is in Czech." "I know

how the worldly are.” You know? And, “I have an opinion about everything.” Do you understand? “I have an opinion about you.” “I think that I understand your situation.” “Well, why don’t we sit over a cup of tea and I can tell you all about it?” Do you know what I mean? Sometimes we each have the tendency to believe that we understand it all, we see it all. “Hey, I know about your job, by the way.” You know what I mean. “I know what you should do, by the way. Submit it all to Christ.” It sounds funny, but this is kind of our way of thinking sometimes, isn’t it?

It is kind of the mentality that we have and we don’t want to believe that sometimes we need to see our own life in the right way. Sometimes I need somebody to tell me how to see myself, how to perceive myself, the same way that I would do with a boss. If I hadn’t admitted that he was right even when I didn’t see it, I would never have learned this lesson and I would never have learned to go beyond where I was. We will not be able to go beyond as the Body of Christ until we see that we need each other. I don’t just mean that we only need the group that we have in one corner. I want to put the toothpicks in one corner and the power hammers in the other corner. When the toothpick comes to talk it is the gentlest, because this is how they are. Somehow we always find the toothpicks together. It is the same way with the power hammers; it is the same way because it is a good noise and they enjoy it. Do you know what I am talking about?

You don’t want that. It is natural, but natural in the bad sense. Okay. We need to get it spiritual. We need to get the hand to join the shoulder. We need to have the leg. We need to have the liver. We need to have the muscle and there are different types of muscle. You don’t want a heart to function like your hand. No, you don’t. And you don’t want your hand muscle to function like your heart. No. So in the same way, in the Body I need your different ways and how you see things.

If I am to understand it, I come to the conclusion that without you, I am not making it. I am not making it alone in this thing. In the world I can do things as an individual, but my aspiration is higher. My aspiration is higher. It is in heaven. So the picture of the heavenlies is never individual. Do you know that? There are 144,000. There are 2 witnesses. Go to Revelation 1 for example and He speaks and it is many waters. Whenever you look, it is multiple. So if I want to be the 2 witnesses, in the best case, I can’t be 1. I need the other one. Is he available to be the second witness? We know the spiritual meaning. Of course it is not two people. But do you know what I am saying? The Christ is many. Where are they?

We cannot fulfill the end of the Bible alone. So, to speed up the process, we need to work on “building myself unto the others.” Isn’t it interesting in the other part there is the 144,000 - that is a spiritual number. We know that. We don’t need to go into that, right? But the mentality is that I am, you are, as vital for my life as my own self. Isn’t that strange? Your well-being should be as important for me as my well-being. Your family’s well-being is as important as my family’s

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For example, if you were to borrow money from me and then pay the money back and it was \$75 or \$100, I always say, "It doesn't matter. It is to family anyway." You know what I mean. It's in the family so you can't do it wrong. It is like when your wife takes \$75 from your wallet and she gives you back \$100. You can't do it wrong. Right? It doesn't matter where it sits; it is in the family anyway. It is all from the same pie anyway. My wife doesn't say to me, "Honey, now make sure..." when I borrow \$25 from her. In the same way, some people in

Prague have a relationship like that and it is not just \$75, it could be \$7,000. It doesn't matter. It is in the family anyway. Do you know what I mean? If you put it there, if I put it there, who cares? But this is the mentality. We have to understand and stop saying "me" and start saying "us" as a Body.

If I see that you are not doing things that I believe should be right, it is my problem. It bothers me because I need you. If you fail, I am going to fail as well. I am standing with you and standing with you. Do you understand it? Because if you really do understand, you would start to look around and not say, "My goodness, did you see him? Oh, and he is come here among us holy ones." You know. You would not think like this, right? You would say, "Oh my. I have a problem here. I have a problem here and I need to resolve it. I need to do something about it," because, eventually it can affect my whole body. It can affect the whole of my being and in the end, because of this attitude, I may perish. Amen. Do you understand it?

There is so much that I wanted to say. There are a few more things, but this is the main principle. We need to start understanding and seeing the whole purpose of God. What is God building? It is a 6,000 year project. It has been 6,000 years and the final product is almost ready. I don't care if we don't see it necessarily. I trust the Lord. He said it and it is available. I don't know what He will do in the end, but He will do it. Amen. It will be done and I want to be part of it and I know it has multiple members.

So take, for example, the boards in the Tabernacle. All right. Here we are, the Body of Christ, desiring the same thing or we would not be sitting here. Amen. We desire the same thing. The Bible says that the boards in the Tabernacle of Moses represent us, so each of you is a board. Each of you sitting here, standing here, walking here is a board, which together are forming the whole Body of Christ. Each of the boards are one and a half cubits wide. What does the one and a half mean? It represents incompleteness. In other words, you cannot be complete alone. It is not that you have friends and you are free now. It is a principle. You cannot be complete alone. You cannot be satisfied with your own completeness. You cannot be satisfied; you need to make sure that you have the rest of you to build. Because one and a half and one and a half makes three. There is no other way. In the same way, God will not allow 1,000 to come against you, but 10,000 just to realize that you have to be able to face it together.

You are not able to battle certain things alone. I think I would call Brother Burt or Brother duCille or somebody and say, "There are things that I need help with." Call the

elders. You do whatever. You need to fight together. I mean “together” in the sense of “as against the enemy.” Sometimes the enemy wants to confuse us. Well, I shouldn’t say sometimes, I should say he always wants to confuse us. He wants to make sure that he gives us enough lies that we stop building one another and start fighting one another.

You know, many are busy fighting one another. We have no time, energy, effort, and strength and too much personal identity to fight the enemy together. Amen? So he enjoys if you are fighting one another. Then he can go and spread lies. “Did I tell you about this brother?” You know, this is the devilish thing. He can go and undermine and destroy the whole principle, because we should be united and seeing the same things.

The Lord told me that the scripture that I should leave you with is Matthew 7:3, *And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother’s eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?* We so easily see the mote that is in our brother’s eye. Oh, my goodness. I see yours and that is dissention because the next scripture will surely show us and prove to us that we don’t see it. We think we see it, but we don’t. Verse 4 says, *Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye?* Well, all right. How do I put a beam in my own eye? If I say “beam,” how big is it? A beam is kind of BIG, isn’t it? So how can I fit this into my eye? Really, I can’t. So it is perspective. If I put something in front of my eye, it would become a BEAM, because it would cover the whole eye, you know what I mean? It is like if you take your finger and put it in front of your eye, it is bigger than a finger held farther away. So it could even be a small thing that is blocking your view so that you don’t see properly. Try to do that and tell me what you see? Not much. Amen. I’d like the kids to try that. Thank you, children. So what you see you don’t really see properly. Again, the scripture says in Matthew 7:3, *And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother’s eye* (Why are you looking there?), *but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?* Verse 4, *Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye?* Do you really want me to pull it out? Take it out of your eye? I can’t because I can hardly see anything. “Well, where is your eye then?” That is the problem. I don’t see properly. **I don’t see properly.** So what does the Bible say to do? How can we help it?

Verse 5, *Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother’s eye.* Only then. If you know about the beam in your eye, okay, you cast it out first and only then can you see clearly. We have a rule in our house; we believe that **when you are angry, you don’t see.** You just don’t see. So whoever is the guilty one, the other one tells him, “Well, you don’t see. You got mad. You got mad and your perspective was of yourself.” You know what I mean. You come and you are all upset about a situation and blah, blah, blah. Unless you really collect yourself and go back to the Lord, go back to Christ, it doesn’t matter how right you want to be.

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What I am trying to say is, "Why don't we stop worrying about Brother So and So, Sister So and So, and Whoever?" Okay? Also, stop thinking about how we can go and fix that problem, when we are so caught up in our own lives and the beams in our lives? Well, I suppose we might be, right?

This is the principle which has to work. If everybody would start worrying about his own beam and maybe ask somebody else, "Can you help me get this thing out of my eye?" Then it will actually take care of your problems, too. Amen. Because only then will you start seeing it clearly AND what it says next, ...*see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.*

I don't know if you understand where I am going, but it is really practical. I think it is a really, really specific, practical thing for this part of the Body to realize the need for your brothers and the need to realize the diversity of gifts and the different ways how things are manifested and also how the Lord is dealing through you, by you, for you, for us. Amen.

You know, there are people who have a problem; a brother may come and he may jump as he ministers. You know there are whole nations who cannot tolerate people who jump? Can you believe it? There are nations where the brethren would come and preach and one brother would jump and they would stop him and say, "Don't jump!" "Don't speak loud, we have a microphone." They stop the flow and they rob themselves of the benefit! As a result they will end up missing the mark. Do you believe it?

There are people who can't stand people who don't jump. There are people who can't stand people like me who are quiet. You know, in a way, I can't really jump. I am not a jumper. There are some people who think that the more spiritual that I am, the more I will be quiet or loud or whatever. Forget all that! **FORGET ALL THAT!** Try to build one another up and to judge righteousness and encourage the diversities in the Body and don't try to create all this discussion about somebody and this mote in his eye, because **the more you see it, the more blind you are.** Amen. I hope you understand me. I hope you understand what I want to say. I hope and desire that we can encourage one another, that we can trust one another, that we can build one another up. You know?

We are not perfect. We are far from it, unfortunately. But we can spend all our time telling one another how un-perfect we are OR helping one another to become perfect. Amen.

We are grieved to say that we have to leave you. It has been a great privilege to be here. We have been very blessed and we have been very busy trying to be with you as much as we could. We are realizing with awe that we just haven't made it at all. We are far from being and spending the time with you that we wanted to. We trust that the Lord will be more merciful to bring us here or to bring you there, because we consider you to be (as I said in the beginning) the only thing that we have. You know, you are the other part of me. Amen. So we pray that God would be dealing with you and taking care of you. We pray that the Lord will edify you and multiply you in His wisdom, in His love, in His care, in His repentance and that when we meet next time, we will be closer and more like Him. Amen. Also, that we will be more seeing, because we have been busy removing the beams from our eyes. God bless you. ☺

# Kids' Chronicles



## Relocating by Nikolai



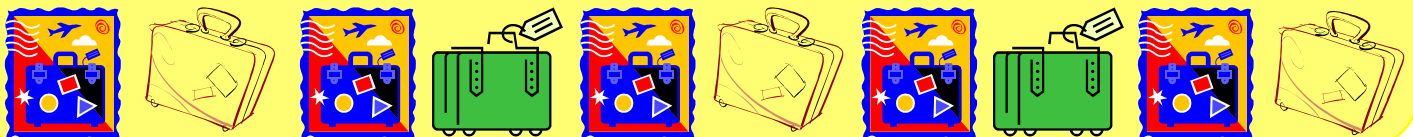
To move is a very difficult thing to do. You have to go through all the trouble of packing, just to get nervous and run around at the last minute, because you are late for the flight (literally running)! Sometimes there is a misfortune, especially if you have never traveled before. You never really know what you are going to encounter, especially for longer distances! If you are flying for the first time, it is always a learning experience.

That is what happened to my family and me on our way to America. My mother packed everything she could lay her hands on! She had extremely humongous suitcases, which we could barely fit into the car we were driving in! Leaving Jamaica was also a last minute thing, so we did not get to say goodbye to some of our friends. I was actually told we were going to leave the week before, but I did not believe it! I thought it was unnecessary to tell people something that might not happen. So I would jokingly speak about it with my close friends!



While on the airplane, we were able to relax some, because all of the busyness in getting to the airport was over. But the ride was not over, because we had a joint flight! We had to stop at an airport in Florida before connecting again to Chicago. At times we felt lost because the airport was large. So we individually prayed, and every time we did, God made a way by sending us a guide, and we always made it to our checkpoints on time.

When we reached O'Hare it was a lot easier for us. We were getting used to the activity around us and started to go with the flow. We had confidence by then, and grateful hearts! At last, we were picked up and brought home! God answers prayers.







## The Merits of Obedience by Isaac

April 16, 2008

Yesterday, Caleb and I were playing and we were playing something we aren't allowed to play. Mom said not to, but we disobeyed and when we disobeyed, we broke something. Mom told me, for example, that even if someone says smoking is fine, it does not mean that it is right.

Someone else had told me that we could do what we were doing, even though Mom had said not to. Proverbs 6:20-21 says, "My son, keep thy fathers' commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother. Bind them continually upon thy heart, and tie them about thy neck."

by Caleb



April 16, 2008

Yesterday, Ike and I were playing baseball and we broke something important when we didn't follow a rule. We had to pick up all the sticks in our yard instead of getting to have more play time. We sure learned our lesson. Next time I'll think twice. I learned that I need to be obedient. "Children obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right." Ephesians 6:1. 🐦



# VISITORS' CORNER

A warm welcome to Susan Herrig and Stephanie Gassman who came our direction on the weekend of March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Brian and Karen Owen visited their family and attended our Wednesday night meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup>. The following weekend of the 29<sup>th</sup> we were blessed to fellowship with Eric and Cheryl Gassman's entire family. Martin and Kveta Hloska arrived here the first weekend in April. Their two little boys, Joseph and Simon, are also here with them and they will be staying in our area for the month of April. Virginia and Wynn Johnson traveled down from Sterling to be with us that weekend, too. On April 13<sup>th</sup> we were delighted to once again see Cheryl Gassman and the Gassman children. They were here for the weekend to bring Stephanie down as she is going to stay in our area for awhile. We are happy to have Stephanie here for however long the Lord has her to be with us! 🐦



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7:00pm Bible Study