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Sermon study number R2R number 5. The following message titled Demonstrations of the Spirit was given Sunday morning, October 16th, 1960. We've been going into the Word of the Lord and showing you how that these different demonstrations are in the Word of the Lord. And if someone that doesn't understand and doesn't believe why you can take them to the Word of the Lord and show it to them in the Word.

So number 8, the demonstration of shaking. And a lot of times you see people shaking under the power of God and sometimes it makes people mad in the carnal because they don't understand and their flesh and the devil fights and all. But it's in the Word of the Lord.

Let's go to Acts the 9th chapter in verse 6. This is a story here where Paul was, you know, he fell down to earth after the Lord appeared to him there on the road to Damascus and asked him why that he persecuted him and why he was kicking against the brick. And he trembled and astonished, said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou shalt do. So sometimes God has to get people in a shaking.

Sometimes when there's a shaking, an outward demonstration of a shaking, it not only, well, this is a further symbol. The Lord was shaking Paul aloose from his old way. And he began to tremble, he began to shake.

And when he began to shake, he got in a good shape to listen to the voice of the Lord. And so sometimes the Spirit of God has to come on people and shake them, really shake them, before they will listen to the voice of God. You know, there used to be a day in our country where sinners used to tremble and shake under the conviction power of God.

I've seen it in Methodist church and Baptist church. People really shake under the power of God. And when the power of God would come upon a sinner to shake him in his sin, usually he'd make a beeline for the altar and get saved.

And so that's what happened with Paul here. He was shaking, trembling. And then the Lord could speak to him.

All right, let's hurry on real quick here. And then on back in, let's go back to Jeremiah 23 and 9 to show you that God's word is the same. Whether it's the Old Testament or the New Testament or whoever it is, the word of God is profitable because it's all his word.

And so back in Jeremiah, the 23rd chapter and around verse 9, I believe is what I want here. And he said, My heart within me is broken because of the prophets. All my bones shake.

And I am like a drunken man and like a man whom wine hath overcome because of the Lord and

because of the words of his holiness. How many of you have ever felt the holiness and the presence of God enough to shake you, to make your bones shake? Huh? What was he shaking about? What was Jeremiah shaking about? He was shaking because of the wickedness of the people and even the prophets of God. And beloved, sometimes when God lets us stand in the spirit, sometimes you hear me use this expression, I shake in my bones for people.

When I see them grieve in the spirit of God and I see them hitting and bruising the Holy Ghost because I know one time they're going to hit and bruise once too often and they're going to be cut off. And when you see that thing happening in the spirit, you start trembling and shaking inside. This business of shaking under the power of God is in the word of the Lord.

And so let's look at another verse over in Job 16, 12. Let's look at it over there in Job 16, 12. Praise God.

And look at it. He said, I was at ease, but he has broken me asunder. He hath also taken me by my neck and shaken me to pieces and set me up for his mark.

This is what Job said when he was in his suffering. You know what God was doing? He was shaking spiritual pride and self-righteousness out of Job. And how Job had to suffer and how he had to go after the dunghill.

He was a good man. He was a wonderful man. But he got self-righteous and proud over the blessing and the presence of God in his life.

And God had to shake that loose from him. And so God had to begin to strip him and set him out on the dunghill. So he said, you've shaken me to pieces.

And so, beloved, sometimes when the Holy Ghost comes upon people and is shaking them, it is a definite sign of something that he's wanting to shake loose in their lives or in the lives of someone else. This business of shaking. Because he says in Hebrews there that he's going to shake things.

The things that are unshakeable will remain. And the things that are corrupt and carnal, they'll be shook loose. So here's the thing that you have to beware of.

It can come for someone else. But you have to beware less when the shaking is for you and you let your self-righteousness come up and try to pass it to the other fellow. See what I mean? Instead of humbling yourself.

When this shaking comes upon you by the power of God, ask God what he's trying to speak to you. Ask if there's something for you. Or if it is for someone else.

You see what I mean? But always inquire for your own temple first. And then you won't get in trouble that way. Now let's go to Habakkuk.

The third chapter. And verse 16. And Habakkuk is speaking here.

Let's start up in the 14th verse. And he says, Thou didst strike through with the sage, the head of his villages. They came out as a whirlwind to scatter me.

Their rejoicing was to devour the poor secretly. Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses through the heap of great waters. When I heard, my belly trembled.

My lips quivered at the voice. Rottenness entered into my bones. And I trembled in myself that I might rest in the day of trouble.

When he cometh unto the people, he will invade them with his troops. And so Habakkuk here is trembling. At the word of the Lord.

Does it ever make you tremble when the word is opened up to you? And you get a vision of how narrow the way is. And how high this business of the stature of the cross of Jesus. Does it make you tremble? Praise God.

Well don't feel bad when you tremble. That's a good sign. That's a good shape to get in.

To tremble. Because beloved when you tremble. And you quiver inside.

That means that you have fear toward God. And you have reverence toward God. And God can work with that kind of heart.

Praise God. Now then. We had already had seven of these demonstrations of the spirit of God.

So shaken is a symbol of separation. And so it's good for us to tremble and shake inside. At the word of the Lord.

Because beloved God wants to separate us from boldness and self-confidence. And ease and indifference. That we might tremble at his word.

And then we want to take the ninth one. And that is a fallen prostrate. Sometimes you see people fall under the power of God.

Just fall down. How many of you have ever had, I'll just abbreviate the word. How many of you have ever had the Lord slay you under the power of God? You've fallen prostrate.

Yes. I have too. Different times.

And we go back over again to Acts. Up there in the ninth chapter. About Paul's conversion.

Up there in verse four. Here was a proud Jew. That had been persecuting the church.

Had been going its own way. Had been thinking that he was doing God a favor. Let's read up in

verse one.

And said, and Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord. Went unto the high priest and desired of him letters to Damascus, to the synagogues. That if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

So Saul was on his way to kill and to slay anyone that he found that was a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ. And he said, and as he journeyed, he came near Damascus and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven. And he fell to the earth and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? Jesus appeared to him in this great light.

And when he did, when the power and the light of God comes to you great enough, you'll go down. You won't be able to stand before it. Take the very life out of you and you'll just lay there before him prostrate.

And so a beloved fallen prostrate means a symbol of surrender. Sometimes God lays you out under the power of God to demonstrate to you that there are things that he wants you to surrender in your life. That he wants you to humble yourself and prostrate yourself at his feet.

Now that doesn't mean that other people that have not been, you know, fallen upon by the spirit and have been slain under the power of God. That doesn't mean that they don't have something to surrender up either. But beloved, a lot of people would be slain under the power of God if they yield to the power of God.

Did you know that? Amen. And so let's look again at those that have fallen prostrate at his feet. Let's turn over to Revelation 1.17. Of course, that's a familiar verse with all of you.

When John was on the Isle of Patmos there and he saw Jesus. Praise God. I want you to know there's one thing that will make you fall prostrate at his feet.

And that's new surrender, new vision. And you can't surrender without a new vision of him. Did you know that? Let's look in John 1.7. John had just described this beautiful, wonderful, resurrected Lord that he had beheld here on the Isle of Patmos.

And in verse 17 he said, And when I saw him, glory to God, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying, Fear not, I am the first and the last. I am he that liveth and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore.

Amen. And have the keys of hell and death. And so when John got a vision of Jesus, he fell prostrate at his feet.

That's what happened to Saul. He got a vision of Jesus and he fell prostrate. Praise God.

He surrendered his life. John surrendered, I believe, deeper there on the Isle of Patmos when he fell at his feet. He had walked with Jesus many a time.

He laid his hand right upon his bosom. He did at the Lord's Supper. And so my, how John had walked with Jesus.

But here he saw him in his resurrected power, and it was such an awe-inspiring sight. It was such a fearful sight that John fell down prostrate and surrendered to the resurrected Christ. Praise God.

Some historians tell us that John was boiled in oil. But whatever that John, I believe John had a great revelation that day when he saw Jesus. And it was so wonderful that he fell down and surrendered afresh and anew.

And every time you get a new vision of Jesus, it makes you fall down and surrender afresh and anew. You know why people are not surrendering? Because they're not seeing him. Now then, let's go back to Daniel, the 8th chapter, and the 17th verse.

And we see again the same principle involved there in Daniel, the 8th chapter. And I believe it's verse 17. I'm not sure.

Let's start with verse 15. Daniel had had a vision, and he did not understand it. And it came to pass when I, even I, Daniel, had seen the vision and sought for the meaning.

Then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man. And I heard a man's voice between the banks of the lake, which called and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision. I believe that that man was Jesus that appeared there in human form and commanded Gabriel to make known unto Daniel the vision.

Praise God. And he said, so he came near where I stood. And when he came, I was afraid and fell upon my face.

And he said unto me, understand, O son of man, for at the time of the end shall be the vision. And so when Daniel saw Jesus and heard him speak there, and when the angel come near to touch him and give him the wisdom and understanding of his vision, he fell to the ground. He fell prostrate, surrendered himself for the revelation.

So sometimes when God lays us out under the power of God, it's because that he has a vision, has a revelation to bring forth. Amen. Now then, let's hurry on.

Number 10, we want to look at the quivering lips or the stammering lips, which involves the tongue and are speaking in tongues. Quivering lips are speaking in tongues. A lot of people don't understand because the people may try to say that we are the devil and we're this and we're that.

But it's just simply, if you'll pardon me for saying it, it's their ignorance of the word of God. Because it is in the word and anything that is in the word of God is for me and is not of the devil. Amen.

And so now we see the tongues here. Let's go back in the Old Testament and look them up first. Let's go back to Isaiah, the 28th chapter, and look there what God had to say.

Praise God. In the 28th chapter, beginning with verse 9, let's start there. And he said, Whom shall he teach knowledge? And whom shall he make to understand doctrine? I want you to notice this.

Them that are weaned from the milk and drawn from the bread. But if we want to be teachers of doctrine, true doctrine of Jesus Christ, then we must feed upon the milk of his word and go on and grow out of babyhood so that we might understand his doctrine. He said, For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept, line upon line, line upon line, here a little and there a little.

He said, For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. And praise God, that prophecy was fulfilled on the day of Pentecost when the Holy Ghost came with stammering lips and other tongues and preached to those Jews out of 17 different nations there. And the Holy Ghost preached to them in other tongues, praise God, through the disciples.

Amen. Wonderful, Jesus. Let's go to the 33rd chapter of Isaiah and look and see if we can find something else there.

Praise God. Hallelujah. That's a wonderful chapter there.

That's a wonderful chapter. I'm almost tempted to stop and teach on it there. Let's start up in verse 14.

He said, The sinners in Zion are afraid. Fearfulness has surprised the hypocrite. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? Now, here's a good thing to look at and to notice carefully.

Who is the devouring fire today, huh? Yes, the Holy Ghost and the Bible says that God is a consuming fire. God is a devouring fire. And, beloved, if there's any wood, hay, and stubble, it's going to get devoured.

The only thing that can abide that devouring fire is the gold and the silver and the precious stones. And He said, Who among us shall dwell with everlasting burning? This God that we serve is an everlasting God and He's everlasting consuming and burning. Who's going to dwell with Him? Let's look at it here.

He that walketh righteously and speaketh uprightly. He that despises the gain of oppression and shaketh His hands from holding of bribes and stoppeth His ears from hearing of blood and shutteth His eyes from seeing evil. Now, there are six different points there, which gives us the

Star of David again.

You see what I mean? Who's going to dwell with this consuming fire? This God that is a consuming fire, that's going to devour everything that's unlike Him. He said, He shall dwell on high. Here's the sevenfold promise.

He shall dwell on high. His place of defense shall be the munitions of rocks. Bread shall be given Him.

Hallelujah. His water shall be sure. Beloved, if you let God work these six things in you, here's seven promises that God makes to you in the Word.

He said, Thine eyes shall see the King in His beauty. My, what a promise. Thine eyes shall see the King in His beauty.

They shall behold the land afar off. Isn't that wonderful? You'll have a vision. You'll have a vision of spiritual Canaan's land if you let God help you to walk righteously and to speak uprightly and to despise the gain of oppression and shake His hands from holding up bribes.

There's that shaking again. Shaking of the hands is a symbol that I'm not going to have anything to do with bribes. I'm separated from bribes.

And stop at His ears from hearing of blood. Beloved, oh my, that's that backbiting and devouring spirit that a lot of times people backbite and devour behind one another. And you're really slaying and killing and shedding blood when we stop our ears to hear the gossip and the devouring that slays our brothers and our sisters.

And He said, And shut up his eyes from seeing evil. Get your eyes off of the evil means misery, affliction, woe. Shut your eyes from that and open them to Jesus.

I want to learn that point more. I've had a little taste of it, but I want just a lot more work in my life. So that when you're in misery or in affliction, instead of just talking about your misery and affliction and just putting your eyes upon that, put your eyes upon Jesus.

Hallelujah. So you've got a pain in your body, say, Jesus died for me. Jesus died for me.

I haven't got it. He's got it. He bore it down the cross.

And begin to exercise your faith. If you'll do that, God will do these seven things for you. He said, Thine heart shall meditate.

Thine heart shall meditate. Where is the scribe? Where is the receiver? Where is he that counted the towers? Thou shalt not see a fierce people. A people of a deeper speech than thou canst perceive.

Of a stammering tongue thou canst not understand. And so He's going on prophesying to the people there. If you don't do these things, then you'll be meditating upon error.

You'll be looking for the scribe. You'll be looking for the towers. You'll be looking for different things, but you won't be able to find them.

But He speaks of the stammering lips there in Isaiah. Let's go back to verse 20 there. In 1 Corinthians, the 14th chapter.

He said, Brethren, be not children in understanding. Howbeit in malice be ye children, but in understanding be men. In the law it is written, with men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people.

Yet for all that they will not hear me, saith the Lord. Wherefore tongues are for a sign. Now in case you say, well, he's not talking about the baptismal tongues.

He goes right on in the 22nd verse and makes it plain and clear that he is. He said, wherefore tongues are for a sign. Not to them that believe, but to them that believe not.

But prophesying service not for them that believe not, but for them which believe. You know, beloved, if only people, if only Pentecostal people would understand and not be ashamed of the tongues. The Bible plainly says that tongues are for a sign to an unbeliever.

When he walks in the door and he hears us speaking in tongues by the power of the Holy Ghost, there is a fear that comes upon his heart of Almighty God. But the carnal mind comes up in people a lot of times and it's moving over the Pentecostal movement in a great way in this day and age. And they are suppressing the spirit of God.

They don't want the demonstrations that we've been talking about here for the last three weeks. And they're squashing it down. The very thing that God gave for a sign.

Amen. Israel always wanted a sign. And Jesus gave them a sign in his day.

And he said, like that Jonah was in the fish's belly three days. So would he be in the heart of the earth three days and three nights. That was the sign that he gave in his day.

Then when he went away and he sent the Holy Ghost, you know, the sign in the day of the Holy Ghost, it's tongues. Amen. These other things are for us as Christians.

And we understand them. Falling prostrate and all of that. Shaking, trembling.

And all of the other signs. Clapping our hands. Making a noise of praise unto God.

Lifting up our hands. And all of that. Weeping.

And interceding, prevailing. All of that is for us. But the one sign that God has given to unbelievers in our day, beloved, is Holy Ghost tongues.

Amen. We need to understand that and not be ashamed of it. Praise the Lord.

Glory to God. Now let's go back to Acts. And we'll take that real quick.

Maybe for the benefit of some who are not as familiar with it as others. And let's look at it here just for a moment. Praise God.

And it said, As the Spirit gave them utterance. And so, beloved, there is the sign of tongues. Now let's take just a couple more here this morning.

And then we'll try to be through here as quickly as we can. The 11th thing that we see is a trance. And that's why sometimes people come and they say, Sister Hicks, I wasn't asleep and I wasn't awake.

But I saw this. You know what kind of condition you was in? You was in a trance. Now let's look at it.

In Acts, the 10th chapter, it's in the word of God. This business of people falling into a trance. Let's go back to Acts, the 10th chapter.

Praise God. Verse 9. And wild beasts and creeping things and fowls of the air. And there came a voice to him.

Rise, Peter, kill and eat. But Peter said, Not so, Lord, for I've never eaten anything that is common or unclean. And the voice spoke unto him again the second time.

What God hath cleansed, call not thou common. This was done thrice, and the vessel was received up again into heaven. Now you can read the rest of that chapter and you'll find out what that was all about.

God was not talking about Peter's diet there. He was talking, beloved, about his spiritual diet and fellowship with the Gentiles. Because they had been called dogs and pigs and every unclean beast.

That's what they called the Gentiles. But now the time had come when Jesus had died upon the cross. And so he desired that the gospel go to the Gentiles.

He died for the Gentiles the same as he died for the Jews. He died for the whole world. Beloved, he died for you this morning.

If you were here this morning without Jesus Christ, he died for the whole world. If you'd been the only sinner in the world, he would have still gone to Calvary's cross for you. But Peter fell into a

trance.

And you know what a trance is a symbol of? Death. A trance is like going into death. And when God takes you into a trance, there's death that he wants worked.

Either in your heart or life. Or in the heart and the life of the person that he's showing you the trance about. Sometimes God takes me into a trance and he shows me things.

Praise God. And I've got yet to see him not come to pass. When God's taken me into a trance and showed me what was going to happen.

Glory be to God. Beloved, this business is real going on with the Lord. Let's turn to Acts 22, 17.

Acts 22, 17. And we'll see something else there that the Lord wants to make known about this matter of a trance. We could go into deeper things.

I'm going to hurry because I want to get this last one out of the way. I may cut some of these verses short here this morning. In verse 17, Acts 22.

Then it came to pass that when I was come to Jerusalem, even while I prayed in the temple. I believe this is Paul speaking. He said, I was in a trance.

And saw him saying unto me, make haste and get thee quickly out of Jerusalem. For they will not receive thy testimony concerning me. And I said, Lord, they know that I am imprisoned and beat in every synagogue then that believed on thee.

And when the blood of thy martyr Stephen was shed, I also was standing by and consented unto death. And kept the arraignment of them that flew him. And he said unto me, depart, for I will send thee far hence unto the Gentiles.

You know that Paul, I believe he had to die in himself to give up his brethren and be willing to go to the Gentiles. I believe death had to be worked in the flesh of the apostle Paul. Because we find Paul still crying out over in the book of Romans.

That he could wish himself a curse for his brethren's sake. That's how much, how much he desired them to have the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. But God appeared to him in a trance.

In other words, Paul wasn't dead. He wasn't asleep. It just was kind of like you're dead.

You're not asleep. You're not awake. You're just carried there somewhere with God.

And he shows you things. Just like that he shows the apostle Paul. Praise his wonderful name.

Now there's more scripture we could take on that subject. But I'm going to hurry up and try to finish this last one. Because this is important.

We see the spirit of God growing in people. And sometimes that makes people's flesh and minds so mad. They don't know what to do.

But it's because they're ignorant of God's word. If they understood God's word, even if they didn't want to do it. They would sure be in fear and trembling of speaking against somebody else.

That's minding God and going on for him. Now let's look at it. There's plenty of it here in the word.

And the best example. A groaning speaks of agony. When you see people groan.

It's because they're in the spirit of God. It's because they are in spiritual agony. For something.

Or someone. Or somebody's soul. And so mind.

This business of groaning is in the word of the Lord. If you ever notice when you get in deep enough agony in the natural. You'll groan.

Oh me. Oh my back hurts. Oh.

Oh. And we groan. And we holler.

And we don't mind that. Nobody thinks anything about that. But on the contrary.

It provokes sympathy. In the hearts of people around. When you see somebody in deep agony.

In deep suffering. Your flesh will sympathize. With their flesh.

But you let somebody get in spiritual agony. And if you don't have the Holy Ghost in you. And understand what's going on.

Your flesh will come up and fight that kind of agony. And that kind of groaning. Now let's go to John.

Real quick. The 11th chapter. And we'll see how Jesus groaned.

And we'll see why he was in agony. There was one reason why Jesus wept. In the word of God.

I told you that. And there's one time in the word of God. That Jesus rejoiced.

The only record that we ever had. Was that he lifted up his step. And really rejoiced.

And I told you about that. I had some fun with the ones that were there yesterday. I just quoted that scripture to them.

Didn't quote all of it. About you know. That these things are hid.

From the eyes of the wise and prudent. Beloved if these things were hid from my eyes this morning. I would get out and weep and pray.

And seek for understanding. Because Jesus said he has hid these things from the eyes of the wise and prudent. When you think you're so smart.

And you think you know everything. And you think you've got this figured out. You haven't got nothing figured out.

Amen. But when you get down on your knees. And you say Jesus I don't know anything.

I don't know how this goes together. Lord teach me. Then beloved he'll begin to open the eyes of your understanding.

And you'll begin to see. You'll begin to look out into the spiritual word. And behold like you've never beheld before.

I just quoted that verse to them. I said when was the one time that Jesus rejoiced in the word of God. I let them think for about three or four minutes there.

And then I told them. I said this is it right here. The only time Jesus rejoiced.

It tickled him to death. That the spiritual truths were hid from the eyes of the wise and prudent. And revealed unto babes and sucklings.

What is a babe? He don't know nothing. He's just a little tiny helpless thing. That's just looking for milk.

From his mother. And God is the mother God. And these are his great breasts of milk here.

The Old Testament and the New Testament. And when we get out like a little baby. And really to nurse upon the breast of his word.

Then beloved these things will begin to flow unto you in streams of revelation. And you will eat of the good things of God. Two times in the word that Jesus wept over unbelief.

When Jesus stood and weeped over Jerusalem. It was because of their unbelief. If there's anything that breaks the heart of Jesus Christ.

It's unbelief. And when he come here to the grave of Lazarus. He was getting ready to raise him from the dead.

He purposely had tarried. So that Lazarus would die. And then we came.

Martha comes out. And oh she starts saying. Lord if you would just have been here.

My brother wouldn't have died. And Jesus began to speak unto her. And he began to say.

I am the resurrection and the life. He that believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live. Martha said oh yes Lord I know.

I know we'll all live in the end when the resurrection comes. But Jesus wasn't talking about then. He was talking about right then for Martha.

But Martha didn't believe. Her unbelief veiled her vision. Beloved unbelief will veil your vision of the spiritual things of God.

Wasn't long until he called for Mary. Mary came up at the bidding of her master. And Mary too didn't have the revelation.

Mary was still weeping and crying. And she was all concerned too. They still in spite of the fact that they had walked with him.

And they'd seen him. They had him in their home. And they'd been with him.

They still really didn't know him. Amen. And it just broke his heart.

And he stood there and he wept. The Jews looked on and said oh look how he loves him. He's weeping because he's dead.

He wasn't weeping because Lazarus was dead. He was getting ready to resurrect him. Amen.

He was weeping over their unbelief. Amen. Then he goes.

And he also groaned. There was an agony too. Let's look at it here.

In verse 33. It said and Jesus therefore saw her weeping and the Jews also weeping which came with her. He groaned in the spirit and was troubled.

And said where have you laid him? And they said and said Lord come and see. And Jesus wept. Beloved he was groaning in agony.

He not only wept over their unbelief. He groaned in agony. Amen.

And unless you've had that experience. You don't know what Jesus went through right then. I'm not saying that I know all about it.

But I know something about it. I know what it is for the word to go forth. And the unbelief to have the shame down upon the eyes of the people.

And I know what it is to go home and have the Holy Ghost rolling in such agony. That you can't lay your head down upon your pillow. Because of the unbelief.

Jesus was in agony. In the spirit. So beloved he's our example.

It's on down in 38. Let's look at it again. And so it says Jesus therefore came again groaning.

And Seth come up to the grave. And so forth. He groaned.

Beloved in the spirit. Was he groaning because he was trying to lay hold of enough power to raise Lazarus from the dead? No sir. He was the very God of God in flesh.

He was groaning and agonizing over the unbelief that was round about him. And we know that because beloved when they took the stone away he said take the stone away. Jesus never does for us sometimes what we can do for our Seth.

They could take the stone away but they couldn't raise Lazarus from the dead. And a lot of times the devil will like to get you from one extreme to another. He'll want you to try to do everything for your Seth.

Or he'll want you to give up and sit down and try to let God do everything for you. You see what I mean? But God wants us to do something for our Seth. So he said roll the stone away.

And when the stone was rolled away it says here then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said father I thank thee that thou hast heard me. I knew that thou hearest me always.

But because of the people which stand by I said it. That they may believe that thou hast sent me. And when he thus spoke and he cried with a loud voice that Lazarus come forth.

And Lazarus began to be shaken. Praise God. Began to be a separation between death and life.

Glory to God. And Lazarus stood up for my mind. Let me give just one more scripture here and then we'll be through.

Let's go over to 2 Corinthians the 5th chapter. Praise God. This business of groaning, agony.

2 Corinthians the 4th chapter. And let's see beloved. We need to pray for these things of the spirit.

We need to get acquainted better with the spirit of God. Amen. And the 5th chapter.

Familiar chapter to all of us here. And Paul said for we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved. That's this flesh.

This is your tabernacle. This fleshly body is your haven. Amen.

And Stuart Hanlon wrote that song. I ain't gonna need this house much longer. It's this fleshly

body.

Praise God. And he said we're dissolved. We have a building of God.

And a house not made with hands eternal in the heaven. God has got a spiritual body. A spiritual temple.

Praise God. Waiting to bring with him at the resurrection. And he said for in this we groan earnestly.

Paul was in agony to be clothed upon. Desiring to be clothed upon he said with our house which is from heaven. Now I wonder if you understood that verse.

What kind of condition are you gonna be in spiritually if this is your testimony this morning? Literally what's he talking about here? The Lord's coming. The Lord's coming. You're so divorced from the things of this life and this world that you're in great agony.

Groaning for the coming of the Lord. Now one time the Bible tells us to look unto those that look. And so beloved you can add this onto that business of looking for the Lord.

If you're really looking you're gonna be in agony. Groaning. Praise God.

Groaning. Praise God. I want more of that groaning.

I know what it is to groan and be homesick for Jesus Christ. And groan and be in agony to be clothed upon with my spiritual body. But I want more of it.

Have you ever had the spirit to groan within you? I'm not talking about when you get in a hard place and things are going wrong. And you wish the Lord would come or you wish you'd die or something like that. No.

I'm talking about when things are going well with you. And you're in the word and you're in the spirit. There's an inseparable agony and groaning taking hold of the soul.

Because you're so much in love with Jesus Christ that you want him to appear. You want him to come now. So beloved listen.

When you hear people weeping and moaning and groaning. It can be for other souls. It can be for the coming of the Lord.

It can be for unbelief. There's different reasons why the spirit groans and moans in his people. Amen.

Praise God. This is the end of sermon study number R2R number 5.