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Let us remain standing just a moment, please for a word of prayer before we bring the message. Let us bow our heads.

Opening Prayer: Brother Lambert

Almighty God, we are so grateful to be here. Lord, to fellowship around the name of Jesus Christ, through the blood of the Lamb. We're thankful, Heavenly Father, for these songs that were sang, Lord, from the bottom of your saints' hearts, Lord. We're so thankful, Father that we can sit here and meditate and listen upon these things and to know that we're looking, Lord for thy soon coming, Father and to be taken out of this cesspool of iniquity, Lord. To be taken out of this hatred and malice and envy and strife and "dog eat dog" life around us, Lord. To be carried up into the presence of our savior where we will be with Him at the marriage supper of the Lamb. And then to come back upon earth, Heavenly Father, and rule and reign with Jesus Christ, our Savior, for a thousand years. My God, we have something to praise you for, tonight God. We have something to thank you for, Heavenly Father. We thank you for these great things, Father. And now, in the name of Jesus Christ, I take authority, power and dominion over every spirit in here. I take it under the name of Jesus Christ and under our control, tonight.

Heavenly Father, we rebuke the devil in the name of Jesus Christ, and break the power of Satan over these people, God that they may be set free for the deliverance of your word, in the name of Jesus Christ. Father, have mercy upon me, tonight. Make me an able minister tonight, Lord by the faithfulness of the Holy Ghost. May he come, Lord that the Gospel may be preached under the anointing and the power of the Holy Ghost, in Jesus name. Bless our Brother from Jamaica, Brother Brown. Lift him up tonight, God, and encourage him and set him on fire for thee. In Jesus name, we ask it.

I am so thankful... You may be seated, forgive me. I am so thankful for the name of Jesus and for the power of the Holy Ghost. Lord God, we have so much to be thankful for. And I'm also thankful, tonight to see my precious Brother Brown, even though I do feel like repenting to him tonight. You forgive me Brother Brown, for not writing. I have been so worried about facing him. I thought, "Oh Lord, have mercy upon me and help me be more faithful to write." I don't know... I need prayer along this line and Joe and them know, I don't write them either. But if you pray, I'm going to feel guilty more after seeing Brother Brown, why I'll try to be more faithful, Brother Brown, in writing, cause you know how sometimes we... Being overseas there and being surrounded by hostile forces to this truth that we're preaching and not having too much ministerial fellowship, well then, I think we should all

remember that we need to write Brother Brown and realize how we might feel if we were in his shoes, also.

But I tell you, I'd like to preach tonight on a little message called "Broken Fellowship." And I think that the Lord has so chosen it that way because we... our minds are upon fellowship tonight because our Brother Brown, our precious Brother, is laboring in this message which is very persecuted and we are anxious to fellowship around the word, Is that right? And around the Blood of Jesus. So much has been said, tonight, about fellowship. You know, I didn't... I just felt that Brother Brown was going to be here today because I had a message on fellowship. And I asked Brother Hunt, when we got out in the car. I said, "Isn't Brother Brown here yet?" And he said, "No, no, he's not here yet." I said, "Oh my!" So, when we got there, we found out that he'd just arrived. So, I certainly am thankful for that, that Brother Brown is with us tonight.

Now if you'll open your Bibles, we'll hurriedly go right into the word and read from the fifteenth chapter of John and the seventh verse. How many feel victory in your life because of this overcoming prayer we have been persevering in? Can you say, Amen? Did you feel like the service was lifted up to a little bit higher realm tonight, wasn't it? I see we're reaping the benefit of our overcoming evil nature. Is that right? Can you say, Amen one more time? Amen. Do you feel like there has been a change in you the last week? Can you say, Amen? I tell you there has been a change in me, too. Now reading from the fifteenth chapter and the seventh verse.

John 15:7-Ad lib Scripture Reading:

Jesus said, *"if ye abide in me, and my Words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."* Amen.

I think this Scripture points to a wonderful fellowship. "If ye abide in Me and My Words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done" Is that right? " unto you" I think this is a wonderful fellowship, when we can abide in such a fellowship as this with the Lord Jesus Christ. So, whatever we ask in his name, Jesus, it shall be done. Not "maybe so" but it shall be done. The entire plan of redemption points to the wonderful word, "fellowship." For what would redemption and a new creation mean if God had no fellowship with His children? Is that right? The reason why believers are unable to get into the word and enjoy the fruits and privileges in Christ, is because their fellowship is either broken or they have a very low type of fellowship. The happiness of the home... Which, you know about fellowship in the home, the fellowship in the home between the members of that household. There would never be a divorce case if the fellowship between the husband and the wife continued on. Is that right? It is only when that fellowship of husband and wife is broken that there comes a divorce. Right?

Now when one is born again and becomes a new creation, the highest joy of fellowship that spirit of the individual can receive comes from his perfect fellowship with his Lord and Savior when he is first born again and falls madly in love with Jesus. He has a beautiful fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ. He has fallen in love with the Savior, God. Amen. That's real fellowship.

Now there is many things that would break this fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ and we're gonna dwell on a few of those things. One thing that breaks the fellowship in the home, just getting in the home, now, is the thoughtless act that you commit against one another. The unkind word or the hateful look that you give your wife or your children. Is that right? This wound's the heart and bruises the spiritual nature, thereby breaking fellowship in the home. When the fellowship is broken in the home of the believers, it leaves the home open to all sorts of manifestations of evil power. Is that right? And when the fellowship of the home is broken, we bring that Broken Fellowship into the body of the Lord Jesus Christ and thereby try to break up the whole fellowship around the name of Jesus and the Power of God. Can you say, Amen?

Now, fellowship is not a mental thing, it's a spiritual thing. The mind comes in harmony with the spirit and enriches the fellowship that you have. When you have perfect harmony in the mind toward the word of God, toward the saints of God, toward your Savior in accordance with the word, then you have harmony in your fellowship with your Savior, Is that right? With your family, with your brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus.

Now when this fellowship is broken with the Lord, the Bible becomes a closed Book. Is that right? The Bible becomes a closed Book for the simple reason that the same Bible that once blessed you, now, because that you have broken fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ, it comes to condemn you. So therefore, you cannot open it because everything in the Bible condemns you. So then, if you have no positive fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ and you have a broken fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ, you have no hunger for the word of God. Henceforth, it becomes a closed book and... as you heard the old song "Dust Upon the Bible." Dust begins to settle upon the Bible because of broken fellowship. But when that believer is in a perfect fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ, the word of God gives that person nothing but joy. Then when this fellowship is broken, no desire to read the word, you have no desire to pray either. The best that you can do is, through terrible condemnation, you fall down upon your knees at night and say a little prayer about two or three minutes long, "Lord thank you for this day, and jump in the bed and you know that God never heard you. So therefore, you never had any overcoming prayer because you knew that your fellowship with your Jesus was broken. No appetite for the word of God. No desire to pray any longer. Is that right?

Now, another reason for Broken Fellowship could be, as John put it in I John 1:3... How would you like to read I John 1:3? I'll read it and you can just note this to save time. John telling us about fellowship goes like this.

1 John 1:3-Scripture Reading;

3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.

We're not gathered here, tonight, to fellowship around any other thing but the Lord Jesus Christ and his word. That's all. Then, by this, we have a perfect fellowship with one another. Can you say, Amen? Now, you take... Happiness and joy are things that you reap from a perfect fellowship with Christ. Is that right? Now there is a difference between happiness and joy. Happiness comes from the right association. Is that right? But Joy comes from a perfect fellowship with your Heavenly Father and through his word. This gives you joy. It is a wonderful experience to have, that you are able through this perfect fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ, you are able to say, "In the name of Jesus, I cast you out, evil spirits." "In the Name of Jesus, I take dominion and power over all the authority of the devil." This creates joy. Is that right? You can bring this kind of joy to the heart of your Heavenly Father, and joy to your own heart because your Heavenly Father receives joy when the devil's works are stopped in his tracks. And the works of the devil can only be stopped when, through a perfect fellowship with Jesus Christ, you are able to stop him because of that perfect fellowship. Because you have confidence in your heart that whatsoever you asked in his name, he shall do it because you please him. Amen.

We have a three-fold fellowship: first, a fellowship with the Father. Is that right? A fellowship with his word, a fellowship with one another. This is a perfect fellowship in the Assembly. Any other kind of fellowship that we may have comes not... doesn't amount to very much. But if we can fellowship in this three-fold fellowship, first with the Father, then with his word, then with one another, then we're "walking in the Light as he's in the light, having fellowship one with another. And the Blood of Jesus Christ, His Son cleanseth us from all sin," through this type of fellowship.

Oh, what a fellowship, oh what a joy divine, leaning on the Everlasting Arm. I want to teach this instead of preaching it because I think you'll get it better. We really need this. Now, one of the greatest reasons, just one, I said, that I know of to break fellowship with your Heavenly Father is this: one of the greatest, and that is to fail to love your brother or sister. Failure to love your brother and sister because of their outward appearance, or failure to love them because they didn't do something you like, failure to love them because they don't come over and fellowship with you enough, or whatever reason you may find. When you don't love your brother or sister, then you have a broken fellowship with Jesus Christ and you are open for all the power of the devil then. This is one thing that's holding the Bride of Jesus Christ back. Open your Bibles real quick to

1 John 2:9-Scripture Reading;

9 He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now.

I don't care if you say that you're sitting at the feet of a prophet. If you say that you believe every bit of the message, but if you don't have perfect love towards your brother and sister, you are walking in darkness, my friend, and you have a broken fellowship with Jesus Christ. You broke your fellowship right then. That is what John said. Now, read on down.

1 John 2:10-11-Scripture Reading;

10 He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.

11 But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.

John said that, that brother who didn't love his brother with a perfect love, though he said he was in the truth, John said, I don't care what you say, you're walking in darkness. And you cannot be led by the Spirit of God because you have got a broken fellowship the first time that you didn't love your brother. You broke fellowship with Jesus and Jesus is not leading you by His Spirit. So therefore, Brother, you are walking in darkness. Glory to God! Walking in darkness because you don't love your brother and sister like you should. You can't be led by

the Holy Spirit. Thereby, because you have broken fellowship, because you talked about your brother and you didn't love him, you broke fellowship with Jesus Christ and you're not led by the Spirit any longer. And when you are not led by the Spirit, you fulfill the lust of the flesh. I tell you, a fellowship with Jesus means something. Glory to God!

I John 3:9-Reading

Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for His Seed remaineth in him, and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

But we ain't going to stop there. You get a wrong impression of that Scripture if you don't read any further. You say, "Well, we are predestinated and we can dislike a brother, we can do anything we want to because we're predestinated before the foundation of the world."

That is wallowing around in that evil nature again, but that evil nature has been severed by Jesus Christ and by the Power of the Holy Ghost and you cannot sin because you are walking in the righteousness of Jesus Christ doing His Will after the Spirit of God. Can you say, Amen? "In this the children of God are manifested." Said, in this right here, the children of God are manifested from the children of the devil.

1 John 3:10-Reference quote:

10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

YOU CAN BE A CHILD OF THE DEVIL AND STILL BE BELIEVING IN NINETY-NINE PERCENT OF THE WORD OF GOD, BUT IF YOU DON'T LOVE YOUR BROTHER, MY GOD! YOU'RE WALKING IN DARKNESS. HALLELUJAH! AND THE SPIRIT OF GOD CAN'T LEAD YOU OR GUIDE YOU. I tell you that, tonight. That's what the Bible said. John said, "Brother, you're walking in darkness and you don't know where you're going." Glory to God. That's the truth. I feel that one! My! John said, "Herein," said, "Herein was the children of God made manifested and the children of darkness." John said, "We know that if you walk in love, if you walk in love, but if you walk in the walk of the believer, you say you are a believer and believe all the truth in the message in the hour, and don't love your Brother, you're walking in darkness and don't know it. John said, "You don't even know what you're doing, brother." You don't even know where you're going. You can say you're led by the Spirit but you're not.

Now, I John... I want to read that a little bit.

1 John 3:11-12-Scripture Reading;

11 For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. 12 Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

You take a person that has got in their heart anything against a brother or sister, right away he breaks fellowship with Jesus Christ, right away. And then if he continues to do that... Is, that right? He is open for all the demon force, that the devil has. Is, that right? And then when that brother... He is still walking though, but he don't know it but his path is in darkness. His path is darkness, he don't know which way he is going, so therefore he makes all kinds...

I know what I'm talking about, I have reached this right here, Brother. I have reached this right here. I'm not... maybe on that point right there, but another point. I broke fellowship with Jesus Christ by another point. And I know why... I am able to preach this message tonight because I have experienced it. When you break fellowship with Jesus Christ, you're open for everything the devil's got for ya. Can you say, Amen? You can't be led by the Spirit any longer. Amen. And then you don't want to be around your spiritual brothers any more that is walking in the Light because the very life that they live, condemns your false works. So therefore, you break fellowship with them, too. Can you say, Amen? Because the life that they live condemns you and shows you that you are not walking in the Spirit. Glory to God! John knew something about fellowship, Friend, same reason.

We don't love our brother, usually, because we either got some personal thing against him or you take a brother that brother is being used of God. And if that brother is being used of God and the power of God is upon him, another brother will get in his heart a little bit of jealousy. Right then that brother broke fellowship with Jesus Christ and his path becomes darkness. And then he begins to hate that brother and finds everything wrong with him he can and begins to accuse him. He made himself just like Cain who slew his Brother because his own works was unrighteous. Brother, there is a lot of slaying going on, today. There sure are a lot of natures of Cain around today. Brother, if you got a Cain nature tonight, repent of that thing and take on the Nature of Jesus Christ.

John said, "Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer." Brother, you can talk about the front pages on the magazines, you can talk about the papers that come out, this one murdered or that one, but I tell you, if you talk about your brother, if you talk about your sister, if you're not in subjection to your pastor and to your elders and to your deacons, brother you're just as big a murderer as Cain ever was. You put yourself under the law, you're disfellowshipped from the Body of Jesus Christ and from the fellowship of the Lamb. Glory to God! Repent and get under the Blood. Yes, amen! That's amen, it's the Word anyway. I John 4:20. Course if you're in broken fellowship, you can't say, Amen! You know, it will condemn you. John said...

1 John 4:20-Scripture quote:

If a man say I love God, and hateth his Brother, he is a liar. But he that loveth not his Brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

I tell you that makes sense to me because Jesus Christ is dwelling in your brother. So, if you speak one word against your brother, you're speaking against Jesus Christ and you broke your fellowship. Oh, I tell you, that word will sure hem us up. Might as well repent and make it right. Only one way out for us, is repent. So, glad there is room for repentance. You heard that song: "There's Room at the Cross." There is room, yes sir. John said, "If you say, if you hate your brother and you are walking in the light," said, "You are a liar. I tell you that, that might seem uncouth for some of us today. But I tell you those Apostles didn't hold back, they would not... I am so glad that my God is not a respecter of persons. And the same word that I have to turn to, I don't care who you are, you got to come to the same word because God

is no respecter of persons. He don't care if you're yellow, black or white, green or purple. God is no respecter of persons. All you have to do is obey the word of God and God is going to vindicate you; God is going to bless you; God is going to pour out His spirit upon you, overcome your life... Hallelujah! Glory to God!

God said, "Cain if you didn't do well," said "won't God bless you? He said, "Cain if you do well, won't God bless you?" He told Cain, said "I am not a respecter of persons, Cain. You come on and get right with Me and I'll bless ya." Then if God is blessing somebody else, I'm not gonna get jealous because, when I get jealous I make myself a Canaanite. All you Canaanites, tonight, repent and get under the Blood of Jesus Christ. Get that old evilness out of your heart. Start loving one another. Hallelujah!

One more reason... I tell you, the Word of God will thin this thing down where there ain't going to be no room for sin, brother. The devil ain't going to have no room to work in here. The only way he can work is work outside somewhere. Amen. One more great reason I know, and it's a big one, too, to break fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ. John said if we love the world... Is that right? He said, "Love not the world neither the things that are in the world, if any man say that he... If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not even in that man." I don't care if he says he has got the Baptism of the Holy Ghost; I don't care if he says he's listening to the Truth; I don't care if he says he sits right at the feet of a prophet. My Brother, if you're in love or Sister with the things of the world, then the Love of God don't even dwell in you. You have got a broken fellowship with Jesus. You need to restore your fellowship. You women need to ... The Bible said that the things of the world and the things of the flesh. Is that right? One of the things of the flesh, is the lust of the eye and if you women are lusting after how good looking you are, if you're lusting in the mirror of how pretty your figure is or how pretty that dress is and if everybody is going to look at you, you got a broken fellowship tonight. You have broken fellowship with Jesus. You need to repent and get right with God. Can you say, Amen?

Anybody that would love the world series and love to sit down and watch ball games, love the big fine cars, love all this, you know that they don't have no fellowship with Jesus because if you're fellowshipping with Jesus, you hate those things. Glory to God. You love the things of God. Hallelujah! You love righteousness, joy. Hallelujah! The Bible said, "The world passeth away, and the lust thereof but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever." Hallelujah. That's what I want.

One more reason for a broken fellowship, is a failure to obey the word as it is ministered unto you. Don't put it off for another day, because if you hear the word of God ministered, obey the word of God then you'll walk in the light as he is in the light. Failure to obey the word of God from the ministers, reaps a broken fellowship. Oh God, I tell ya, there are those that would stay with the word of God, though. Is that right? They have a perfect fellowship. They have a blessed purifying hope, that even is as he is pure, I am pure. Even as He shall appear, I shall be like him. If I abide in him and he abides in me I can ask what I will. Can you say, Amen? Amen.

Yes, many like to fellowship, not in the Spirit, but in the flesh. They find their fellowship around... because, well, I'm German, all the Germans come over to my house and fellowship. I'm colored, all the colored come over and fellowship with me, or I'm a Japanese, all you Japanese brothers come over and fellowship with me and we'll speak in Japanese; we'll speak in Italian; we'll speak in this and we will speak in that. But I tell you one thing,

there's only one thing that we can fellowship around, not because we're this color, or we're another color or we speak this language and you speak that language.

Listen, we're lookin for a City whose Builder and Maker is God. We just have one thing to fellowship around, that is the Lord Jesus Christ. I tell you I am looking for a City whose Builder and Maker is God, I'm not going to fellowship around anything but Jesus Christ and his own righteousness. That's what I base my fellowship on. I tell you, God ain't no respecter of persons. He don't care what kind of house he dwells in, God don't care whether its black, yellow, green or white. He don't care what the color of the house is, he wants to know whether or not that house is going to obey the word of God or do the will of God. Amen. God is no respecter of persons. Any time that you get to thinkin, why you're so self-righteous and you're so handsome and you're so this and you're so that, that, oh, you are just "walking in the Light." Brother, you're walking in darkness. God wants you to clean up your house, so that he can really dwell in it. God ain't going to dwell in no fellowship like that. He's not going to fellowship with your pride and your exalted spirit. Humble yourself under the mighty hand of God, that God may exalt you, brethren.

You look around and see those things you hear tonight, you look around and see the different houses in here, the different colors. You find out some of them speaks broken German, broken Italian, broken this, broken... I speak broken English because I am from the South. But I tell one thing, we're not fellowshipping around those things. We're fellowshipping around Jesus. We have one purpose in mind, to exalt the word. We don't exalt one another, we exalt this right here. Glory to God!

I know a man one time by the name of Saul. He had a wonderful fellowship with God. He had such a wonderful fellowship, at one time, that the spirit of God was in such oneness with him, that he begin to prophesy and he never had before. Prophesied all day, and was drunk on the Spirit of God. I said, "Drunk on it." And even said his wife, "Is Saul numbered with the prophets?" Is that right? And he was of such humility, that when Samuel come and told them, said, "You have a king among you." Said, "Saul, come here." Saul was so humble before the Lord, he felt so unworthy of this fellowship with God, that God would speak to Saul and call him. Listen, he hid under the corn shucks of humility. I tell you, we need to crawl under some corn shucks tonight. There's too much pride. There's too many exalted spirits. Oh, get under the corn shucks of humility tonight. Why, get into a perfect fellowship with Jesus Christ your Lord. (Break in tape)

Forgot about his corn shuck of humility. And Samuel said, "Go down to this place and wait seven days and I'll come down and we'll offer a sacrifice to Jehovah." Saul went down there and, because of the people, began to murmur and complain because the Philistines were getting ready to charge in upon them. Saul, because he wanted to please the people and be popular, he took himself out of his calling and made himself a minister and offered up his own sacrifice. Then the word of the Lord come to Samuel and He walked up there and said, "You done a foolish thing. You done a foolish thing by trying to exalt yourself into a position that you should not be." How much more should you and I remain in a position that God has given us. I don't care how little it is, I don't care how big it is, remain there in humility and God will exalt us in due time.

Oh, that pride... it exalts you. Well, Saul had a good excuse, though, he gave Samuel a good excuse. I want to tell yea tonight, you have no excuse if you've broken fellowship with Jesus. I don't care what kind of excuse it is that you find, it won't hold up under the word of

God. All you need to do tonight is repent and get under the Blood of Jesus. We find that, later on, Saul never did repent of this. Then there come another time for a testing. Samuel... The word of the Lord came to Samuel, the prophet, and he said, "King Saul," he said, "Remember Amalek, how he treated the children of Israel." He said, "Go down there and destroy that King and all of his people both man and woman and both children and every ass and every horse and every cow, every chicken, every hog," said, "Everything that is down there, kill it." Then the word of the Lord left. The prophet is the word of the Lord, he left.

God was gonna to test Saul, to see whether or not he would rather have his fellowship or the fellowship of the popularity of his kingdom. We find that, when the test came, they went down to battle and overcame the king. And instead of Saul going up right then and doing the will of God, He looked at that king and saw his priestly robe and everything and thought it would be a shame to kill that great king. Maybe I will take him home and just torture him a little bit. And then he seen all them beautiful Hereford cows, I don't know what kind they had, probably big beautiful cows.

And he seen all these beautiful things that he had built up in that kingdom. So, Saul right then got a covetous spirit in his heart and he broke fellowship with Jesus Christ right then. When that thought entered the heart of Saul, he should have fell down and repented to God and offered up a sacrifice. How much more should you and I, my friend, when a little bit of jealousy, a little bit of hatred enters in your heart for a person. You ought to repent right then or the devil is going to take you over. You're going to be led into the lust of the flesh. The devil is going to use you in a mighty way, if you don't repent of that sin right now. If you don't repent tonight, when you walk from this door tonight and you heard this message, if you don't put everything out of your heart, God is going to turn you over to a devil and you're gonna reap a whirlwind. Well, amen! Glory to God!

Well, Saul didn't get that thing out of his heart. He said, "Oh! it will be all right, I'll get by some way. I'll get by some way." All the people got the same spirit on them, too. Oh, we find the word of the Lord come to Samuel that night. Said, "Oh Samuel, my faithful prophet," said, "It grieves me that I ever called this man, Saul. He didn't obey my word," He said. "Go up an tell him, 'Thus saith the Lord, The kingdom is rent from you." Samuel, the faithful to the Word of the Lord, went up there and said to Saul... Saul seen him coming, said, "Oh, oh, prophet, Samuel," he said, "We have done the will of the Lord. I have obeyed the Lord," he said. Samuel looked at him, "Son," said, "what is the bleating of all these sheep that I hear then." "Oh," he said, "That, oh, that is nothing, Samuel." He said, "I saved...Listen at this now. "I saved the best for the Lord thy God to offer worship upto him."

Samuel said, "Obedience is better than your sacrifice." God wants you to obey the word of God. You say, "Glory to God, I hand out tracts in the street, Glory to God, I go to the hospitals every Sunday and Glory to God, I go to the jails and witness to the sinners." But when it comes to be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, you bring your sacrifices up to God. And God said, "Depart from me," on that day, I never did know you, you worker of iniquity." Obedience is better than sacrifice. My God, let us obey the word of God. Hallelujah!

Well, Saul... Must have kind of frightened him. He backed up and said, "Well," he said, "I forced myself to do it. I forced myself to do it. The people pressed sore upon me, Samuel. I forced myself to do it." But my God, I want to tell you that God didn't feel sorry for

Saul. Saul loved the praises of man more than the praises of God. He wanted the fellowship of that kingdom more the fellowship of God. He fell from his first love.

Take heed, tonight, lest you don't restore your first love tonight, brother or sister. Is that right? I tell you God never does break fellowship. You break fellowship by disobeying His word. I said, you break fellowship, God never breaks fellowship, he loves fellowship. He has joy in fellowship. That's right. Can you say, Amen? I tell you it is about time that you and I got into a perfect fellowship with Jesus Christ. I tell you, what joy can you have, whatever joy can you have outside of Jesus Christ? There is no joy in the bars; there is no joy in the ball game; there is no joy in watching television. That is a big lie. There is only joy in the Holy Ghost; there is only joy in the Kingdom of God; there is only joy by obeying the word of God. That is joy unspeakable and full of glory.

Saul sold out to the devil. I tell you, any time you sell out God's fellowship for the fellowship of a television or for the things of the world, anytime you women will disfellowship the Lord Jesus Christ by some spirit that is upon you to make you want to be lustful after some men, you have broken fellowship with Jesus Christ. You would rather have that than the fellowship of the lovely Savior. My God, that's right, but have mercy Lord, have mercy upon us tonight. My God. We got a curse on us here, Brother Brown. That's right we have got a curse on us. That is the filthy things of the world. Got us so bound down we can't pray. We can't seek God. My God! Let us set aside these things and get on fire for Jesus Christ and obey the word of God. Can you say, Amen? Then we'll have a wonderful fellowship.

I know some people, one time, by the name of Peter and John. They must have had a wonderful fellowship, cause they find that Peter and John went down to the gate Beautiful, one day, and because they had fellowship with Jesus, they was able to look down on a poor man that was impotent from his mother's womb, about thirty-eight years. And they was able by a perfect fellowship to look down because they were abiding in that fellowship, and his word was abiding in them. And he said, "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have, give I thee. In the name of Jesus, rise up and walk." That was a perfect fellowship.

I tell you, I know another man by the name of Paul and another man by the name of Silas, when they had preached the Word of God faithfully, they threw them into jail. They thought they had them all penned in, but about midnight, they began to have fellowship with Jesus Christ and the walls came tumbling down by an earthquake. That is the kind of fellowship you and I need tonight. We don't need the fellowship around ball games. We don't need to fellowship around what nationality we are. We need to fellowship around Jesus Christ, not nationality. Looking for a Kingdom whose Builder and Maker is God.

The early church had a fellowship, Brother. When they were persecuted for the Name of Jesus Christ, they gathered themselves together in a fellowship around the Blood of Jesus Christ and the name of the Lord, and they begin to pray and to fellowship in Jesus' name. And the whole building where they were assembled was shaken by the mighty impact of Almighty God. I believe that God is able to shake this building tonight. He could make those people, now, fall over in their seats, Glory to God by a perfect fellowship, by love in obeying the word of God.

I tell you, the apostle, John, had a fellowship that must have been wonderful. No wonder that John was able to write about fellowship. He knew what it was. He was walking in such a fellowship that they put him down in a big boiling pot to try to break up this fellowship. But it only made it better and, though the oil got hotter, the fellowship got greater and the joy of God was upon John because he knew that oil could not hurt him. Neither can anything hurt you and I, my friend, if we have a perfect fellowship. A perfect fellowship with Jesus Christ. We can overcome all things through Jesus Christ and a perfect fellowship. Well, amen. I believe I got some fellowship. I am getting more joyful every time I preach, too. Yes Sir!

John had such a wonderful fellowship, they put him over on the Isle of Patmos. John wrote a letter, said, "I John, your brother in tribulation." I don't care if Brother Brown is over on the island of Jamaica. If he's got a perfect fellowship with Jesus Christ, God is able to shake that island of Jamaica with a perfect fellowship in Jesus Christ. The blind are able to see and the lame are able to walk and the poor have the Gospel preached unto them for a witness with a perfect fellowship with Jesus Christ. Amen. I said, greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world.

Out of fellowship, means you stopped growing in Grace. Out of fellowship, means that when you stop growing in Grace you start walking in the flesh. It's the only thing that you can do. When any of these things come your way and you break fellowship with Jesus, you are walking in the flesh. Then you bring all of that trouble into the assembly of the Lord Jesus Christ. And if you don't repent of it, tonight, and get back into a perfect fellowship with Jesus Christ, God Almighty will hold you and I responsible on Judgment Day for holding back that brother or sister that never got healed. I said, God will do it, He will do it. We'll give account for it. Why, when you have broken fellowship, when you have this broken fellowship with Jesus you have no answer to prayer, you have no power over Satan, no faith at all. What a terrible condition you have let... you and I have let Satan put upon us. Can you say, "Amen?"

And most of all, you are losing precious time that we should be redeeming. Hallelujah. Losing precious time that we should be redeeming by the Grace of God. And worst of all of that, you lose all rewards when you are walking in the flesh. You can't reap one thing on that day for that labor that you labored in the flesh. Oh my! Let us labor in the Spirit with the Love of God in our hearts for every brother and sister in Christ. Is that right? I tell ya, if there is a one here, tonight, that has a broken fellowship with Jesus, won't you come back to the Lord Jesus, tonight, and confess your sins? Because John--that same man that knew about fellowship--said, "If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive those sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Can you say, Amen?

Sinner Friend, if you have one thing in your heart against any brother or sister and you have not made it right, you've got a broken fellowship. Broken fellowship, can't grow in Grace...

The Sister will play 'Jesus is the Sweetest Name I Know.' What an hour to be living in and have a broken fellowship with God. I tell you Friend, tonight, with your head bowed and every eye closed. I tell you tonight that Jesus loves you, there is nothing in this world, that you could compare to a sweet fellowship with Jesus Christ. There is nothing, I tell ya, there is nothing that is upon this earth could get sweet as to have a perfect fellowship with Jesus Christ. I tell ya, God is in an investigating judgment, right now, to see whether or not you and I are going to obey the word of God. I tell ya, just as Saul was on investigating judgment by God. Oh, how sorry Saul was when he found out that he had disobeyed God, because he didn't repent of those things that was in his heart. And he turned and grabbed the prophet by his robe, his mantel and when he grabbed it and said, "Samuel, oh prophet of God, come back and just fellowship with the Lord with me. Come back and let us worship the Lord together." And the prophet, how he must of... Tears must have rolled down his face and he looked at that man who had disobeyed the Word of God and had things in his heart that he should not have. And he said, "I am sorry Saul, I cannot fellowship with you because you are walking in darkness, now. And he turned out of desperation to pray with Samuel because he was in perfect fellowship with God. And he knew that his prayers and darkness had moved over Saul and he knew that he could not pray and have fellowship with God. He could not feel that Spirit upon him to prophesy anymore. He didn't have his first love anymore. He had lost that because he let these things stay in his heart. And out of desperation Saul turned and grabbed a hold of the garment of the prophet and it rent. And the Word of the Lord came to the prophet and he said, "So has God, rent the kingdom from you and given to a man that is better than you."

I tell you, better is he, tonight, that is working and laboring in the Spirit of God. Blessed is he tonight that is laboring after the Spirit of God. I tell you, God is no respecter of persons. Everyone here tonight will have to come and think... and obey the same word of God that was given to Saul. I tell ya tonight, I think if there is someone here tonight that has anything down in their heart, I tell ya God is able to reach down and rip that thing out tonight. As we sing this song. "Jesus Is the Sweetest Name I Know."

How many, with your eyes closed and worshiping the Lord, would lift your hand and say, Brother Bob, I want you to pray for me? I have got things in my heart. Oh, it's been a long time since I had an answer to prayer. Oh, it's been a long time since I felt the Spirit of God in my life and know that I am in perfect fellowship." You know, tonight, sinner Friend, whether or not you are in perfect fellowship with Jesus. I'm so happy, the last few days. Oh, I thank you for being able to preach to you up here. I tell ya, it has restored me to a fellowship. It has renewed my love for Jesus and a burning down inside to preach the Gospel. I love you and I thank you for everything that you have done for me up here. And oh, tonight, oh God, that I could see fruit in this message, that every person here that has anything in their heart. Oh God, you know what it is, you know what it is.

As we sing this song, don't you love him tonight? Has He not done all things well? As we sing this song. The hands is going up now.

Congregation sings, "Jesus Is the Sweetest Name I know"

God, bless you, brother. Look at the hands going up. God, bless you, sister. Look at that brother. God, bless you, brother. God, bless you, sister. Is there another? God, bless you sister and you brother and you Sister. Hands going up all over the place. I tell you, if you'll raise your hand and confess that sin, tonight, God's blood is able to forgive every sin that you have committed. He's able, by the power of God, to root out every bit of that bitterness or whatever it is in your heart.

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The End



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