

The Resurrection

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1. Now, we're going to go in a few minutes. But, seeing as I took as long as I did, and I didn't want to, I might as well go the whole limit. And, go all the way. Says here, [2 Chronicles 1:7.]

(7) In that night did God appear unto Solomon, and said unto him, Ask what I shall give thee.

(8) And Solomon said, Thou hast showed great mercy unto David my Father, and hast made me to reign in his stead.

(9) Now, O LORD God, let thy promise unto David my father be established: for thou hast made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude.

(10) Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people: for who can judge this thy people, that is so great?

(11) And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honor, nor the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life; but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom I have made thee king:

(12) Wisdom and knowledge is granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honor, such as none of the kings have had that have been before thee, neither shall there any after thee have the like.

That certainly was true. At this hour, we're not great in number, we may be few, but I don't believe that any of us have asked anything more, than for wisdom and knowledge. As I was a the kid when I was going to Sunday School, that was many, many years ago. Now, I was very introverted, and very shy, and I couldn't stand a kid named 'Butch', he always wanted to kick me with a kid named 'Taylor', always tried to sit away from those kids, because they were worse than I was. If you could imagine that. And, I remember the Sunday School teacher, taught on the wisdom of Solomon. And, she said how Solomon had prayed for wisdom and knowledge, and God gave it. So she thought she'd give every kid a little test in the school. (You know) So, in the funniest way, she asked, "What kid would like a nice bunch of horses?" One guy wanted a car. One guy wanted this. Well I came out of there from pretty poor home. When the weather got bad, the water in the barn bucket froze, and when the snow blew, it comes through the cracks.

2. Now we, never froze, but we had a sensation in our house, with what was known as hot on one side, and cold on the other. [laughter] If you stuck your back to the pot bellied stove, you could warm your back, and almost burned, your nose on the other was almost frost bitten.. So

you suddenly turned your nose to get warmed up, and then the dairy was frosted. We didn't have too much of anything. Well I was so dumb, (you know) I'm not lying to you. I was so dumb in school, it was pitiful. I could read, and I could read so fast the teacher, thought I had memorized it. I wasn't that smart. Nice, she thought I was smart. But I wasn't smart. But anyway, she came to my turn and said, "What would you like?" Well I didn't know anything about horses, and nice homes and cars, and things. What would I do with them?

So I thought well, what was good for Solomon might be good for me, I said, "I would like the wisdom of Solomon." That was in grade three. I went back in grade four, I could out add the teachers. I was the smartest kid in the room. From that time on, they took my work up to other classes. I'm going to tell you something, I'm not smart. I'm not a genius. My IQ is fairly high, but I'm stupid in a lot of things. Let me tell you something brother/sister. If God answered a kid, way back there, who was too dumb to know anything. Oh the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge in this hour, today, to give us revelation, and understanding. See? That is what He's here for. Not to make us smart. Not to make us know, what someone else doesn't know. But, you know to give us an understanding in this Word.

3. Now, if He did that for me, way back there, I don't see any reason why He wouldn't do it today. Now listen, Solomon determined to build a house for the Name of the Lord, and a house for His kingdom. Now Solomon, tallied out three score and ten thousand men to bear burdens. That's seventy thousand. And, eighty thousand, to hew in the mountain. That's 150,000. And three thousand six hundred to oversee them. That's quite a lot of overseers. So all together, what is that, about 153,600, somewhere in there. And then, he did a lot of things. And he said, "Behold, I will build a house, in the Name of the Lord, my God, to dedicate it to Him. And, to burn before Him sweet incense." Now, our burning is, "the calves of our lips," [Hos 14:2] which is praise unto God. Which, worship cannot be accepted, unless, it is worship according to Word. That is why God turned down Cain. Right?

Okay. So, he got everything lined up, in this place in order to have the Word, and then in line to God. The next thing I'm reading, Solomon began to build the house of the Lord in Jerusalem, in Mount Moriah, where the Lord appeared unto David, his father. In the place that David had prepared, in the threshing floor of Ornin, the Jebusite. And, he began to build in the second day, of the second month. That would be May, wouldn't it? Ah, the fourth year of his reign. Now, I wanted to really read this for, was this thing here: God raised up a king. And He did require, because of His authority, to delegate, not so much delegate but to conscript, in order to build a place. And that place, he already knew of, through revelation.

4. Now, I'm going to liken that to us, here today. And you're going to have to forgive me, because, sometimes I come to the place where, I'm going to have to speak my mind, and put it in nice a way as I can. But to let you know, that if you believe that I stood one day, and faced northeast and said, "This is the place the Word would be, as far as I'm concerned." If you believe that I, as a kid, was able to pray. If you believe, that I am a servant of God, why is now this building finished? You say, "Bro. Vayle, I've got work." These men took time off from work. What do you think I do? Now look, we've been asking you and, asking you. Now, you can't fool with the Word of God, my brother/sister. You can't do it. Because this place is particular, I believe it is, with all my heart, a very particular place. Now, we must dedicate, to dedicate it means, the work must be finished. Now, you're saying, "I'm putting a burden on us." What would you sooner do? Now, I will not take any more tithes, not one nickel tithes, and pay anymore tithes out, that's out. That tithe is not meant to do that.

I put my life in jeopardy in a certain way, because, over there I did it, but, I earned that money. I earned it here. And we're not asking you too. If you want, we can pledge today or tomorrow, and get enough money to pay somebody. Or, we can finish the work ourselves. Now, I'm putting you on the spot. But, it's time to speak and say once for all, I will not speak again. That'll be like after this morning's service, you enjoyed the Presence of God. Now, it's up to you whether you want it to continue. Because, you see, things are more serious than you believe. Now, if you believe me, as a servant of God, you've got to believe me all the way. Now the place must be dedicated. We cannot have anything but, silence and reverence. Now, I've taken a lot of things in my hands, something like a dictator. But, believe me, in a very short while, 'm going to put everything back in your hands. As far as I'm concerned, you can take a whole thing, and anything else from this point on. And I'm not saying that in a bad way, I'm saying it in a good way.

5. Because we must, have as Bro. Branham put it, "*Put it before us.*" Now, it's not going to require a lot, but what it is going to require, are the things to be done, that are not being done. And, they can be done in a matter of hours. I just don't see the fooling around. Now, it's been going months and months and months. And today, it's over. You must get it done, or hire somebody. Is that fair and square? I think it is fair. Why? Because, I've not put a burden on you. Now there's not one of you can say I've put a burden on. Right? Okay, so let's get it done now. I believe a building is important. Now is it wasn't, I wouldn't say that. But I believe, with all my heart, now I could be wrong, but, I've got to believe what I believe. That when I turn northeast, and it's a perfect isosceles right angle triangle. That's exactly what it is in my place. I believe this is the place, that I'm to bring forth the Word here. So, from now on, now you can do what you want amongst yourselves, and I haven't hurt your feelings, I haven't intend to. But, the thing is this, I want you to look at it, from the Word of Almighty God. It does take sacrifice. But remember, you'll be the first and the last people to sacrifice. And, there's hardly anything left to do. We've had other's come in a do work. But, as I say, there's a limit to that, unless you want to raise a special budget.

So all right. You're understanding exactly what to do. So let's get it all done. And, what few things we must do, like, for windows, there's a few things like an air conditioner, and these things. We can put in the regular air conditioning, the casement..not the casement but wall type. Or the window type, ...but these things, you can fit it in, you can allow to do them. And look, you're the church, I'm not. You know. I could bring my own little private fan, a little ice water dripping on my head, but I'm not going to do it. Well let's bow our heads one more time.

Heavenly Father, you know I don't speak out of anger or malice concerning this, but the work must be done, Lord, because the place must be dedicated. Things must be put in order. Everything must be done as to proper things we know, Lord, as to what do they line in the form of a contract. Or other things, Lord, that they cannot be put off any longer, because, the devil will creep in sure as you're knee high to a grasshopper. And will take advantage of everything, Lord. It's bad enough at this point, because we know this is the desperate part, try to be one with this Word. To try, Lord, to give it exactly right, O God, because it would be so easy to take our liberty. And yet, Lord, if we start down here in the building, and take liberties, and fool around and these things, where are we going to go with the Word? Lord, I don't know, maybe I'm not consistent, maybe I am, I don't know. If I'm not consistent, Lord, forgive me. We'll just go out in the bush as far as that's concerned. Any old thing is good enough. Father, I believe that, when we consecrated to do this thing, is to do it right. I believe Lord, we want to do all things in order.

So we pray that You'll just help us now, with the blessing of God in our hearts, and lives. Knowing that, shortly, we'll be away from here, resurrected into Thy Presence. But there's someone who told us they could name the hour, which is the hour we live. Also said, if we're pounding nails, and knowing He's coming tomorrow, keep pounding nails. Hoeing potatoes, whatever it is. Lord, we would like to see the thing done here, and we believe now that there's Your blessing upon us. The seriousness of the hour of time going on, we should be able to get the thing done up, in what little thing needs doing.

So Father, we thank You now, for strength, and energy. And, again I say, if we've done anything wrong, forgive us. May You wipe this out of people's minds. This is far as we should go, but, I don't believe it is. Lord, You can show us. Lord, we want Your will in everything, Lord. We want to be humble and right O God. So we commend ourselves to You in everything. Surely, we do Lord. Our very breath is in Your hands. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be all power, and honour and glory through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.