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SALVATION AND HEALING.

Through Jesus, we are entitled to health and sanctification of soul and body. Bro. Paul said to the church, Thess. 5. 23. "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly, and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of the Lord." That prayer is being prayed by the Holy Ghost for us today. Jesus prayed that the Father would keep us from evil, which means sickness and all the works of the devil. All sickness is the work of satan, and we have just as much right to look to Jesus for the health of these bodies as for the saving and sanctifying of our souls.

The sacrifice on Calvary was a two fold sacrifice. When we receive the atonement in all its fulness, we have health and salvation to the uttermost. The prophet said, "He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities the chas- [illegible] with His stripes we are healed." He gave His blood for the salvation of our souls and He gave a perfect body for these imperfect bodies of ours.

It is by the stripes of Jesus that we are healed. There was never a whip lash put on Jesus' back till Pilate scourged Him before the judgment bar. The marks that were made on that perfect body of our Savior, the blood that ran down in Pilate's judgment hall from His stripes, reach our infirmities and cleanse us from all sickness and disease and make us every whit whole.

The Passover lamb was a type of Christ. We find that the Lord commanded the children of Israel, when they were about to come out of Egypt to take a lamb without blemish and kill it and sprinkle the blood at the doors of their houses and eat the body of the lamb in their houses. The blood stood for salvation to save them from the destroyer. So the blood of Jesus saves us from sin, for satan is not able to make his way through the blood. Now they were to eat the body of the lamb in their very own homes that they might have strength and health that night to go out of Egypt. And out of three million that went out of Egypt, there was not one sick. This was a real type of the atonement of our Lord Jesus Christ for soul and body.

We find the Jews afterward kept the Passover. They looked back to their deliverance and commemorated it every year by eating the lamb's body, the type of our Christ. The body of the lamb pointed to Christ's body broken for us. So we look back to Calvary, to our Savior who hung and died and gave a perfect body for us.

O remember Calvary. He said at the Passover supper, just before He was crucified, "Take, eat, this is my body." What for? For health. And He gave them the cup and said, "This is my blood of the New Testament, which is shed for many, for the remission of sins." So every time we partake of the Lord's supper, we do it in remembrance of this two-fold salvation for body and soul.

Many are sickly and fall asleep because they do not discern the Lord's body. They will take a doctor before Jesus. They put a doctor between them and the atonement. Yet they will say, "Lord, Lord," and do not the things that He says: "Is any afflicted, let him pray. Is any sick among you, let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith shall save the sick." Jas. 5. 13, 15. The doctor gives you poison and you die because you dishonor the atonement. You are sickly, you fall asleep. You come to the Lord's table and yet you do not believe in full salvation for soul and body. You take the cup and eat the bread, and yet deny the body of the Lord for health and salvation. So you are sick because you do not discern the body of the Lord Jesus.

"Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, ye have no life in you." Jno. 6. 53. Dear beloved, this means that we must honor the atonement of our Lord Jesus Christ in all its fullness, as David said, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits, who forgiveth all thine iniquities, who healeth all thy diseases." Let us take the Lamb's body, through faith in our Lord, for salvation and healing of these bodies, as we honor His blood for saving and sanctifying our soul and spirit. Amen.

BAPTIZED WITH THE HOLY GHOST.

(By F. E. Hill.)

Do you long to be full of joy and free,
To be strong in God and his glory see,
Then obey His word and you shall be,
Baptized with the Holy Ghost.

CHORUS.
"Ye shall be baptized," Jesus said,
Baptized with the Holy Ghost,
Tarry then until with the power endued,
Baptized with the Holy Ghost.
Yes I'll be baptized with His power,
Baptized with the Holy Ghost,
'Tis the gift I see, Father's promise to me,
Baptized with the Holy Ghost.

Will you consecrate to Him now your all,
Let Him have his way while to Him you call,
As in faith you wait the power will fall,
Baptized with the Holy Ghost.

"This is that" which fell at Pentecost,
To prepare the church to redeem the lost,
We must then be filled at any cost,
Baptized with the Holy Ghost.

'Tis the gift of God to the sanctified,
He will comfort, lead and will be our guide,
And will dwell in us, coming to abide,
Baptized with the Holy Ghost.

Will you gladly fall at the Saviour's feet,
Give your doubtings o'er, and be made complete,
There to dwell in peace, and communion sweet,
Baptized with the Holy Ghost.

You can sing God's praise now, and by and by,
Ye shall speak with tongues, and shall prophesy,
In the power of God ye shall testify,
Baptized with the Holy Ghost.

THE ENDUEMENT OF POWER.

The first thing in order to receive this precious and wonderful baptism is to have a clear knowledge of justification by faith, according to Rom. 5. 1., "Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. We know that all our sins guilt and polution are washed away. Old things are passed away, behold all things are become new. The love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost. We have eternal life in our souls and the Spirit witnesses with our Spirit that we are the children of God.

Now since we are justified by faith, we have access, through the precious blood, to present ourselves to God as a living sacrifice for sanctification, which is the second work of grace that cleanses us from inbred sin, inbred disobedience and rebellion. The old man is crucified, the body of sin destroyed. Rom. 6. 6., "Knowing this, that our old man is crucified, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. We are made holy by the blood of Jesus, for we have a witness by the Holy Ghost, Heb. 10. 14, 15, "For by one offering He hath perfected forever them that are sanctified, whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us."

But yet this is not the baptism with the Holy Ghost. Many people have taken the promise of the Father to be sanctification, but if we carefully read our Bibles and our references in our Bibles, we will find that sanctification and the baptism with the Holy Spirit are altogether different. We are sanctified through the precious blood of our [illegible] Jesus died for us—not the Holy Ghost. Praise our God. They were not to tarry in Jerusalem till He should pour out His blood upon them, but tarry for the promise of the Father. John truly baptized with water, but the Lord Jesus was coming to baptize with the Holy Ghost and fire. Jesus said, "Ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence," and "ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you."

The baptism with the Holy Ghost is not a work of grace but a gift of power. Sanctification is the second and last work of grace, but the baptism with the Holy Ghost is a gift of power. It is a free gift without repentance. No consecration to be made in receiving the Holy Spirit. Consecration is all made in sanctification. The Lord Jesus is dwelling within, and you have an unction from the Holy One which teaches you all things. The baptism with the Holy Ghost makes you a witness unto the uttermost parts of the earth. It gives you power to speak in the languages of the nations. So everyone that is really sanctified with a clean heart, and seeks the baptism with the Holy Ghost according to the 2nd chapter of Acts, receives the witness of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. You may not receive the gift of tongues when you receive the baptism with the Holy Ghost, but you receive the witness of tongues, that is to say,—you will speak in tongues when you are baptized with the Holy Spirit.

In seeking the baptism with the Holy Spirit do not ask the Lord for tongues. Just pray the Lord to give you the baptism with the Holy Ghost as He gave his disciples, according to the second chapter of Acts, and wait before Him till the Lord verifies His promise in your precious soul.

It is one thing to be filled with the Holy Ghost, and it is another thing to be baptized with the Holy Ghost. It is one thing to fill a glass with water, and another thing to baptize it with water, that is to hide it out of sight. John the baptist was filled with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb but not baptized. The Holy Ghost had been in the world all the time. "Holy men of old spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." He was with Moses, Samuel, Elijah, Enoch and many other men of God, but He was not poured out upon all flesh till the day of pentecost.

"Wherefore, Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore, unto Him without the gate bearing His reproach. Dear loved ones, in order to get sanctification, we have to go without the gate. We must leave the beautiful city, the precious temples, fame, honor, position, and go out of the gate. There we will find Jesus, the despised one, hanging between two thieves. It is so sweet to live this sanctified life. Very few people have sanctification in its fullness, which means crucifixion to self according to Gal. 5. 24-25. "And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit." Hallelujah.

A Pentecostal revival has commenced in the Altamont Bible Institute of South Carolina and one girl received the gift of tongues.

REPENTANCE.

You cannot get this salvation unless you repent and confess your sins. There are so many that cannot get this salvation because they will not make restitution, and God cannot enter into any heart that will hide its sins. "Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance." You must have Godly sorrow for sins if you want Jesus Christ to come into your heart. You cannot get the blood of Jesus Christ applied to a heart without repentance. God commands men everywhere to repent. Men have robbed, cheated and stolen and yet they do not want to make restitution. They come from time to time to get salvation and God will not hear them. "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me." God will never hear a man until he repents.

God heard the man that came and said, "God be merciful to me a sinner," and he went away justified. God pardoned because he repented. When you come to God, you must have the foundation of repentance. Confess your sins and He is faithful and just to forgive you. But He will not accept anybody that will cloak their sin. Be honest with your own heart today and get the devil exposed and accept Christ.

THE BAPTISM WITH THE HOLY GHOST FORESHADOWED.

We read in Ex. 25, 8, 9, that God spoke to Moses and said, "Let them make me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them, according to all that I show thee, after the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make it."

Dear loved ones, the Lord Jesus is the true tabernacle that God pitched and not man. The tabernacle in the wilderness was made after the pattern of the heavenly tabernacle which God showed Moses in the holy mount. We now have the true pattern which is the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God.

We first come to the court of the tabernacle where we find the brazen altar, where whole burn offerings are made. When we first came, we were dead in trespasses and sins and could make no offering for we had no life in our souls. But we found Jesus as a sacrifice upon that altar. He pardons us of our sins and plants the new birth in our souls. We are justified and saved and our names written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then we go on to the Holy Place to consecrate ourselves. There we find the believer's altar which is the golden altar. We sanctify ourselves and consecrate ourselves to God as a living sacrifice, and we find the precious blood in the Holy Place that sanctifies and cleanses us from all sin, crucifies the old man, the body of sin and carnality, and makes us holy. We had to have eternal life in our souls in order to consecrate ourselves. Here we feed upon Christ, for the bread in the Holy Palace typifies the bread of life. "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Here also is the golden candlestick that sheds its light continually day and night, supplied by the holy oil. We are now the sons and daughters of God and entitled to the earnest of our inheritance, which is the baptism with the Holy Spirit.

Then we enter into the Holiest by the blood of Jesus. There is the ark of the covenant overshadowed by the wings of the cherubim, and over the ark the great Shekina glory, a pillar of fire by night and [illegible] by day, [illegible] represents the baptism with the Holy Spirit. There is no altar in the Holy of Holies for our consecration is all made in the Holy Place when we are sanctified. But we find the ark of the covenant covered with pure gold and within Aaron's rod that budded, which stands for justification in Christ Jesus, also the pot of hidden manna which Moses took and hid in the ark, which represents sanctification; and the tables of stone on which God wrote Himself in the mount, which stands for the baptism with the Holy Ghost, for when we are baptized with the Holy Spirit we are sealed in the forehead until His coming.

Here the great Shekina glory rests upon us day and night, and we are filled and thrilled with the power of the Holy Spirit. The incense is going up continually from our souls. In the Holy Place, the oil was renewed from day to day, but when we get the baptism with the Holy Ghost it oils us up continually, from the throne of God. In the Holy Place we had the streams of salvation but in the Holy of Holies, we have the rivers, for Jesus said, "Out of your innermost being shall flow rivers of living water," and this spake He of the Spirit for the Holy Ghost was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified."

There are two works of grace plainly shown in the tabernacle by the two altars—the brazen altar and the golden altar, the Holy of Holies, is the gift of power upon the sanctified, cleansed life. Glory to our God. The ark of the covenant represents our Lord Jesus Christ and in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. In the Lord Jesus, we receive all of these gifts and graces. We must build according to the divine plan.

SANCTIFIED BEFORE PENTECOST.

By reading the Bible carefully, you can see that the disciples were saved and sanctified men and had received the unction of the Holy Spirit, before the day of Pentecost.

Jesus said in John 15. 3, before He was crucified, "Now are ye clean through the word which I have spoken unto you." And in John 17. 16-17, "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth, thy word is truth." Jesus is the word and the truth, so they were sanctified through the truth that very night that He prayed for them.

He told Peter that satan desired to sift him as wheat, but He had prayed the Father for him that his faith fail not. So satan could not go beyond the Lord's prayer. "And when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." This did not mean that Peter was not converted, but Jesus knew the great temptation that Peter was to be confronted with, and He meant when he should have been delivered, to strengthen the brethren.

Peter did deny the Lord Jesus, but as soon as he denied him, he went out and wept bitterly, and God pardoned him. So when our Lord Jesus rose, He told the angel to tell the disciples to meet Him in Galilee, "and Peter." When Peter heard that, he was very happy to know that the Lord had taken him back.

We find in John 20. 21, 22, Jesus said to the disciples, "Peace be unto you, as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whosesoever sins ye remit they are remitted, and whosesoever sins ye retain, they are retained." This was the power the Lord Jesus gave the disciples before they received their personal Pentecost.

We find by a careful study of the Word, that they had all eight of the nine gifts of the Spirit before Pentecost, except the gift of tongues. They had the gifts of healing, discernment, wisdom, prophecy, etc. The gift of tongues was reserved for the day of Pentecost to be a sign and evidence of the baptism with the Holy Ghost.

The disciples were filled with the unction of the Holy Spirit, the anointing, before the day of Pentecost when Jesus breathed on them. This sustained them till they were endued with power from on high.

So in the first chapter of Acts, Jesus taught His disciples to wait for the promise of the Father. This was not to wait for sanctification. His blood had been spilt on Calvary's cross. He was not going to send His blood to cleanse them from carnality but His Spirit to endue them with power. They went up to Jerusalem praising and blessing God with great joy. They all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication. They had perfect faith and perfect obedience to Jesus' command and no divisions among them. They were not on their knees but sitting when the Holy Ghost fell upon them, simply waiting for the gift of power.

"And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance."

Then Peter arose and said to the multitude that came running together, "This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel. And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh." He did not say God would cleanse their hearts by His blood from carnality, but pour out His Spirit. Amen. That is what He is doing in Los Angeles, pouring out His Spirit upon sanctified souls and the same signs are following.

COUNTERFEITS.

God has told us in His precious word that we should know a tree by its fruit. Wherever we find the real, we find the counterfeit also. But praise God for the real. We find in the time of Peter, when men and women were receiving the power of the Holy Ghost, the counterfeit appeared in Annanias and Saphira. But God's power was mightier than all the forces of hell, so their sin found them out. Be careful, dear loved ones, for your sin will surely find you out. "But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

In our meetings, we have had people to come and claim that they had received the baptism with the Holy Spirit, but when they were put to the test by the Holy Spirit, they were found wanting. So they got down and got saved and sanctified and baptized with the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues by the Holy Spirit. And again people have imitated the gift of tongues, but how quickly the Holy Spirit would reveal to every one of the true children that had the Pentecostal baptism, [illegible] till the counterfeits were silenced and condemned. God's promises are true and sure.

People are trying to imitate the work of the Holy Ghost these days, just as they did when the Lord sent Moses to Pharaoh in Ex. 7, 8, and gave him a miracle or sign to show before Pharaoh, that when Aaron should cast his rod before Pharaoh, it should become a serpent. So when Pharaoh saw that Aaron's rod had become a serpent, he called for his wise men and the counterfeit sorcerers and magicians of Egypt. They also did in like manner with their enchantments, for they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents, but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods. So the power of the Holy Ghost in God's people today condemns and swallows up the counterfeit. It digs up and exposes all the power of satan—Christian Science, Theosophy, and Spiritualism—all are uncovered before the Son of God. Glory to God.

Spiritualists have come to our meetings and had the demons cast out of them and have been saved and sanctified. Christian Scientists have come to the meetings and had the Christian Science demons cast out of them and have accepted the blood. Every plant that my heavenly Father hath not planted shall be rooted up.

People have come to this place full of demons and God has cast them out, and they have gone out crying with loud voices. Then when all the demons were cast out, they got saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost, clothed in their right minds and filled with glory and power.

Dear loved ones, it is not by might nor by power but by my Spirit, saith the Lord. "Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high. John truly baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence." These were Jesus' departing words. May you tarry until you receive your personal Pentecost. Amen.

—W. J. Seymour.

"SIGNS SHALL FOLLOW."

Jesus said in Mark 16. 17, 18, "These signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover." He told them to, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." What did this mean? It meant to preach healing, preach casting out of devils, preach that these signs shall follow them that believe, preach all the doctrine of Jesus. If they had preached only a part of the Gospel, would the signs have followed? These signs shall follow them that believe—not them that doubt or believe a part, but those that are simple enough and honest enough to believe every word of Jesus. We must believe it all, for if only a part is true, or if anything is changed in His commission of the Gospel to the world, it would not be a perfect Gospel. So a return to the full Gospel brings a return of the signs following them that believe.

Mother Wheaton, who has visited and worked for souls in the prisons of the United States and Europe, has been with us in Los Angeles tarrying for her Pentecost, also Bro. A. S. Worrell, editor of the Gospel Witness, and translator of the New Testament.

THE TRUE PENTECOST.

In Acts. 2. 4, we have the Bible standard and sample of what Pentecost is. It was the first Pentecost that ever came to the world. "They were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." So this is the Bible standard till Jesus comes.

Then we have another example of Pentecost when Peter preached the first sermon to a Gentile congregation at the house of Cornelius. It was like the first Pentecost. "While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them that heard the word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God." Acts. 10. 44-46.

Again we have the account of Pentecost being poured out at Ephesus and again it was like the first Pentecost. "And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues and prophesied." Acts. 19. 6.

In all three cases of the outpouring of Pentecost above mentioned the same evidence was manifest, the speaking in tongues. The Holy Ghost gave us these three incidents, of companies that received the Holy Ghost all at once, and besides this we know that the Apostle Paul had the gift and that others in the Corinthian the gift and that others in the Corinthian church had the gift.

Now the question is asked why did not all in the Corinthian church speak with tongues?

Paul in the 12th of First Corinthians, was setting the church in order, that there should be no schism in the body of Christ. Here is a brother who is justified and there is a brother who is sanctified. Now neither of them speak in tongues. In our body here, we have some justified who have just been saved. The next thing we do is to teach him he needs a clean heart, to be sanctified in the precious blood of Jesus Christ. He goes on and gets that. Then we show him he needs his Pentecostal baptism and speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. When he receives his Pentecost, he will speak in tongues.

So concerning prophesying, Paul says, "Greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues." We can have all the nine gifts as well as the nine fruits of the Spirit, for in Christ Jesus, dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. Paul is simply teaching the church to be in unity and not to be confused because all have not the same gifts. We are not confused because one has his Pentecost and another has not been sanctified. We do not say that we do not need the justified or the sanctified brother simply because he does not speak with tongues or does not prophesy; but we realize that it takes the justified, the sanctified and the Pentecost brother all to make up the body of Christ. You may have the gift of wisdom, healing, prophesy, etc. But when you get the Pentecost, the Lord God will speak through you in tongues.

"He that prophesieth is greater than he that speaketh with tongues, except he interpret." So the brother that prophesies is no greater than the brother that speaks in tongues, if the brother interprets as he speaks. We have a good many here that [illegible] the gifts [illegible] you will only ask the Lord for them.

In the 14th of I. Corinthians, Paul is setting us in order that have the baptism with the Holy Spirit and the speaking in tongues, that we should not get puffed up and think because one is justified or sanctified and does not speak with tongues he has not as much religion as we have. People in getting into deep spiritual things, and into the hidden mysteries of God, have to keep very humble at the feet of the Lord Jesus, for these precious gifts can easily puff us up, if we do not keep under the blood.

Paul is speaking to people that had been carried away with dumb idols, but now the Holy Spirit was being poured out upon them, and it was so sweet to their souls that they almost commenced worshipping the gift instead of the Giver. Instead of magnifying the blood, they were all after the gifts. The Lord wants us to seek the Giver and the Blesser instead of the gift and the blessing.

So we can truly say that we believe that everyone that receives their personal Pentecost has a witness in speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives them utterance, as the 120 received on the day of Pentecost. That was a lesson to the church and a sample to the church what the baptism with the Holy Spirit means to prepare us to be witnesses unto all the world. Glory to our God. Amen.

When we receive the baptism with the Holy Spirit, we may sing in tongues, because the Lord drops down sweet anthems from the paradise of God, electrifying every heart. Many times we do not need these song books of earth, but the Lord simply touches us by His mighty Spirit and we have no need of organs or pianos, for the Holy Ghost plays the piano in all our hearts, and then gives the interpretation of the song and sings it in the English language. It is so sweet. It is heaven below.

HE BORE OUR SICKNESS.

Can a man have salvation and yet his body be afflicted, which is the work of demons? Yes, we may have salvation and yet disease of the body for, "Though our outward man perisheth, the inward man is renewed day by day." Job said when satan had afflicted his body, "I know that my Redeemer liveth. * * * And though after my skin worms shall destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God." Job. 19. 26, 27. So though demons were in his flesh, he had Christ within his soul. The demons had afflicted his body with sickness, but yet his soul was free from sin. But did he send for a doctor? No, his trust was in his God, and God delivered him and gave him twice as much as he had before. God has always been the healer of His people, for He says, "I am the Lord, thy God that healeth thee."

Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. What would Christ's body look like if a mass of cancers and sickness! On the cross, He carried our griefs and bore our sickness. We have healing for our bodies as well as salvation for our souls in the atonement of Jesus. So when we receive this light, it is our duty to seek for healing of our bodies.