

Someone said to me not long ago, said, "Brother Branham, do you believe in holiness?"

I said, "Yes, sir. Without such, no man can see God." I said, "But not my holiness, 'cause I have not any. I believe in His holiness (See?), something that He has done, and it's that I rest my hopes upon, not on my own merits; I have none. I rest upon His merits, having this assurance, as He loves me, I love Him. And the whole thing becomes a love affair. See?"

All Christianity is wrapped up in one big love affair. Don't you believe that? See? ... Love is the most perfect thing there is in the Bible. "God is Love. And they that love, are of God," said John. See? Love--

Paul said, "Though I speak with tongue of men and Angels, though I understand all the mysteries of God, and I have faith to move mountains, give my body to be burned as a sacrifice, give all my goods to feed the poor, without love I am nothing."

Jesus said, "Many will come to Me in that day and say, 'Lord, have not I cast out devils in Your name? Haven't I done many mighty works in Your name? And haven't I prophesied in Your name?'" all those great signs and things that we look at today-- Jesus said, "I will confess to them, depart from Me, you workers of iniquity. I didn't even know you." See, see? Without love--

So, when God has anchored His love in the human heart, there is something-- For a personal testimony.

If I am condemned when I come up before the judgment seat of God at the end time, if it's planned that way, and I have to stand in His Presence, and He points His majestic finger at me and say, "Depart from Me." If I keep this same attitude that I have now, and I be in hell, I'll still love Him. See?

And He's just. I've deserved to go there at the first place. And if I knew that I was going to be condemned, and know now that I would be condemned at the end, after I've worked for Him a hundred years from now, I'd still desire to work for Him.

If there's no--if there would be no heaven, if there'd be no reward, I still want to be a Christian. That's right. It's just such a perfect satisfaction, something that just-- peace that passes all understanding. I wouldn't trade it for nothing. I've tried everything that I was big enough to do, and a lot of things I wasn't big enough to do, I tried anyhow. But I've never met anything that filled me so perfect. And nothing had ever touched the borders until one night Jesus Christ come in this poor Irish heart of mine. It made a different person out of me. See?

If I, tonight, preached and a thousand people got converted, and--or let's say a thousand people had died with the inspiration of God fifty years ago, and they rose up tonight, and I was dying. And say, "Brother Branham, don't trust it; it's false. Get away from it. Trust something else--"

I'd still say, "Let me die believing on the Lord Jesus Christ." For something actually happened in

my life.

If I prayed tonight in the healing line for a thousand people, and in the morning all thousand of them was dead, tomorrow night I'd be praying for the sick just the same. Never move my faith. Because this-- It isn't what my results is; it isn't what-- It's what God's Word teaches, what makes it truth. That's right. God said so, so that settled it.

Maybe the people didn't have faith. Maybe it was some fault in me. But it's no fault in God. God is truth always, always truth.

-- Brother Branham
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