

A Collection of Quotations To Inspire Your Faith &
Renew Your Spirit.

FASTING

FROM THE SERMONS OF
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2 நாளா 20:2,3

சிலர் வந்து, யோசபாத்தை நோக்கி: உமக்கு விரோதமாய் ஏராளமான ஜனங்கள் கடலுக்கு அக்கரையிலிருக்கிற சீரியாவிலிருந்து வருகிறார்கள்; இதோ, அவர்கள் எங்கேதியாகிய ஆசாசோன்தாமாரில் இருக்கிறார்கள் என்று அறிவித்தார்கள்.

அப்பொழுது யோசபாத் பயந்து, கர்த்தரைத் தேடுகிறதற்கு ஒருமுகப்பட்டு, யூதாவெங்கும் உபவாசத்தைக் கூறுவித்தான்.

எஸ்றா 8:23

அப்படியே நாங்கள் உபவாசம்பண்ணி, எங்கள் தேவனிடத்திலே அதைத் தேடினோம்; எங்கள் விண்ணப்பத்தைக் கேட்டருளினார்.

நெகே 1:4

இந்த வார்த்தைகளைக் கேட்டபோது நான் உட்கார்ந்து அழுது, சில நாளாய்த் துக்கித்து, உபவாசித்து, மன்றாடி, பரலோகத்தின் தேவனை நோக்கி:

எஸ்தர் 4:16

நீர் போய், சூசானில் இருக்கிற யூதரையெல்லாம் கூடிவரச்செய்து, மூன்றுநாள் அல்லும் பகலும் புசியாமலும் குடியாமலுமிருந்து, எனக்காக உபவாசம்பண்ணுங்கள்; நானும் என் தாதிமாரும் உபவாசம்பண்ணுவோம்; இவ்விதமாக சட்டத்தை மீறி, ராஜாவினிடத்தில் பிரவேசிப்பேன்; நான் செத்தாலும் சாகிறேன் என்று சொல்லச்சொன்னாள்.

ஏசா 58:3

நாங்கள் உபவாசம்பண்ணும்போது நீர் நோக்காமலிருக்கிறதென்ன? நாங்கள் எங்கள் ஆத்துமாக்களை ஒடுக்கும்போது நீர் அதை அறியாமலிருக்கிறதென்ன என்கிறார்கள்; இதோ, நீங்கள் உபவாசிக்கும் நாளிலே உங்கள் இச்சையின்படி நடந்து, உங்கள் வேலைகளையெல்லாம் கட்டாயமாய்ச் செய்கிறீர்கள்.

தானி 9:3

நான் உபவாசம்பண்ணி, இரட்டிலும் சாம்பலிலும் உட்கார்ந்து, தேவனாகிய ஆண்டவரை ஜெபத்தினாலும் விண்ணப்பங்களினாலும் தேட என் முகத்தை அவருக்கு நேராக்கி,

யோவே 1:14

பரிசுத்த உபவாசநாளை நியமியுங்கள்; விசேஷித்த ஆசரிப்பைக் கூறுங்கள்; மூப்பரையும் தேசத்தின் எல்லாக் குடிகளையும், உங்கள் தேவனாகிய கர்த்தரின் ஆலயத்திலே கூடிவரச்செய்து கர்த்தரை நோக்கிக் கூப்பிடுங்கள்.

யோவே 2:12

ஆதலால் நீங்கள் இப்பொழுதே உபவாசத்தோடும் அழுகையோடும் புலம்பலோடும் உங்கள் முழு இருதயத்தோடும் என்னிடத்தில் திரும்புங்கள் என்று கர்த்தர் சொல்லுகிறார்.

யோவே 2:15

சீயோனிலே எக்காளம் ஊதுங்கள், பரிசுத்த உபவாசநாளை நியமியுங்கள், விசேஷித்த ஆசரிப்பைக் கூறுங்கள்.

யோனா 3:5

அப்பொழுது நினைவேயிலுள்ள ஜனங்கள் தேவனை விசுவாசித்து, உபவாசஞ்செய்யும்படிக் கூறினார்கள்; பெரியோர்முதல் சிறியோர்மட்டும் இரட்டுடுத்திக்கொண்டார்கள்.

மத் 6:16

நீங்கள் உபவாசிக்கும்போது, மாயக்காரரைப்போல முகவாடலாய் இராதேயுங்கள்; அவர்கள் உபவாசிக்கிறதை மனுஷர் காணும்பொருட்டாக, தங்கள் முகங்களை வாடப்பண்ணுகிறார்கள்; அவர்கள் தங்கள் பலனை அடைந்து தீர்ந்ததென்று, மெய்யாகவே உங்களுக்குச் சொல்லுகிறேன்.

மத் 6:17

நீயோ உபவாசிக்கும்போது, அந்த உபவாசம் மனுஷர்களுக்குக் காணப்படாமல், அந்தரங்கத்தில் இருக்கிற உன் பிதாவுக்கே காணப்படும்படியாக, உன் தலைக்கு எண்ணெய் பூசி, உன் முகத்தைக் கழுவு.

மத் 17:21

இந்த ஜாதிப் பிசாசு ஜெபத்தினாலும் உபவாசத்தினாலுமேயன்றி மற்றெவ்விதத்தினாலும் புறப்பட்டுப்போகாது என்றார்.

லூக் 2:37

ஏறக்குறைய எண்பத்துநாலு வயதுள்ள அந்த விதவை தேவாலயத்தை விட்டு நீங்காமல், இரவும் பகலும் உபவாசித்து, ஜெபம்பண்ணி, ஆராதனை செய்து கொண்டிருந்தாள்.

அப் 10:30

அதற்குக் கொர்நேலியு: நாலுநாளைக்கு முன்னே இந்நேரத்திலே நான் உபவாசித்து, ஒன்பதாம்மணி நேரத்தில் என் வீட்டிலே ஜெபம்பண்ணிக்கொண்டிருந்தேன்; அப்பொழுது பிரகாசமுள்ள வஸ்திரந்தரித்த மனுஷன் ஒருவன் எனக்கு முன்பாக நின்று:

அப் 13:2

அவர்கள் கர்த்தருக்கு ஆராதனைசெய்து, உபவாசித்துக் கொண்டிருக்கிறபோது: பர்னபாவையும் சவுலையும் நான் அழைத்த ஊழியத்துக்காக அவர்களைப் பிரித்துவிடுங்கள் என்று பரிசுத்தஆவியானவர் திருவுளம்பற்றினார்.

அப் 14:23

அல்லாமலும் அந்தந்தச் சபைகளில் அவர்களுக்கு மூப்பர்களை ஏற்படுத்தி வைத்து, உபவாசித்து ஜெபம்பண்ணி, அவர்கள் விசுவாசித்துப் பற்றிக்கொண்ட கர்த்தருக்கு அவர்களை ஒப்புவித்தார்கள்.

2 கொரி 11:27

பிரயாசத்திலும், வருத்தத்திலும், அநேகமுறை கண்விழிப்புகளிலும், பசியிலும், தாகத்திலும், அநேகமுறை உபவாசங்களிலும், குளிரிலும், நிர்வாணத்திலும் இருந்தேன்.

Usually before I start in the prayer lines, I take three days of fasting and praying, as many people know that how I—I try to be, have the...

50-0711 - Ministry Explained, Para 2

And so therefore, friends, as a—as your brother, that's all I am. But God's gift is the Spirit of God that came down in the form of an Angel. Now, He didn't have wings. He looked like a man. I heard Him when He walked [Brother Branham illustrates—Ed.], just as that, and walked on the floor. Walked right over, just as normal as any man, and talks just like any man. He comes, time after time, through the room and different places when I'm fasting and praying.

50-0713 - Obey The Voice Of The Angel, Para 13

As myself, I'm not a preacher. I'm just... I was sent to pray for the sick. I spend my time in prayer all through the day. I must do it in order to meet the obligation of the night. And sickly takes the life from you, fasting and praying.

50-0714 - At Thy Word, Para 2

She come over there and said, "Brother Branham," said, "I followed meeting after meeting trying to get my brother in the line. I couldn't do it." Said, "His heart's got so

bad now it's pushed through the diaphragm." Said, "We was examined a few days ago before coming, doctor said he just has a little while to live. We sold our cow to get the money to come up here from Texas." Said, "I've been to several meetings; we sold all we got." Said, "I seen I couldn't get it, there's too many there. I've had a card several times, but the number's never been called." She said, "But I was praying last night all night and fasting," (she said), "and about daylight this morning I woke up, and I had a dream. And I dreamed that I should come down here to the cafeteria and wait at nine o'clock."

50-0715 - Led By The Spirit, Para 23

Now, when the anointing for healing is on, I just keep praying, fasting. And it gets to a place you feel a real sacred calm feeling, not like rejoicing; you just feel a real sacred feeling. But when you're speaking of the Holy Spirit, then it comes with joy, and happiness, and gladness, and the refreshing from the Presence of the Lord. And I'm very happy to—to have that this afternoon.

50-0716 - Believest Thou This?

And so therefore, on this platform, you must be very careful. Can be just one thing is all that Satan wants to—wants to throw out before the public. So therefore, I have to be fasting, prayerful, every minute on the guard, watching for something.

50-0813A - The Resurrection Of Lazarus, Para 4

And in Kuopio, Finland, wh--we were up there which is way up near the laplands the land of the midnight sun. And I had been up in a tower, fasting.

IT.SHALL.BE.EVEN.AS.IT.WAS.TOLD.ME_ CLEVELAND.OH FRIDAY_ 50-0818, E-30

This has been a fast day, fasting and praying that God would grant His blessings upon you people tonight.

THE.WORKS.THAT.I.DO.BEAR.WITNESS.OF.ME_ PHOENIX.AZ FRIDAY_ 51-0413, E-8

He's been fasting and praying for this tonight, and he was warned. And so he came, and God has delivered him.

EXHORTATION.OF.DIVINE.HEALING_ LA.CA TUESDAY_ 51-0501, E-50

Now, for another case. A few weeks ago, I was standing in Los Angeles. Can you hear me in the back? Raise up your hands if you can.

I was in Los Angeles, California, having meetings. Now, listen here just the way the meeting takes place, before we start. I pray; I fast. I just come out of a meeting: I've

been gone now for two days; I've been home, been back to the house a couple times. Go off to myself and pray, not eating, fasting, waiting. And there's something comes down, takes over my life, my body, and I'm not myself. No more...

THE.PRINCIPLES.OF.DIVINE.HEALING_ JEFF.IN SUNDAY_ 51-0923, E-51

Then I remember, I'd been fasting; it was just like tonight. Fridays is a fast day, has been for me for a long time.

AT.THY.WORD_ NEW.YORK.NY FRIDAY_ 51-0928, E-19

And you're suffering with kind of a headaches and everything. You have a funny odd feeling. You've been fasting for the last few days, haven't you? Uh-huh. You haven't had that feeling since you been fasting because it's been better. Is that right? Is that true? You've had an operation too, haven't you? That's right, uh-huh. And now, you've believed always, if I lay hands on you and ask God that that would leave you. When those feelings hit you, you have funny feelings, feel like it's pulling you and shoving you forward. Is that right? Come, here sister, this will confirm you.

EXPECTATION_ NEW.YORK.NY SUNDAY_ 51-0930, E-56

And usually in the healing services I'm always fasting and praying, but I been feasting and talking the last few days.

BELIEVEST.THOU.THIS_ NEW.YORK.NY WEDNESDAY_ 51-1003, E-10

My s--ministry is praying for the sick. And in order to do that, I must come into another world that the people know nothing about. There's just no need of trying to explain it; you--you can't do it. And I go to fasting about three days before my service, and it lifts me up into a sphere there, that I... Well, I just... That's just it. It goes into another dimension that sees things and so forth. Then when the--between the services some I just let down and go out. And I like to fish and hunt and--and like anyone else. So (You see?) it's--it's man here, but then man uses--or, God uses man to glorify Him.

BELIEVEST.THOU.THIS_ NEW.YORK.NY WEDNESDAY_ 51-1003, E-15

And he was--he was with me, and I'd been in the room for three days, just fasting and praying.

I--I had been fasting and praying and wouldn't go out to eat.

FAITH.IN.THE.SON.OF.GOD_ HAMMOND.IN TUESDAY_ 52-0715, E-34

And about that time, there's an old prophetess over in the temple there. We're told she was blind. Her name was Ann. And she's was setting there. She's blind; she couldn't read no more, but she is studying. She didn't leave the temple; she served God day and night with fasting and praying.

DEEP.CALLETH.UNTO.THE.DEEP_ CHICAGO.IL SATURDAY_ 52-0809, E-12

It's always in the meetings that I'm out praying, getting ready, seeking God, and praying and fasting before the meeting. That's usually the procedure. I never get into the meetings until the time to come out in--under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, and go right into praying for the sick.

**JESUS.CHRIST.THE.SAME.YESTERDAY.TODAY.AND.FOREVER_ EDMONTON.AB
MONDAY_ 52-1027, E-2**

And I believe God's going to fill this church with the Holy Ghost, till you hear a scream that'll--that'll swing out through Jeffersonville here. I'm waiting and praying every day and night, waiting just for the crucial moment. You keep fasting, keep praying; getting the kids together, get rid of all the sin around your home, as Jacob said, "Take off your earrings and wash your garments." Get ready.

ISRAEL.AND.THE.CHURCH.3_ JEFF.IN IC 65-96 FRIDAY_ 53-0327, 212

I pray on that day when the crowns are given out to the saints, that I will be standing back, when I see the Jonesboro group come up there, I will be awful noisy, I'm afraid, when I see Him place... I think of what it'll be when the last Supper the... is set there in glory. And we've all overcome, set across the table from one another. I will look across the table and see old battle-scarred saints setting there, tears of joy running down their cheeks. We'll just have to reach across the table and take one another by hand.

I will say, "Oh, brother, I'm so glad to see you." Just think of that long supper table. Then the King will come out in His beautiful garments and wipe all tears from our eyes, saying, "Don't cry no more; we're all here now. It's all over. Last prayer meeting is over now: no more fasting, no more praying. We're all Home. Now, enter into the joys of the Lord." That's what I want to hear. That's what I'm working hard, day and night, all the time that I can to do.

GOD'S.PROVIDED.WAY_ JONESBORO.AR WEDNESDAY_ 53-0513, E-10

Sure He was a man when He stood up there that night, all night on the mountain fasting and praying. And the next morning He come down, looked around over at that tree, trying to find something to eat, and there was no fig--nothing there for Him to eat, no

figs on the tree. He was a man when He was hungry. But when He took five biscuits and two little fishes and fed five thousand, that was more than a man, that was God in His Son. Right.

THE.MINISTRY.OF.CHRIST_ CONNERSVILLE.IN SUNDAY_ 53-0607A, E-71

And one day, I'd been fasting much. We was up in the mi--land of the midnight sun. I never forget that night. In the afternoon we went up to Kopio;

A.TESTIMONY_ CONNERSVILLE.IN SUNDAY_ 53-0607E, E-19

And usually I stay home, don't eat, come into the meetings, fasting, praying, just lead me right to the platform and start right off from there, praying for the sick. 'Course, it makes a better meeting; I know that. Because you're already under anointing.

AT.THY.WORD_ CONNERSVILLE.IN MONDAY_ 53-0608E, E-2

In Finland we was coming down off the mountain that day, I'd been fasting for several days.

DO.YOU.NOW.BELIEVE_ OWENSBORO.KY FRIDAY_ 53-1106, E-23

How is this message just goes the whole world over now, when literally millions of healings... Even the jungles of Africa, after they was converted, I said, "Don't wait till you get an education; go right on out; lay hands on the sick."

Why, up in the jungles they got the healing campaigns going on amongst the natives, men who don't even know which is right and left hand hardly. But they know Jesus Christ. They seen Him do it, and they believe it, and they pray for their native friends, and they're healed. Preaching Gospel, accepting Christ, breaking up their idols, forming big churches and groups, praying all night, fasting for weeks at a time, no education or nothing... They just believe God. Now, you do the same.

PREPARATION_ OWENSBORO.KY WEDNESDAY_ 53-1111, E-98

Let's bow our heads. Our heavenly Father, we thank Thee tonight. And O God, as my heart moves back across the scenes for the last few years, God, how... What--what can I do to get it to the people? Here's the place it's needed, right here, Lord, right here, the worst I've ever seen. I pray, God, that somehow, something before Divine judgment strikes the place, I pray that something will be done. I've been told that many of your servants has been in here. And You've got some faithful people in here, real people that's praying, and fasting, and holding on.

I believe it's the reason You're sparing it. God, they're faithful. But just think of the thousands tonight out here that's without God, without Christ. Have mercy. God, do something. Send the revival. Ministers faithfully working, people praying and fasting, little mothers doing without their food, and fathers, and little children even fasting and praying, O great God, I know that You... Men are free moral agents. You can only knock at their heart. They have to make the acceptance.

TESTIMONY.RAISING.DEAD.BOY_ WEST.PALM.BEACH.FL THURSDAY_ 53-1203, E-80

I'll tell you a little secret. You might not know it, but it's true. There's two women that's hid away (Christian women). And they won't appear until the end of the meeting. That's never eating or nothing, praying for me in this platform, will be in there seven days now, a praying for this meeting.

That's what does it. God res... Bless their gallant souls. Fasting and praying that God will give us victory... He will certainly do it. He will be obligated to do it, if we'll just ask Him and believe that He will.

THE.RESURRECTION.OF.JAIRUS.DAUGHTER_ PHOENIX.AZ TUESDAY_ 54-0302, E-2

Each one of you has helped support this meeting with your finance. You have support it with prayer. And tonight, if schedule worked out regularly... Two little women that's been hid away in these eight days in the meeting, has been fasting and praying for this meeting. That's one of the reasons that it was a success. That's right. And may... I trust that they're here tonight. That was told to me by pretty good authority, which I believe is authentic. So I appreciate you sisters, and I appreciate you, not only them, but others who've been fasting and praying too, and backing me up with your wonderful faith in Jesus Christ.

DO.YOU.NOW.BELIEVE_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_ 54-0307E, E-8

I know you been fasting. And many of you have been praying. That's the reason you... There's such a wonderful spirit in here, tonight. How it's banking up, as I can feel it moving.

WHY.I'M.PRAYING.FOR.THE.SICK_ COLUMBUS.OH SUNDAY_ 54-0314, E-58

And so now tonight as we are gathered here to start this prayer meeting: praying for the sick, believing God for the supernatural; I trust that every person here will take it upon themselves to be under prayer all the time. In your homes be fasting and praying. Come with great expectation. For if you don't expect anything, you won't receive anything. You'll just receive as you expect.

SIRS.WE.WOULD.SEE.JESUS_ LOUISVILLE.KY SUNDAY_ 54-0328, E-1

And then, there's many of you, friends, that's praying, fasting, and afraid to take a hold of what you're praying for. That's right. See? Well, it won't do you no good to fast and pray, 'less you got some works to go with it. All your faith in the world, won't do you a bit of good, 'less you step right out there, and toe-to-toe with it, and take it. That's all. You've got to go forward. You just got to step right out and do it anyhow. When you ask for anything, go get it. God said it's yours, so don't take nothing less. Get what you asked for. You do that and find out how it comes out. Yeah. Don't--don't back up and say, "Well, I'll take second."

I'll take first. God promised me first; that's what I want. And for these twenty-three years I've served Him, He's give me that place. And I... And as long as I believe Him and love Him, and He loves me, it'll be just that way, because He's obligated to His Word. "Whatsoever things you desire, when you pray, believe you receive it, you shall have it." That's what He said. Is that right?

REDEMPTION.IN.COMPLETENESS.IN.JOY_ LOUISVILLE.KY V-25 N-8 TUESDAY_ 54-0330, 27,28

Jesus speaking of John, said, "You all went out to see John." Said, "You had a great time when John was here." Said, "For a season you liked to walk in his light. And John came, neither eating or drinking, fasting, had a great meeting till all of Jerusalem and Judea was moved. And John bear record of Jesus. And then when Jesus come, confirming John's ministry with signs and wonders, they didn't receive him." May the Lord bless now. And may you keep in the sweet spirit of prayer, until the services is ended. If I have truly testified of our Lord Jesus Christ, the truth, I know that He will come tonight and confirm the words that's been said.

THY.FAITH.HAS.SAVED.THEE_ SHREVEPORT.LA SUNDAY_ 54-0411, E-28

Now, in the Scriptures I wish to read just a little portion and about five minutes talk before we go into the healing service. And it's found over in Saint Mark. Many of you who like to keep it down, Saint Mark the 11th chapter, and beginning with the 20th verse, I'll read just a portion here.

And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots.

And Peter calling to remembrance said unto him, Master, behold the fig tree which thou cursed is withered away.

And Jesus answering said unto them, Have faith in God.

The story's very striking, as all Bible readers that's read much of the Scriptures knows the instance. Jesus came down from the hill as a human, a Man Who'd been up all night fasting. He came down to find something to eat, looking on the tree.

HAVE.FAITH.IN.GOD_ NEW.YORK.NY 54-0900, E-6

But I'm not preacher enough to hold my congregations. I realize that. It's... The ministry is healing. God willing, beginning tomorrow night, at six-thirty or seven o'clock, the prayer cards will be give out. I'm going to fasting from this very hour, from this night. I'm going to believe the Lord Jesus Christ (or maybe from in the morning) to bring the anointing of the Angel of God back to me again. If I can't make an influence in preaching the Gospel that I believe, I'll pray for God's sick children then. And tomorrow night, we'll have healing services here. Tomorrow afternoon, I want to preach on a subject, if God willing. Tomorrow afternoon, or tomorrow right--at Sunday school time, "Why That I Am What I Am." Come. If you have... it's... be after your church services is out perhaps. Tomorrow night.

GOD.PERFECTING.HIS.CHURCH_ BINGHAMTON.NY SATURDAY_ 54-1204, E-83

As I've said, faith doesn't come by fasting. Faith doesn't come by praying, reading a book. All of that's good: fasting, praying, and reading--reading a book. But faith comes by a--a settled something that's in the human heart, that tells you just as sure as you come to this church tonight... When you come home, you told your wife you'd be home after the service was over, you do that unconsciously. You just go out and get in your car and go on home. Now, you could not do it, unless you have faith you could do it. You'd never move from where your setting, if you didn't have faith you could raise up. But you've done it so much, and you just become so accustomed to those laws, till it's a natural thing.

THE.FUNDAMENTAL.FOUNDATION.FOR.FAITH_ CHICAGO.IL THURSDAY_ 55-0113, E-13

So we got back down late. And if I ever had a night of difficult, it's tonight. Coming back down, and then... Thought I would go into the room early then and go to fasting, praying. We hadn't eaten, so we decided to do that. And in the room, when I-- when I went into--to go to praying, I picked up my Bible and I felt real tired. I just set down in a chair. When they come back from the afternoon meeting, they woke me up. I went to sleep.

WATER.FROM.THE.ROCK_ PHOENIX.AZ THURSDAY_ 55-0224, E-3

We have altar calls and bring people up around the altar. That's a--a good tradition of the church, but in the Bible time, "As many as believed on the Lord..." just accepted Him, wherever He was. "As many as believed, was saved."

They had no altar calls. That first originated in the Methodist, around the early Methodist church is coming to the altar. It's a good thing. We should never let it go. Keep it up. I think it's a good thing. Come out there, pour your heart out before God. That's the way to do it. But really, that isn't what saves you. You could stay there at the altar, and pray all night long, cry, walk up-and-down the altar. You could do every penance you could. You could sell everything you got and give to the poor. You could go on a fast for forty days and get so--so wore out from fasting till you just couldn't walk, and never do you any good, until first, you accept... That's it. It's your part. God's did His part. Now, you do your part, just a simple thing of believing it. And when you believe it, that settles it forever.

GLORIFIED.JESUS_ PHOENIX.AZ FRIDAY_ 55-0225, E-29

I like to seen that meeting. Paul went right straight away, not to the seminary, but went down in Arabia, and stayed there three years fasting and praying the Lord would show him what to do.

THE.FAITH.THAT.WAS.ONCE.DELIVERED.TO.THE.SAINTS_ CHICAGO.IL SUNDAY_ 55-0501E, E-43

There's nothing in the Word tells you to have a forty day fast, not a thing. Nothing in the world telling you to fast 'less God would tell you. And if you fast, you ain't going to get hungry and go all these things. After your fasting, brother, you'll be joy and happy all the time.

Said, "Don't appear before men like hypocrites do with a long sad face. I'm on a forty day fast; my plates won't fit me any more. I've lost thirty pounds, and they told me I looked better after this is over." Oh, nonsense. It's enticing spirits of the devil.

ENTICING.SPIRITS_ JEFF.IN DE 79-112 SUNDAY_ 55-0724, 111f

Later on, about two years later, I was way up at Kuopio, Finland. And many of the brethren taken me up on a tower and was showing me around. Many times in these meetings, I don't eat much, sometimes fast for several days. I'd been fasting then three or four days. I do that because the Bible said, these come out only by fast and prayer. I said to my--one of my managers, Mr. Lindsay, the editor of the Voice of Healing, "Something's fixing to happen."

SIR.WE.WOULD.SEE.JESUS_ LAUSANNE.SWITZERLAND SUNDAY_ 55-0828E, E-10

Come over tomorrow night, 'cause then the next day I have to start... I'll start fasting and making ready for the healing service coming.

WHERE.I.THINK.PENTECOST.FAILED_ SAN.FERNANDO.CA FRIDAY_ 55-1111, E-20

Now, if you will notice. See? Now, He got weak from one. That woman walked before Him and touched Him and went away. Now, the... That's the same thing as if I was standing on my tiptoes. I'm before... for hours before I come to this meeting, it's fasting and praying. During the time of this, that's the reason I hide myself away from people, don't let no one know where I am. I'm hid away right now in a room.

THE.DARKEST.HOUR.THEN.JESUS.COMES.ALONG_ SAN.FERNANDO.CA MONDAY_ 55-1114, E-30

Christianity is not something, God's not One you have to beg, and cry, and plead, and fast, and starve, and everything like that to get to. Certainly not. I'm not degrading a fast.

But here not long ago, a man wrote a book on fasting. My, women come into the meeting, and men, who'd went on those fasts that were insane. They went just because the book said to fast forty days. Some of them with false plates, and their teeth would drop out. And their eyes would sink back. And mothers-to-be to... women to be mothers, their little ones as you understand, they would completely go mentally out, and be taken to the institutions. Many, many of them, come in that condition. I believe in fasting. Certainly. But when you fast, you don't hunger. Jesus after He had got through fasting, the Bible said, He was hungry. God puts a fast on you. You don't put it on yourself. He certainly captured the women, the man did that wrote the book, when he said, put a picture of a woman there, she looked twenty years younger, said, after the fast. You ought to seen her then, just about a year later what she looked like, after that. See? Certainly.

You don't do that. You don't do things by works. It's by grace. God in sovereign grace...

THE.INTER.VEIL_ STURGIS.MI SATURDAY_ 56-0121, E-26

But we are not saved by experiences, nor by fasting, nor by prayer. There is one way we are saved; that's faith through the Word. "Faith cometh by hearing; hearing of the Word of God." It's the only way we could be saved.

GOD.KEEPS.HIS.WORD.2_ PHOENIX.AZ THURSDAY_ 57-0307, E-6

I stay in the room from about three o'clock on, praying and fasting, and waiting on the Lord when I come into these meetings. I'm believing this tonight because you're such a believing group. That's all. Remember I don't want your prayer cards, anyone with prayer cards. Just be reverent.

FAITH_ HARRISONBURG.VA SATURDAY_ 58-0315, E-64

Then when we're coming tonight, we're coming upon holy ground, among a people who's been praying, and fasting, and making restitutions, and getting ready to receive something from God. And I know that he that will come hungry will not go away hungry, but God will feed with the Bread of Life.

WHAT.IS.THE.HOLY.GHOST_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-2 WEDNESDAY_ 59-1216, 13

Here sets my daughter-in-law, Lord, little Loyce, hungering, and thirsting, and fasting, and waiting. There sets my sister back yonder, hungering, and thirsting, and fasting, and waiting. O Lord, send the Holy Ghost just now somehow into this building and strike their souls with the power of the resurrection; and may they rise to their feet in their resurrection power and be identified with Jesus Christ in His resurrection. Grant it, Lord.

IDENTIFIED.WITH.CHRIST_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-4 SUNDAY_ 59-1220E, 107

And then--and then I want all the church to receive the Holy Ghost. Now, my daughter-in-law's setting here. Not because she's my daughter-in-law, not 'cause she's here, she's one of the finest girls that I know of; she's a dandy girl, Loyce. And she's come up out of great things from her background, where she had to come out of a family who didn't worship God and so forth. I feel sorry for the child, have to come up like that. And now, she's seeking the Holy Ghost, and has fasted till she can't hardly stand up, fasting and praying for the Holy Ghost.

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS_ JEFF.IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 59-1223, 469-8

I imagine Paul was down there walking up-and-down in the galley somewhere, or up in the bulkhead of the ship saying, "Well, Lord, I'll come to you on the ocean, I suppose." Just walking up-and-down and having a good time that night, rejoicing, dragging those chains behind him. And all at once the next morning, here he comes running up on top of the deck, them little old hands chained down, his feet dragging like that with chains behind him, shaking the hands like that, like a man (hysterically), and saying, "Be of a good courage. Praise the Lord. Hallelujah." What's the matter with you boy? That little hook nose Jew up there just a shaking his hands and a carrying on.

"What's the matter Paul?"

"Be of a good courage. Go ahead and eat something. You ain't eat for too long. Been fasting too long now. Eat yourself something. Be of good courage; nothing's going to be lost."

"What you so sure about Paul? What's happened to you? Have you gone out of your head? Maybe you have fasted so long till you become delirious."

"Oh, no. No. Last night the Angel of God, Whose servant I am, stood by me and said, 'Paul, don't you get scared.'" Hallelujah. "He said, 'There's not going to be any life lost.' And I believe God. It'll be just as He told me." What? He heard. He recognized it to be God. And he was in action, before anything took place.

HEARING.RECEIVING.AND.ACTING_ CHAUTAUQUA.OH TUESDAY_ 60-0607, E-56

I said, "I'd like to tell you. Here's where it lays: he don't want me to say this, but my brother setting here, Gene Goad, that boy don't touch bread or water for days, fasting and praying. Here sets Pat Tyler, this other brother setting here by him. Them men lay on their faces without food and water when I'm in a meeting, praying for me. That's where it comes from. If there wasn't something like that, I'd go down."

That's the men behind the curtain. The man who prays for strength for a message, that they lay down everything. Maybe they haven't got the gifts to do those things, but they're putting every effort they can to support it. And the only way they can do it they know, is prayer before God and fasting. There's where power lays: let someone pray for you.

BE.NOT.AFRAID_ CHAUTAUQUA.OH THURSDAY_ 60-0609, E-14

I'd been fasting for something special to happen, something that would win the hearts of people.

WHY_ BEAUMONT.TX WEDNESDAY_ 61-0125, E-8

So I'd been fasting for about two or three days, and I was just going to preach that afternoon. I thought, "Well, seems like..." You never want to fast until you're led to fast. Then if you get hungry, it's time to eat. "Afterwards Jesus was afterwards an hungered." Some of this saying, these people fasting and say, "I'm going to fast forty days," and the false teeth falling out and losing weight, and... My, you better stop that. You wait till God leads you to do that on those things. Be led of the Spirit.

WHY_ BEAUMONT.TX WEDNESDAY_ 61-0125, E-9

I'm praying, fasting, waiting on God. I want to do my part while I'm here in California. You do your part. Get out and get the people in. God is doing greater things today than has ever been known since Jesus Christ was on earth. That's right. And it's going right over the top of the people's head, and they're missing seeing it. That's the bad part.

SIRS.WE.WOULD.SEE.JESUS_ LONG.BEACH.CA WEDNESDAY_ 61-0208, E-13

And when we go home, we'll say, "Did not our hearts burn within us as He made Himself known among us tonight?" And Lord, I believe it'll make the people come back to prayer and fasting, and--and this little church will grow, and the power of God will be in it, and prophecies and great signs and wonders, and women and men straightening up and walking before God softly. And, oh, what a fear of God will come over the country, Lord. Give them great signs and wonders. Grant it. Strengthen Your church, Lord.

SIRS.WE.WOULD.SEE.JESUS_ LONG.BEACH.CA WEDNESDAY_ 61-0208, E-86

This week I have eat nothing but crackers and milk. That's true. Fasting, waiting, seeing which way the Spirit will lead me...

WHY_ BLOOMINGTON.IL THURSDAY_ 61-0413, E-16

And John went into the wilderness, age about nine years old, and praying and fasting before God. And thirty years old he came out preaching a coming Messiah.

**JESUS.CHRIST.THE.SAME.YESTERDAY.TODAY.AND.FOREVER_ GRANDE.PRAIRIE.AB
TUESDAY_ 61-0516A, E-31**

He said, "I understood by books that Jeremiah, my brother, many, many years ago prophesied that Israel would stay down here seventy years, and that time's about fulfilled." And he made hisself ready, and he called a fast, and he sanctified himself, and when--ashes, and sackcloth, and put it upon his head, and went to fasting and praying to understand about what day they were living in.

GABRIEL'S.INSTRUCTIONS.TO.DANIEL_ JEFF.IN DA 1-44 SUNDAY_ 61-0730M, 78

Now, the reason I was gone at this time, I'd had a week of fasting and prayer, which had led me to have a decision.

PARADOX_ JEFF.IN V-15 N-8 SUNDAY_ 61-1210, 43

Each one of them as members of the Body of Christ, fasting and praying, and God heard and answered prayer.

YOU.MUST.BE.BORN.AGAIN_ JEFF.IN V-11 N-5 SUNDAY_ 61-1231M, 21

You see... Now, it's almost a impossible thing to get people praying, fasting, calling on the Lord. Seems like the church has got so drowsy, lazy in these last days: so pitiful. And I hate to come and just keep stirring, and preaching, and saying these things. But, brother, sister, that's truth. I just can't hold it. It's the Gospel, and it must be preached. It's got to be preached as a witness. It's true. So I think that we just presuming too much.

PRESUMING_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY_ 62-0117, E-45

Since my mother went away, I've been out in the wilderness laying in a cave, fasting and praying. A vision came to me.

PRESUMING_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY_ 62-0117, E-133

Three or four days I had been up there fasting and praying. It got musty in the cave, and I come out one afternoon.

**THE.SPOKEN.WORD.IS.THE.ORIGINAL.SEED_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-2 SUNDAY_ 62-0318,
102-2**

Today I was setting in the room. We had a... Usually Friday's a fast day for me. I don't eat on sometimes Tuesdays and Fridays, till sometime in the afternoon, just a little... That's not a regular fast. That's just a couple of days a week to fast. So a long fast comes in more days, when the Lord puts it upon you. But that's just in respects and honor of God's great memorial to us, the fasting, a command. And so, after three o'clock, usually I have a little something light.

PERSEVERANCE_ S.PINES.NC FRIDAY_ 62-0608, E-9

Elijah, he, one day when he was looking for something to come, to bring help to the people, he looked. And he looked till the old man, eighty-something years old, was too tired to climb the mountain, after been fasting, praying. But God told him, if they would repent, something would happen. What was he looking? He sent his servant up, said, "Go up and look. Look. Something is going to happen." Three years and a half, and no rain, not a cloud, not even dew falling. But said, "Go, look."

LOOK_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_ 63-0428, 206

Tonight now, to pray for the sick. I don't... The anointing of praying for the sick is a... It's the same Spirit, but a different anointing while praying for the sick, than it is this way. I haven't eaten since early today. And I come to the building, fasting, praying. And--and I don't want to be preaching so that I'll be under the anointing like when my minister

brothers, to preach. I--I want to feel the Presence of the Lord when I pray for the sick, 'cause each one that I'll pray for, tonight, I--I want it to be, I want them to be healed. I--I want it for the glory of God, that--that God would heal the sick. And I believe He will do it.

**JESUS.CHRIST.THE.SAME.YESTERDAY.TODAY.AND.FOREVER_ HOT.SPRINGS.AR V-20
N-9 THURSDAY_ 63-0627, 27**

300. We see... Why can't we sell our house? Thank you. We... P.S. We have prayed and fasted, and--to sell it, yet no results.

Well now, brother or sister (They don't sign their name.), but ever who it is, now, you're trying to sell your property and you've done what you... You want to sell it and probably for to buy some more or whatever you want to do, I don't know. If your objective is right, you're trying buy a home... If you got children or something like that, you want to get them a better home or something... I don't know what it's all about, but I'd say this: If you're trying to sell it, and fasting and trying to sell it, then commit it to the Lord and forget about it. See? Because it might be that God... You might move in somewhere else, and it might not be right. See?

If you're a Christian and trust in the Lord, 'cause you surely are or you wouldn't be fasting and praying. See? So I'd just commit it to the Lord. Say, "Now, Lord, when Your time for us to sell it, You'll send a buyer." Then it's committed to the Lord, take your hands off it and go ahead. I believe it'll work. I'm kinda speeding up here, 'cause I'm just running out of time.

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.2_ JEFF.IN COD SUNDAY_ 64-0823E, 1029-Q-300

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