

## God Being Misunderstood

### ISAIAH 55:6-11

6. Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:
7. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
8. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.
9. **For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.**
10. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:
11. So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

### JOB 1:20-22

20. Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and **worshipped,**
21. And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: **the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.**
22. **In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.**

### JOB 13:15a

- 15a. Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him:

### 47-1123 THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL

Now look. **There is a perfect will of God, and there's a permissive will of God.**

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The perfect will of God gave way to the permissive will of God **because of the "heart desire" of Balaam**. God actually said, "Go ahead." Did God change His mind? No sir. God had His way regardless of Balaam going. Balaam did not annul the will of God. God had His way regardless. It was Balaam who was the loser for **he by-passed the Word**.

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As He knew that **Balaam wanted his own heart desire above the Word** and He gave it to him, yet all the while in the end having HIS OWN way; even so today God tells folks to go ahead in their own hearts' desires for **they have already rejected the Word**. BUT THE WILL OF GOD WILL BE DONE REGARDLESS.

**PSALM 34:7**

7. The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

**PSALM 34:19**

19. Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but **the LORD delivereth him out of them all**.

52-1027 JESUS CHRIST THE SAME...

How could a loving Saviour... How could a Man with a heart full of compassion for the sick, how could the Son of God walk by such a massive mass of humanity, twisted, and lame... And we're even taught by historians that they stabbed one another trying to get in the pool first. How could a loving Saviour, full of love and compassion, walk by such a multitude and leave them lay there, and make one man whole that...? We'll just say for instance, he had sugar diabetes. How could He do that?

52-1027 JESUS CHRIST THE SAME...

"Verily, verily I say unto you. The Son could do nothing in Himself but what He sees the Father doing. Whatsoever the Father doeth, He showeth the Son. And these things doeth the Son also. And He'll show you greater things than the healing of this diabetic, that you may marvel."

### MATTHEW 27:39-44

39. And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,

40. And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.

41. Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the scribes and elders, said,

42. He **saved others; himself he cannot save. If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him.**

43. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.

44. The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth.

### 55-0117 HOW THE ANGEL CAME TO ME AND HIS COMMISSION

And he said, "Bring him forth, let me see him perform! Let me look at the people, a year from today, and I'll tell you whether I'll believe It or not."

Brother Bosworth said, "Brother Best, that sounds like **another case at Calvary**, 'Come down off the Cross and we'll believe You.'" See?

### 50-0811 THE POOL OF BETHESDA

We must first realize that **we're living in a day of skeptic, generation of people who will not believe.** Jesus said, "Though the dead be raised, they wouldn't believe." **Them Words has to be fulfilled.** Somebody...

Now, ninety percent that Satan promised he would have, has to be on the other side. We know that it has. **No matter what would take place, they still would not believe it. They'll try to find some way to believe different.**

### The Miracle of Donny Morton

Doctors had pronounced Donny's case hopeless in April of 1951. Arthur Morton remembered two deaf friends that had been healed in Bro. Branham's meetings. He sold some of their cows and took little Donny on a bus from Saskatchewan to California in June of 1951 (where Bro. Branham was having meetings at the time).

## Excerpts from the November 1952 issue of Reader's Digest:

*"The healer asked no questions..."*

*"'Your son is suffering from a **serious brain malady**', he said to Morton. 'But do not give up hope. With faith in God's power, and help from the medical world, your little son will live'."*

*"The doctor, in response to dozens of phone calls, issued a statement. 'The child had a **subdural hydroma**: a layer of clear fluid that compresses the brain'."*

*"After surviving four critical brain operations, Donny – with tragic irony – had contracted pneumonia."*

*"On November 2 Donny Morton died in his sleep, defeated in the end by an inexorable combination of **pneumonia and meningitis**."*

## 50-0813A THE RESURRECTION OF LAZARUS

If I prayed for ten thousand people, and every one of them died in an hour after I prayed for them, I'd still, dying, I'd say, "**I believe in Divine healing, for it's the Word of God, and I know it's the Truth.**" See? That's right.

Them theories don't change God's Word. No, sir. God's Word is eternally true, and It's right, and It... our faith is based on there. And by...

I'm not saved today because I got down at the altar and cried.

[Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] I'm saved because the Word of God tells me I'm saved.

**Satan can whip me around anywhere on how you feel. But I believe it, because God said so, and I accept Him upon the basis of His Word.** That's how I was saved. I believed it, and confessed it, and then it works the results.

But the first thing, I'm saved because God's Word teaches I'm saved. That's how you're saved, if you're saved.

**Satan can whip you on your ideas and things, but he can't go around the Word of God.** Jesus said, "It is written," and that settled it with all. It is written in the Scriptures.

## **ROMANS 9:20**

20. Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? **Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus?**