

The Majesty of Jesus Christ

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This sermon emphasizes the majesty of Jesus Christ and the importance of knowing Him as God, not just as the Son of God, in order to experience spiritual growth and intimacy with Him.

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Description

In this sermon, the preacher emphasizes the importance of having a genuine relationship with God. He encourages the audience to fully immerse themselves in the Word of God and the presence of the Holy Spirit. The preacher warns against being deceived and emphasizes the need for a true encounter with Christ. He uses the story of Jairus and his dying daughter to illustrate the urgency of seeking Jesus and the power of his touch. The sermon concludes with a prayer for God to speak and work in the lives of the listeners.

Transcript

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Now Lord, I pray you would go right to the center of our heart. Lord, speak your word. You are life to us.

You alone have the words of eternal life. Lord, we thank you for what you long to do in our life. And we yield to it.

We say we love you, Lord. Have your way. Lord, we don't want any other way.

We want you, Jesus. We ask you now to come and speak and do your work. And we'll give you the praise and the glory in Jesus' name.

Amen. Today's message is a continuation of the book of Hebrews. Hebrews chapter 1. The Lord has laid on the pastor's heart that we are doing a study in Hebrews.

And this Sunday, we're starting all three messages in the book of Hebrews. But from after Sunday night, they will be on Tuesday nights and Friday nights. And we welcome you to come and see what God is going to do.

We have such an excitement because we don't have it planned. We have an excitement that the Holy Spirit is going to move because we're not trying to move him. We have a true sense that God is leading this church on a special path to the center of his heart so that he can come to the center of our heart.

And it has been clearly spoken that in the pages of this precious book, Jesus is going to be revealed and revealed and revealed like we need to know him. There comes a time when everything that will be shaken, that can be shaken, will be except Jesus Christ. The rock at the center of our heart.

And as we build our lives on him, we begin to live and move and have our being in him. We will not only be radically changed, but the presence that we bring into every situation where he leads us to will know change. It's Christ and Christ alone that he wants to speak and reveal to us in this body.

So if you can join us on those Tuesdays and those Fridays, we have a sense that God is going to change us. Forever. That's a boast in God.

I want to speak today about the majesty of Jesus Christ. Jesus asked a question to his followers, disciples. And that question was, who do you say that I am? And I'm sure it produced a profound silence and a search in their heart when that question came.

And beloved Jesus is still asking us the same question. Who do you say that I am? If we answer with our heads, Jesus, you're the Lord, the Son of God. Beloved, our souls will never be satisfied.

Peter said, you are the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus said, blessed are you, Simon, for flesh and blood is not revealed that to you, but my Father in heaven. And our flesh and blood trying to reason Jesus Christ will always diminish him, will always limit him.

I'm not talking now about Bible knowledge that God's inviting us into because knowledge that knowledge means understanding. That means the head and the heart together grasping. But Jesus was saying flesh and blood and how you're going to reason me out and how you're going to view the events that are about to happen in your life and the events that are about to happen in my life.

If you try by flesh and blood in your own reason, you will always limit me. You will, you will diminish me. And you will never come into the fullness that I have.

You will never have the understanding that I long to give my people. And that is liberty in your spirit and a freshness and a realization that God, the living God is your God. And he's still a miracle working God.

He cannot be known, truly known as we need to know him by our intellect. There has to be a prayer and a cry. Father, Holy Spirit revealed Jesus to me.

If we come to these Hebrew meetings and we're going to try to discern him just by the understanding of the Greek and the Hebrew, we're not going to know him. If we're going to come to say now I want to learn so that I can teach my neighbor beside me and all it is is a three point sermon. We're not going to know him.

Jesus said it's not by flesh and blood that you have this revelation of who I am in my glory and my majesty. It's going to have to take a cry from us to the father and the Holy Spirit. To have him revealed.

As to who he is. In Hebrews chapter one, four to seven, the first three verses. This book was written to Hebrews in the time after the cross and their people, their Hebrews, Jews that had believed on Christ.

What an incredible hour they were living in. Because beloved, an old temple with an old sacrificial system was still going on in their midst. That temple was not destroyed till about 70 AD.

And because of the many references made to the temple in this book, they feel it was written at the time before the destruction of the temple. And beloved, the turmoil that it created in them while there was one system at one time ordained by God, how they worshiped him. And now a word comes to them.

All that is done away. All that has passed because one has come. And beloved, while that old temple was still standing, there was a confusion in the midst of those that did not center and hear with their spirit who Jesus Christ was.

Beloved, even today, the pole is going back to the familiar, the way we used to worship God. For some, there are some even in this meeting, your attempt to kind of get through to God is candles and meditation and being better and trying harder beads. And the message in Hebrews in those first three verses is that the old has passed and there is a new way and the only way that you can come to the Father and that is by Jesus Christ.

You must put away that which you are familiar with. The way that you thought in your mind was the way that you got to God. The practice that you used to do and you hoped you were getting through to God.

And he was saying that to these Christians. And in verse four, referring to Jesus, he says, being made so much better than the angels as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels said he at any time, thou art my son, this day have I begotten thee.

And again, I will be to him a father and he shall be to me a son. He said, never at any time. In old times, when I used to speak through prophets and many times angels spoke to the prophet and the angel represented how God spoke with authority in times past.

But he's saying, no, it may be, it seems obvious to us, but he's saying made so much better than the angels. You must put away that familiar and old way that I have done away with through my son. And they're saying that never have I spoken to angels like I'm going to speak now to my son.

And again, verse six, when he bringeth in the first begotten into the world, he said, and let all the angels of God worship him. I'm going to start with the highest of my creation, the angels. And when he becomes a man, when he is begotten, beloved, that word begotten, not made, means that he existed before he came in bodily form as a baby.

He was not made, he was not created like you and I. He existed before time. There never was a time he did not, Jesus Christ did not exist. But there was a time by the will of God, he came in the form of a baby.

As a son. And so he started with his highest created order, he said, when I send this son into that manger, you worship. And beloved, then the next verse, it says, but unto the son, he saith, thy throne, O God, is forever and ever.

A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of thy kingdom. Beloved, I don't know when God the Father spoke those words. He could have spoken them in time, eternity past.

He could have spoken them throughout the ministry of Jesus Christ, these following words. But he could have spoken them over a baby's cradle. And as the angels are worshiping him, he begins to speak.

And he says, but unto the son, he says, thy throne, O God, is forever and ever. A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of thy kingdom. Thou has loved righteousness and hated iniquity.

Therefore, God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. And thou, Lord, in the beginning has laid the foundation of the earth. And the heavens are the works of thine hands.

They shall perish, but thou remainest. And they all shall wax old as doth a garment. And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up.

And they shall be changed. But thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail. Beloved, today, this word spoken to his son is now the word that's to pierce our hearts.

That word that he spoke that says, but unto the son, he says, thy throne, O God, is forever and ever. He is saying that the son is addressed as God. And beloved, the writer of Hebrews is saying, now I want you always and ever to have this in your spirit.

That Jesus Christ is God. And he has a throne. You have relatives, you have people, your grandfather that may have seen Jesus Christ in the flesh.

There may be stories about what he looked like, what his hand looked like, what his sound looked like. But because he was in the flesh, that becomes a stumbling block. Because now those that know him must know him by faith.

They must see him with the eyes of faith. They must know him in the spirit to know who he really is. And he, every time you think of him, he is God with a throne.

And he is ruling and reigning in authority. He has a never-ending throne. It will never be taken from him.

It will never be diminished, no matter what our thoughts of him. And as Scripture says, he rules in righteousness. That means he rules in rightness.

That means whatever he rules in our lives, whatever he decrees is to happen, is a kingdom that is ruled with rightness. Everything in his kingdom is right. Everything in it is perfect.

Everything in it is ordered. Everything in it is fair. Everything in it is just.

Everything in it is holy. Everything in it is pure and lovely. Everything in it is truth.

And everything in it is love. And there will never be a time when Jesus Christ rules, when he, there'll never be a time he does not rule. But there's never a time when he rules that it will be unfair or unjust.

When it will be prejudiced or oppressive. When it is impure or unholy or unloving or a lie. The Father says about Jesus in verse 9, Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity.

Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity. And beloved, if we are in Christ, and Christ is being formed in us, we need this revelation of Christ because he says that's to be our lives. That is to characterize our heart.

That we are to be a people that love righteousness, love the right ordering of his kingdom. Love all that he does and love all how he rules, whether we understand it at the moment or not. Love because he is who he is.

And we bend our knee and we say, Thou art my God and your kingdom is forever. And it is a just you rule in righteousness. And there has to start to be a cry in us, Oh God, I want to love righteousness and hate iniquity.

If we are in Christ, he is going to start to form, and he must form in us a hatred for our sin. But beloved, I'll tell you something. This does not come naturally.

We're not born with it. It is something that we have to cry out for. We have to learn to hate our sin.

Because so many times we'll excuse it or tolerate it or make peace with it or pacify it or be light with it. When we judge and we're critical in our hearts and we feel we can talk, talk, talk about it, we will say we're justified. We're making peace with it, but we will have a troubling in our spirit.

If bitterness wraps its root around our spirit so that we're no longer whole, it's eating the very fabric of who we are, Jesus Christ will not let us make peace with it. The human heart will try to cover it, but there will forever be a Holy Spirit that will cry out against us. And if we won't listen to the Holy Spirit, we'll say, Lord, teach me to hate the sin.

Lord, because it blocks your ruling in my life. It blocks the love of righteousness. Lord, when I begin to order my life and order my steps in you, you begin to be able to speak to me about things I didn't want to see before or I laughed at or I dismissed.

And when we begin to do that, beloved, we're getting somewhere in God. When we can honestly say, God, there's a troubling in my soul, what is it? Lord, why this troubling? And the flesh often will be the first to speak. Say, they did you wrong.

You have a right. But beloved, if the troubling is there, you let the Holy Spirit go deeper. Then he'll start to say you resent them.

He'll start to say you're jealous of them. He'll start to say they're invading your space. You're threatened by them.

He'll begin to reveal roots in us, beloved. But not to harm us. Because when he's able to go deep and begin to show us our heart, that's where freedom comes.

That's where we begin to love the moving in his kingdom. Because, beloved, the end of this scripture says that those that love righteousness and hated iniquity, it says in verse 9, therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. When Jesus walked the earth, he had a clear spirit.

And that's why he could turn and he could love and he could rejoice. The oil of gladness was upon him. He had a clear and a clean spirit.

And, beloved, many times the church of Jesus Christ lacks that freedom in her spirit and the joy because we're shut down by sin. We have not learned to hate it. But those that will walk and love righteousness, the Lord says I want to pour on you like I did my son, an oil of gladness.

And that oil of gladness is the seal that we're learning to walk with a clear spirit. That we're learning to hate our sin as he hates it. That we'd hate it with a perfect hatred.

We see the death and destruction and the cancer it brings into us and the lives around us. And we say, God, is there no hope? And he says your burden is heavy of sin, but I died on a cross that it may be applied to my cross, that I may bear it. There is an oil of gladness he would pour out upon his people that would learn to love righteousness and hate their sin like Jesus did.

And that oil of gladness is the seal Beloved, that crying out, that crying out needs to be found in us. The Bible says, blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness. I don't know about you, but that does not come naturally to me.

Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness. And as God's beginning to deal with my heart, and he takes me to the very, I want him to go right to the bottom, right to where it's all soft and full of sin in my spirit. I want him to dig it out like rotten wood.

Wood that is rotten and full of mold. It's soft, it's not able to withstand anything. And I want him to dig it out.

And I want him to replace at the bottom, the rock Christ Jesus. And then a cry begins, Oh God, I want to be a hungering one. I want to be a hungering one.

That doesn't come naturally. You're not going to close your eyes and drop your head. And that'd be the cry of your heart, unless you've had a dealing with God.

That's not going to be the cry from your heart and your spirit, unless we've seen our condition. Until we begin to see who we really are, motivated so much by pride, motivated by our resentment and our unlovingness, motivated by those around us we can't stand, and yet we know the words to Christ. You are to love and esteem all men.

And we don't want God to touch that tender, soft area. But Lord, when we begin to cry out, Oh God, do your work in me, whatever it takes. I want you to dig out that which is dead and dying in me.

That where Satan has such an inroad into my heart and spirit. That where he manipulates me all the time. We've heard two messages on judging recently.

And when the Lord began to convict me of my critical spirit, he showed me every time I had a critical and a judging spirit, he showed me I was lining up right down with Satan. The Bible says the devil is the accuser. And when he begins to stand in a holy God's presence and accuse and accuse and condemn, look, we're playing right into his game.

We're going right into how he moves and how he operates. We may not think of ourselves as devilish when we get an unrighteous judging in our spirit. We may not see ourselves as devilish when we get an uncritical spirit and we feel we have the right to judge.

But it's devilish because we're blinded at that moment. We don't see ourselves as we ought. And we are in league with the adversary of God himself with that spirit.

And God is saying that when you begin to ask me for a hunger and thirst of righteousness, be prepared for what I will show you, but I will show it to you in love. Have you ever heard the tender voice of Jesus when he shows you all that you can bear and then underneath the everlasting arms? Then underneath such comfort because the release is coming. When we agree with God and he begins, we can begin, beloved, to understand why there was a cross and begin to understand that when we confess our sin, he's faithful and just to forgive us.

And for some sins, we have to keep repeating that scripture. We have to say by faith, I know I'm forgiven. But then the scripture says, and he cleanses us from all unrighteousness.

And as my husband ministered this word to me, he forgives us. But then the secondary work of cleansing starts. That's when the Holy Ghost, when Jesus goes deep to get to the root of things and begin to cleanse our spirit so that he can pour out upon us the oil of gladness.

So that we can begin to walk free, beloved, with an oil of gladness in our spirit. Blessed are they that hunger and thirst for this. Blessed are they.

The Lord was ministering today when we walk that way. When we begin to say, Lord, show me and do whatever it takes. He is so pleased with that.

And as I said, Lord, I want to walk your way, whatever you have to do. Touch what you have to touch. I began to sense that Jesus says, when you do that, I can call you into the most intimate of fellowships that ever have been created.

I can call you in to the greatest privilege where his very essence and his very nature comes into us. Becomes one with us. Invites us to be a partaker.

He doesn't see who we are in our failure, in our sin and say, I'm clean and push us away. He says, no, now that you're walking my way, I can be a great and mighty king. I can be the conquering Jesus to you that I am in reality.

That you've forgotten who I am. Because I'm a great and mighty king. When you bend your knee before me, I'm always gracious.

I'm always merciful. But I want to move into such intimacy and I want to give you who I am. I want to put into your spirit who I am, me.

And there is no more intimate relationship in the world than Christ saying, I would move into your spirit. I would reside there. I want you to live and move and have your being in me.

And then in verse 11 and 12, it says, and thou, Lord, is the beginning in the beginning has laid the foundation of the earth and the heavens are the works of thine hands. They shall perish, but thou remainest and they all shall wax old as doth a garment. And as a vesture, thou shall fold them up and they shall be changed, but thou art the same and thy years shall not fail.

God is saying, I'm such an incredible God. And I'm big enough that when you come to me with a true heart, he's saying that I rule and reign the earth. And he says that I'm going to come and I'm going to fold up the universe.

There's going to be a time that everything you can see around you that is seen. I'm going to fold it up. I'm going to fold up the heavens.

I'm going to fold up the galaxies. I'm going to fold up the earth and the stars. But beloved, that's just a type.

God is saying, this is what I'm going to do in the physical universe that you see around me. But if you come to me like I've just described, he says, I'm going to fold up your sin and put it away. I'm going to fold up your failures and put it away.

I'm going to fold up the offense in you. If you have a heart for me and put it away, I'm going to fold up everything that you don't like about yourself and put it away. That is the Jesus Christ that we come to.

Love it. He is God enough to take all we confess and forgive. And he says, I alone have the power and the moral authority to take what you give me and fold it up and put it away.

And as well, shall I do for the universe? I shall do in your life now what I'm going to do in the future. That's what I'm going to do in your heart and life now. I want to free people with a folded up past, with a folded up sin nature, with a folded up all that gives offense and learn to rise up in me and let me be your God.

He's saying in the book of Hebrews, you're not going to make it with a diminished view of me. You're not going to make it if there's mixture in your heart. You're not going to make it in the faith that I want to give you if there is only your understanding of who I am, because it's a lie.

I cannot reveal myself to a diminished head view of myself. You must get in this book and the spirit that are in these words, the Holy Ghost and the Father must plan to make them alive every time we go to walk with him and face adversity. Beloved, if we're willing to do that, we're going to have a song.

We're going to have a testimony. We're going to have a joy that the world is longing for, that the world is craving for reality. You can't fake freedom.

You can't fake when Christ is moving in our heart and life. We may know the real from the fake. It seems we're most deceived in the church.

But beloved, turn with me quickly to First Samuel. First Samuel two. There's a story of a woman there.

And she has entered in of learning what it is to love righteousness and to hate iniquity. God has taught her that. And because of it, an oil of gladness is beginning to flow through her life.

At the most critical hour in her life, when she needed him the most, she found he was there and still deeper. When the greatest pain of her heart and the greatest demand on her life was put there, she could meet it with joy in her heart. Because she is learning what who Jesus Christ is, and if she pulled from him, Jesus, you say that you love righteousness and you hate iniquity.

Build that into me. Let me be like you. And so it says in First Samuel two, one that Hannah prays a prayer.

And Hannah had prayed for a son. And she said, God, I'm barren. I have nothing to give this world.

But if you give me a son, I say I will give him back to you. I make that vow. And so God gave her that son.

And she gave him back because he wanted to bless a nation through her and because of her, because he rules in righteousness, because everything he does is just and holy and pure because he loved that nation

as much as he loved her. Because she loved the Lord, her God and been well taught of him. She said, you could use my life however you want to.

And he says, I want to. I want to speak to my people through your son. I want to bless untold millions.

Because you will love the ordering of my kingdom. You will love the way I will do it. And beloved, I'll tell you, she had to learn to shut down every voice that was in opposition to her vow.

She had to learn to hate the other voices that would come to say compromise, to soften it. You don't have to do that. But this woman, you can tell, had learned to love righteousness and in first Samuel two, one, here is how Hannah prayed.

Not a lament, but a triumphant prayer because God is real to her. God is God to her. And it says, and Hannah prayed and said, my heart rejoices in the Lord.

She's giving up her son to be ruled, to be raised by another. And in the truth of her heart, she says, my heart rejoices in the Lord for the good order of his kingdom. For I see things I couldn't have seen before.

I understand things I couldn't understand before. But because I have walked his way, there's been a cry in me for his way. He has put into me an understanding heart and I can rejoice in the Lord.

Mine horn is exalted in the Lord. And my horn is at my well being. She could truly say in the midst of adversity and pain, it is well with my soul.

You have been to the depth. So God of my pain and you've been enough. You have been to the depths of my sacrifice and it pleased you.

So it pleased me. Lord, I'm fully satisfied in you because I know the right order of your kingdom. I can move with it.

And Lord, I'm going to shut down every voice in opposition. And it is well with my soul, my sense of well being. I know I am loved by you.

I know there'll be nothing but blessing on my life because I've heard your heart. My horn is lifted up. She says my mouth is enlarged over my enemies.

And because she has obeyed the Lord, it's saying God has given me words to speak back to my enemies. God has given me words to speak back to my enemies. When they say you're going to be alone, God, you say that you're more than enough.

And I am thrilled with you. When you say you're a fool to lay it all down because you're asking, I say he's the glory and the lifter of my head. And we have words to speak back to a doubtful heart.

We have words to speak back to those that condemn us from within and without. God has given me words to speak back to my enemies says. And because I rejoice in that salvation, I rejoice in that salvation.

We heard it this morning with that salvation. It's a full salvation. It's all I need for life.

And godliness is my heritage, is my inheritance. Only in Christ do I have this inheritance. Everything I need for life and godliness is in Jesus Christ.

And as I lift up my soul to him, he comes and he satisfies. And he gives me what I need to walk with him in a full measure. I get a renewed mind.

I have an understanding of things and I am full and satisfied. Beloved, today I want to ask, do you have a hatred for sin? Do you have a hatred for your sin? Is there a dullness that wants to threaten and choke your prayer life? Is there a mind that wanders? You want to pray, but every time the quiet time comes, your mind is pulled in a million directions. Is there little or no change in your heart? You're beginning to see people around you begin to move into something and you seem like on the outside looking in.

Is there a majesty in your heart? Is there that sense of awe? Because the God of the universe that's going to fold it up one day walks among us and walks with us. Are we overwhelmed that in seeing all that when God sees us like no one else does, that he will still deal with us? That he will not reject us? Beloved, sin and its preoccupations dull us. Trials and adversity keep our eyes off him.

And then it just becomes a head knowledge of Jesus Christ. Beloved, I want you to turn to one last scripture in Luke 8. The Lord has a picture for us. This picture is a very tender picture.

In Luke 8, verse 40, it's about Jesus and he's going to, he's been summoned. He's in the midst of the people who are gladly waiting for him. And he gets word that Jairus, a ruler of the synagogue, has a 12-year-old daughter and she's laid dying.

And he heads off. And Jesus is in the midst of people and he's thronged by people. And he's heading off to meet this need.

And all those around him, they're thronging to press him and to touch him. That word thronged means try to constrain him. They're trying to hold him.

They're pressing into him. And everybody's about the master's business. Beloved, today you may be sitting here and everybody looks about the master's business.

But then it says, it interrupts Jesus on his mission. And it says in verse 43, And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any, came behind him and touched the border of his garment. And immediately her issue of blood stanch'd.

And Jesus said, Who touched me? And when all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, Master, the multitude thronged thee and pressed thee, and thou sayest, Who touched me? And Jesus said, Somebody has touched me. For I perceive that virtue is gone out of me. And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling and falling down before him.

She declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched him and how she was healed immediately. And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort, for thy faith has made thee whole. Go in peace.

Here's a woman and she has spent all her living. It's got to the point where her life isn't even worth living. Beloved, if we're honest today, there are some that would say my spiritual life is a dying.

My spiritual life is not worth living. Beloved, if you're living a pretense, if you come in here and you don't want something vital and something real and you still come here, I tell you that spiritual life is not worth living. Because you're sitting, you are in the midst of truth and you have an all powerful God walking the

aisles and you're telling him, I'll just sit here and die.

But there is this woman. And she has, she's a picture and a type of us. She's a picture and a type of a woman having exhausted all comes to realization.

Jesus is in the midst and I don't know how she did it, but she got up and she pressed through a throng that were all touching him. But when she pressed through that thing, you know what? She had such all of a sudden incredible revelation. That's why she was going of who he was because she said, I just need to touch his garment.

There was such an awe in her. I don't have to stand, introduce myself, give my list of sins, give the whole doctor's history and here's my x-rays. All I have to do is there is God in the midst and all I have to do is touch his garments.

There's such an eye in this woman and the scripture says she's immediately healed. And I love it because right then Jesus stops. Everything stops.

The whole mission stops. And Jesus says who touched me and beloved those that are around him, that walk with him and now they're also familiar with his presence. Those that walk with him and they're touching him.

They're moving with him, but beloved, they're blinded to the whole scene. Beloved, it's a picture of us, how we can come in the house and we know all about him and we know what he does and we know what he says and we can quote his words back to him. But beloved, we're not touching.

We're part of the throng. We're pressing in, but there's no life happening. And Jesus stops everything and he says who touched me.

Peter and John, I love this line in verse 45. When all denied that they had touched him, when all denied they had touched him. Touched him in a way that brings healing.

Touched him in a way that everything stops, that he turns around delighted. Who has this faith that virtue has to pour out of me? When they all denied they had not touched him. Jesus says again, somebody has touched me for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me.

Beloved, that word virtue is an incredible word. When I looked up that word in this context, it means for I perceive that power has gone out of me. It also means I perceive that word virtue means one who is able and wills to.

That word virtue means one who exercises dominion and authority. That word virtue means miracles. It means marvelous works.

It means terrifying works. Somebody touched me and they recognize my dominion and authority that I'm able and I'm willing and I move in marvelous, terrifying works. Hallelujah.

Beloved, Peter and John were outside of that and they were quick to deny. We didn't touch you that way. So familiar with him, so outside of it.

Beloved, if you're going through a season of dryness, if you're going through a season of hardness, if you're going through what is all this about, if there is in your heart you want to touch him, but you seem

outside of it. If you seem like the prodigal, I want you to remember something. One thing all prodigals have in common, they are miffed.

You are miffed. You are miffed. If you will come to him like this woman did, say, Jesus, I've not touched you like that in a long time because I have not seen you as God.

I've not seen you as the one who can fold everything up in my life and put it away. I've looked too much on my sin and my failure or my hard heart. But Lord, you are Lord over it all.

And you can take that pride out of me. You can take the battle out of me, oh God, as I confess it, you forgive it and you cleanse it. That kind of power that says you are God, Jesus.

You will reign over my life, reign over my life and fold it all up and put it away. That which I cry out to you about and he will. And Jesus' word to that woman was, daughter, be of good comfort.

Thy faith has not made thee healed, thy faith has made thee whole. You're not just healed, you're whole. You're complete in him.

The devil is going to lie and say, you know what, you don't feel it this day. I'll tell you, there are days Hannah did not feel. There was never once like she felt like giving that boy away.

It's not about feeling. We're not talking about being manipulated in the emotions. It is about in our spirit crying out, saying, reveal.

I want Jesus revealed to me and I want his character formed in me. And then I want to bend my knee every time to you, Jesus, and see you rule and reign. And you will touch me and I will be whole.

That's what the writer of Hebrews was saying to these people. He must be God to you. Never diminish Jesus Christ in your mind.

Let these scriptures teach us. Let this word be a living word taught by the Holy Ghost and the Father. And let him be God to us.

Beloved, God is speaking today. If you want him to touch you like you desperately need, these altars are open to come and pray. You can build an altar in your seat and pray there.

If they get too full, you can go to room 206 or you can stay in your seat. Beloved, don't be moved by emotion. Let the word of God built deep into us and have his way.

My name is waiting to enter your heart. Why won't you let him come in? There's nothing in this world to keep you apart. What is your answer to him? Time after time, he has waited before and now he is waiting again.

Just to see if you're willing to open the door. Oh, how he wants to come in. And if you'll take one step toward the Savior, my friend, you will find his arms open wide.

Receive him and all of your darkness will end within your heart he'll abide. Time after time, he has waited before and now he is waiting again. Just to see if you're willing to open the door.

This is the conclusion of the message.

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