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Louis T. Talbot:
And thank you, Mr. Announcer. Good morning, my radio friends and friends of the Bible Institute of Los Angeles. This is Louis T. Talbot greeting you and welcoming you to another broadcast of Bible study. And I greet you as I always do in the name of our soon coming Lord and in behalf of the hundreds of young men and young women who form the student body of the Bible Institute of Los Angeles. Now in order that you may pray or write, I would like to remind you that the Bible Institute consists of four schools. That is first the Biola College, then the Bible Institute of Los Angeles, then we have our theological seminary and then the school of missionary medicine. And these four schools prepare young men and young women for different avenues of Christian service. And we are trying to give to all of these young people the very best training possible to enable them to render the most efficient service in days such as these.

I wish that you would remember us very definitely before the throne of grace and also our graduates who are serving the Lord in all parts of this needy world. We have been receiving
some very alarming information concerning the situation on the mission fields. And this very especially applies to the Belgian Congo. But it, it is spreading to all parts of Africa. We have been told that old pagan rites are being revived and, eh, there is a struggle between the different tribes for leadership, and all of which is just resulting in bloodshed and in confusion. And my dear friends, if this is not curbed, if God does not put His restraining hand upon that situation in Africa, then Africa will know a bloodbath, eh, such as it is never known before.

The other night I was listening to Paul Coates interviewing some of the Baptist missionaries and no doubt that you were watching television at the same time. And they were stating that is these missionaries were, eh, telling Mr. Coates that many of the native Christians, who know what the score is over there, are very very unhappy that the missionaries have to leave. But they also realize it is the best thing for them to do, eh, for the present stress. I guess that they had in mind that to remain there in some of these places would just result in murder. We need to pray very very definitely for the native church. Because my dear friends, this pagan uprising and those who are leading in it oftentimes look upon native Christians, who are friendly with the missionaries, as traitors to their own cause. And some of them have already laid down their lives for the Lord Jesus. You know that these are very very distressing days. And will you read a Bibles, know the significance of them?

I’ve been talking to you about the events that are going to precede the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. And one of them is that the restraining hand of God is going to be lifted. And my dear friends, the restraining hand of God has to be lifted in order that the devil, eh, might put into the world, eh, the Antichrist. The Antichrist is a man that the devil has been trying to put into the
world for years. There were, one of these days that God is going to allow certain events to take place, and this will definitely be so as we approach the end of the Church Age and day. And the church is, the Lord is getting the church ready for the translation. And so you read the Bible, my dear friend, this never before because the Bible is the most up to date book in the world.

Tonight I'm going to attend the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Pasadena to hear Dr. Charles Berry, the converted Catholic priest and scholar. I want to hear him speak on the subject that Christian a-, attitude toward politics. There are meetings in the Christian Mission Alliance Church of Pasadena every night. Now I had the privilege of speaking last Monday night on the African situation as to whether it is a revival of the Mau Mau movement or not. And then every night this week and tonight Dr. Charles Berry is going to speak. I have never heard him speak, my dear friend, although I have heard a great deal about him. But I'm sure if the Lord tell him before tonight, I'm going to attend that meeting. And many of you folks in Pasadena and round about that, if you haven't heard Dr. Berry, you come out meet him tonight. I guess he elect to say something about, eh, this beloved country of ours. And I think you'll be able to pray more intelligently in regard to the future course of the United States of America after you live, eh, listen to him. The meeting will begin at 7:30, but I think better be there or just a little earlier, because every place, where this man speaks, is just jam to the doors. The church is located at the corner of Villa and Craig in Pasadena.

Now I want to thank you for all of your letters and for your generous response toward, eh, making possible the erection of the memorial building. And I feel, my dear friends, that one of these days that we're going to break ground for it. I was talking on the phone early this morning
to Mr. Ray Myers the chairman of the board of directors of the Bible Institute and he was telling me that the number of applications for admission to the Bible Institute from young men and young women, that the admission in the fall, eh, will present to us a serious housing problem. 

Well, my dear friends, I don't like problems. But you know that there are one or two, two problems that are blessed problems and to have a bunch students coming to our school, creating a serious housing problem. Well, that is what I might call a, a blessed problem, because it shows that the Spirit of God is stirring the hearts of young men and young women for full time service and to prepare themselves for it. They're coming to our school to spend four years in intensive study.

All you folks, eh, may have a part in this wonderful project because the Lord wants us to do business, my dear friend, until He comes. And so you get your letter in the mail and address it. You may address either to me personally or to the, eh, Bible Intu- that, or to the Bible Institute direct. And the address is the Bible Institute of Los Angeles, Los Angeles 17, California. I'd like to remind you of that book that I mentioned yesterday. That is the Cult Kingdom, dealing with all the different cults and like to the word of God. And they are multiplying these days. And my dear friend, if you would like one, they just cost a dollar. And I've just got about 100 of them and we'll just send them to the first hundred. That's right.

Now here are some very in-, interesting questions. A lady writes this, "I heard your address last Sunday night in the San Gabriel Union Church and you stated that in the millennial reign of Christ that the twelve Apostles will sit upon twelve thrones and rule over the twelve tribes o-, of Israel. I'd like to know where we find this in the Bible, because this was new to me." I want to
thank you, my dear friend, for sending that question. It just shows that you're a very very careful student of the Word of God. Well, you will find the Lord making that statement in Matthew Chapter 19 verse, eh, 28. Matthew Chapter 19 verse 28, where we find the Lord speaking these words, "In the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel." Now the Lord Jesus Christ is referring, referring that to His return and to the millennial reign. And He says that when He sits upon the throne of His glory, which will be of course the throne of David, he said the disciples were going to sit upon twelve thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Now I'd like to remind you that in the Old Testament days, a judge in Israel was not a judicial office. It was an administrative office. And when the twelve apostles set upon twelve thrones, it will be the fulfillment of Isaiah Chapter 1 verse 26, where you'll find Isaiah writing, eh, writing these words. That is God speaking through the prophet and Jehovah says, "I will restore thy judges at the fast, and thy counsellors at the beginning, and afterward thou shalt be called, eh, the faithful city." And my dear friends, that prophecy will be fulfilled in the twelve, eh, tri-, in the twelve apostles sitting upon twelve thrones. You see, my dear friend, that in the millennium the Lord Jesus Christ is going to be the ruler over the whole earth. But He is going to, He is going to rule Israel through the twelve apostles. And I think that the rest of the world is going to be ruled by the rest of the church, because when the Lord comes we are going to return and we're going to be, eh, we're going to be kings that the Lord has made us kings and rulers. And the rest of the world, that is all the Gentile nations during the millennium reign of Christ, will be, eh, that the Lord will minister governments through the rest of the church.
You know, for instance, you take the, I think there is a parable in the 19 chapter of Luke. I think that's round about the 19 chapter, where the Lord tells the, eh, the story of a man who was going away into a far country to receive a kingdom. And he giv-, calls his, his servants and, eh, to one he gave ten talents and another one five talents and another one three talents. And when he returned, he had reckoned with them to find out how much they gain. And one said, "Thou has given me ten talents and I have gained ten talents also." And the Lord, eh, said, "Well done, good and faithful servant. Have thou authority over ten cities."

Now, my dear friends, that authority over the ten cities will not be exercised in heaven. There are not, not a lot of cities up there. It is a reference to the millennial reign of Christ. And another one had authority over five cities, and so on. And it may be, my dear friends, of the judgments said Christ, if you just live for the Lord, that the Lord may put you in charge of Los Angeles or, or San Diego. But we're going to be associated with the Lord in His rule over this earth. And it's very very evident and definite that the church is, that is that the twelve apostles are going, that is the Lord is going to rule the twelve tribes through the twelve apostles that will be, eh, seated with Him in Jerusalem.

All right. Now here is another question. Somebody writes this. This is a practical question. "Is it right for churches and young people societies to have socials with programs and refreshments after which nothing is said about Christ, eh, but a lot of just worldly talk and laughter?" Well, I want to say, my dear friends, in regard to, in regard to this question that is young people societies and socials and, and refreshments and ice cream and so on after service. You know, whether meetings of this kind are of any value depends upon the leader you have. You know such
gatherings can be a great help, if they are held with a view of interesting young people in the things of God. Social relaxation is needful and social gatherings, my dear friends, not to be taboo. They can be a fruitful means of service, if they are a means to an end; otherwise that, eh, that, that there is nothing accomplished by them.

I remember when I was a young Christian that I had put into my hand a book in title of *The Life of Pastor Shi*. And Pastor Shi was a Confucianist. An, and this was in the days of the, eh, the, the, eh, the early days of the China Inland mission. And they gave the missionaries, gave Hudson Taylor, gave, eh, little parties, little, little refreshments, such as a cup of tea an-, and some sandwiches, just to get the educated Chinese to come. And Pastor Shi, he was not a pastor then. He was just a, I think he was a Confucianist. In fact, he was, I think, he was one of the leaders o-, of that Chinese religion. And he came and then he came again. And it was the sandwich and, and the tea that, eh, that attracted him together with the opportunity of having conversation with the missionaries. And as a result, he came to a, a wonderful saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ and exercise that great influence for God. And my dear friends that the apostle Paul says that we are to use all means, eh, in order to save some. And so don't frown upon any meeting after the evening service.

Last Sunday, for instance, after the service at the, eh, at the San Gabriel Union Church that about 400 people gathered together in the open, just near the church. And they ate ice cream and cake and, and we sang hymns and, and it went out floating the music, gave them testimony, gave to, eh, to, eh, quite a part of that neighborhood. And my dear friend, everything was gospel centered and Christ centered. And you know that a lot of folks were to attend a meeting like that that
wouldn't attend a church meeting. While I wouldn't mind if they showed up at the second one and not to the first one where I was preaching, but when they came to the second meeting and, my dear friends, they got the gospel just as much as they would that they attended the first one.

All right, so much for that. Now here is another question that is of great interest. The questioner says, "In Numbers Chapter 12, verses 1 to 15, we are told that Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses and rebelled against his authority. And then the question is why is it that only Miriam was stricken with leprosy and not Aaron. Is it because Miriam was a woman and was trying to exercise authority to which she had no right?" Well, my dear friends that there are at least two answers to suggestions rather that I might, eh, suggest this to that why God punish Miriam and Miriam alone and did not punish Aaron at all, although he was a part in stirring up that rebellion against the authority of Moses.

The first one is this, my dear friend, if you read that Numbers Chapter 12 very very carefully, you will note that Miriam seemed to have been the leader in that rebellion. Her name is mentioned fast in that Chapter 12 to cha-, Chapter 12 verse 1. It's Miriam and then Aaron. And then you will find that in, eh, that Miriam is called a prophetess and she was evidently a great leader, because in Micah Chapter 6 verse 4 that she is coupled with Moses and Aaron as the three who under God led the people of Israel out of Egypt. And Miriam must possess great gifts of leadership, and my dear friends, leadership carries with it a tremendous responsibility. And I think therefore there is reason to believe that Miriam was stricken and not Aaron because she was the leader of that rebellion against Moses.
And then there is another reason, my dear friends, that comes into my mind and this is that Mariam, Aaron, Aaron was the high priest. At that time he was the one who stood for God. He was the one who presented, eh, presented, rather declared the leper cleansed. And that would never do for the high priest to be a leper. And then for the sake of Israel, for the sake of the testimony, and for the sake of the, the influence of Aaron as the high priest, that God, eh, passed him over when it came to the judgment. And he was not stricken with leprosy. But I think that the main reason why Miriam was, because she was the leader of that movement.

Now here's another question that has to do with degrees of rewards. And it reads on this wise how can there be degrees of rewards for the saints in heaven, and in the time when we shall reign with Christ over this earth. Would that not be a source of envy and strife? Of cause, these things cannot be in heaven. But it's a puzzle to the writer to know that, eh, to, in regard to how even in a heaven there would not be envy and strife, if one got a great degree well enough. Well, my dear friend, it would be a puzzle to me to answer that question, if, if there weren't for the fact that when we are translated, we are going to be changed. If the Lord took us to heaven the way that we are, eh, with all about bickering and with all about, eh, feelings getting hot with all of our desire to being the leadership and to be in places of prominence. I think of the Lord, eh, took us all to heaven without changing us, you know, that this would present a problem. But I like that 1 Corinthians Chapter 15, where the apostle Paul says "and we shall be changed," that "dead shall be raised incorruptible." And "we" that is we who are living. We are going to be changed. And my dear friends, we need it.
Every time I look in the mirror, brother, you know, I think of that word, the word of the apostle "and we shall be changed." When I see my head just disappearing and the color of it changing rapidly the little that I have, I think of that statement "and we shall be changed." When I get my feelings hurt, I, eh, over little things and I do, my dear friend, just as you do. You know that I think of those words "and we shall be changed." And my friends, I'm pretty well sure that there is going to be no envy up there in heaven. You know the Bible teaches, without a doubt, that there will be degrees of reward in heaven. And the Bible also teaches that there will be there nothing to defile, and therefore there will be no envy in heaven. The Lord is going to work this out, my dear friend, and you will be ev- evolve, a very very, eh, different person from what you are right now. And that applies to me, when we meet the Lord in (inaudible) there and we are transformed and made like another Him.

Now here is another question, "What's the meaning of Genesis Chapter 9 verse 13, where God says 'I do put my bow in the clouds?' Was this the origin of the rainbow?" Yes, my dear friend, apparently it was. A rainbow, as you know, was caused by the rays of suns just passing through the rain and shining upon the clouds. But you know that until the flood that we have reason to believe that the Lord had not caused any rain to fall upon the earth. You know how that the earth was, eh, was a water before the flood came. If you turn to Genesis Chapter 2 verses 5 to 6, you'll find that there went up a mist from the earth and water the, the whole earth. And therefore it is easy to see, my dear friend, that those who had never seen a rainbow the effect would be terrifying. And God pointed out the rainbow in the cloud as a sign of His covenant with man, including the promise that the Earth would never again be destroyed by the flood.
Yes, my dear friend, until the flood the rainbow had never been seen. In fact, there had never been a flood. That's the reason why old Noah when he started preaching that there was gonna be a flood, no wonder they began to tap their, eh, that tap their heads with their fingers and think that there was no one at home. No wonder that they did not believe it. That is from a human standpoint. They'd never seen rain, let alone a flood. Now I want to tell you that Nom-, Noah was just delivering, just what God told him to do. And the flood came. And my dear friends, when the flood was on, there was the rainbow. That is afterward God put the rainbow there, as just a sign of the Covenant.

Here is another question. Somebody writes this, "We are making a study of the book of Daniel. And one in the class says, raised a question in regard to the authenticity of the book of Daniel. This person says that he had heard that the book was not written by Daniel, that there was no such person as Daniel. And then the question is would you please give proof of the authenticity of Daniel. It is said by some as you doubtless know that the book was written by an unknown writer as late as 100 years B.C., which of course would be 800 years after Nebuchadnezzar's day and after the time when Daniel was supposed to, to have lived and written this book."

Well, my dear friend, to answer that question, I want to just give you two reasons why I believe that Daniel wrote Daniel, that there was such a man as Daniel. The first one is this that the book claims to have been written by Daniel. For instance in the last six chapters, the author uses such phrases as "I saw in the night visions," "I, Daniel, alone saw the vision," "I, Daniel, understood by the books." Now these chapters, my dear friend, are inseparably bound up with the first six
chapters. And the question is are these statements true. While Daniel says that he wrote them, and I have reason to believe that he did. That is I believed what Daniel has stated.

And then my dear friend, the second reason why I believe that Daniel wrote the book of Daniel was that the Lord Jesus Christ said he did. The Lord Jesus Christ said in the, in the 24 chapter Matthew, where he is talking about the return to the Lord. And he says that "when ye see the oboffe-, the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet." And if the Lord Jesus Christ put His, eh, His identification mark upon the real Daniel as being a man who actually lived, then he had wrote this book, my dear friend, I'd rather believe the Lord Jesus Christ and believe all the wise men of this world.

I was telling a little while ago that I was listening to a certain fellow rundown on the radio, a radio, and he was and he was making the statement that all the characters of the Old Testament, especially those that you read about in the book of Genesis, that all fictitious characters. They didn't, they didn't live at all. That there was no such people as that may live. And of course they wouldn't believe Daniel. But you know, as a humble believer on the Lord Jesus Christ, I'd rather accept to His word, even though His word is, He conflicts with all the, the teaching of the, of the the so-called wise men of this earth.

Well, here is another question of, is texts back now the Genesis. "Was man created naked? Or was and was it originally intended that he should wear artificial toga?" Now let me read that over again. I don't think I got it right. "Was man created naked? And was it originally intended that he should wear artificial clothing?" Well, my dear friends, of course he was created naked. Why
both the man and the woman? Because in Genesis Chapter 2, I think it is verse 25, will find record this, "And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed." That my dear friends, this original nakedness of theirs seemed to be very different from the nakedness that was wrought and brought about as a result of their sin. Because in Genesis chapter 3 and verse 7, eh, you read that after they had sinned, "the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made for themselves aprons."

You know that I want to be just as brief about this as possible, but I had just in a nutshell. I think that they were naked in the first place as far as clothing is concerned, the clothing that we know to be clothing. You know that they had another kind of, of clothing, but we know nothing about. And that's the, and that is a, a garment of late. Do you remember how that in one of the psalms, I think it is in the 104 Psalm, that David says concerning God "thou clothed thyself with a garment of light?" And I think that when, eh, Adam and Eve first came from the hand of God and, before sin chains them, they had a garment of light. And they were naked as far as clothing is concerned as we know it. But when they sin, their light shi- cease to shine. That light was a mark of that God likeness. And the light cease to shine and that's when they saw themselves naked. And you'll remember what they did, they first sewed fig leaves together, in order to recover what they lost. And they made fig leaves together; they made, and made of them aprons.

But you know that an apron made of fig leaves is a far cry from a garment of light. And after they put on the fig leaf aprons, and they didn't look right. And you remember they hid themselves from the presence of the Lord. You know that their garment of light, my dear friend, that, or rather that fig leaf apron is a very very significant thing. You know that the fig leaf apron
just represents what they did. The garment of light was a garment that God made. When they lost that garment, my dear friend, then they tried to recover by their own effort what they lost. And the very best that they could do was to make fig leaf aprons. That is make them out of fig leaves. Have you ever thought of it, my dear friends, that the only thing that the Lord Jesus Christ ever cursed when He was here upon this earth was the fig tree. And He cursed the fig tree, and the fig tree withered away.

What is a fig leaf apron? It represents the effort of the natural man to recover what he lost by sin, gathering fig leaves, gathering good works and sew them all together on sin and thinking that, that will be a covering on the day of judgment. No, it won't, my dear friend. There is only one apron that will, then will, eh, fix you for God's presence and that is the righteousness of Christ, that is imputed to all those who put their trust in Him.

My time is up. Thank you for listening and goodbye. We'll take this up tomorrow where we have left off today.

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