

Rapturing Faith p1 – Martha's Resurrection Faith

1Th 4:16-18

- 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
- 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
- 18 Wherefore **COMFORT ONE ANOTHER WITH THESE WORDS.**

John 11

Joh 11:1-6

- 1 Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha.
- 2 (It was that Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.)
- 3 Therefore his sisters sent unto him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick.
- 4 When Jesus heard that, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.
- 5 Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.
- 6 When he had heard therefore that he was sick, he abode two days still in the same place where he was.

The Revelation of the Rapture

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65 But, **TO THE CHURCH, THE BRIDE, THE RAPTURE IS A REVELATION TO HER. IT'S REVEALED TO HER.** That, the revelation, the **TRUE BRIDE OF CHRIST WILL BE WAITING FOR THAT REVELATION OF THE RAPTURE.**

66 Now, it is a revelation, **FOR THE REVELATION IS FAITH.** You cannot have a revelation without it being faith. **FAITH IS A REVELATION, BECAUSE IT'S SOMETHING THAT'S REVEALED TO YOU.** Faith is a revelation. Faith is something that has been revealed to you, like it was to Abraham, that could call anything contrary to what had been revealed to him, as though it wasn't so. Now, faith, that's what faith is, is the revelation of God. The Church is built upon a revelation, the whole entire Body.

- To **POSSESS AND PARTAKE** of any of His redemptive blessings **REQUIRES THEM TO BE PERSONALLY REVEALED** to you
 - Jehovah Rapha etc.
- You know that you are nearing the possession of the Promise
 - A uniting of the earthly and the heavenly
- It declares itself to you more and more as a substance
- Walking in the Channel of Divine blessing
- **THE RAPTURE WILL BE THE SAME**

Shout, Voice, Trump

- Shout

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130 **THREE THINGS HAPPENS.** A voice... **A SHOUT, A VOICE, A TRUMPET,** has to happen before Jesus appears. Now, a shout... **JESUS DOES ALL THREE OF THEM WHEN HE'S DESCENDING.**

A SHOUT, WHAT IS THE SHOUT? IT'S THE MESSAGE GOING FORTH, first, **THE LIVING BREAD OF LIFE BRINGING FORTH THE BRIDE.**

131 Now, God has a way of doing things. **AND HE NEVER CHANGES HIS POLICY.** He never changes His po-... He's the unchanging God. In Amos 3:7, He said, "**HE WOULD DO NOTHING ON THE EARTH UNTIL FIRST HE REVEALED IT TO HIS SERVANTS THE PROPHETS.**" And just as certain as He promised it, He'll do it.

- Voice

152 ... A shout; and then a voice; and then a trumpet.

Shout: [A MESSENGER GETTING THE PEOPLE READY](#).

The second is [A VOICE OF THE RESURRECTION: THE SAME VOICE](#), that, [A LOUD VOICE IN SAINT JOHN 11:38-44](#), that called Lazarus from the grave.

[GETTING THE BRIDE TOGETHER; AND THEN THE RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD](#), see; to be caught up with It. Now watch the three things takes place.

Joh 11:38-44

38 Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.

39 Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days.

40 Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?

41 Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.

42 And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.

43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.

44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.

- [THE PROPHET POINTS US TO JOHN 11](#) when revealing [THE RAPTURE CYCLE](#)
 - Referring to the Voice of the Resurrection

Conditions for the Rapture

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Now, when Lazarus got sicker and sicker, and then sent Him. [OH, HOW DISCOURAGING](#). ... [THEY'D LEFT THEIR CHURCH. THEY'D LEFT EVERYTHING TO FOLLOW THIS MAN](#), this Divine Healer, and no hopes of Him coming. He just went on, ignored their message. [WHAT A DARK HOUR](#). Then the first thing you know, [DEATH STRUCK, KILLED LAZARUS. TOOK HIM OUT AND BURIED HIM](#).

E-76 The [FIRST DAY PASSED, OH, MY, HOW DARK](#). Second day passed, dark. Third day, fourth day, [ALL HOPES WAS GONE](#). He's [ALREADY A ROTTENING IN THE GRAVE](#), and the skinworms was going through him. [ALL HOPES WAS GONE EVERYWHERE](#). [DISCOURAGED](#), their Pastor had let them down, their loved One. The miracle Worker had let them down, didn't come to the rescue.

And [THERE WAS MARY AND MARTHA LEFT ALONE--MOTHER AND FATHER GONE, NOW JUST THEM TWO GIRLS LEFT ALONE IN THE WORLD](#). ... They [SET IN SACKCLOTH, BLACK VEILS](#), and [WEEPING AND MOURNING OVER THEIR BROTHER](#).

Bearing His Reproach

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E-78 Then... [I CAN HEAR THEM SAY](#), "Say, [THAT THERE DIVINE HEALER THAT WOULDN'T COME WHEN LAZARUS WAS ALIVE, HE'S SNEAKING BACK IN TOWN NOW](#). He's out there."

Joh 9:22

22 These words spake his parents, because they feared the Jews: [FOR THE JEWS HAD AGREED ALREADY, THAT IF ANY MAN DID CONFESS THAT HE WAS CHRIST, HE SHOULD BE PUT OUT OF THE SYNAGOGUE](#).

E-66 [EVER WHO FOLLOWED JESUS WAS RENOUNCED TO COME BACK INTO CHURCH. YOU KNOW THAT'S RIGHT. HE WAS A FANATIC](#). They claimed Him to be, rather. [AND EVER WHO FOLLOWED HIM WAS PUT OUT OF THE CHURCH](#).

[THEY'D LEFT THE CHURCH AND EVERYTHING TO FOLLOW HIM. AND NOW, HE'D GONE AND LEFT THEM WHEN THEIR BROTHER DIED](#).

I can hear **SOME OF THEM SAY**, "**NOW, IF THERE'S ANYTHING TO HIM, WHY DIDN'T HE HEAL HIS FRIEND.**"
I CAN HEAR THEM SAY, "Aw, there you are. See, **HE SLIPPED OFF TO GET OUT OF THAT.**" See?

Then Jesus came and Called

- I'm so glad that **THE STORY DIDN'T FINISH THERE**
 - It does **FOR ALL THEM THAT KNOW NOT JESUS** in their day
- **THE TIME WAS DRAWING NEAR FOR THEM TO RECEIVE THE BENEFITS ON THEIR GREAT INVESTMENT**

Joh 11:17

17 **THEN WHEN JESUS CAME**, he found that he had lain in the grave four days already.

Faith Caught

Joh 11:20

20 Then Martha, **AS SOON AS SHE HEARD THAT JESUS WAS COMING, WENT AND MET HIM**: but Mary sat still in the house.

E-65 Notice, quickly. Now, as we see Him come into this city, **MARTHA WAS SETTING THERE. SHE'D BEEN VERY MUCH DILATORY** [slow, given to procrastination] **THROUGH HER DAYS**, seeming to be. **BUT NOW, ONE TIME FAITH CAUGHT WITH HER. SOMEBODY COME AND SAID, "THE MASTER'S COMING INTO THE CITY."**
OH, MY, I CAN SEE HER QUICKLY.

- She had to **COME OUT OF THAT CONFUSION**
 - That atmosphere of Job's comforters
- She had **MOVED EXACTLY TO THE PLACE** that she was supposed to be
 - Mary would join her shortly

Appropriating Faith

21 Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, **IF THOU HADST BEEN HERE, MY BROTHER HAD NOT DIED.**

- The **LONGER THAT SHE BATHES** in the Presence of the Son, **THE GREATER THAT SHE WILL BE ABLE TO BELIEVE FOR**

22 But I know, that **EVEN NOW**, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee.

- "If You had been here, **HE WOULDN'T HAVE DIED**", to "**BUT EVEN NOW...**"
- That was **NOT NATURAL FAITH**
 - That was **RESURRECTION FAITH**
 - "Never been done before faith"
- **IN THAT PRESENCE, HE CAN PERSUADE YOU TO BELIEVE FOR THINGS THAT YOU NEVER BELIEVED WERE POSSIBLE**
- Rapturing faith
 - "It's got to be revealed to you"

Bro Bosworth and the little girl

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79 **THEY PUSHED A LITTLE GIRL THROUGH.** I shall never forget the child. She was **A CUTE LITTLE THING**. She was a little, blond-headed girl, one tooth out in front, and had a little, new little manicure in her hair, or what you call them things that women put in their hair. They pushed her... **SHE WAS IN BRACES, DOWN OVER HER LITTLE WAIST HERE.** And **THEY'D PUSH HER**

THROUGH THE LINE, AND I'D LAY HANDS ON HER. She'd get off the platform, AND THEY'D PUSH HER BACK IN THE LINE. Why, the poor little thing... And SHE KEPT COMING THROUGH. And then someone would bring her through, and they lay hands on her. And while she passed through again, SHE LOOKED UP, KIND OF ONE OF THOSE LITTLE BITTY GRINS, YOU KNOW, AND THAT TOOTH OUT. AND SOMETHING JUST SAID, "STOP THE CHILD."

I said, "Honey..." I SEEN SHE DIDN'T HAVE FAITH TO BE HEALED AT THAT TIME.

84 And then when the girl, they pushed her through, I SAID, "HONEY, YOU STAND RIGHT BEHIND ME." And she stood back there, just holding her; SHE HELD ON TO MY COAT TAIL. I SAID, "YOU PRAY, HONEY." AND SHE'D HAVE HER LITTLE HEAD DOWN, PRAYING.

And Brother Bosworth was setting, taking all this in, still just a little bit skeptic. And he was watching, 'cause he was out there, just watching the last of the meeting going through. And she was... IT WAS THE LAST NIGHT, I BELIEVE IT WAS. And she was holding my coat, AND I JUST KEPT ON PRAYING. I'D FORGOT ABOUT THE CHILD. I turned around again; I said, "Honey, keep praying," like that.

87 AND AFTER A WHILE, I BEGIN TO FEEL THAT FAITH BEGIN TO SET IN, LIKE A HEART BEAT, PUMP, PUMP, PUMP. And when it begin to go like that, I turned around to her. I SAID, "NOW, SWEETHEART," and I laid my hands upon her and asked the Lord Jesus.

I SAID TO THE MOTHER, I SAID, "NOW, TAKE THE BRACES OFF OF HER."

She said, "But, Brother Branham, I tell you, she's..."

I said, "Uh-huh, don't you doubt that, lady. YOU DO WHAT YOU'RE TOLD TO DO." She walked over there and took the braces off the child.

HERE SHE COME BACK DOWN AND HOLDING THAT GREAT BIG BRACES, through those people like that, PERFECTLY NORMAL, just as normal as she could be, those little legs. Is that right, Doctor Bosworth? AND WENT ON WITH THE MEETING.

The pulsation of Faith

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E-21 And I think that THE HOLY SPIRIT CAN LEAD MAN, and TELL HIM THINGS, and MAKE HIM ACT DIFFERENT, and MAKE HIM BELIEVE THINGS AND RECEIVE THINGS THAT THE WORLD NEVER COULD BELIEVE COULD HAPPEN. ...

Oh, CAN'T YOU FEEL THAT PULSATION OF THE SPIRIT BEGIN TO RISE IN YOUR HEART, saying, "JESUS CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST. Wherever two or three are gathered in My Name, I'll be in their midst." PULSATIONS, SOMETHING MOVING, LIKE A HEARTBEAT. IT'S PUMPING ENERGY TO YOUR SPIRIT. IT'S PUMPING ENERGY TO YOUR MIND. Then LET THE THINGS THAT YOUR EYES SEE BLACK OUT, that YOU SEE NOT THE THINGS OF THE WORLD. You're BELIEVING WHAT GOD SAID.

Right place, right person, right time

23 Jesus saith unto her, THY BROTHER SHALL RISE AGAIN.

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E-82 Notice. He said, "Thy brother shall rise again." Now, let's straighten Him up. "My, THY BROTHER SHALL RISE AGAIN." WATCH THE OLD PROPHETIC POWERS NOW COMING RIGHT TOGETHER, THE RIGHT PLACE, THE RIGHT PERSON, THE RIGHT TIME.

"Even now"

"My brother's dead and in the grave. BUT YOU, IF YOU'D HAVE BEEN HERE, HE WOULDN'T HAVE DIED. BUT EVEN NOW, WHATEVER YOU ASK GOD, GOD WILL DO IT."

That struck Him. That touched Him. Faith... NEVER BEEN DONE BEFORE, FAITH.

24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?
27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

The Raising of Lazarus

- The Message came to move us from general faith in the General Resurrection
 - To present-tense, living faith in the Resurrection and the Life
 - In our midst
 - She moved into the realm where she could believe for the raising of the sleeping saints
1. First the Resurrection and the Life came to the living saints
 - a. "The final quickening unto the Rapture"
 2. Then the Voice of the Resurrection went forth
 - a. And the dead in Christ raised
 - i. "He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live"

"**THY BROTHER SHALL RISE AGAIN.**"

She said, "Yea, Lord. He will rise in the last days." **THEM JEWS BELIEVED IN THE GENERAL RESURRECTION.** "Oh, he will rise again. He's a good boy. **HE WILL RAISE IN THE LAST DAYS; I KNOW.**"

Isaiah 53

- Consider just how Jehovah had veiled the Resurrection and Life in such simplicity
- Mary and Martha believed His Report, and the Arm of the Lord was revealed to them

Isa 53:1-3

- 1 **WHO HATH BELIEVED OUR REPORT?** and **TO WHOM IS THE ARM OF THE LORD REVEALED?**
- 2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: **HE HATH NO FORM NOR COMELINESS;** and **WHEN WE SHALL SEE HIM, THERE IS NO BEAUTY THAT WE SHOULD DESIRE HIM.**
- 3 **HE IS DESPISED AND REJECTED OF MEN;** a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; **HE WAS DESPISED, AND WE ESTEEMED HIM NOT.**

- Esteem – Regard, value
- The greatest thing that they did in their day was to value and regard Him
 - **"IT PAYS OFF IN THE END"**
- "A little frail looking Fellow"
 - The Resurrection Message was **VEILED IN FRAILTY**

Look at Him. Oh, my. ... **THERE'S NO BEAUTY YOU SHOULD DESIRE HIM.** Oh, **HE WAS PROBABLY A LITTLE FRAIL LOOKING FELLOW.** He said... Man of sorrow, acquainted with grief. **BUT HE STRAIGHTENED HIS LITTLE BODY UP,** said, "I am the Resurrection and Life."

- "That's nothing but the Truth"
- "You are the Son of God, to come into the world"
 - "You are the fulfilment of all that the prophets have spoken"

E-83 Oh, my. That's it. "I am the Resurrection and Life. He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. Whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. **BELIEVEST THOU THIS?"**

She said, "YEA, LORD. I BELIEVE..." Look here. "I BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE THE SON OF GOD, THAT YOU'VE BEEN SAID TO BE THAT WAS TO COME INTO THE WORLD." I believe what You said You was. What God has done for You, that's the truth. I believe every Word of it."
"Where have you buried Him?" Oh, my.

- Roll Call time

E-85 I can see Him walking down through that place there then, to the grave. Said, "Take ye away the stone." ... Then I can see Him straighten His little self up again; said, "Father, I thank Thee that Thou hearest Me always. But for these that stand by is why I said..." He'd already seen the vision. He knew what was going to happen. THEN HE CRIED WITH A LOUD VOICE AND SCREAMED, SAID, "LAZARUS, COME FORTH."
I BELIEVE, BROTHER, IF HE HADN'T HAVE CALLED HIM SPECIFICALLY BY THE NAME OF LAZARUS, I BELIEVE THE GENERAL RESURRECTION WOULD'VE TOOK PLACE THEN. That's what I think about Him. That's right. I BELIEVE THE RESURRECTION OF EVERY DEAD THING THAT HAD EVER DIED WOULD'VE COME OUT OF THE GRAVE IF HE HAD JUST SAID, "COME FORTH." Yes, sir. But He called, "Lazarus, come forth."
I'M GLAD TODAY THAT MY NAME'S ON HIS BOOK. "ONE DAY HE WILL CALL TOO, AND I WILL ANSWER," said Job.

That same Voice

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66 That's the same thing that takes place right here. The church was taken up into heaven, AND JOHN NOW IS BROUGHT UP WITH IT AS A TYPE OF THE RESURRECTED, as we took it last night. And find out that THIS SAME VOICE THAT SUMMONED HIM TO LOOK BACK ON EARTH, WAS THE SAME VOICE THAT SUMMONED HIM TO COME UP.

Oh, every Christian. The very voice, Charlie, that summoned you one day down there in Kentucky, to turn around, is the same voice that'll summons you, "Come up." Aren't you glad of that, Brother Evans? The voice that said, "Turn around," same voice said, "Come up." OH, MY. THERE, WHAT A SUMMONS. WHAT A REALITY, CLEAR, DISTINCT LIKE A TRUMPET, "TURN AROUND; SERVE ME. COME UP TO WHERE I AM."