

NAME

Stop Opposing Yourself Part 2 | 28May2023

DATE

May 28, 2023

DURATION

1h 11m 34s

START OF TRANSCRIPT

[00:00:00] Pastor West

About this weekend. So we want to remember that this morning that as we remember those always not of those who are serving today, but those who have served our country faithfully for the years. We won't know all of them, but we owe we owe a debt to every one of them. Amen. And for those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. For their country. It's more than a barbecue. It's more than a three day vacation. It's much more than that. We're talking about the ultimate sacrifice of the blood of our savior. Amen. But thank God, as many problems in this country has. And it does, and it's changed a whole lot. And there's things happening that we we don't like. But if you go visit some other countries, if you go visit a few other nations, you can still come back and say, thank God I'm an American. Amen. So if you have served or you have family that served, we we thank you for your service. And you may have family members who gave their life and we want you to remember them. And so, Father, we just bless you this morning. We thank you, Lord, that your hands are and your good hand is upon these United States of America. We thank you, Father God, for the privilege that we have to be citizens of this nation. You said blessed is the nation whose God is their Lord. So, Father, we pray for every individual, every family, everyone who has lost a loved one, Father God, who has given their life as a sacrifice for the freedom of this country. We thank you, Lord, that we're still in a place where freedom reigns. We thank you, Father God, that we only reign because we reign with you. We only reign because Jesus gave his life and gave his blood. But we remember these families. We lift them up. We pray peace and comfort upon their hearts today. And we thank you for all your goodness in Jesus name. Amen. Amen. We're up and going on Facebook and YouTube, and that's the way we do around here. So I welcome you all and welcome those who are watching.

[00:02:01] Pastor West

We we do that live simultaneously on Facebook and YouTube. And then we after about a day or however long it takes to put it up, we we do an audio format into 40 different countries. We have an active listening audience. Every time that we say hello, we have an active listening audience around the world of 1100 people at this time. So, so those of you in the balcony and the overflow room and those of you who are not at the beach, ha ha, it's going to be a good day. Last week we talked about I'm always looking for title names, but I don't know, that's not my specialty. But last week we titled it Stop Opposing Yourself, Stop Opposing Yourself. And I would like to build on that. I don't know if it'll go one, two, three, 4 or 5 or will be three today. We certainly can't say it all, won't try to say it all, but I want you to go to second Timothy chapter two. And we'll reiterate just a few things from last week. We didn't we didn't get to all of it. I'm famous for making good notes when I'm studying and somehow when I get here, they don't always it doesn't work that way with me always. What kind of get on another journey? I don't know. But we're going to try to keep it within the confines because I believe this is a very important study right here. These things I wished I had known as a young believer. Someone asked me a few years ago, they said, you know, having been in the ministry almost 30 years now, what would you say in your experience, looking back, was one of the most important things that either you knew or did not know or that you didn't see the, you know, the bigness of it or you wish you saw a greater view of it, had a greater revelation of it. I said, I mean, there's probably a lot of things I said, well, there's you know, there's a lot of things you know, we the Bible says we know we go from this point to that point. We go from faith to faith and from glory to glory.

[00:04:06] Pastor West

How many know more than you did ten years ago? Yes. And how many know you won't be here a thousand years from now? You all did the math. Yeah, and so? So. But we go from faith to faith. We go from glory to glory. Precept upon precept. Here, a little there, a little, the Bible says. But the one thing that stands out to me over 30 years that I wished I had known more about from the very beginning was simply this the goodness of God. Mean, I was. See, you might have thought I was going to bring out some mystery about who we know, a second cousin or whatever. And you know what happened after this. And, you know, how do they procreate History, which is important. You have eternity to ask questions. Not me. Him. I mean, I haven't got past. When when did God begin, you say? Well, he always was. Don't you know that? Yeah, I know that. But I don't. I don't know how you do that. I mean, but I'm talking about before then. He said, Well, he was before then. Yeah, but I know. But before then. Before them. Before them was what was them. And see, the thing is, you're an eternal being, right. I mean what are you going to be doing 10 million years from right now? Wow. The shortest thing you're ever going to do is the day you were conceived, the day that you leave here. This is the shortest thing you're ever going to do. We're going to go there for seven years when he comes gets us, or we if we leave by the grave and we go that way, either way, we're going to be there for seven years. And the scripture says in Revelation, and we'll go there for the marriage supper. The Lamb How are we looking forward to that? Having a supper for seven years with no carbs? Well, you'll have carbs. You just won't bother you. That's one reason to go to heaven. You can't think of any other. Right? But then we go from there.

[00:05:56] Pastor West

But then we go to the reward seat. It's called the Bema seat. Bema seats reward. And it's a judgment seat. It's not for it's not for a Christian to be judged because you've already been judged. Jesus took your judgment. I never knew that as a kid growing up because our pastor always told us, God, when we got to heaven, he's going to sit us down. And I just thought, they never told us this, but I just thought there'd be a big movie screen and everybody would be watching it. And my and my mother would still be there. And she she still think I wouldn't be too big to whip. But that's not it. The judgment seat of Christ for a Christian is not your being judged for your sins and your mistakes. Jesus already was judged for that. He already paid it. So if you want to go pay for what you did wrong, you're overpaying. Look, when you pay the car off, quit sending the notes. It's paid for so well, it just doesn't seem right. It's the 23rd of the month and I'm just used to doing so. I'm just going to send another payment, send it here, and then I'll tell you when I'll send it in or not. Send the difference if it bothers you that bad. Amen. So I went to the beach, you know, we went to the beach for a few minutes and we come back with, you know, finances to send Emily and Parker and places, and they don't even know it. I'm going to pay at least a month's worth of utilities and apartment rents and all kinds of stuff while they're going down to the mission trip. Amen. I think I'm supposed to go to Panama City and then didn't. Didn't do no fish. Street seafood. But this morning I found out Pastor Matt taught us how you catch a fish with a fish. That's two. That's two for one, right. He caught you. Caught you caught a bass with a with a brim. Now, I can't tell you the story, but that works almost in everything. I've learned how to catch a devil with a devil.

[00:07:43] Pastor West

I put a devil on the devil britches. And he don't even know what he's about. Now I'll learn that because I got him tired of biting the back of my britches. And I learned I could set him up because he was that stupid and I let him buy him. So we want to stop imposing ourself. Y'all okay to have fun? Just a little bit? How many? You don't want to spend eternity in theological school for ten gazillion years? I mean, just be honest, y'all. Y'all not that spiritual. Oh, come on, Adjust your halos. Or tilted just a little bit. No one wants to hear, you know. I mean, do you really want to hear the book of Leviticus for 10 million years? And who begat and begat? There's a lot of begetting and and that's that's really important. If they didn't beget, you wouldn't be here. Amen. Second, Timothy, I'd better start for I get a lot of trouble. Second Timothy chapter two verses. And I'm going to put this in context. Verses 24 through 26, Paul is writing an epistle which is simply a letter to Timothy, which is his spiritual son in the faith, and he's giving him instructions of his calling of a pastor. Timothy has some issues within himself because of his youth, and he felt like, I'm sure because some people was probably saying to him, What do you think? You know, you're just you know, you're still wet behind the ears. What would you know? So Paul was admonish him. He says you teach them the word of God. Doesn't matter what your age is. And so he was instructing him. And so we'll just pick up there in verse 24, it says, The servant of the Lord must not strive, but be gentle unto all men. He must be apt to teach patient in meekness, instructing those who are what. There it is. Oppose themselves. Is that it's not in every translation. But this is the king James, if you have it. How many of your Bible says oppose right there? You ought to underline that. Do you have a Bible, the kind of Bible you can write in if you don't go the thrift store?

[00:09:37] Pastor West

They got some you can write in. So I was sitting I told years ago I was sitting where Michelle and I graduated Bible school. We were at Rhema Bible College in Oklahoma and it was homecoming week and we were sanctuary. They can put 6000 people in there and then church is huge. So they have a they have overflow rooms and they have the rainbow has a church within the church so that you so if you want to have a wedding or if there was a funeral, you could have it there. And it it sits 500. So they have a church within the church. And so there's we were sitting in the choir loft. They said, Well, if you're an alumni, you can come sit here. There was nowhere else to sit. So we sat and then church began, you know, and we were sitting there in the choir loft, you know, we're looking, you know, the speaker going to we're going to be behind Brother Hagan and and all these people are there. But there was just two seats in front of us. And after about the second song, a door opened off the choir loft. Now Rhema stage is is as long as this building is just their stage. Their stage is 100 by. Well this is. Yeah, it's 100 by 60 just the stage. So we was in the sanctuary and all of a sudden Kenneth and Gloria Copeland come in and they sit right down in front of us. And I thought. I thought he was taller than what he is. Tv. Tv does him a lot of help and a little bitty fella, and he's taller than her. And and I couldn't help it. We were sitting in the row above him. I could just see in their Bible. And I think he had I think he had a brand new Bible. But Gloria, she'd had that one a minute and I could see over her shoulder. And I mean, there was more written in her Bible. I mean, she wrote more there than God did. And now I don't know if this is notes for Ken to go do this, you know, whatever it is.

[00:11:28] Pastor West

But it's okay to write in your Bible. In other words, it is your it is your book to success. This is the most successful book that's ever been written. Yeah. It's not New Age. It's old age, but been tested for the new. It never needs updating. It covers any situation that you have in your life. Everything. It'll tell you how to have a home. It'll tell you how to be a husband to you, how to be a wife to you, how to be a mother to you, how to be a businessman, To tell you how to be a good employee, tell you how to be a minister of the gospel Minister. Reconciliation. There's nothing that you don't that you'll ever need to know that this Bible doesn't give you advice. It tells you how to get away from a woman who just yakking in your ears all the time. In Proverbs, he says, better to sit on a roof and have a woman yakking. I said, Amen. I know that not for my wife, but I mean, I've heard things. I've heard things. I've heard things I've counseled a few people through the years. I know a thing because I've seen a thing or two like the insurance people said. So I asked you last week, well, let's go here to the scripture. He said, The sword of the Lord must not strive. Be able unto all men apt to teach patient in meekness, instructing those who oppose themselves. If God prevents, you will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth. Verse 26. That they may recover themselves. Oh. Out of the snare of the devil who are taken captive by him at will. So, see, these are people who are opposed. They are opposed in themselves. Do you think they're trying to oppose himself? I don't. Do you do you do you willingly want to oppose yourself? So Paul is telling this is what happens with Christians. They oppose themselves. He says he says they're going to need to acknowledge the truth. Repentance means change. All repentance means a change of mind. Right. It doesn't mean fill up a Kleenex box if you need to do that, but repentance means change your mind to the acknowledging of the truth that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil who is taken captive of him by his will.

[00:13:30] Pastor West

Verse 25 generally instruct those who pose. This is the new living translation. You don't have to go there but on the screen. But the New living says generally instruct those who oppose the truth. Perhaps God will change the people's hearts and they will learn the truth. Then they come to their senses and escape from the devil's trap, for they have been held captive by him to do whatever he wants them to do. I don't like that. Do you? So when it says the snare and I know a lot of you know this because you studied these things out, but that word snare the snare of the devil. If you look up the Greek word, what it really means in today's world, it's like the it's like the part of a trap, you know, whether it's a mouse trap or whether you're trying to bait for an animal. It's like Pastor Matt was doing. He he he had a brim, but he didn't want a brim. He wanted a bass. And he wanted he wanted to get the attention of the base. So what did he use? He used a broom. And he got his attention. So the enemy will do things in our lives to get your attention, to draw you away from the truth. So that you see that shiny thing. I mean, if you're fishing with a lure, that's what it is. It just lures them. It's deception. The enemy is a master deceiver. Now, we're not going to sit here and give him props because he doesn't have any. But he's a master at deception. He's had a lot of practice. He's worked with a lot of humans. Just in today's world. I mean, just think how today's world is, what it's like, the deception of people who don't even know who they are. Amen. I mean, I'm still when I'm out and doing things and we was going I mean, there's places I walk into and there's like four bathrooms. I'm like, oh my gosh. It just to be real simple, there was like a dress and there was a man with trousers. I could just figure that out.

[00:15:25] Pastor West

And now there's all kind of figurines. I was like, Oh, boy, I got to go. I told you last week I went into the bank down here with my deposit, and I said, I said, first off, I want to let you know that I'm thankful for y'all been banking here all these years. You're all so good. But I want you to know today I identify myself as a millionaire, and I'm here to make a heavy withdrawal. You understand? You know, you can identify yourself this way or that gender or this gender. And she said, Well, let me look up your account. She said, It won't work in your behalf. I said, But I identify myself. She said, Take it up with somebody else. So it didn't work for me. I don't know if it worked for you. So I asked you last week. I said, Are you saved? And you said that you was. And I asked you, do you have any physical evidence of that? And no one ever no one gave me any physical evidence. I mean, I can open my wallet right now and and I can I got a shell account on gas and and I got a Citibank card and I got a Sam's Club. I'm part of that. Don't go there very often because we're go to spend 100. We come out on \$700. I got all kinds of things. I got a I belong to things and some of them are taking my picture. It broke their camera, but all that kind of stuff. But I can give you physical evidence with, you know, these have account numbers, as you know, just like you would have. But you're telling me the most important thing in your life would be your salvation and you can't prove it at all. How many you believe that you're saved? Can I convince you otherwise? You just know when you're nowhere. Now, you do have evidence. The evidence that you really have. It's not physical evidence, but the evidence that you have one scripture would be Romans ten. Nine says. He said, We believe in and confess that if with our mouth, the Lord Jesus Christ, if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you shall be saved.

[00:17:24] Pastor West

If you not just saying those words, but believing those words and saying those words. Believe it in your heart and say it with your mouth unto salvation and you are saved. You become a new creature in Christ Jesus, but you don't have any physical evidence. So you take all that. So you never think about it, do you? How many of you woke up this morning and just, you know, you was concerned there would not be enough oxygen in the world for you to breathe today? I mean, you didn't give that a thought. I get that out of your head to think about that. If you tell people to not think about what they do. Like if I tell you I said I do not. I mean, I forbid any of you in the name of Jesus. Now that like, that was that was just me yelling. It wasn't spiritual, but in the name of Jesus, I command you not to think about a pink giraffe. What do y'all think about a pink giraffe? But I told you not to. Well, that's where the Bible says that. That's where seeing gets its strength from the law. Seeing? Seeing got its strength from the do not. How many went to the church for years to do not. So religion changes people that tries to change people at the heart of of commands and laws and the law of God is good. Roman said. But no man ever kept it. No man could keep it. And God knew they couldn't keep it. Never was. Never was. God's purpose to give man a law to live by a law. God wanted a relationship. He didn't want you to love him because of a law. That's not love. I mean, if you was forced to love your spouse. No, please don't raise your hands. I mean, I see eyes moving around, but if he was forced, you know, if I had to get up and read the script. Good morning, honey. Did you sleep well? I heard something roaring in the corner. Oh, it was me. Gee, that's a nice outfit. Does that sound like a great relationship?

[00:19:34] Pastor West

I have to read it every day. It doesn't at all. You think God wants that? No. He just wanted a family to love. You know, God's not near as bad as people make him out to be. Actually, there's more preachers than God, is there? There's some mad. There's some mad, angry preacher. Can I. Can I just tell you the truth? I mean, I should, shouldn't I? It goes with my occupation. I should. Pastors hate three day holidays. If you're in America, it's like, get three days. We gone. Amen. I'm old enough now. I don't care. Have fun. Praise the Lord. But. But here's the deal. It's not rules and regulations. It's just relationship. God just wants to have a relationship. God loves you so much, it's beyond your comprehension. Ephesians three said that he wanted you to be rooted and grounded in love. Mm. Rooted and grounded in love. He wanted you to know. She said he gave it a different dimensions. The breadth, the length, the height and the depth of his love. He said, Which far surpass your knowledge? Well, we can have knowledge. We can read scriptures about God's love. But he said, I want you not to just know that by the word. I want you to experience my love. I want ever experience his love. Amen. I've just watched God do miraculous things through the through the years. And I just watched how it would change people's lives. I remember being in the service years ago. This one I was in ministering for, I was in Tuscaloosa. I was on 65th Street off 69. And church is not there anymore. That's where it was at the time. And Pastor wasn't there. And a girl came who's now married to the guy that she's married to, but she'd never been in a church where they raise your hands. And they were they got very loud, you know, praising the Lord. So she was kind of scared. She went with her boyfriend. Her fiance. They've been married now for years, have have a family and still in that church.

[00:21:48] Pastor West

But I was the guest minister. And so for my friend who went to Texas that weekend, so I was just getting ready to minister and I just heard on the inside of me a word of knowledge, you know, the gifts of the spirit. And I just heard a word of knowledge. He said, there's somebody here who has jaw pain, TMJ. Is that what you call it? And I didn't say TMJ. I just said they have severe jaw pain. And if you'll come now, you'll be healed. And I said, I also hear this and I hear this and I hear this now about 3 or 4 things. If you'll come now, you'll be healed. Well, she was real apprehensive because she'd never been in church with one. And she said she said, you know, they were talking out loud, they were praising out loud. And she said, I've never been in that kind of atmosphere. And she said, then they had their hands raised up and I was looking to see if they was pointing at something. And she said I was in a different kind of church. So, you know, to come forward in front of all that, that was a lot for her soul to be into. You know, to just her surroundings was more than she was used to. Well, I don't know. Anything's going on. I'm just up here. The Lord says, Do this. I say, Yes, sir. Right. And so she said she was telling this testimony. She only waited 20 years after it happened to tell me about it. So I was back there ministering years later in another location. And she she was telling this she was telling this testimony. And she said and I was just scared out of my mind. And she said, then I started to get out of my seat. And she said, my husband, Barry said, he said, come on, I'll go with you because I know, I know that's real painful for you. She said, I got on my seat. She said I walked about 5 or 6 steps. She said the pain just went away and to this day has never come back.

[00:23:24] Pastor West

And she said, she said, I probably should have told you 20 years ago. I said, Well, it would have been nice, you know, to to, you know, just know something about the Lord. And she said and I said, Well, did you come on up? She said, No, the Lord. I didn't have to get any closer. And she was still scared to come up. You know, I guess I'm scared. But anyway, I mean, it was just different for her, you know, just a different type of church. And the Lord just healed. Well in that same building was the girl that got new knees, you know, a few years later that that I didn't get a word knowledge. I just said there's someone came to be healed that night. And it was on a Wednesday night. Same pastor and his family was in Texas, took his service and last five minutes of the service, Matt was with me. He was there. Service was over, wasn't it? I mean, I was past time. And so this girl just came up and she, you know, she walked like this. She was only 19, but she'd had three, three knee surgeries and and everything went wrong. There was nothing they could do to help her. And I didn't know at the time she was a pastor's daughter of a different denomination. I didn't know she was I thought I didn't know. I didn't know. I didn't hardly know anyone there. And so she just came to that church that night because she she found out from their worship minister that she knew it went to school with her, that that church believed in healing. And I said, you're right. They do. She said, But she told me, she said, But I don't. I said, You don't? She said, No. She said, I mean, I believe God could. I just don't believe he will. And I've been prayed for by many people and nothing's ever happened. She said, I know it could, but I don't believe you will. And I said, Well, I got a question for you. Why did you come? She said, I hope I'm wrong.

[00:25:15] Pastor West

I said, Well, here's the good news. You are. Because I was already hearing on the inside what God was was wanting to do. And and I knew that. I knew that. I knew I couldn't prove it. But I knew on the inside, it's wonderful to be speaking the same time and the same time. This is what you call filled with the Holy Spirit. Whichever one of you is, you have the new birth in you. And I'm having a conversation with the Holy Spirit. Why? I was talking and he said, he said, I want you to lay hands on her. He says, and I'm going to put new knees in her tonight. And I said, Wow. So I just now that I know I can play around a little bit. And she said, Well, I don't. I just think before you pray for me, you should know. I don't believe I said, I think you should know that, that I don't care. I did it on purpose just to take the pressure off her. I said, Baby, I don't need your faith tonight. I said, Jesus has a cover for both of us. I said, Let me give you an analogy. See if it'll help you. You see, Jesus never told the seek to have faith. He told the believers, Lay hands on the sick and get them recovered. He didn't say they had to meet a basic requirement. No one in your family should ever have to earn your love. You didn't earn the Lords. I didn't. I didn't earn it. Jesus went to the cross for the whole world, and the whole world was guilty. We didn't earn anything but his death. She said, Well, I just she'd had some experiences of a negativity. She was almost tired of being prayed for. And and I said, I understand. And so I started. I said, I'm going to lay hands on you if you let me. I said, I don't even have to do that. But if you like me, I just lay hands on you. And I said, The Lord's going to heal you tonight.

[00:27:05] Pastor West

Well, I say heal. There was nothing there to heal. He had to recreate. And that's what he did that night. He recreated two brand new knees in her body. She went to the floor, looked like she'd been you know, it looked like she had a hold of A22 20. And I don't know if it was 4 or 5, six, seven, eight minutes. And she just shook on the floor. And it was Wednesday night. Most people were ready to go home and they worked all day. No one was ready to go home. They were all running up there. And and I never saw a miracle like that. That particular one. I seen a lot of miracles, but not like that. And you could see her pants, legs move. You could hear bones popping and cracking. I mean, you could literally hear truth. And so that's why everybody was running. And and I was just acting like, oh, yeah, we just do this every week. And it's like, praise him. I'm like, God, I can't believe myself. I mean, every miracle can be it's the same. God is the same power. But it's just it's wonderful to see how it manifests in her. And she just shook and and then she went, oh, well, she been this way for three years and she was going to Samford in Birmingham, but she, she couldn't make the upstairs so they had a satellite classes for her and then they had she had things she would hold to at home just to get her out of bed, bathroom, everything that would lower her down and then pick her back up. And that was her life. She got church at night with two friends. They put her in the back seat of the car and they they split her because her her legs are straight. She can't bend them at all. Because I asked her, I said, well, you can do this, can't you? She said, I did that three years ago. I can't do that. So she just walked like this. She said, I broke up with my boyfriend last week because I'm not going to let him marry me.

[00:28:43] Pastor West

He won't never have a life. And. And I said, Well, we can get back with him. We'll just see if he's worthy of your love when we get through. She said, Well, I hope. I hope so, but I don't have no faith. I said, Yeah, we covered that. And I said, But everything's going to be fine. So I laid hands on her. She she went down. Now here's what's funny. You can impose yourself. In her mind because it's been so long. She's had that condition so long, she still has it. That may help you when you're ministering to someone. When I just said because it may look like nothing's happened, whether they feel something or not. But when you lay hands on the sick, all you're doing when you're laying hands on the sick is you're imparting life. When I say life, I'm using a Greek word in the Strong's two, two, two, two. That should be. Remember two, two, two, two. And it's the word Zoe. Zoe. Which means the life in the nature of God. It really. It literally just means the life that God has, being God. He put a measure of that on the inside of you. And you born again. You have his life inside of you. So when you release, when you lay hands on the sick, what you're doing is you're just releasing his life. What makes God God in a measure is in you. So all this becomes as jumper cables and boy, if someone will receive it, it can jump. So that night she she she went down and when she when she got back up, when she kind of quit shaking, we picked her up. The ushers picked her up and she looked at me and she was like, what was that? I said, Well, I said, you have new knees. She says, She said, what? She was like an intoxicated. You know, that's kind of what it is. I'm sorry, I have to use that word, but if you ever been in that kind of atmosphere, when when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, it can feel kind of intoxicating.

[00:30:42] Pastor West

But here's here's it's legal. You may not be able to drive for a while, but but but it can be kind of intoxicating. Now you say, well, you shouldn't make light of that. I'm not making light. I'm telling you true stories. Acts Chapter two. Right. Actually, if you look on your calendar, today's Pentecost Sunday, that's when it happened. And Peter had to get up and explain to all the people why these people are drunk, as you suppose. Why would you suppose someone's drunk, right? Something that happened to them outwardly and their expression or the mannerisms that Peter had to get up and explain it. Like, you know, Lucy and Ricky, she had to explain. She had explain. And so she her mind was still where she was three years ago, although she had this experience on the floor for, you know, 5 or 10 minutes. And so in Acts three, I learned years ago that when Peter and John came to the gate temple, I don't know why I make notes. I just it's absolutely just maybe one one day it might be a book. I don't know. It may no one ever read it. But. But they went to the gate. Beautiful. Remember Acts chapter three. And there was a man who had been he had been lame all his life, and he had a license to sit there as they go into the temple to pray and to beg and ask for money. And so they were asking and Peter and John went there, went that day, and in Acts Chapter three and he was asking for alms albums. And but he was lame all his life, 40, 40 years. He was born lame. And so Peter said, he said, look on us. He said Silver and gold I do not have today, but such as I have given you in the name of Jesus, rise up and walk. Now, what did he say? He said, I'm not here to give you money. I don't have the money that you're asking for. But I do have something to give you. And what I have is good and such as I have, I can give it away.

[00:32:42] Pastor West

Oh, that's big talk, isn't it? Look on me. You know what the media would do with you or ministers to say, look on me, I got answers. Well, they're supposed to your Christ in the earth today. Jesus said he was the light of the world. Now he says you are. Time to get your flashlight out and make sure your batteries are already charged. If they're not, I can show you how to charge them so that you are the light of the world. So he said, look on us. He's such as I have give I the name Jesus, rise up, walk. And then Peter did this. Peter reached up and took his hand. He took his hand and pulled him up because 40 years had never walked. So his mind doesn't work that way. So Peter had to show him that he can walk. I had to take that same girl. She said, What happened? What can I do? I said, You're not going to walk, She said. And she said, I can't walk. And I said, Of course you can. You're healed. She says, I am. I said, Oh, yeah, you am. I mean, I'm just not great English. But I said, You are. So I said, took her by the hand. And she was real apprehensive because of her condition for three years. In her mind, she was opposed in her own healing. Many people oppose their own healing. They don't even know that they're already healed because everything the devil does is a is is deception. And every symptom is a deception. Any symptom that you have in your body right now, if you're a believer, is a deception from the enemy that tells you you're not healed. So you need to go do all these things or keep doing them too. If you keep accumulating enough knowledge, if you keep confessing the word so much over and over and over again, if you get enough people praying, if you get enough oil put on you, if you get enough believers laying hands on the sick, if you get enough people petitioning God, somehow you'll come to this accumulated vast amount of whatever you need that no one knows the sum total that perhaps one day you can sway God to do something for you.

[00:34:42] Pastor West

That's called works. That's called legalism. And Jesus hated it. Amen. So with every symptom in your body right now, I have to tell you the truth. By his stripes, you were healed. That's right. Amen. So one day you'll have to settle that issue. If you're not healed, when will you be? If you're not saved, when will you be? So you don't think about salvation. You'll think you know. Because that's done. It's over with. But you can't prove it. So what are you taking as your evidence? You're taking this word, but you go to healing and we go a whole different way. Well, you know, I know God can do anything. God, you know God can do anything. What does that mean? That ain't \$0.15 worth of nothing. The devil, the Bible. The devil knows better than we do and trembles. See well. Well, I know we can do That. Doesn't mean anything. See, they believe most people believe God can do anything but don't believe he's done a whole lot. He thinks this thing's finished and wrapped up. Amen. Amen. Amen. So your body will go along for the ride if you'll take it there. Because it doesn't have a voice. It has a voice when it talks to you. But see, that voice is not supposed to be running the show. Amen. Amen. I do know what I'm talking about. If I didn't know what I was talking about, we wouldn't be talking about this. Amen. I have seen. I have seen blinds. See? I've seen. I've been in the miracle. I've been in service to all have happened. But I've been privileged to see it myself. Well, I was the one praying. Well, you don't. You are blind. And then you see, well, you are deaf and don't even have ear drums. And you get ear drums, see? Well, you are dead. And now you are alive. That's a fun one. That's a fun one. That's real fun. Where limbs will be amputated in the morning to stop the staff in their bodies because they're going to die because they'll go throughout their body and their bloodstream and then lay hands on them and curse that infection and it just disappears and it all goes away.

[00:36:43] Pastor West

And the Lord sends them home with both of their feet and both of their arms and both of their legs and all their fingers and gives them back to the family. Whole w h o l e. That's who we are. In the New Testament, you're called the Sons of God, and it says the earth is groaning and travailing. The Earth is under pressure of all that's going on in the sin and the corruption in the world. And it says the earth is growing and it's waiting for the sons of God you to come into the being of who you really are and take charge. The earth groans waiting for you to rise up and be who you really are. Hmm. I know what it's like to watch. I know what it's like to watch cancer die. Because you were just lucky. Well, then I get lucky a lot. It has nothing to do with me. It has nothing to do with my faith. I don't even have any faith. You don't have faith if you're born again. You have faith. But it wasn't yours. Galatians five gives you the fruit of the spirit, and what it is gives you the whole list of it. First being love, right? You got gentleness, meekness, kindness, faith, temperance, loving, you know, on and on and on. But faith. Galatians Chapter two said, Paul is giving you an analogy of a substitution. What happened to you? Paul said, I was. He said I was crucified with Christ. Well, was Paul there actually crucified with Christ? No, he said then after I was crucified with him, I died with him. So we know that Paul wasn't crucified. At the same time, we know he didn't die at the same time. He said then I was buried with Christ. No, he wasn't. He said, Then I died with Christ. No, you didn't. He said Then I was raised with Christ. We should. That's for Alabama blocks just right there. But what is he saying? He's saying by substitution. When he died, when he was crucified, it was for me and I died with him.

[00:38:59] Pastor West

Amen. He says when they took him off the cross, they took me off the cross. When they put him in the tomb, he said they put me in a tomb. When he went into the pits of hell for three days and suffered all all the agony, the sin, the sickness, the disease, everything because of the curse of man. Jesus went Jesus himself went into the lower regions of hell for three days until the all all justice was satisfied in the heart and the mind of God. And God said, That's enough. And then the Bible says that God raised him from the dead. So it was God's greatest feat, wasn't creation. It wasn't any opposition to creation. He just spoke. But every demonic spirit, I mean, Jesus, they're having a party. We killed him. We killed the Son of God. We got him right there. But he woke up and he got up and he was raised up. Now, the Bible says when he raised him up, if I was making this up, it'd be a great story. But I didn't even have to make it up. It's actually written right there in that book. It says when he raised him up at the same time. See, by substitution, he raised you up. Ephesians said and he raised him up. And now he is seated with him in heavenly places. See? And the heart and mind of God. And you have to you have to grasp this from the word is that your God only has one time. He created our time. He understands 24 hours. He understands all that because he created. We need that for the service. But God doesn't live on that time. He lives in a place called now. I mean, yesterday was now tomorrow's. Now It's always going to be now. So the Bible says when he raised up Christ, he raised you up together with him and hath he has seated with you. You are seated with him presently in Christ Jesus, your your in the throne room with him. Now, spiritually speaking, you're in two places at one time. It's a it's a wonderful study.

[00:41:00] Pastor West

We don't have time to get into it now, but there are several scriptures where Jesus alludes to being in heaven and at earth at the same time, his physical body being on earth. But he was with he was with the father, several scriptures. He's in two places at one time. And the same scriptures show that you're in two places at one time. How about that, Gomer? You say, Well, I don't work for me because you just don't believe this shit. That's a short answer. There's things that I haven't come to believe yet. I'm still like, wow, okay, I'm pretzel. Like a pretzel all twisted. I'm like, wow, we are. Wow. So I was doing this study years ago. I said, We're seated with him and I did all the Greek and and all this and reading the commentators and the scholars and all that. And sometimes, you know, some people who called scholars, they're not that scholar. Sometimes they can't find their vehicle in the parking lot. I think, you know, they're smart, but they don't have any common sense, the IQ's running off the chart. But, you know, they don't even know how to lick a popsicle because, well, you know, you know that tree, you know, man, got to hold this thing, man, man, man. Got to hold this thing. You don't even know what it means. All that. I mean, you can't really read all that you can. Like, shut up. Because the Bible said, we have the teacher. I've had the Holy Spirit said, Don't, don't read that. Go get your other. What's translation? He just read that. He says, that one's true. You say? What? Can you prove that? No, but I don't have to. Hmm. When you can have faith like a child, you'll see all kinds of things happen because the child believes anything. Children have the most wonderful imagination. I mean, they can think of anything. Sure. If you don't mind me doing this. So when we use that day, we get things out of Amy's shop or whatever they said. She said, I want to ride with him back.

[00:42:57] Pastor West

She said, Can I ride you back? And I said, You'll have to ask. It's not up to me. And I'm used to having a little you know, I have a lot of grandchildren, so and their imagination soars. So in, what was it, five miles from there to your house? Six miles. There was quite some stores. There was lots of stores. And we was going we was going down 31, you know, head back to Alabaster. And and we was going about 50 miles an hour. And she said, Don't let this trailer turn over. And I said, I'm not. She says, she said, because it'll flip. She said if it flips, don't flip me on my side, flip it on yours. I said, okay, okay. Well. I was like, I was like, you know, we would go from a little girl to this brilliant mind. It was just like, wow, you know? And then she would give me these analogies like, how old are you? I mean, there's like and then was going down the road and she did her window all the way down and, you know, and I can feel my hair out of place. It's one of my things. She makes fun of it, but she twists her hair all the time on this. We bought the car and I followed her home and I was taking a video behind her. And that's her habit. She twisted the left side. I was like, If you go bald, I don't know if you're going to be together. I understand. Because if you create your baldness now, we're going to have a problem. And so so anyway, I got the window back up now. So, you know, we're just riding and I'm just asking her a little stuff. And now she turned the radio wide open. I mean, wide open. And it was just like, whatever. And I said, turn. She says, I like it that way. And then about three more went about two more miles. And she says, I want you to stop here. And she says, I want a combo. A combo? How old is she?

[00:44:37] Pastor West

Seven. Yeah. A combo. She. Yeah. And she says, and I want, I want the large size of the combo. I said, anything else you can think of because we still got a mile. And here's the funny thing. We got ready back. I'm trying to back this trailer up, you know, She says, You want me to do it? I don't know. Maybe she could have. We all had imagination, something like that as kids. Where did it go to? How did we lose it? How did we lose it? We just lose it in life. We go to school, we lose them up there. We get older, you know, and we figure we're going to tame the whole world and we figure out, you know, I don't know what age you figured it out, but then when you get to. 50th, they tell me. Y'all do know I'm over £120 now. Yeah. And so you get to 50 at Cole. You say Ed's in heaven now. He say when you get over 50, he said the charm kind of wears off. He said, in other words, you know, it's no excuse not to walk in love. He said, I'm just saying that it will take you less words to say what you need to say when you get past 50. And I found that that was true. Then when you get 60, it takes less words than it took in 50. And at 70, you just. I guess. Well, God wants you to keep that imagination. He wants you to have the imagination that he has. Think about it. You're talking to someone who created billions of galaxies. You're concerned about the Alabama power bill. He's like, I mean, how do you have a conversation with someone who loves you, who created billions of galaxies? Who knows everything about everything. About everything. Could you not trust that person? Would their answer be correct? Yeah, the answer would be correct. So what he would want to fix with us this morning if we needed anything fixed, was he. He'd want to put some questions to bed, so to speak.

[00:46:43] Pastor West

So I want you to go to Romans chapter eight. We only have a little bit of time left. Very little time left. But Romans Chapter eight. Acts. Romans. I'm sorry. I should have told you. Page 2046. Verse five. Let's just break in here. It says, for they that are after the flesh. Do mind the things of the flesh. But they that are after the spirit, the things of the spirit. Don't let the word flesh throw you off. It's not necessarily talking about, you know, it includes it flesh. It will use different words. They who pay attention or do mind the things of the of the the census. Your five senses they who do mind the things of your physical being. They who pay attention to symptoms. They who pay attention to circumstances. So your physical senses is is information. I mean I mean an interstate of just it's lasting from here to yonder of all kinds of information stored in your mind and your subconscious mind. You have everything that you've ever learned, that you've heard, that you are learning. The physical part of you can the scripture says can receive nothing spiritual. Nor can it interpret anything spiritual. Your your fleshly body and your senses cannot. Bosses cannot, cannot receive, will not accept and will oppose anything spiritual. It's not it doesn't have an open communication to it. God doesn't not has never one time ever talked to your body. Your body doesn't have an access by the spirit to take any information but your soul in your mind does. But see, but your soul interlinks connects with your body. So when you get your mind renewed to how God thinks and you're willing to lay down what you think or your experience or what Granny said may be tough for some of you all. We love Granny, but she might have been wrong about a couple of things. Granny told me all the time God was going to get me because I was always doing something that I needed getting for. She never told us God. I mean, Jesus is going to get us. I told you God is going to get you.

[00:49:38] Pastor West

You know. So I grew up with a picture that God just stayed about half mad all the time. And if you crossed him, the club's coming out. And Granny would enforce that. Now, she would get me along with God. You know, there no da back then. I don't think it is. They still be serving time. There wasn't no back talk. You know, I still I mean, it tells my age, but when I'm sitting there and checking that line and I'm watching some parent count to their kid. Now you stop that. One, two, three, four. Like the kid is learned. My my mama and daddy know how to. They. They know how to count to ten. You did it. My mother. You got passed one. It's over. You know. So that's a whole nother generation. They didn't believe in sparing the rod. And my mother told me one time, she says, not that God's man is going to get you. She says, But I want you to be trained to learn to obey God quick, because now God's going to get you. Because if you don't do God's way, then the enemy is going to take advantage of you. So if you're sitting there counting when God tells you to do something, you're going to lose out, son. Will that help me? But she brought in the physical way of doing it that, you know, God put nerves throughout your body, put some in the rear end, and these these nerves in the rear end, they go directly to your brain. And my mother knew that. So she knew she had a switch or a stick and she got these nerves. Quickly. Send a message to the brain. Stop it. She's right. And it worked every time. Now watch here. So there they have the flesh. They they're at the physical demand, the things of the physical. But they either have the spirit, they mind the things of the spirit. So to be carnally minded or to be physically minded or to be symptom minded. Well, does that help anybody? To be carnally, physically, fleshly, circumstantially minded is death.

[00:51:34] Pastor West

I didn't say it. The Bible says it. But to be spiritually minded is to be life and peace, because the carnal mind is enmity. Now, that word enmity doesn't mean enemy. It means opposed. We read in time with you. We started the that Satan takes a snare. He baits a trap to draw you in, to have control of your life by putting something of the physical nature in front of you or uses your body sometimes with sickness or disease or whatever it uses to bait the trap for you to grab hold of this thing, to take you away from the truth of his words. Because if you accepted the truth, you would be free from him. See that girl couldn't get healed on her own. But I had a word of knowledge. Well, I never saw her again. I was over at that church. I went back there three years later, not to minister. I just went to a meeting they were having and she came up to me and I didn't remember her. She remembered me, I guess. So she said, Hey, hey, hey, Do you remember me? I said, Oh, I'm sorry, help me. She's. I'm the girl that you prayed for with the knees. I said, Oh. So I had a gazillion questions, one about her parents because her dad was a pastor. And she said, So, you know, Dad's still he's he's still in the Southern Baptist. She said he preaches healing everywhere. She he has all kinds of miracles. Well, I never met her dad. I didn't have to convince him or anything, you know? You know what convinced him? The miracle. We didn't have to run 40 scriptures in front of him. The miracle spoke for itself. And I said, Well, what about the knee? She said, Well, let me just show you. And I said, Well, did you go back to the doctor? She said, Oh, yeah, we're back to doctor. She's the one that did all three surgeries and that's the way to do. She said. He X-rayed both knees. I said, What happened? She said she he just like was shaking his head.

[00:53:29] Pastor West

He said, I just never saw him like a mile off. I never saw anything like this in my life. I said, Well, what happened? She said, I have two brand new knees. And she said, All the parts, the metal, the screws and everything was disappeared. I said, Do you get a refund? She said, I never thought to ask him that. I said, I went there first. Now this is Chilton County. I went to school here, graduated here. I never got a class on how to. Put these in people and take parts out. Did you? I didn't see him leave. Now. That'd been cool. Like, whoa. I don't know if Angels was doing it. I mean, she was, like, shaking pretty violently. She would go, Oh, I guess there's a lot of nerves and things doing things. I mean, it was kind of loud. I mean, it was loud enough. You could hear bones popping. Everybody around the front. Everybody were on the front. I know y'all have heard the story, but if you could just saw what happened when she got up. So when I told him, she got up and she said, what am I going to do? I said, we're going to walk. She said, I can't walk. I said, Yes, you can. So I said, We're going to walk. And she said, But I say, still opposing herself. And she has new knees, but she still locked into yesterday. I said, So I had to do this. I said, Baby, I'm going to take you by the hand. I'm going to walk with you. And I said, And then we're going to try it. Then we're going to run. She said, I can't. I said, We're going to go or I'm going to drag you all over this place. And she didn't know if I would or not. I mean, I wouldn't have it, but she don't know that. So I'm a pretty good bluffer. I have been called on twice in school, beat up both times. But anyway. But she is always over a girl though.

[00:55:09] Pastor West

And she she said, I said let's go grab you by the hand and has about 5 or 6 steps. It broke whatever was in her mind. And then I went into a little trot and then she did too. And then she broke away from my arms. And then she ran around and around and around the sanctuary. And she was screaming and laughing and crying. And she couldn't even believe it's her body. She couldn't even believe it. And then everybody was coming up to me wanting. It's like, would you pray on this? Would you? We got someone in the hospital, Would you take this handkerchief? And I said, Well, yeah, but I mean, see, everybody was ready to go home. It was a Wednesday night then nobody wants to leave. That's what that's what ministry without confirmation is just information. And the ministry itself has gone too long with no confirmation that what we're doing is we're just taking people's information. That was a generation before us. And then we memorize that, and then now we're giving second hand information. Brother Hagan said, either you said it this way, he said, either you're going to be a voice or you're going to be an echo. And you ought to be a voice. You know what, Echo? Just like, Hello, hello, hello, hello. But you can get the word and be a voice for God himself. So if you mind the things of the Spirit, then you'll have life and peace. But if you mind. If you. I'll close here, if you mind the flesh. This is, if you don't mind, I'll just. This is what it came to me yesterday. I wrote down this way. The word of God says by his stripes you were healed. So we're not waiting on an event to happen. Do we have to wait till we get to heaven to be sure that I'm forgiven? The answer would have to be no. Because if your sins are forgiven at the moment that you receive Christ, then you will make heaven to find out the answer. Okay. These are present tense truths. You are forgiven.

[00:57:07] Pastor West

Saved. You are healed by his stripes. There is no condemnation to you. Those who are in Christ Jesus. No. Zero combination. Every evil thing that has the same source is called lies. Demon is a spirit that carries a lie. Well, it all boils down to is the lie that you aren't healed and that sickness. And if it does, that sickness still has power in your life. It tells you you need to do something. Or maybe the pastor tells you that, or you need to do more of what you're doing to gain a response from God that you don't really already have. So if you're waiting for a symptom or a circumstance to change, then you really aren't. You see in faith. We're not believing what the word says, so therefore we have nothing for the Spirit of God to cooperate with us in. What I'm saying is it's our belief that allows the Holy Spirit to work freely in us, to release everything that we have already have past tense. See, I'm out of time. So if you just read Galatians, you would see it's the same thing. Paul asked the Galatians the same question because he can preach this message of grace where they were trying to keep the law, the Mosaic law, and they accepted Christ. But he would leave in the judaizers come back and said, you can't just you can't you can't be righteous based on believing in this man, Jesus Christ. Now you have to go do all this stuff and keep all these laws. And Paul came back and they were right back to doing what they were doing when he left. He said. How did you receive your salvation? Was it through belief in Christ or was it through your works? They said, Was it belief in Christ? He said, It's the same way miracles works. He said the miracles that you saw was of your doing or of his doing. I said, Well, it was his doing by faith in him. He said, So if you're going to start your life off by believing him, he said, Why don't you finish it that way? Amen. And they're like, Shazam!

[00:59:03] Pastor West

But, you know, that's the same thing. That's what they've heard all their life. It takes a minute for it to soak in. Would you tell a person who's lame or hurting or in pain that by his stripes you were healed the same moment you were saved? They'll say, I know I'm saved. But their body says, Preacher, you don't even know what you're talking about. I heard so many places you can't even name all of them. I said, Yeah, I know You heal. See that that girl was healed and didn't know it. Now, she had all kinds of physical evidence going on. And after everybody runs up there and she was healed. The Wilsons rent is paid if it ain't already paid for next month or next year, and they don't even know it. It's just a matter of me getting on the computer. And there it is. I said, Lord, if you'll send it, I'll send it. He sent it. I sent it. What am I can do it. I ain't the big deal. Hey, man. I mean, it's kinda important. We thank God for the electricity and the heating and the cooling and the lights for illumination. But if you go into the Sealand house and you look up as you know, there's going to be you won't see the wire, but there'll be conduit which the wire goes through. That's supposed to be the code. Don't look everywhere in Chump County. It ain't all code and chunk County. So but if you go through here, the conduit just carries the power through, you know, to the lighting, to the. To the plugs. What are we do it? Are we the big deal? No. Are you the power? No. All you are is conduit. So my. My question to you is, who are you hooked into? Are you hooked into the belief, into faith? What is faith? Faith is really just let's keep it simple. Faith is just believing and trusting that what God said he means and will do it. You believe and you trust that what God said He will do it.

[01:01:03] Pastor West

And you're and you're just you're you're on swayed from that truth no matter what it says. And after a while your body will just have to whatever until you get to the place, to where you're saved by his stripes, I'm healed. And you end it. Then you keep this conversation going forever and the enemy will accommodate you with all kind of symptoms for the rest of your life because you're waiting for enough faith, the right minister, the right anointing. Go the double portion service double what you do. You have Christ in you in the New Covenant. How are you going to double Christ tonight? Just double Jesus night. So come on, that's old covenant. Come into the New Covenant. You're the Bible says of his fullness. You have received the Bible says you are complete in him. The Bible says you have nothing missing, nothing lacking. Isaiah said peace to whose mind is stayed on him. Jesus said, If you abide in me and I abide in you. He said, you can ask what you will and it shall be done. I can ask what I will. He said, Yeah, if you abide in me and my words. So if you're abiding his word, you want to ask for something wrong? Amen. When you lay hands on the sick, you expect him to get healed. You shocked if they're not? Man. I'll tell you a story from This is really my closing. My closing is have three doors. This is the last door. Brother Curry was talking about. He was in a meeting one time. And he said it was in the beginning of his ministry and he said he prayed for 20 people and nothing happened. He said in the 21st, person got healed. Whatever it was. I mean, it was something that everybody could see and everybody just, wow, the first 20 people, something, something did engage the 21st person did, he said, Now, if the Lord would have told me, now, Kerry, I want you to go tonight. I want you to pray the first 20 is not going to get healed, but the 21st person in the line will get healed from there on out, he said.

[01:03:15] Pastor West

Back then, what I would have thought was, Well, let me just get the 20 and get to the 21st one. Makes sense to you. I mean, it wouldn't be kind, but you're just thinking, well, if we're going to get results, don't go through the 20. If I'm not going to get results, let's just go with number 21. He said, Would you be wrong? But on the 21st and he got results. He said, Now what I do, if I were to hear a word like that, he said, he said, I just go down the line and I get number 21 or 22, 23, 24, 25, 26. Then he said, I get the first 20 and because I have 21, I put the first 20 to get healed because now the one didn't get healed. Number one is now 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27. You just go back through the line because all you're doing is just releasing life. It's his life. It's not. It's not you. It's him. Same life that you were saved from. Picture was hard to get healed. Was it hard to get saved? Is it hard to get saved? Do you have to intercede? Has anyone ever called you and asked you to have me? I'm sure. Does anyone ever call and ask you to agree with them about something? Raise your hand if someone's ever said. Would you agree with me about something? I think all of us are. Has anyone ever called you to say, John, would you agree with me because. My brother, he send a big one. I mean. Oh, gosh. I mean, I hate to tell you how big the sin was, but would you agree with me that God will forgive him because John wants to be forgiven? But it's so. The sin is huge. And I just need a bunch of people to agree with me that when he prays tonight that God will forgive him. Have you ever done that? Why don't you do that? You think the blood of Jesus took care of it, right? You think Jesus death and resurrection took care of the sin?

[01:04:56] Pastor West

Why don't we believe he did it when we heal? Same offer. Same body. Same Jesus. Same time. It's because the physical senses, the flesh, the carnal mind is ruling and the emotions are ruling. You can put heaven off over there because it's done. Without. He says the man who walks in the flesh cannot please God. What does that mean? Please, God. Is he hard to please? No. Hebrews 11 six says Without faith, it's impossible to please God. Because you're opposing the life that's in you. The life's already in you. But if you're thinking I need to do all this stuff to get an accumulated effect, to get to the place, then the life can't come into you to flow into your physical being because you're opposing it coming in, because your mind says this has to be done and I've got to cross every T and dot every I and I've got to be here just the right. And then when I make the time, make sure it's the gross. And if it's 0.66, take it up to the seven. Because if I don't, you know, I'll be rebuked or whatever. No, you've been redeemed from all the curse of the law. Christ was made a curse for you. You're not under a curse, folks. Isn't that good news? Yes. Amen. See, the old Covenant said the curse does not come without a cost. You can't find or talk like that in the New Testament. You can't find anywhere in the New Testament where Paul or any teacher in the New Testament told a believer to have faith. Now Jesus did. But he came. He came as a minister of the Old Testament. Amen. He's a prophet of the Old Testament. So he would say, have faith. And they would say, Have faith in God. You can't find Paul. Anyone telling you to have faith in God. You know why? Because you're born again. You have the faith of God in you. Paul would say, Wake up and act like who you really are. So the greatest mystery. This is the this is it.

[01:06:57] Pastor West

I'm going to give you 30 more seconds. Well, that's four minutes right there. Paul said the greatest mystery that's ever been preached. He said if there was if you were to say, this is a great this is great. Paul said the greatest revelation that has ever been preached that God kept for a specific time. That was not released to other generations, is now being released. And Paul says, I am now being given the authority to give you the highest revelation that's ever been preached in this book called the Bible. And you will find it in the book of Colossians, the first chapter. And all it means is this God is no longer in a box. He's no longer behind the veil. He's no longer in a, you know, a man made temple. He said he has moved out and he's moved in. The greatest mystery ever to be told is now Christ in you, the hope of glory. He said that has never belonged to a group of people until this day. Amen. Amen. We don't go. We don't go to the priest. We don't go knocking on the door. We don't need 14 people to get to us to talk to one person. I'm not saying any more than that. You now have Christ in you, the hope of glory. And Second Corinthians says now what He was. You are as he is. So are you. First, John 4:17 as Christ is, so are you in this earth. If he said heaven, we said, Man, that'd be great. No, he said, as Christ is, so are you right now in this earth. You are the Christ in the earth. Christ simply means the anointed one and His anointed. You are the anointed one. You could say your last name is Christ. Now. Don't run off and get stupid with that. Don't you know I'm going to go home? Create a galaxy or two. Let us know how it works out. The anointed one lives in you. You are his representative on the earth. Isn't it awesome? What's awesome? I've never represented the mayor of Jefferson before.

[01:09:15] Pastor West

Know him. Talk to him. I've never met the the the governor. Or is it governor or how you say that of Alabama. But you represent the God of all gods. There's only one God. Where is he at? He's in you. You see, I feel like I pray I don't. My prayers don't even get past the ceiling. I don't have to. He's right there. Put your head down. Hello. Christ is where in you The hope of glory. What does that mean? That means you're a carrier of this. You're a carrier of glory. You're a carrier of glory. You're worried about Covid. You're a carrier of glory. You're whatever he is, you're a carrier of it. You can bring restoration. You can bring hope. You can bring health. You can bring strength. You can bring joy. You can stop travesty, tragedy in people's lives. When you come upon a car wreck and they're they're dying and, you know, they're dying for Amazon, you're there. Know what that's like and lay hands on them and then see them healed. It's amazing. It's absolutely amazing when you're watching blood flow out and then it just stops. I mean, it's just gushing out and then it just stops. I mean, you know, the scriptures, but you never use them for. Then it just stopped and you're like. Wow. It affects you. It affects you. Amen. Okay, If we don't stop, y'all going to get me preaching. Y'all so easy to minister to. There's hungry, then there's hungry. Amen. How many y'all ever get hungry? Amen. Praise God. Well. Not meeting this Wednesday meeting June the 7th. Right. So we'll be back here next Sunday if we don't see you before we bless you in Jesus name, Amen.

END OF TRANSCRIPT



Automated transcription by Sonix
www.sonix.ai