

*1. Wie soll ich dich empfangen,
und wie begegn' ich dir?
O, aller Welt Verlangen!
O, meiner Seelen Zier!
O Jesu, Jesu! setze
mir selbst die Fackel bei,
damit was dich ergötze,
mir kund und wissend sei.*

*5. Nichts, nichts hat dich getrieben,
zu mir vom Himmelszelt,
als das geliebte Lieben,
womit du alle Welt
in ihren tausend Plagen
und großer Jammerlast,
die kein Mund kann aussagen,
so fest umfassen hast.*

When you read these songs you would think that at one time Jesus was up in Heaven, and that God sent Him down on Earth; that Jesus was up in Heaven and that God put Jesus down on Earth. God didn't do that, but what He did was God released His thought, it wasn't the literal Jesus it was the thought, the thought became flesh; it became reality. Jesus had His beginning 2000 years ago, before that He didn't exist. He was conceived when Mary said, 'Here I am, a maiden of the Lord let it be as you say'. Mary believed the angel, and that's when conception took place. Then 9 months later that thought became flesh; that Word became flesh.

The translators that wrote that they didn't know what we know today, the way they wrote it, and understood it was: they

thought Jesus was up in Heaven, and when the time was right He came down. No, it was at the fullness of time, when the time was right, that thought that was in the mind of God was released.

Before the foundation of the world, this thought lay in the mind of God that someday Jesus will need to come on the scene. *The Lamb was slain from the foundation on the World, Revelation 13:8.* He knew that Jesus would have to die to redeem mankind back to Himself, then 2000 years ago God released that thought and the Word became flesh.

Any intelligent Human Being before he says something it first has to be a thought; God is not like some people that just rap away, that doesn't even think when they say something; God is an intelligent Being, He does not just say something; He thinks about it before He says it, so it's the thought that became flesh; that became reality. Like I said before, a thought becomes a word, anyone that has intelligence will first think about it before that person will release that thought.

I know we sing these songs, and it appears that Jesus was up in Heaven and that God sent Him down. *For God so loved the world that God gave His only begotten Son.* Jesus was in the mind of God and came into being when he was conceived 2000 years ago. It's like we as an individual, we too, were in the mind of God before the foundation of the world, but we only came into existence when we were born, *Ephesian 1:11*

In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

Everything is already established in the foreknowledge of God. We have all this understanding of the scriptures; God has put us through schooling of His Word, and sometimes I

feel I am wasting all this knowledge, that has in the last 20 years been made accessible to us. We can go right back from Eternity and we can go right to Eternity, and understand the whole concept of God; Who He is and who He is not.

Some will say Jesus is God; He is not. He is the Son of God. What He did He came to show us who the Father really is; By His lifestyle; By His attributes. God could not do that so Jesus had to be born of the family of man to be identified with us, and that we can identify with Him.

I have been thinking about the last few days on why we do not celebrate Christmas. Sure we sing the songs, but we do not celebrate Christmas. At this time of the year, the whole so-called Christian World seems to celebrate Christmas. I was thinking that a lot celebrate it out of ignorance, like the Pharisees they had their rituals and things, and the people followed them, and a lot was out of ignorance. When Jesus came on the scene He didn't join their clubs and their traditions.

In fact, one time the Pharisees asked Jesus why His disciples don't observe the traditions of the elders. Jesus knew that there was nothing in it; He was not going to support that program that the Pharisees had, and in the end, they did away with Jesus.

It's the same thing today, we do not follow that Christmas thing, and we are looked down on. I quit the Christmas thing 10-20 years ago, sure when you grow up as a child you like candy and presents, and it's just another one of Satan's tricks how he gets the children in.

I know Brother Branham, he did celebrate it to some degree, but he always said, 'it's for the kiddies.' Before I'm done with this conversation you will see where I'm going with

this, and how Satan uses children, cause he knows the heart of every parent are their children.

Then, Brother Jackson, he didn't support Christmas all that much either. I imagine he had a get-to-gather with the family and such.

I have been looking for the last 3 days into this subject. If you took a movie camera, and let's say if you were sitting up over the planet, and you took a movie camera and filmed from the birth of the church, which was at Pentecost, all the church activity on this planet since the beginning of the Grace Age up until now; You would not see anyone in the early church celebrating Christmas or anything that resembles it, because it was not there. Christmas did not originate with the Early Church. Paul said, *he that teaches another doctrine than we have established let him be a cursed.*

A lot of these traditions, like back in the days of the Pharisee, people followed them out of ignorance, and a lot of people they are celebrating this Christmas out of ignorance. Our parents did it and it seemed all right with them and our grandparents did it, so we do it too.

I will say this the last true church of Jesus Christ will be like the first church. The last true Church of the living God will not celebrate this Christmas thing, because the Early Church didn't have it.

Let's say you were watching this movie from the last 2000 years, and you would be watching the so-called Christian activity, you would not see anything in the 1st 100 years, and the same with 200, and 300 years, nothing that would even resemble December the 25th, and when you come to 325A.D you would see the Nicene Council were these things would start to show up.

When Constantine made a decree that from now on we are not going to kill anymore Christians, simply because he went out to war, and he saw a vision of the cross with the inscription, "By this, you shall conquer". At night, he then had a dream and was instructed to use the sign of the cross as his safeguard, and the next day he then told every soldier to put a sign of the cross on their shield, and he won the conflict with Maximian.

Then he sent out the decree that from now on you can't kill and persecute no more Christians. As time went on he began to force everyone to become a Christian and made it mandatory to be Baptized in the titles of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The true Christians they rebelled against it. They knew how Christianity works and the true Christians were against that.

I was thinking of the Parables in Matthew 13, if you read these Parables it is history in the making. The people who read them down through time, they didn't know what they meant, but we can look back, and see it as a 2000 year program. *And he (Jesus) spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow;*

This was the 1st Church Age of Ephesus, and then He goes on to say:

But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

That's what Paul meant when he said, *'after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock: Acts 20:29.*

When the first wave of the Apostles went to sleep, it took about 200-300 years until Christendom was completely perverted and polluted with thorns and thistles like the Bible

says, *his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat*, and as it continued to progress:

The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field: Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

This Parable covers the era of Constantine he ordered that from now on everyone is a Christian, and those are the birds of every description, lodging in that tree.

As it progressed like I said if you would have had a film you could literally see the perversion of the Word of God in live-action. Christianity began to deteriorate and it switched into Roman Catholicism that's when they sold the Word of God as it says in the parable of the 4th Church Age of Thyatira.

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of flour until all the dough had risen."

That's what happened in the Dark Ages the Word of God was perverted by Roman Catholicism. When Martin Luther came on the scene, which covers the parable of the 5th Church Age of Sardis

The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure, hidden in a field, that a person found and hid. Then because of joy he went and sold all that he had and bought that field.

When Martin Luther went up to do penance the Lord spoke to Him, 'The Just shall live by faith'. That's when that beast in Revelation 13 received it's deadly wound as unto death. That's when that system was put out of commission. Then 200 years later Napoleon imprisoned the Pope. It's these popes that the devil used to bring about the Dark Ages.

Nowhere in the acts of the apostles will you see Christmas anywhere, that was introduced by Constantine.

In fact, if God would have wanted us to know when the birth of Christ was, He would have made sure we know the exact day when He was born, but He didn't want us to Celebrate His birthday.

The only thing we celebrate is the Resurrection, the first day of the week which is Sunday, we get together to celebrate His Resurrection. That's all that He wanted us to remember is the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We don't know the exact day when his birthday was. I would say His birthday was the first week of October, when the shepherds were out watching their flocks by night. They don't watch their flock in December when its cold out, they bring them in at that time of the year. It's usually in the hill country of Judea where the shepherds are watching their flocks, and up there its cold in December. In October is when their season would be and that's when the Shepherds watch their flock by night.

So there is absolutely nothing in December the 25th that would give us the idea that Jesus was born then. I'll tell you how Christmas came about: its when Constantine made the decree that from now on everyone has to be a Christian. What he did was, Constantine was a sun worshipper and the masses of the people were also sun worshippers, so what he did he tried to unite the Christians with the sun worshippers. By doing that, he introduced the idea to celebrate Christ's birthday on December the 25th, along with the sun worshipper's day. That's when the sun starts to come back, and that's when those sun worshipers worshipped the sun on December the 25th. That's when he took Christ's birthday, and put in towards December the 25th. That's where the first

sign of this Christmas originated from. The early church didn't celebrate no Christmas, but as time went on the devil distorted the picture; they didn't have presents back then as they do now either. If you would be watching this movie that would have been the birth of Christmas right there, when Constantine made that decree, and he put that date in.

I didn't know it until my father-in-law told me years ago, he didn't say Constantine, he said, the church father's, which was at the Nicene Council, they call it the Nicene Council. They took that sun worshippers day and made it Christ birthday. He knew that much and that is where I got the first inkling of what this Christmas thing was about, like I say, I was just as ignorant as anyone else. As I grew older around Christmas time I was very depressed, and I didn't know why, I just couldn't put my finger on it. Everyone celebrates Christmas so that's what you do around December the 25th, 3 days of holidays and they are more depressing then anything. I have nothing against the songs, but the commercialization of it.

There was something there that I just couldn't put my finger on. I wondered why am I so depressed at Christmas? Why do I feel like that? There are gifts, there are candy, but yet I didn't feel right about it. Like I say, for years I didn't know why.

As time went on I found out more. The first inkling was when my father-in-law mentioned the Church fathers and those are not the true father's. They were the opposite of the true father's, they were the Nicene father's, the father's of Catholicism. Its at the Nicene Council that it was decided that from now on we will baptize in the titles of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and through this process they finally succeeded in making this the day of Christ's birthday. This is

where it all originated from. It did not originate with the early church.

See, I didn't know all of that back then, but the Lord has a way of bringing things to you, if you are really concerned and have a desire to know how and why these things are God will reveal these things. He has a way of bringing things to you're understanding.

This was the first inkling I had, and then I heard a story about a man in Calgary, he was a preacher, he would go out, and preach in the streets. On this one evening, he made a note what he would get for his children as a present. He had 4 boys, 3 girls, and he was making a note what he would buy for Charlie, Tom and Nick... That night the angel of the Lord came to him, and said, what's with the present list, and he replied, Oh, we just want to celebrate the birth of Christ, and the Lord's reply was, 'that's not how you celebrate it, that's not my birthday first of all,' (I guess the angel of the LORD came to represent Jesus, because the man was sincere, and he was seriously ignorant about this Christmas thing.) He said, 'If you want to buy them a present buy them something for their birthday, and if you want to do something for me, go out in the streets and feed the homeless, and give your gifts to those that have nothing, if you want to do something for me'. So he did. He didn't give his children anything he went out on Christmas Day, out in the streets, and gave to the poor, and the homeless. I believe he is still doing it today, if he is still alive. That's the 2nd inkling that I had about this Christmas thing not being right.

Then I heard that some church believe systems didn't celebrate Christmas. I heard from Joe Waldner, he didn't celebrate Christmas, either. So little by little the Lord began to

shed light on this Christmas thing, because I was really wanting to know the answer.

That man in Calgary that was his revelation on it and how the Lord dealt with him. Then Joe Waldner from Barnwell, (I didn't asked him), he just said it was a pagan thing, and that was his thing. I am still not settled in my heart, why am I so miserable at Christmas time.

After, I had left the colony I would go back to visit at Christmas time, it was even worst than when I was still on the colony. They had past a law that they didn't want no ex-hutterites at their holidays. Which was ok with me, I didn't want to go there anyway.

Anyway, just a few days before Christmas, I was already in my mind very leery about Christmas; I didn't like Christmas season, and I didn't know why; I was driving west on the Trans-Canada Highway between Portage and Austin, and the sun was just setting between 4-5 o'clock, I was driving into the sunset and before me there was a vision, it was just as natural as watching the sunset, but instead of the sunset, I saw people running into the mountains. I saw the children crying saying, 'daddy why are they doing this to us'. I began to see more what happened, by now I already knew the history of the church, about Constantine, how the real church had to go underground. See the real Christian had refused to join in on this Constantine decree; they knew they had enough sense not to go along with it. Then, what they did was they tried to force them into joining this decree; Joining the real Christians with the so-called Christians, with the Constantine Christians, which were the Nicene Christians, which is actually Satan's counterfeit church.

What they would do was: they would try to hound them down and persecute them. They would kill them and take their

children. So they had only one option, and that was to run into the mountains. You can read it in church history, like the book of 'martyrs mirror' they lived in the mountains underground; some of them got away, but some did not and were caught, you can go and read up on that in history.

This was my experience, that the Lord gave me to settle it in my heart, why I do not celebrate Christmas, because these early Christians it caused them their lives. Their children were taken from them, and given to the state, never to be seen by their parents again, and many of their parents got killed, many hid themselves in the mountains in the caves hiding from this decree from Constantine from this Nicene Council. Even Paul talks about it in *Hebrews 11:38*:

Of whom the world was not worthy: they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

All because they refused to partake of this Christmas that we now know. The real Christians had to go underground, and then I knew why I felt so uncomfortable celebrating Christmas. To this day, I will not celebrate Christmas, and the commerciality of it. It's because I'm stepping on these Christians that fled from it, and from the cry of their children, 'daddy, why are they doing this to us,' of course, the children didn't understand it.

That was my experience, what the Lord showed me, where this thing originated from; what it had cost the real Christians back at the birth of this and from there on, those that refused to be identified with it, and that decree. Sure at the birth of it, it was not as commercialized, but as this thing began to pick up momentum, you can see Satan is behind it all. Satan is the head of this Catholic church, you can read it in Revelation. Behind it all is that Roman Catholic spirit. Here

is another example to proof to you: this Santa thing didn't come on right away, the gifts, candy and all that stuff; as it's picking up speed, and momentum, and for years, or more it is picking up speed, the gift thing, the tree thing, the light thing, and today it is so commercialized. It's the result of what was conceived back there at that Nicene Council, when Constantine announced that from now on we are no longer going to kill the Christians, we are going to make it mandatory for everyone to become a Christian, and to do that the birth of Christ was put to December the 25th, and that's how he was able to suck the so-called Christians into it.

Some would think what is wrong with celebrating Christ's birthday? Many of them joined out of ignorance so they would not be persecuted, but the real Christians were persecuted. That's who I want to be identified with - are those real Christians, that it cost their lives, and withstood against it. To this day, it is not hard for me not to celebrate Christmas.

Sure, I listen to the songs, Silent Night, and even the German songs. There are some really nice songs there. In this hour they are just the bait that Satan uses to lure the Christians in. Many celebrate Christmas out of ignorance, not knowing they are stepping over the cries of these children, 'Daddy why are they doing this to us'.

Here is another thing, and I think I saw that maybe 2 years ago: Before Lucifer fell he thought in his heart that he wants to become like the most High, and he had this ambition. Lucifer knew back then that God is everywhere present, and nowhere absent. An angel cannot be everywhere present and nowhere absent, and Lucifer had that ambition to become like God, to sit at the sides of the North, and become like unto the most High God. He had that ambition, in his pride, he wanted to be everywhere present, and nowhere absent. When he fell

that ambition still stuck with him, he is still to this day wanting to be everywhere present, and nowhere absent; to be like God.

When I thought about that Santa Claus thing when I was a kid I was wondering how Santa Claus could be in every home at Christmas Eve, and I came up with this fact: Satan still has that ambition to be everywhere present, and nowhere absent, and the closest he can ever be that is with this Santa Claus thing, and he has children fooled; what people do is they worship him with this December the 25th gift thing, Christmas tree, and this Santa Claus. Behind it is a spirit that is driving that thing, the spirit of Satan, to be worshipped as God, and be everywhere present and nowhere absent. Everything is driven by a spirit of some sort. It's not the Spirit of God it's the spirit of Satan and that's Satan's ambition. This illusion of Santa Claus, people in their ignorance are worshipping Satan.

When you read the Church Ages in Revelation, and the Parables in Matthew 13, you can see how this thing is picking up momentum. In the Ephesus Church Age Jesus warned them about the deeds of the Nicolaitans, that he hates that thing; God hates this Nicolaitan spirit. In the 3rd Church Age, 300 years later, it had become a doctrine, and it evolved into the seat of Satan. To prove it to you they call Santa Claus, St. Nick, which comes from the Nicolaitan spirit. Once you see it it's as plain as the nose on your face.

I know a lot of people are not going to understand what I am saying, but the simplest I can say is: if you were allowed to live for 2000 years, if you would be making a video, and you were looking down on the so-called Christian activity of the last 2000 years, you would not see no Christmas tree, no Christmas lights and nobody giving presents, and nobody

celebrating December the 25th; you would see none of this ado, the early Church did not do it.

Then around 300 A.D you would begin to see the birth of this thing, now you would see there is a little bit of a celebration going on, just like the sun worshipers, but you have to see how Satan does things. He picks up speed, and momentum, and more, and more is able to integrate himself, and his objectives into society. He has an objective in mind, and the final objective of Satan is to be like God, and worshipped, and that is the closest thing he can come up with.

You couldn't go down and tell that to the Pentecostal Church, and have this conversation, they are ignorant as a duck. They would probably want you to get out. I'm not afraid to let people know that I'm not celebrating this pagan thing. My children, ask me, what I am going to do for Christmas. - Well, probably go out in the bush and sit on a log, if it was warm out that's what I would be doing. If it wouldn't be so bitterly cold it would kind of be stupid to go out now. That's what I sometimes felt like doing, I was so disturbed with this Christmas thing.

I felt the last 3 days I should explain myself, because I get accused of not celebrating Christmas, and, it's because of where it originated from, and what it caused these early Christians. The price that these Christian had to pay, because they didn't want no part of this celebration; that's what people are celebrating they are stepping on the blood of all these martyrs, unknowingly.

My senses weren't dead, sure when I was young I was part of this Christmas thing, but as I grew older I began to want to know what this was all about. Like I said, if you are really honest, the Lord will bring these things to you somehow,

and the understanding of it, today I know exactly why I felt the way I did, and that is why I am not celebrating Christmas, and I don't want no part of it.

I know that Brother Branham did a little bit, and Brother Jackson did to a little bit too. Then when he passed away, Faith Assembly when Christmas Day fell on a Sunday, they decided not to have church so the people can be at home with their family's on Christmas time.

That's what the Devil uses, he uses family, and he uses children, because every human being's heart is with his family, but what is more important the family or God. The Bible says, *There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sister, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's, But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.*

To me the Word of God is more important than Christmas, and this family Christmas, or anything of that nature. Somewhere, along the way, some of us will have to be tested to make a decision to what is more important. Sure, it would be nice to get together, and all that, but at the price of what? - Stepping on these children who were crying, and on the blood of all the martyrs, and the persecution that they had to go through. In reality, what you are doing is you are persecuting them. Not literally, but in a sense you are when you join in with this Christmas celebration. I know a lot do it out of ignorance, but I am not ignorant anymore, and for me to do it would be foolish.

When the Lord brings this understanding to you then there is no more excuses for ignorance, then you are responsible. Its like in the colony, when you get up to a certain

age, they expect you to get baptized. I knew one thing, I knew this much that you had to be born-again when you get baptized, and I was born-again before I was baptized.

The Lord came to me when I was still on the colony before I was baptized, and He saved me. Then they baptize you in the titles of the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost, and you make all these promises, you have to go through this rigamarole, and I did it because my parents did it, and their parents did it, and that's what you do, and so on then it becomes a ritual.

As time went on the Lord brought a lot of understanding to me; It's just a tradition. It has really nothing to do with being saved, and they have made a tradition out of it. So I did it out of ignorance, but when I began to see what is really going on, I went and got baptized the real way: in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ by emersion according to Act 2:38.

The Bible says there is one faith, there is one baptism, and there is one God. There are no 3 Gods, there is only one God. There are no 3000 faiths, there is only one faith. There is only one baptism. Which one is the right one, so you have to go back, and weave your way back through all that muck and mire of religion, and find the right one. Its like the Parable where the man was looking for the pearl of great price, it's not just laying on top, I spent 40 years of my life looking for it, not realizing what I was looking for, and I found it.

It says, *seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.* If it would be so easy to find that Kingdom by just joining that Hutterite colony then everyone would join, and then you have that Kingdom. They leave the impression that that is all you have to do; living in the colony and then you are part of the Kingdom of God. Why then would it say, 'SEEK' if I'm born

into the colony, I don't have to seek for anything I'm already there, but inside of me I was searching, and my SPIRIT was searching, and I knew that living on the colony was not it; that Hutterite thing was not it, and I searched, and I searched, and when I came to the message of Brother Branham, I still kept on searching, there was something inside of me that I just couldn't stop searching, I had still not found that Kingdom. I was getting closer, Brother Branham was that prophet, that it speaks about in Malachi 4:5, sent by God to turn us back to the apostolic faith of our fathers, not to turn the hearts of the children to the fathers like some will interpret it; The natural children will all of a sudden respect their parents, that's how some interpret it. They take what the Bible says literally, instead of the spiritual meaning of it. It's turning the hearts of the Christian children, that are living now, back to the apostolic faith; to that faith of our fore-father's; to the faith of the Early Church, to Paul and the apostles, that's what we are being turned back to through the ministry of Brother Branham and then brother Jackson.

The last true church will be turned back to the faith of the early church. I will say this: you will not find the last church celebrating Christmas, because the Early Church did not celebrate it, - it's a Pagan thing, it's something that disturbs the Lord. Its part of that Nicolaitan spirit which God hates. Why would God expect the true body of Christ, to celebrate something that He hates, it doesn't make sense! God hates it, I hate it, and the true Christians will hate it.

I know that there is a lot of disturbances going on because of it. The church out in Denver they don't celebrate Christmas. They got taught well regarding the Christmas thing out there, so they find it hard when they marry and/or move somewhere, where they still celebrate Christmas, there is this

conflict going on between them. For an example, let's say the husband is from some place where they celebrate Christmas a little bit, and she is from a place where celebrating Christmas is a no-no, then there is a conflict there, especially when they have children, and wanting to do it for the children's sake. I would never condone that. We are going back to the original.

When Martin Luther came, he put that Catholic thing out of commission, he dealt it a deadly blow, and now in the last days you can see this Catholic system rise again, and then again you see the true Christian rise again too. There is going to be a separation between the two. We are going to go back to the original, that's why I am where I am today.

Sometimes my son invites me over for a Christmas meal, and I will go for a turkey meal, but for me it's just like any other day. I don't go out, and buy a bunch a presents, I might take advantage of the sales if I need something for my house, but as far as celebrating Christmas I am not interested, and you will see that the last true final church will not do it either.

I see a lot of people troubled over it, but they don't know why; they cannot put a handle on it. I will tell you why: you are stepping on the blood of those martyrs, and all those Christians that were persecuted that did not fall for this false christianity. In it you are supporting, and worshipping Satan in some degree or another, by giving it recognition and support.

It's the only way the devil can deceive people, sure the devil will not go prancing down the street and saying worship me, worship me, because people would be turned off. No, he does it in a subtle way, behind it is a spirit to give recognition to the devil, and it sucks you in with these candy and these presents; then after Christmas they are just as miserable, and

empty. Then everyone gets sick after Christmas from eating all those candies and food.

I was sitting in Lethbridge one time, the Lord had already dealt with me about this Christmas shopping, and man you should have seen the anxiety on the faces of the people they were rushing this way, and that.

Then, I over heard one talking about how she still had to get a gift for her nephew, and a whole list of people; it's a mad house. It is such a relief, and so peaceful to let it just go by, and having nothing to do with it; go out and do your thing get involved with it if you want to, and get chased around, but it's such a joy not to get involved with it.

So I'm thankful to the Lord for giving me this understand, I don't have to be caught up in that stuff, there is no need for it. It has nothing to do with Christianity. God is not impressed with it. In fact, He hates it.

In the book of Revelations in the 1st Church Age it was pushing at the door, Satan is unrelenting, he never gives up; he is always prowling around and pressing in seeing where he can get his foot in the door.

Like these women down from the Land of Nod, (*the daughters of Cain*) how they were constantly harassing the sons of God, (*the sons of Seth line*), they were constantly pressing in, with their seductive ideas, mirage after mirage, pressing in on the sons of Seth. They finally succeeded in perverting that whole generation, and God had to destroy it, and you can see it in the days of Lot, how these Homosexuals were vexing Lot's spirit day after day. They were constantly pressing in, and that night when those angels came to visit Lot, they were pressing the door down, and that's how Satan does, he never gives up, he is always pressing in.

We are taking a stand against these things, and you can be assured Satan is still always going to try to press in. He uses family, why don't you send me something for Christmas. Why don't you do this for me for Christmas, and on it goes, constantly trying to put his foot in the door.

In the early Church it was just a deed, but Satan was never giving up, he was busy working behind the scene waiting for the early apostles to go asleep. Like the Bible says, *while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.* He not only comes in, he sets up camp, and then by the time the 3rd Church Age of Pergamos came, it was already a doctrine within the church. At first it was a deed then as time went on it had already infiltrated the church as a doctrine, and then it became a seat of Satan.

In the last 3 days I'm watching this almost like I'm watching a video, and watching history in the making, and seeing how it's picking up momentum.

You see we can look back at history if we are not stupid, and ignorant, and choose to close our eyes, we can go into history especially the ministry of Brother Jackson, how he made the picture so crystal clear, going back to the prehistoric era, how he took the last 100 years going into History, and brought these things out so beautifully.

We can sit back and see it almost like watching a movie, in your mind as you go through history, how Christianity started, and how Satan is constantly pressing in, and pressing in, how it's picking up speed and God is letting him. He has given mankind a choice and it's up to you and me to do our part. I can't pass the buck, and say he/she did it so I'm going to do it too. I have a responsibility, for myself, to do what God requires of me, when He shows me something I have a

responsibility to hold on to it, and stand. I can't go, and change the world. I can't go, and change the Hutterites, they are going to do what they do, but I can't support something that I don't believe in.

That's why we are sitting here because of what we believe. We are not supporting that Nicolaitan spirit, we are not supporting that Hutterite stuff. Its slavery, 1st degree slavery, I guess, you can call it soft slavery, if there is such a thing, when push comes to shove they are very vicious towards Christianity, and I can't be identified with that.

They will practically accept anything other than true Christianity, and to some degree it's a good thing, because it's either black or white, hot or cold. God hates it, and everything that God hates is going to be destroyed.

Like this one preacher he told me you are going to do exactly what we tell you.

That why Jesus came is to get us out of Satan slavery:

*Denn Adams Fall und Sünde
hat Zorn und Tod verdient,
wir sind im Gotteskinde
Gott wieder ausgesühnt.
Des Satans Sklaverei
hielt und, wir wär'n verloren,
mein Jesus ward geboren,
siegt, löst und macht uns frei.*

Jesus said *I came that you may have life and that you can have it more abundantly.* That's why Jesus came is to set us free from sin. How can I have an abundant life on the Hutterite colony; I wouldn't want to see that system destroyed, because it does a lot of good, but spiritually speaking it terrorizes Christians and people can still come out of there if they decide to do that! It's going to cost you something. Sure I

would have loved to stay there, with God there is no grey, so it was the best thing when they came, and it was out for me.

To be honest with you it wasn't a very good time, it wasn't something that I celebrated, but it is today. I thank God that I endured. That I somehow made it through by His Grace. That's what its all about: working towards freedom; I'm still not 100% free yet from traditions and religious ideas. It's a lifetime battle towards freedom. I'm a lot freer than I was 20 years ago. Although, I never allowed myself to be dictated wholeheartedly. I didn't try to cause too much opposition, but when push comes to shove, I stood my ground.

All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose.

I love what the Lord has done for me: He gave me salvation, saved me from Hell. Why should I turn against Him?

I told the boss Dave at Riverside colony, 'The Hutterite church didn't die for me, Jesus died for me, and that's who I am going to serve'.

It's still an individual choice, God is not going to save the Hutterites as a nation. I had to make my decision, which when I look back, it is impossible to do without the Lord. God does not require from everyone what He required from us, but your reward is that much greater, you don't ask the Lord what is it going to cost me to follow the Lord; you just do it, and let the chips fall where they may.

I woke up the other day and the Lord let me see how trustworthy Jesus is. That you can put your whole confidence and trust in Him, and all He asks for from us is to just trust Him. He'll make sure you are on the winning side, and that's all we have to do is - JUST TRUST HIM. He is the only one that's able. Amen

*Lord, You are more precious than silver;
Lord, You are more costly than gold;
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds;
And nothing I desire compares with You.*

*Mein Gott, wen soll ich lieben
allhie auf dieser Erd',
daß mich nicht tät betrüben
und ich ein Beistand hätt?
Die Welt wird bald vergehen
mit ihrem Gut und Geld,
wie wird es mir ergehen,
wenn ich liebe die Welt?*