

# Issues

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Nathaniel Bronner: Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for all those present here today and I pray now that you open my mind on the spirit that I may deliver onto the people that what you shall have them teaching, that it shall even continue on the revival that had began, that we are able to be revived and to walk in your will and in your word, dear Father. I pray right now that you close my flesh and steal my own light and bring forth Thy wisdom, Thy revelation and Thy word onto the people, that they may be blessed from change. In Thy Son, Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

And if you would open your Bibles to the Book of Mark, the 5th Chapter. Matthew, Mark, Second Book of the New Testament, the Book of Mark and the 5th Chapter. And this is the story that we're all familiar with. You have perhaps heard it preached over and over and over again. And God put this word upon my heart and spirit and gave me a little bit different revelation than what I've ever heard before. Mark Chapter 5, beginning at the 25th verse, the King James Version. Mark 5 beginning at Verse 25. "And a certain woman which had an issue of blood 12 years and had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse. When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment. For she said, if I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole. And straightway, the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague. And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press and said, Who touched my clothes? And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me? And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing. But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth. And He said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague. And a certain woman which had had an issue of blood 12 years. And I speak to you today from a word that I heard as I was sitting here through the revival and if all of the people who are gathered here would be -- also, I heard God speaking into my spirit one word over and over and over again and I speak to you this morning from what He commanded me to speak on that one word and that one word simply is issues. I heard a comedian said, he stood up before the crowd, he said, "I've got issues."

And yet this woman had an issue of blood for 12 long years and as I heard, there is a sea of people stood here in the revival, God speaking that one word over and over and over into my spirit, “issues.” Turn to your neighbor and say to him today’s subject, “issues.”

All: Issues.

Nathaniel Bronner: People, whether you know it or not, and I’m sure that you do, we’ve got an issue of blood and that’s the property of change. He kept saying this as people came to the altar and I didn’t even fully understand it at the time and neither I’m sure did she. She kept saying come unto the Pool of Bethesda. You ought to remember it. She kept repeating those words. It was what she was calling the area. As the people came, she kept saying all night, “Come to the Pool of Bethesda” and I was wondering what has that got to do with the Pool of Bethesda?

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Why do you call it the Pool of Bethesda? But those of you that know the story of the Pool of Bethesda, there were some odd and some strange things about the Pool of Bethesda. And what does the Pool of Bethesda have to do with issues? And that was in the day as I get into a sort of deeper revelation that I normally deal with most of the time I had to keep things straight and simple and clear cut. This don’t get a little deep today, but we’re dealing with?

All: Issues.

Nathaniel Bronner: And whether you all know it or not, issues get deep and some of the issues of your life, they’re not overly simple and sometimes, you can’t say stop to some of the major issues in your life with just a snap of the finger. Some of the issues are deep down that they take some serious revelations that even deal with it and even they solve it and sometimes, you don’t understand all your issues. Some of you got issues that you don’t even understand why you got the issues. All you know is that you are bleeding, that you got an issue with blood but you don’t even understand that’s the reason, the rationale.. You don’t understand the cause nor do you understand that all that you know is that you got issues. I just got through going over so many of the Mountain Wings’ prayer requests that they just

back in the office, just praying over every single one of them, dealing with nothing but issues. (00:06:35) all across the world immediately, prayer requests that not even from the U.S., they're from other countries and I don't care what part of the globe you're standing on. I don't care whether you are in the middle of the most crowded city on earth or I don't care whether you are in a remote boondocks where there's no one around you for miles. I don't care where you stand, virtually every person on this earth has got some issues. An issue with blood. And what does that have to do with the Pool of Bethesda? Come to the Pool of Bethesda, she kept saying and I kept wondering why the Pool of Bethesda. For those of you that remember the story, the Pool of Bethesda had five porches loaded with sick folks. Five porches and as God began to reveal some things to me, the Ark even had five porches in it. There's the main floor. That's the first porch where most of the people sit. There is a balcony, that's the second porch. There is the choir, that's the third porch. There is a musician stand that is even elevated, likened to a porch. That's the fourth porch. There is a pulpit, that's the fifth porch. Even the park itself, like the Pool of Bethesda, has got five porches and on every one of those porches in the Pool of Bethesda, it was loaded with folks and every one of the folks had?

All: Issues.

Nathaniel Bronner: So, what is the connection other than the fact that everybody had issues? What is the connection between this woman with the issue of blood for 12 years and those that surrounded the Pool of Bethesda and the Ark? What is the connection? You see, even though the Ark had five porches, the Pool of Bethesda had five porches, this woman has five issues, not one. She had five issues. It was not just the issue of blood that she had. There were five separate and distinct issues that this woman was dealing with.

First issue she was dealing with was she was sick. That is what we normally relate to as the issue of blood. She was sick and you know, even when we called the testimony about the revival, every single testimony related to a sickness? Every single one! Her first issue was the issue of blood, of sickness. She was ailing in her body and spoken the Body of Christ. We got some sickness. Everybody, for the most part, this is hardly anyone that I know with what I would call perfect health. I don't even

have perfect health. I got some things wrong with my body. My vision is not what it used to be. I ask to write out my sermon in at least some fairly big and bold texts because I can no longer read any type. As you get aged, your vision goes to dim in the small stuff, but I'm thankful I can see the big stuff.

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You don't hear me complain about me not being able to see the small stuff because I could see the big stuff pretty good and the small stuff, I can go blow it up. So, I'm least thankful for even my vision is not what it used to be and my teeth are not what they used to be. I had to go to the dentist to have a root canal. As we land up in the dentist chair for a couple of hours working on your body, trying to speak an issue. Everybody has got some kind of sickness in their body. I just don't know anybody that just has absolutely perfect health. Everybody got something wrong with them, some manna(ph), some issue. We all have an issue of sickness of some form or another. We got that issue of sickness. She said that she had and had suffered many things of many physicians. She had the issue of suffering. You see people, even if you have a sickness and it ain't bother you, you ain't be bothered. You know sometimes, you have something that is hidden (00:11:06). If you're not suffering from it, it's really not a major issue. So, she had an issue of sickness that was resulting in suffering. It was a pain. You see, the reason that I was in the dentist chair and the reason I got there in the first place was because my teeth started hurting. Most folks don't -- especially me, you don't even go to the dentist until this thing goes aching. You see, a cavity can form and lay dormant for years and years and years and that thing can grow and grow and grow inside and as long as it ain't bothering you, you don't bother. You see it's good, but it's when the suffering comes. And when the suffering comes, I never will forget out of anointing and praying and laying hands over healing and God told me to do that -- I'm laying hands on my own mouth. I knew that I had some cavities and they weren't bothering, but I knew I had teeth cavities. Do you know that next morning, I woke up in pain and like now, I had let the Lord heal my teeth. I woke up in some awesome excruciating pain and I (00:12:16) I can't lay my hands on my own mouth and the next day, they hadn't been bothering me at all. The next day, I woke up., my mouth is like somebody had taken a smash (00:12:27). I said, what in the world did God direct me to call a dentist. I had to go into the dentist office to

get my teeth fixed and then, they're all fixed, but you see, I prayed for God to heal my teeth. He didn't heal it the way I thought. I thought he would send an angel in the middle of the night. I'd wake up in the morning and every cavity going on (00:12:54). That's the way I preferred it. No, he didn't do that. He called pain to come, got me up, I had to call a dentist and go get my teeth fixed. Fortunately, my insurance called at me, but I didn't even know I had insurance. So, I got them fixed but not in the way I thought. Be careful what you pray. See, I got them healed, but it wasn't the way I thought. So, when I laid hands -- and he healed me with the dentist, I had power to control. See, many times people, we want God to come and do some stuff we probably should be doing. You got power, but sometimes you created some of this own mess to your own self and God will sometimes -- you have to go through suffering for you to even fix the thing. So suffering was the second issue that she was dealing with. Third issue she was dealing with, she was broke. The Bible said that she had spent how much?

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All.

All! How much is all? All is all. If you had spent all your money, you don't have anything left. You see, there's a difference if she said she had spent most of her money. No, she had spent all of her money. So, if you had spent all your money on something, it means that you had nothing left. She was broke. Do you all know people being broke in money? Do you know that issue? Some of you may not understand or recognize it. Do you know when you don't have any money, that's an issue? That is an issue that gave her an issue of blood so that was the third issue that she had. Fourth issue that she has, she had no man. You said, Pastor, how do you know she had no man? She had no man. It was the issue of relationship. Her relationship was void and there was an emptiness inside of her. Well Pastor, how do you know she had no man? First of all, the Bible said she had spent all her money. If she had a man, it would have been his money. It was her money. She had spent all of her money and that's the issue. When you had no man and you are a female, you are really in trouble because women couldn't own property.

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They couldn't do certain types of work. When a woman has no man, she was really in bad shape. She had no man and she couldn't get any man because the issue of blood made her unclean by the law and no man was allowed to touch her. So, she not only had no man, she couldn't get a man because no man could touch her because of the issue of blood. That was the fourth issue and the fifth issue, the fifth issue is from this, from that 26th verse. Had spent all that she had and was nothing better but rather grew worse or getting worse. That's an issue people. See, even if you got problems, it's not even so much a matter of a problem, it's the direction in which the thing has moved. She was getting worse. She was sick, she was suffering, she was broke, she was alone and she'd get worse from that. That was five issues. It doesn't matter where you are, if you'll get worse, I don't care where you are. You got an issue. So, five major issues, five porches at the Pool of Bethesda. What does that have to do with tying with this woman with these twelve years she has been suffering? And when you read Mark 5:25 where they see it's right before that, it's the story of Jairus. That simply reads in Mark 5:22. And, behold, there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name; and when he saw him, he fell at his feet and besought him greatly, saying, my little daughter lieth at the point of death: I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live. And Jesus went with him; and much people followed him, and thronged him. Now while he was gone to heal Jairus' daughter, that's when the woman with the issue of blood came while Jesus was going to this man's daughter. And the story did begin in a certain woman with an issue of blood for 12 years came in and touched him and right after, He told her that faith shall be made whole and that verse continues dealing with Jairus and his daughter in the 34th verse of the 5th chapter of Mark. Right after, and he said unto her daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague. It was like an (00:17:56) story. The story did continue. While he yet spake, meaning while he was telling the woman that her faith had made her whole -- while he yet spake, there came from the ruler of the synagogue's house certain which said, Thy daughter is dead: why troublest thou the Master any further? As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, Be not afraid, only believe. Now the ruler of the synagogue that was a preacher. So, he was a preacher that come unto Jesus talking about first, my daughter is sick. There's a woman who touched Him and the woman, He healed

the woman of her issue with blood and right as soon as he was telling us, here come the folk from the preacher's house, talking about the daughter that was sick (00:18:43) and that's the way the story proceeds. As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, Be not afraid, only believe. And he suffered no man to follow him, save Peter, and James, and John the brother of James. And he cometh to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and seeth the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly. And when he was come in, he saith unto them, Why make ye this ado, and weep? The damsel is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn. But when he had put them all out, he taketh the father and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him, and he entereth in where the damsel was lying and he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, Talitha cumi; which is, being interpreted, Damsel, I say unto thee, arise. And straightway the damsel arose, and walked; for she was of the age of 12 years and they were astonished with a great astonishment. The point that I want you to understand is this, when the preacher came to Jesus and said "Look, I got a 12-year-old daughter at home is sick." Then the woman came to Jesus and touched Him and said, "I got an issue of blood that I've had for 12 years." And then the people came and said, "Your 12-year-old daughter was now dead."

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The key is -- and this story come from the people the daughter that was resurrected and the woman that was healed, both of them, that was an issue of trial and what does that have to do with it? It becomes an issue (00:20:12) show you how that relates to the Pool of Bethesda and what is this all about and why do we need to understand it's relation to issues? You see, 12, people, it is the number of foundation and government. It is also the number in Jewish religion where a woman is then responsible for her own sins. You all have heard of the bar mitzvah. It is the ceremony in Jewish religion and in Jewish history where a boy becomes a man. It happens with the woman at 12, it happens with the man at 13. The man becomes responsible for his sin, he moved from a child to a man at 13, but the woman, it's 12 and even by natural law, don't you know, women mature faster than men? Every psychologist will tell you that. Women mature faster than men. So, even in the Lord God that's accounted for. A woman is responsible for her sins at

12 and to obey the commandment and a boy at 13. 12 years, the issue of blood. 12 years old. They tied in together because what that does say, that is a point at which you become responsible and as long as you are not taking that responsibility, you go through those issues. 12 and 12. But what has got to do with the Pool of Bethesda? That's in John 5 beginning at the 2nd verse. Now, there is at Jerusalem by the sheep gate market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches. Some people call it Bethesda, some call it Bethsaida, but Bethesda is the common pronunciation. In these, lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel without a certain season into the pool and troubled the water. Whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in, was made whole of whatsoever disease he had. And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity 30 and 8 years. The Bible will tell us things often in code that if you have the ability to interpret the cause, you will be able to understand it. All of the people, I can't perceive an issue and the prophet just saying, this is the Pool of Bethesda. But when you look at what was happening at the Pool of Bethesda, five porches of people, impotent, lame, halt, withered, blind. Every kind of these, five porches of people at the Pool of Bethesda and I always wondered over and over, why did Jesus walk in the midst of all of these folks? Just imagine, every (00:23:21). Imagine, the main floor overflowing with people, imagine the balcony overflowing with people, imagine the choir stand overflowing with people, imagine the musician porch(ph) overflowing with people, imagine the pulpit overflowing with people, and Jesus walking with all of these folks, the sick, lame, blind, halt, withered, can't walk, can't see, can't hear, can't sing, all this stuff, can't move. He walked in to all these things (00:23:52) heals one man and walks away. I always wondered. Why did Jesus walk in the middle of all of those sick full five porches overflowing? Heal one man and walk out. Nobody else. But Jesus had the power to heal everybody. Why did he walk into the midst and why did the prophet call this the Pool of Bethesda? Only one person was healed at that pool when Jesus walked in. So there got to be (00:24:27). There got to be God telling us something in the midst of pain. There got to be a -- this was called the Pool of Bethesda. So, we got five porches in here and we got issues. There is something God is trying to tell us. What is it? Sometimes you can't see that stuff for that (00:24:41) you got to have some revelation. What is it about the man? He didn't tell you anything about the man

except he did have the same issues as everybody else. The only thing unique about the man was he has been laying there 30 and 8 years. Then, what it is about the 30 and 8 years? It's telling us something about this situation.

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Let me tell you what it is about the 30 and 8 years. God (00:25:05) second chances and I'll show you what that 38 years. I've wondered about this. I was just revealed to this yesterday. I said, what in the world is that thing? I wondered so long, so hard over and over months ago, years ago. I always wondered why did Jesus go to the Pool of Bethesda and just heal one man? All the folks laying there, still laying there when you walk. Now, why did he heal one man who walked way and leave? Now, what does got to do with our Pool of Bethesda here in this Ark and our five porches of people? What does it have to do with us? Deuteronomy 2nd chapter, 14th verse. And the space in which we came from Kadeshbarnea, until we were come over the brook Zered, was thirty and eight years; until all the generation of the men of war were wasted out from among the host as the Lord swear unto them, for indeed the hand of the Lord was against them to destroy them for among the host until they were consumed. So it came to pass when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among the people. It took God 30 and 8 years to rid the children of Israel from disobedience. That thing has a meaning, that Jesus did not come and heal our sicknesses, cannot scrape out our issues until we have got the disobedience out. God had not let the children of Israel go into the Promised Land until all of the disobedience was dead. It took 38 years for the disobedience to die, not 40. Anyway, in the wilderness, 40 was spoken and the children had disobeyed and they are going out of God's will and all of Jesus' commands and just messed up; they had worshipped other God. It was 38 years from the time he'd spoken to the time it came to pass, that every one of the disobedient man was dead. 38 represents that timeframe and this men live at that pool, representing the disobedient nature in us. There's got a (00:27:36) your issues are going to be hear and even in the revival, when we began to take the collection on the first night, you remember God spoke to me and I said, "Look you are not in obedience to the leader of your house of worship. Don't put a dime in this office associated with the Lord. And I saw the offering place come up and they were picks(ph) up with offering and I said "My goodness, we've

got a lot of folks that is obeying what their leader said, and my brother James told me later, he said, "You know how many envelopes were in those offering? I said, yes. He has obeyed the covenant. They can't even obey what God said what it is. They disobeyed when God said, don't put it in and they didn't obey when he said, "put the right amount in." Disobedience even in the house of God, even when God told them don't even give (00:28:31) Pool of Bethesda. You don't have to go through to the 38 long years and every disobedience in you will die for your illness and your issues are going to be ignored. 12, it is the age of what you are responsible for, to obeying the laws and the commandments of God. And when you reach an age where you can understand that and do that, then all of your issues of blood can be healed. You see, even with all of the five involved issues, virtually, every one of them will come and stem from being disobedient in the array of God. First, with even a sickness. Most sickness comes because (00:29:26), that's it. About 90% of the stuff (00:29:29). If we follow what God told us to do and the prophet has told, she said I'm going to have a healing and anointing (00:29:38). C. Elijah got a healing and anointing in his hand been knowing that, but the thing about it people, we look so much for a healing of an instantaneous nature. You need to follow what your pastors are doing. Do you know that pastors -- not any of the pastors have missed a day out of this Ark from being sick? Not a day!

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But you know what? The pastors take care of themselves almost better than anybody else when we went to even death. C. Elijah preached the whole two years of healing. So, C. Elijah would (00:30:08) go every day. He went to the gym every day. So, he keeps preachers understanding the healing scriptures, but he went to the gym every day. Now folks, say he went to the gym --

All: Every day.

Nathaniel Bronner: -- every day. Now, this is the man who stood up for two years and preaching about knowing the healing scriptures and their power about getting there down in your system and that will heal some things but he went to the gym every day. Daily! Three times a week, regular as clockwork. He doesn't miss it. Me, six of the ten commandments that God gave me personally were for the health of my body. Those are commands that'll

keep you -- that'll keep sickness away from you. So, when you look at even the things that are all from issues in every case where I can really dig into and I'll find there's a violation from the laws of God. And sometimes, we have to go through the 12 years until we grow up to where we are responsible enough that we're going to obey. We go to the 38 years to the point where all of the disobedience in us has been killed and we're now saying, we passed it to ourselves and said, Lord, I'm now ready. I'm now ready to -- to -- to follow your will. That was the reason and I don't even believe she understood why she called this the Pool - - the Pool of Bethesda. You see, the people has a Pool of Bethesda. First of all, they were waiting on the moving of the water. Let me explain that. Water has always been symbolic of spirit. They were waiting on the moving of spirit wherever they are coming from. It was coming from an angel from heaven. They were waiting on the moving of the Holy Spirit and they -- they go with that when Jesus walked away. There is a part that the Holy Spirit can do, but there is a part that you must do. And so, many of us are standing around the altar, waiting on the movement of the Holy Spirit and we will be in obedience. And we don't have to go through them 38, go through them 12. Sometimes, when you go through 38, you go through 12 and got sick, you do believe. Sometimes, we think we have it. We think (00:32:31) until go through 38 years, laying by the pool, waiting on the moving of the spirit, but not in obedience. And as a result, we got issues because we violate that which God has told us to do. The issue of money. We have issues of money often times because we are hemorrhaged in our finances and the Bible even tells you disobedience is like trying to put money in a sack with holes in it. We're hemorrhaging. Even the altar, at the back, we got a red box and a blue box. It is no accident that those boxes were chosen that color. You see, red and blue actually are colors of blood. Red is the color of arterial blood, blood that's coming away from the heart once it has been oxygenated. Blue is the color of venous blood, blood that's going to the heart that needs to be oxygenated. So, you've got to see both of them represent flow. That's why even money is called currency. It's supposed to flow. And you see, we talk about flow. That's why the first thing God told me and -- and do you know really getting in obedience with your money is one of the easiest commands to follow? It may sound like it's difficult, but it's actually one of the easiest things to do, but people won't do that and as a result, we get cursing in our finances. We got an issue of blood. That's why even in the Garden of Eden, God, I give you

all these trees but there's one you can't touch. You see, I give you all these money, but there's a tenth of it you cannot touch. You touch it and you're cursed. There's a part of it that we fail to understand and we fail to do. And as a result, when the curse comes, we stand at the Pool of Bethesda, waiting on the Holy Spirit and we won't do what God say we do. God said, don't put money in this offering on that first night, if you're not in obedience with what the leader of your worship had told you to do. Most of you just drop your (00:34:47). I don't care who you (00:34:49), I'm going to put inside all of them. I don't care what he says. And as a result, we often have no blessing because we're in disobedience.

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It was in the wrong spirit. And we've got to understand some things about where God wants to take us and what God wants to do with us. It begins with obedience. That fourth issue that she had. She had no man. And women understand this, especially the young women that there's going to be someone in here right now that's hearing me and someone on television. You're still a virgin, but you're going through pressure to change that. Understand this principle good. When a woman first had sex with a man, there is an issue of blood. Blood is shed and -- and it gets on the shaft of the man's penis. There is a sacrifice made there as an issue of blood and because so many made that issue of blood, they --they make that sacrifice outside of the will of God, they never stop bleeding. Issues that your heart is broken. You see, ladies issue, stay a virgin until your marriage. Did you know what that will do to protect your heart, your health and your family and as a result, because we make a sacrifice in disobedience, our heart bleeds. We get hurt by men -- I said men -- I said men -- I said men. And sometimes, you can't even seem to stop and show love. If we just remain in obedience and as a young woman that's going to hear this and you're standing on the fifth right now because some man is pressuring you, talking about, baby don't you understand I love you and if you love me -- well, if you love him and he loves you, then both of you are to wait till you say I do. Understand that real clear, if you love him and he loves you, you both ought to wait till you say I do. And you know what time the headache and heartache and disease and child birth, do you know how much that would eliminate if you just follow that simple principle? And let me tell you another mind blowing, you see right now, I have to

Speak this to the young ladies and you've got to understand look, don't you let that issue of blood come until that man marries you or you'll have an issue that's going to be hard to stop for the rest of your life because understand this, though the ladies act this and they trust Jesus, she got her issues stopped. Most of them never do. That's why most of them folk in the Pool of Bethesda never got healed. They were waiting on the Holy Spirit to come, they never got healed. Only one man out of the whole bunch, out of five porches. Most of time, when we saw these patterns, we get our heart busted. We open up the blood flow, we never get the thing stopped. You can't stop. It is a whole lot easier not to get it stopped. You can get healed, but it's a whole lot easy and then you won't have to go through all the heartbreaks. You won't have to go through all of the pains. You won't have to go through all of the worries. Young women that are still virgins in this place and listening to me on television, don't you let a man sweet talk you into getting an issue of blood that you will be bleeding from for the rest of your life. And there's just one woman here with me and changes her lifestyle from this. At that moment of passion, you will remember these words and you'll say to yourself, I'm not going to bleed the rest of my life. It's not just a five-minute bleeding. It'll cause you to bleed for the rest of your life with all kind of stuff and see, it creates frustration. See, one of the things I can (00:39:05) it gets deep and I speak to the young women, but in reality, the responsibility by the law of the Bible is really on the young men. The Bible does not tell women to maintain their virginity whether you know it or not. If you read the laws -- I was writing a book on sex so I know the law real good. I researched it with a magnifying glass. The Bible does not tell women to maintain their virginity. And you said, what are you talking about? What? Sex! What it says is this, it says, if a man sleeps with a virgin, he's supposed to marry her. It puts the responsibility on the man. You see, men right now, I'm not offering them the law of God. So, when the men are not right, that's why God say he looked into the hearts of men. He never said he looked into the hearts of women. He looked into the hearts of men and saw that the hearts of men were falling in evil and he casts us a judgment on the whole earth because of looking into the hearts of men.

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Men right now are not in proper covenant with God. So, ladies, you can't trust the men and do what God said. So therefore, you

got to keep your own altar sealed up and you've got to understand that. I would've never married my wife if she has not kept herself and I know it beyond the shadow of a doubt. God spoke, it was long before I even became a pastor. There was a woman I was dating even before her. She was a virgin. God spoke these words to me. If you so much have kissed that woman, you'll marry her. I said, what kind of -- what? I wasn't preaching. I wasn't ordained, but I was hearing the voice of God clear. He said, if you even kissed her, you will marry her. I said, what kind of foolishness is that? But you know what? I didn't kiss her. And I dated this woman. I'm friends with her for about four or five months. I wouldn't kiss her. She was a very nice girl, but she was a virgin and I did not understand the law that God was keeping me in covenant with this woman. I wouldn't kiss and she would say, look I can't believe God would make you marry me just because you kissed me. I said, no, it's not just because I kissed you. You see, he gave me a choice, a decision on this thing. What he said was, if -- and sometimes people when God gives you stuff, it's not even the thing, it's the obedience in the thing. It's just -- it appears we're just like with the offering. What difference would it have made whether you (00:41:35) it was the obedience of it. That's the thing that brings the blessing or a curse. It's the obedience of the disobedient. He said, if you so much as kiss her, you'll marry her. And she would tell me over and over, I just don't believe God made you marry me for just kissing me. No, I wouldn't do it. I absolutely would not do it. No kind of way, no form of passion. I wouldn't do it. And yet, when Puddin came along, people, there's a (00:42:10) with issue of blood that women first have is that after the menstruation, the sex causes an issue of blood. And my wife was 26 years old and still a virgin. She was still sealed up tight as a drum. I had no question in my mind, you see, and it makes a difference. It makes a difference even in a man's mind because I don't -- I don't have to wonder what she did because I knew it wasn't that. I don't have to wonder or think about it. It brings about a degree of trust. I say, if this woman could keep herself for 26 years and she's still -- 27 -- well, she was 26 after when we met and started talking, she was 27 when we got married. So, when I -- when I met her, she was 26. When I married her, she was 27, but she was still sealed up, tight as a drum. I have no question about that blood will (00:43:20). So, there's no doubt in my mind, but then she had met me. See, even by the law -- the priest would not allow to marry any woman that was not a virgin. Other men could, but by the Old

Testament laws, priests were not allowed to marry anybody that was not a virgin. There's a -- there's a thing to these people of understanding and especially women, the issue of blood and some of you are saying, well, you said that too late for me. You should've told me this like 20 years ago. It's too late now. It is not too late. It is what is even meant by being reborn again. No, you can't seal yourself back up, but you can make a spiritual change with something because sometimes, people, that thing is an issue of blood. It gets to your heart that's why women are having so many problems with all these relationships and with all of these emotions. Just seal yourself back up. And that's the way to stop the issue of blood and some -- some of you women are trying to stop the issue of blood. I want to get me a good Christian man. And let me tell you, reading between the lines with what you're saying. I want to get me a good Christian man that don't sleep with anybody but me. That's the real essence of what is being said. If you got a real Christian man, they don't sleep (00:44:46). So, what women will say, I want me a good Christian man that don't sleep with anybody but me, that won't cheat on me. Now, you don't want a Christian man. I'll tell you even ladies, you even need to get you a man enticed if you want to increase his faithfulness to you.

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That's another thing that I have found just looking at men. Men who tires are faithful to their wives and yet who don't, often aren't. And so, what difference does that do with that? It has a great deal of difference to do with it. See, because if a man will keep covenant with God, you keep covenant with people. If he won't keep covenant with God, he won't keep covenant with people. There's a part -- and that's why I didn't even understand why I've even directed to name that third floor covenant hall. God wants to take us people back to a point in time we are covenant with him because he has made us some promises, but some of this stuff is basic, some of it you don't understand (00:45:51) even beginning with the sacrifice of your money. Ladies, beginning with the sacrifice of your virginity. That stuff has to do with issues of blood. Even in the Old Testament, when they brought sacrifices, it was often animals. It was resulting of the money. They brought doves, they brought cows, they brought lambs, they brought all of that stuff as a sacrifice, there was a shedding of blood. Now, we don't bring sacrifice to church anymore. It's in the form of money. It is a shedding of blood

and we have issues of blood and one (00:46:32) healed. We've got to be in obedience. And I understand why the prophet has kept saying the Pool of Bethesda because everybody was here waiting on the moving of the water. Go (00:46:47) obedience. 38 years it took just to wipe out disobedience. 12 years you're responsible and it take that long for a woman to be in full consciousness of the laws and commands of God. Some of us still are not 12 years old. Some of us, even after the 38 years, still, still, still won't obey. God wants to take us to a different level but oftentimes, to take you to a different level, He got to bring you back down to basic foundation. We want to get way up on these levels and we haven't built basic foundations. Basic foundations are simple laws of God and to understand what those laws are. And see, everyone in the Laws of God, so, you really understand, those laws of God are about 400 (00:47:42). The law of you keeping your virginity, that still works. In fact, I just won't even tell you if you remain a virgin until you marry, your chances of divorce go way down. And just -- it backs up with the times. So, I hope you have heard some of these things and for those that are thinking about breaking and tearing the veil in two, don't do it till you say I do. It'll save you a whole lot of heartaches and it'll save you a whole lot of issues of blood that you have a hard time stopping. If you just keep staying intact. God wants to take us people to some places. And it heals some things within our lives, but so many of us are at that Pool of Bethesda, waiting on the moving of the water. And God is simply saying to us, the water will be moved, the Holy Spirit will come, but what good will it do if you put the Holy Spirit on the disobedient bunch of folks. If the Holy Spirit comes and it's on the disobedient bunch of folks and you're going to go out and sin and do all the same mess all over again, what good is it going to be to put the Holy Spirit? We're waiting at the Pool of Bethesda for the moving of the spirit, but not willing to get into obedience with His words. And that's why even God told me to tell you during that revival, don't be so much as concerned about (00:49:26) and when you get the word, it will cure so many of your issues with God and even right now at (00:49:41), but some of your things are getting worse and you don't understand why, you don't know how to reverse it. Look at every issue in your life and ask yourself, am I lined up with God's will and you'll hear it in your life.

If you want those issues taken care of, get your lifeline (00:50:06) God's gift. Don't worry about (00:50:09). If you want those issues taken care of in your life, line yourself up with God's Word. Got issues in your marriage, is it in line up with God's will? Now, it's lined up like my auntie told me. God does not waste all this. If it lines up with God's will, now, if land up like the other (00:50:29), I'm treating my wife the same way my body is doing it. She treated me the same way and (00:50:35). Is it lined up with God's Word? You will be in the minority when you do that, but that's all right because I've always wanted to be in the minority because the majority of folks got too many issues and to be honest, I don't want those issues, but if I do all that stuff that everybody else does, if I speak the same way, I will have all the issues that everybody else has. I don't want all these issues. So, I want to be in a small minority. I want to be in that narrow path that Jesus talked about. Issues of blood that's pouring from us people and we've got to get these things hemmed up and we got to get these things stopped. I told you even with the blessing even of the sacrifice, I gave you the testimony about my wife. And that thing did more. First of all, you'll never know first of all when God is telling you to do something. You notice what happened when Miguel received the money and he came to me and told me that night, he said when my wife gave him that check for a thousand dollars, he said, Pastor Bronner, he said, I had a major expense that has threatened my whole household. He said, I needed \$1,005 to save my household. I needed \$1,005. He came back the next night and he tithed out of that thousand which meant that he was now \$105 short, but he was obedient. My wife told me this morning, she said I only have \$1,500 in my account. God told me to give him a thousand and she said to follow. God told me to give him the other \$500 for it was all (00:52:41). He is obedient, put to test and made a sacrifice. It was an issue of blood and he laid it on the altar, knowing that even though he took that cash, it was to leave him \$105 short of what he needed either was this something -- that's when the lady -- let me explain to you another part of that.

We now heard about the lady touched the hem of his garment. Most of us know what a hem is, but what was on his hem? Do you know what was on the hem of His garment? No, you don't know. Let me tell you so you'll understand some things. You've got to understand the symbolism so you know what it means. Let me tell you what was on the hem of Jesus' garment and then

you'll see and you'll understand some things just dealing with that. Turn to Numbers, I want you to read this, then you'll understand. And she took the hem of the garment. You don't know what was on the hem of His garment. When you understand what was on the hem of Jesus' garment, it will make some things clear about what I'm talking about this morning dealing with issues.

Numbers, Numbers, Numbers, Numbers, this is what I want you to read. We've heard that verse so many times -- Just the hem of His garment, we've heard it, we've heard it, we've heard it, we've heard it, but none of us -- see, all you think was on the hem was just a thing. See, that's all we know it's just a thing that was on the hem. It's like a cloth of a pants. We don't know (00:54:12) on the robe -- on the robe was more than just a hem. Numbers Chapter 15 beginning at the 37th verse and this will open your eyes. She didn't just touch His hem, she touched what was on the hem.

Numbers Chapter 15 beginning at the 37th verse, and the Lord spake unto Moses saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the borders, from the hem, of their garments throughout their generations -- that means forever -- and that they put upon the fringe of the borders a ribband of blue. That's the red and that's the blue.

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That's blue. That blue represents the blood that meets the aptitude and it shall be unto you for a friend that he may look upon it and remember all the commandments of the Lord and do them. God told Moses, they're the children of Israel forever. Put a fringe on the hem of the garment and every time you see the fringe, you shall remember to do my commandments. When the lady from behind sat down and touched the hem of his garment, reached out and she grabbed the fringe of His garment that said, remember to do my commandments. After the 12 years which said, now you are mature enough to be responsible for doing my commandments. That's what was on the hem of His garment. The fringe, that was a reminder to do His commandments. God wants you, obedient people. For the Holy Spirit to move into your life, it must move upon an people, the Pool of Bethesda. Five full porches of sick people that were not obedient. And every one of us knows the arena. Every one of us knows the

area of where we have strayed away from God's direction, strayed away from God's path, strayed away from what He told us to do, even beginning with just the sacrifice. There's a part -- that's why the sacrifice is so much in the Old Testament, but it was also heavy in the New Testament. They read about the pinnacles when the spirit fails, that the people in that church, they didn't (00:57:08) they gave it all. What my wife has to do with her money, gave it all. But let me tell you how the blessing did not just bless whom she gave it to, it changed my wife's image in eyes. Do you understand that?

See, sometimes when you do what God tells you to do, that thing has sometimes (00:57:32) it will have on you. Just like when you don't do what He tells you to do, they got hindered and it will hinder away. Sometimes you never (00:57:39). You do one thing, that thing will have a consequence and it will spread out get away. When my wife told me -- then I saw my wife, it changed even how I view her. It made me more loving to her. I said, I got a woman who is willing to listen to the voice of God and I knew how far she worked for that money. I knew what she went through to earn and she gave it all. God said it was 17 people, then He told us to (00:58:16) and will not listen to His Word. I have no idea who the 17 folks are, but they know it and they walked out of this revival, some after even coming up to the pool. No one had been obedient. No one waited over the Spirit to move. No one they had knocked in obedience and that's why I told them, I said, "Look, if that was you and you know you haven't been obedient, I told them I have to put them in the red socks on your way out. One or two men listened and it's all about listening, hearing and obeying and that you know from my wife, don't you know that heart gives us whole. Your heart (00:59:03) give it too, but I ain't give that with it. See, it would be a whole lot easier for her to write a check on my money and my sweat. Do you understand what I'm saying? That would have been a whole lot easier. I have got to earn sweat for it. That's why he told us, why we don't have the joint own account. Write down the hard earned sweat that you have earned because it must be a sacrifice from you. It is a blessing. That thing will echo to blessings for years to come. Obedience. And some of you are hearing the voice of God in little bit of things and to start listening. You will get matured. And that's why oftentimes women are more obedient than men in the voice of God because you all matured spirits and faster than men do.

Even in our prayer before the revival. All of the generals will win. Everyone of them.

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Women oftentimes will mature spiritually faster than men just as it is -- that's why even in the law, the woman was responsible to clear up, the man was not responsible until 13, but all of us are older (01:00:14) 13. So, all of us are responsible now. When you hear God's Word speaking to your inner spirit and even if you are a part of that 17 that didn't do what God said for you to do when you hear mass, the red box is still there.

All: Amen.

Nathaniel Bronner: It's still there. There are some things that God has told you to do, even dealing with other people. It's still there. Become obedient and watch the blessing of God start to flow and fill up. Watch your issues start to dry up. Watch your heart start to be healed. Watch your finances start to flow in the right direction. Watch your body eliminate sickness. God will speak to you, but it does Him no good to speak lest we listen. Bow you heads.

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank You for this serious Word today. On those issues and for the all issues of blood that we have, we pray dear Father for your Holy Spirit to come and anoint our issues, but yet we pray to you dear Father for our own obedience to be spent that we may walk the path that You have destined for us, that we hear and see Your Words and just in the hearing and the (01:02:02), we know that so many of our issues will be healed. Don't let us be like those that lay at the pool, waiting on the Spirit but unwilling to change ourselves. Give us the revelation of this Word upon this day. Let us know that we are now mature beyond the 12 and the 13 and hopefully beyond the 38 that we are now ready for that year of Jubilee and all of our issues of blood shall be dried up and we shall be comforted. In Thy Son, Jesus' name, we pray. Amen. Amen, amen and amen.

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