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Nathaniel Bronner: Scope of the subject was break down the walls of the crew and the story of Joshua and how he marched around the walls of Jericho. The sixth day and on that seventh day, marched around seven times. And he completed the marching they shouted in the unison; the wall came tumbling down. And many of you walked upon the last Sunday around this city block seven times, a total of 2.7 miles. And I have spoken to some that even had revelation and during the walk, saw and heard things that changed perspectives in spirit.

And as I walked, I recognized and learned some things. First thing I saw, I saw so clearly why God had to tell Joshua to tell all of the people to speak not a word during the march because it was just last Sunday or hotter than it is this Sunday. I mean it was hot. And in the, all of us head on for the most, our Sunday shoes. So, no one – very few people had sneakers. Now everyone had Sunday shoes, it was hot. Shoes were able and I saw that even I just wanted to say, “Woah, it’s hot out here.” My feet are hurting in these shoes on this hot day and then we walked around and around no one said a word. I understood so clearly why God clearly, not say a word.

Because sometimes, people in the midst of tough faith, all will speak of the (00:01:51). None of us thought about the plan. “Preacher, what plan?” Everyone ate, no one fell out, no one was crippled. Everyone walked with a fairly good step. I mean we didn’t even left a single person and I was walking fast. No one thought about the house. No one said, “Lord.” You see, if we have spoken, no one would have said, “Lord, I thank you for these strong legs that are carrying me right now. Lord, I thank you for my cooling system. Lord, I thank you for this water that I have in my hands that was made available that I can drink in the midst of the heat.” No one would have said that.

Because I would’ve said it. I wasn’t thinking of it. All I was thinking about was the heat and the hard pavement and the uncomfortable shoes. And I understood so clearly what God had been showing me. Are you going through this rightfully? Just walk, don’t say a word. And when I got finished and later on as I began to see, I didn’t really recognize, this was at the sixth time around. As I began to see some things, I begin to look first of all at the names of the streets that I walked. I been here eight years, wouldn’t been able to tell you the name of that

street behind, wouldn't be able to tell you the name of that street.

You know, sometimes, people we walk through – we go through so much, but we feel hallow, wouldn't be able to tell you the name of the street. And as I walked, as he just begin to reveal some things to me just in the names of the streets. We're on Georgia Avenue and Georgia is the state. It's where we are. The first we represented, what our position is and where we stand, we enjoy it. I got to the second street. And the second street is Cherokee. It's the name of the car I drive. Now most of the times I'm in a Mercedes. But to be honest about it, I wanted to drive that, basically when I go somewhere as a preacher, 90% of the time I drive the Jeep, the Cherokee.

The third street, the one that runs immediate behind is called Pavillion. And the street that runs on the side of the Pavillion St. called Grant. And God began to just show me some things, even of the names of the street as I walk around and around and around. And at first when I realized the names of the street and I realized that Georgia represented where I was, but then I said that Cherokee was the transportation, it was the path. It was the thing that gotten where I wanted to go. God said, "No, that's not really what it means and that's not as significant onto you." I said, "Well what is it?" He said, "It is the name of the greatest material gift that you've ever given." You all remember (00:04:50) and God told him to give him your Jeep. I gave him my Jeep and not only gave him my Jeep, but pay for all repairs for as long as he had it. Because really, you got every nip and detail on the same Jeep.

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New tires, new switches, new – and the thing as was \$3,500 worth of stuff. So, it ended up – I ended up spending in terms of what that covered, work and what I spend on it, about \$13,000 to \$14,000. Because a Cherokee represented your obedience to my work, because there were sacrifices. When I first heard God said, I said, "Give him what?" See, some of these things that when you hear God speak, you (00:05:31) "Wait a minute. Now hold on. Am I really hearing a word of God? You want me to give the man my car?" That was what ran through my head. He said, "Cherokee represented sacrifices and obedience.

I got to Pavillion. Pavillion is a tent, it is an abode. A pavilion represents covering. And see, we all need covering. Then I got to Grant. Then you read you – with the dictionary definition of grant, to consent, to the fulfillment of, to accord as of favor, prerogative or privilege, to bestow, to confer, to transfer property by a deed, to conceive or to acknowledge. That was the fulfillment of the thing. God has granted us so much and then yet in the circular one from where we are, when walk and we do what God said in obedience and sacrifice, he puts a covering over us and he'll do everything he's promised us unto fulfillment and that's what I got. I don't know about everybody else, but that's what I got. That's what God revealed unto me, but I had to shut up and hear it. And I had been complaining, never work in the revelation.

And I'm speaking during the day from even a Part 2 of Break Down The Walls. Because what happens so often, virtually every single time with the children of Israel. When the children of Israel got the breakthrough, almost universal. It wasn't long before they have gotten in another mess and they're in need of another breakthrough. When God delivered the children of Israel out of 400 years of slavery and they were free, it's not long before they went to murmuring and complaining and the walk, that if they had shut up, would have taken them 90 days to be able to walking around where God had set them to do and they're breaking down the walls and the walls would have come tumbling down, they would have been able to go into the promised land if they had just shut up, but they began to murmur and they began to complain. And God had to show them up and he had them going circle and circle and circle and then they had get it wrong and they start working for idol – they started – and all the sudden, God, "I can't admit all your complaining and murmuring" So even into the promised land.

I speak to you the day on the subject of what to do after a breakthrough. Anybody want a breakthrough? (00:08:06) Lord, what are going to hear outside? When are you going to free us? When are you going to set us from under these harsh tents now? Lord, when are you going – everyone wants breakthrough. But sometimes what you need more than breakthrough is you need to know what to do after the breakthrough. Because if it's just a breakthrough and just we follow the pattern of the children of Israel, it won't be long before we need another breakthrough.

And see, some of you right now, you're going through breakthrough after breakthrough after breakthrough and you keep wondering, "Why is it that I always in a situation where I need another breakthrough?" Because we had focused so much, we focus so intently on getting the breakthrough, raising around a ship to come in. The problem is some of our ship will come in and we don't know how to sail our ship. What good will it do if you have a ship and you can't sail? So, we need to know what to do after breakthrough. You're in a situation even last week or days and I'll be talking about how (00:09:16) we were under attack and how we – we need a breakthrough and then we were having difficulties even getting the issues out.

Even the comments from the back of the program they're relating to the issue of "We're back" that we laid on Saturday and how we went through so much. And so much came against us even with ministry and we got the breakthrough. But I want to talk to you today about what to do after breakthrough.

I want you to turn to Deuteronomy Chapter 8 verse 2. What to do after breakthrough. All, we'll be talking about – you see, one of the reasons why we even mess up in marriage, everyone wants a good home for a good wife. They get them after breakthrough.

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But the problem, they both mess up, they don't know what to do after the breakthrough. After you get them and you see, we need knowledge of what to do after. "Lord, send me his love. Lord, I'm tired of being a little, just send me a good – just a good man, or just a good woman and you don't know what to do after you got. You don't know what to do after breakthrough, and as a result, because we don't know what to do after breakthrough, we end up in the day say, "Lord, what you send this woman or this man for?" But you didn't know what to do after breakthrough, just the breakthrough. But you didn't know what to do after breakthrough.

Deuteronomy 18 begins. "When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for the good land which he hath given thee. Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day: Lest when thou

hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; and when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied; then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.”

He says here, you know – so you eat and you’re full. When you got your fine house, when your herd and your gold and your silver has multiplied. Do you think God knew what he was talking about here? Well he says when you got, what I’ve given you the breakthrough is what he’s saying. He said, “When I given you the breakthrough, don’t forget me.”

Did you know the time when this church has been the most half that are session with me? Do you know the Sunday service that was most half, right? The Sunday right after 9/11, everybody came to church because they felt sheltered in the land. It is human nature to plead and to turn our faith unto God when we’re going through something. I’m like that myself. My greatest and most intense prayer is when I’m going through some. It is the nature of the human spirit.

God is saying, “After I have given you the breakthrough” you’re full, you’re in your big house, (00:12:50). He said, “Don’t forget me.” Do you know statistically that’s when we forget God the most? I mean when our business – if business start doing well, we can’t make it to church. When we’re struggling, we can get – every Sunday without Friday and they have the prior days. The minute we get full, the minute he gets the gold and the silver color, the minute God gives us the breakthrough, “Oh, I’m too tired to go to church today. I’ve been working all week long. I mean business is doing well. I’m prospering. Now I got to focus on my business. I ain’t got time for church.”

When we needed a breakthrough, oh we’re here, “Lord, get me some prosperity, give me some, Lord.” When we need a breakthrough, but the minute we get breakthrough God says, “Don’t forget me, but don’t ever forget about my commandments. So, remember me when I had prospered you.” Do you know what group of Christians give the least amount? The rich folks. The rich folks do and it is statistically validated all across, the more God blesses, you the stingier you get. Now that’s not talking about anyone in here. That was generally term like your

other Christians. But the more God blessed them, the more they could get where the blessing came from. And they forget it and then they don't know what to do after breakthrough.

And people, I'm here to tell you, it's more important that you understand what to do after the breakthrough than it is that you can get breakthrough. Because to be honest about it, from the spiritual perspective, there's some folks, their state (00:14:41) because when God, that's (00:14:44) and then God bless us. By the time they get blessed by three good weeks, you wouldn't see him, got to do the church at all. And the more blessed they get, the scarcer they will get in the house of God.

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The next trouble comes. Let 911 dial up in their life, not only are they hear, they get heard, needing a breakthrough, what to do after breakthrough?

Then continuing all this reading in Deuteronomy Chapter 8, the verse 14. "Then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage; Who led thee through that great and terrible wilderness, wherein were fiery serpents, and scorpions, and drought, where there was no water; who brought thee forth water out of the rock of flint; Who fed thee in the wilderness with manna, which thy fathers knew not, that he might humble thee, and that he might prove thee, to do thee good at thy latter end; And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth."

See, that's the first thing that happens after breakthrough is, we started taking all the (00:16:10) and from a logical (00:16:14) because even in breakthrough, you got to do something. It's not going to be case. It's not going to be case of where God is just going – get you out of breakthrough. You're going have to do something. He'll guide you. He'll lead you. He'll open doors of opportunity; do work behind the scenes and areas that you cannot see. He'll give you inspiration. He'll keep his hands around you so you got – the minute you get through – the Bible say which starts (00:16:40).

Yeah, I know I went to church and all this, but you got to have (00:16:43) I got a debrief, or haven't had disagree. I was able to

sit down. Don't you realize I sat down and made out a business plan? I got a top-notch business plan. Then I planned and I planned and he worked up plan.

Don't you understand that I put in 12 to 15 hours a day, 18 hours someday. Don't you understand I stayed up, made it do this and I worked through clients and I went out (00:17:10) don't you understand it? I thought this idea and I got this. I knew that I may have prayed a little bit, but don't you understand what I did and if it haven't been for what I did, I wouldn't come think of it? The more I think about it, the more I'm responsible for my breakthrough. And the more I really respect on it, then the Lord really (00:17:27) done for me. I'm the one that did all that. That is what God said to the people. He said, "When I fetch you, you got the big house. You get the money all up in the bank. We start talking about what we have done."

So, one thing is different people. I have seen stuff. I don't say stuff. I have seen stuff. I have seen the most educated. I have seen the smartest. I have seen the hardest workers. I have seen those with the biggest financial backings. I have seen all of the flock. I mean, don't you realize, somebody is making corporations that are going under them, was Harvard educated? They have a corporate work ethic? They got it all. They had billions of dollars in the bank. Don't you understand these boys, by the terminology of the world, they had it all? They were smarter than most of us in this room put together. Don't you understand it by common knowledge they had inside connections, it all kind of hook ups. Don't you understand by every law of business, they should have made it, but they flopped?

And then I see the other things. See the man that didn't have the first MBA, didn't even have a BS nor BA and questionable about the high school degree. But all he had was one (00:18:54) and this man would carry God with him everywhere he went and he had a work ethic that he put God first and was always praying that he was spiritual, and then he handle his business, but he always understood where the source of thing was. And through stuff that should have taken him – one of the brothers is like that. And he looked over the horizon of business. Most of the people in our category and in our industry are gone. You all know him, big boys, Johnson Product Company. Most of you all grew up and over here (00:19:34). You know what I'm talking

about? Man was worth \$45 million, had it all on God. (00:19:50) it was the largest, the company that I interviewed. Nearly \$100 million a year company run by (00:19:59) and all kind of other extra-large (00:20:01) folks.

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They had everything. They had it going on smart and they will. They work hard. They had all of a logical business acumen there going. I can go write down the list and name several and all of them gone. And you have Bronner Brothers and still surviving and not only surviving, but thriving. What's the difference? Is it we're so smart? I'm not fool enough to say that because I know better. Not that smart, is it that we work so hard? I'm not fool enough to say, I really, I (00:20:37) work harder. I know, I know he don't, no question about that. But I know we don't.

Well, what's the difference? Every Tuesday morning, Bronner Brother have a prayer meeting. We refuse to take God out of the company. The matriarch of the company, praising and constantly watching over and still even though we have some stuff that ain't right in the company, well everybody does it. I mean you don't come and let me know, but I want to quit my job and come work for you, everybody do. You're always going to have some stuff. But even in the midst of it all, we still keep the wings of God. We still keep the (00:21:11) in hold of the company. And I see in the midst of when stuff should have been going down, we're still going up. I understand that whenever you start talking about, "Look what the strength of my hand has done (00:21:27) because you have been taken God out of it."

And see, I'm a logical man, I'm a spiritual man but I'm a scientist by nature. So, I have got the ability to analyze and to look at the logical end of things and to really look at it from a tech view. And I know by logic we shouldn't be doing as well as we are. There's no two ways about it.

My daddy, he was a good businessman, but he has what were called a corned bread thing. Didn't have a lot of sophisticated stuff. He is able (00:21:54) violations of the rules of business. If I had those on payroll, he shouldn't have had because it was time to give people jobs, he will carry loaded tables. All this

stuff in violation of business. But they always had a motto, “God first, family second, business third.”

See, in one thing about those companies that I named that went under. Johnson Products, first thing that happened to Johnson Products before they went under, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson busted. Because see, when Mr. and Mrs. Johnson busted up, I don’t care how big the company was. But when Mr. and Mrs. Johnson busted up, all that \$50 million company start shaking and tumble, Soft Sheen products, you all know their product, Care Free Curl, (00:22:39) it’s no longer owned by the family, but they had to sell it out. What happened?

Run by Ed Garner, who was the founder and president, Mr. and Mrs. Gardner busted up. So, when Mr. and Mrs. Gardner busted up, it split up and shook up the whole company. See, the thing the gets – and see sometimes business (00:22:57) family for short time and (00:22:59) and they would start to look at selling. They’ll look at production. They never take into consideration the house where the stuff formed. They never put in the fact that they maybe – you see, you won’t find it in one of those (00:23:12) as a report, as president, his life is busted up.

You see, you won’t find that accountable but that thing has more the impact than all your assets and liabilities. And they forget the priorities of God because you can get so easily blinded when you had a breakthrough. And God has made you full. You’re in your goodly house, you got silver, and you got gold. You start to say, “Look at I and mine might have done.” I recognize in business and I’m just smart as they come as statistically proven. Well I’m not as smart as they come, but statistically proven, I’m up there. I’m in the top one half of 1% statistically (00:24:01). Even when I was out of number 17 in the city. There was 16 folks higher than me, but only 16.

So, I was statistically pretty smart. So, from as a broad generalization, I can say I’m about a smart as they come. That even in the midst of all it is, my business would not have been successful hadn’t not have been for a prophet that came to me in the midst of all kind of kind of turmoil, in the midst of losing money and he said, “This is what you should do.” And I took the thing and ran with it and from that point on, it was a breakthrough. But I have never ever said it was because my mind and because of my life because I know it ain’t so. And I

know I needed God. Now I work hard. But people, most of the folk work hard. Hard work is never truly been the deciding factor from separating those with breakthrough (00:24:55). They do know that the children of Israel worked hard while they were in bondage in Egypt. He was working too hard.

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What was the difference? The way God. And even when you go back and look at why the children were invited in the first place; they feast on that long ago. It had to do with the fact they sold their brother into slavery out of jealousy. That's what got them there. See whenever you go to look at somebody's bondage and you dig deep enough, there's always a reason. They weren't just in bondage just so because they were just bondage. They were in bondage because they sold their brother into slavery and just to kill him. That's probably how they were in bondage.

So, there's always a reason why there's bondage. And there's always a grace when there's breakthrough. But what you need to know is what to do after breakthroughs. Some of you are headed for breakthroughs. And when you get it, you'll have a chance, because it's natural of the flesh. You'll have a have a tendency to forge, a result of your breakthrough and you have a tendency to say, "I caused everything." "And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth. But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day. And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the Lord thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish."

First thing, breakthrough, don't ever forget who gave you breakthrough because even if you do, never forget who gave you breakthrough. The second thing is, don't go back to the thing that caused you to get in trouble in the first place. That's what gets most people act into stuff where they need another breakthrough, they go back to the same thing that got them in the mess in the first place. I ask those who were sitting at the back that wanted to make a change in position of life, to make a decision that from this point on, they will set up forth. That will be all tied to the next (00:27:22) that will be put that you sit back in the back. And the breakthrough that you've been

granted today can be reversed because you got to still remember – anytime people, it's very, very rare when we have breakthroughs that all of the old stuff is instantly gone.

Most of that stuff still hangs in the flesh. I mean if you're struggling with your diet and you like cheesecake and then you all of sudden, you get up a decision (00:27:50) "No more cheesecake." It doesn't mean you won't have one cheesecake again. It still go in the back of your flesh, you have to deal with that BS. Now after you go without cheesecake for a long time, the further you go, the easier it becomes, but it's always lurking. Most of the stuff that we have once like, still can get a grip on us if we ever step back into territory.

Some of you have come out of the sin of fornication. Some of you have come away from relationships that you shouldn't had. And once you come out of that thing, the longer you stay out of it, the stronger you become. But I can tell you as a man, the longer you got hold right into your body, that they would leave. But I got much greater control. But that thing never going to leave. That thing still is in the back of your mind. That thing still can – if you ever step back over into the territory, that they can still get a grip on you. Whenever you had breakthrough, the things that held you bonded – that's why when the children of Israel were in the wilderness and the minute, they got into a little bit of a difficulty they say, "Lord whether we be back in Egypt, at least we had (00:29:01)."

But see, sometimes folks, that's what will happen even when you have been in a bad relationship. Sometimes the further you've been out of the thing; you forget all about the mess. And you just – they were talking about, at least we had meat over in Egypt. They forgot all about the taskmaster beating them up on the deck, whipping them, making them work out and they forgot all about it that, "At least we have meat to eat. I will go back to Egypt, at least we had some meat. All we got out here is manna." They forgot about the fact that none of them got sick, even what God gave them. And they began to focus back in slavery on a minor thing, "At least we have some meat, that's what we need. I'd rather go back to Egypt even if I got to deal with in being slavery. Even if I got to deal with all those harsh taskmasters. I'd rather go back over in Egypt; I just get a piece of meat."

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Sometimes when God delivers us from breakthrough, we end up back in Egypt because we go back for a piece of meat. Now that's a deep statement. It got a lot of ton of different implications. But sometimes, we end up back in Egypt for a piece of meat. And the thing is this all wrapped up and (00:30:24) and back in slavery. You have got to learn that when God gives you breakthrough that you do not go back to the things that put you in slavery to begin with. Even as we dealt with the sixth chapter of Joshua. I want you to just turn to the seventh chapter and just read the first verse of the seventh chapter. And this right after God have given them the breakthrough, right after the walls of Jericho has fallen down. Right after the breakthrough, that's why they didn't know what to do after breakthrough and right after the breakthrough.

Joshua Chapter 7, the very first verse right at the very next chapter. Right after the breakthrough. Right after the breakthrough, this is what happened. "But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing: for Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the accursed thing: and the anger of the Lord was kindled against the children of Israel." You see, when God told them to go in and take the City of Jericho. God told them, "Look, some of this stuff, do not eat." It's for the treasury of the house of God. He's laying down the silver and the gold. He said, "All this you put in the treasury, don't go touch this. Don't go keep this. Don't go bother this." Well Achan took some of that (00:31:52). Sometimes folks, I don't know what folks were thinking and you would think – and I say, "How could the children be?" To be honest people, I seen some miraculous things, but I've never seen a miracle like the Walls of Jericho falling.

Now if I was walking around and I now saw these big thick heavy-duty stones are all crumbling, I would have (00:32:13) to know, even if I did believe in God, I am simple enough to know, whoever had enough power to do that once (00:32:20). That's just common sense. I mean If I saw someone had the power to knock those big stone walls down flat, I would know whoever that was – well I believed in, well I like. But I'd know whoever that was, that was that was not someone I needed to bullying

with. Whoever that was with that much power, I needed to either do what they said or get out of their way, one of the two.

And God told them, “Don’t you take any of this stuff. All that goes in the treasury.” But Achan took the accursed thing and when Achan took he accursed thing, it brought a curse over the whole tribe. But when they went into battle, they lost the battle. The men got killed and they ran back scared with their tails stuck between their legs. Now what in the world has happened? And finally, the begin complaining, began (00:33:09) because one among you has got some of the cursed stuff, he was supposed to hand it to Josh – had to go through all the men and the family one by one until he finally got to Achan. Achan finally came up and then he even talk about some stuff because I wonder – I said, “What was the accursed thing?”

And this is chapter seven, it’s in verse 19. “And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, give, I pray thee, glory to the Lord God of Israel, and make confession unto him; and tell me now what thou hast done; hide it not from me. And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done: When I saw among the spoils a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them; and, behold, they are hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under it.”

Achan said, “I saw it pretty soon. I saw some money and I wanted it and I took it. And then I brought it back and buried it in my tent and hid it.” And the thing was cursed and it was not that it holds, but the gold or the silver had a curse on, it was because it’s supposed to have been in the treasury of God and he took it. Some folks will come to church and they’ll give until they get blessed. And the more they get, it’s harder to (00:34:54) and God has said, “A portion of this is mine.”

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It is for the treasury of the house of God. (00:35:04) I took it because I saw it and I wanted it and I put it on my own tent, buried. And you see, it’s the cursed thing.

People, whenever you have got an accursed thing, it brings a curse. And I preached a whole series dealing with the seven

areas of curses, the area of money, of children, of marriage, of health, of (00:35:31) loss of honor and for (00:35:34) direction of spirit. Whenever you take the accursed thing and put it in your house, that's why they called it's a curse. It's a curse and it brings a curse under the whole household and they; it even brought a curse under whole tribe. There's a whole lot of different accursed things. But some, it's taken that which is supposed to be in the house of God. Some other flew with another cursed thing. And a cursed thing is whatever God has told you to stay away from.

You can see something that somewhere else – no problem – God told me for a period of three years, he told me to eat no bread which I did not. There's no curse on bread. But had I have eaten the bread in that period of time, it would have brought a curse because God told me not to do it. So, whenever God has forbidden you from and you go with it, when it's curse. That's what happen so many times in breakthrough because these people, once you get breakthroughs, you get opportunity for so much stuff. Once you get to the point of where you got all these stuff – do you know a rich man (00:36:49) rich got more time, got more opportunity, you buy more stuff. He's got more opportunities. Man, you're just barely rob two nickels together, I mean you could get in trouble. But it's hard, you just don't have as much time to focus on. So, it's easy once you got the breakthrough, you can get in trouble.

But there's an interesting point even with Achan, there is an interesting point when you read the next chapter, Joshua 8. And just begin, just with the first verse of that. See in Joshua 7, he told how they had taken the cursed thing. Look what happens in Joshua 8. "And the Lord said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the people of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and his people, and his city, and his land: And thou shalt do to Ai and her king as thou didst unto Jericho and her king: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves." God told them that Jericho, "I told you all the stuff from Jericho goes into the treasury of God.

The next chapter he told them – now the next, "Everything there is yours." Achan couldn't wait. People wanted this stuff now. He saw it right and see, that's how God will work. That's why there is the principle of giving God his first and you give God his

first, God to the next city, everything in the whole city is yours. God gives us – he’s paying us so much stuff and yet God wants us to simply be obedient and he does want us to go back to the accursed things. And people, do you know if – do you know how far along you would be if you can make the same mistake twice? I just think about that for just a second.

Do you know how far along you would be if you did not make the same mistake twice? Most of the stuff we deal with, not new stuff. Now sometimes, you’re going to flunk this way in the first time it’s ever happen. But 95% of the time, it’s stuff that we do over and over and over and over. And God gave you breakthroughs. That’s why there’s a word “through” it teach you through something. When God takes you through something, he does not for you to make a U-turn and for you to come back to it. When God brings you out of something, when he break you through something, you keep ono going, as you go back, that’s your clue as you left with, the accursed thing.

Thirdly, and the final point. When God gives you breakthrough, don’t assume that you have arrived and that will (00:40:02).

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You see, God will always take you from level to level to level. He’s not going to send you through something, just you learn that lesson and advance and stop. He will take you to the next level and then the next level and then the next level. And each level requires a breakthrough for you to go through. Sometimes, people will get to the point where, “Lord I just want to get right here in this stuff. It’s all I want go in, Lord. I want to just get this revelation and just stop.” God will never leave you standing still. He’s going to take you to level, upon level, upon level.

Breakthroughs generally always requires a certain amount of stress and strain. You’ll never get to the levels laying down on a bed of rose. Very rarely does that happen. Usually when you move, when you learn something, you’re going to do something. And real wisdom will not repeat the same error all over again. How to get through breakthrough, one way of what you have to break through is what most of us need to do. God wants to take you through. How many of you understand that God wants to take you higher? Did you realize that? How many, you noticed that?

Did you ever think this life, you'd ever get to a point where God didn't want to take me any higher? But sometimes that's where we want to get. You see, we'd want to get to the place of comfort. We want to get to a place of place. I don't want to sit under. I just want to enjoy myself right here. And see, one of keys even to doing that is to even enjoying the journey. When you learn how to enjoy that journey, you can even enjoy going through breakthrough, because you begin to see things in your next life – took us through that journey last week and he taught us – first of all, do you know people, I feel a lot better this Sunday than I felt last Sunday? I don't know whether it was the exercise or what. I do feel a whole lot better. Some – you all first of all, after you did and well some of you were sore the next couple of days (00:42:26).

But after the sun has come down, you were in better shape. So, the spirit is just like the body. You can't have a decent body in shape without sending them through something. And the more out of shape it is, the more painful it is to get in shape. God wants to take you from level, to level, to level. But each level is going to require a breakthrough. And it will require you not going back to the old place, the old (00:42:57). I want to see everyone and everyone under the sound of my voice, I want you (00:43:02) out of that situation. I want to see we're going higher. I want to see we're get more and more God's glory, more and more God's spirit, more and more what everything God has to offer you and God wants to give it to you, and just like you're going to keep that (00:43:16) spaces available for you. That it will always be your choice. That's one of the keys of breakthrough, you got breakthrough, nobody is going to throw you through.

See, some of us are awaiting to thrown through. No, no, no, that is a very real point that there is a very strong Ai component, that's an Old or New Testament. Jesus said, "Unless ye believe in me" So, that's something that he'll be looking that, but if you don't do your part, and if you're going to brag (00:43:48), "Lord I believe in Jesus. I believe in." You got to do your part. That is a definite, unquestionable part that you are responsible for and then you must do. And once you do the part that you're supposed to do, as (00:44:03). God is getting rid of the (00:44:11) right now that he wanted me to deliver this message because he didn't want you sliding back. He didn't want you in the (00:44:18) and now acknowledging him. He didn't want you in

the same situation (00:44:22) that you need right now, he wants you. And he wants it perfectly fine and you can believe my word on it., what he wants you to (00:44:32) breakthrough. (00:44:39) didn't want you to wander in wilderness. He wants you to the promised land. It is always (00:44:45) it is always there. God has always loved his people and we are his people; we are his children and he wants that. I don't know about the Hebrew; he wanted (00:44:58). And I cannot say whether or not you are child of God. I've been looking. I don't know what your real reason of doing with that.

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Sometimes it's not really to worship the Lord. So, all I can say is, I know God wants the best. I mean that's that without a shadow of a doubt. And I know him to get the best out of me and to take me to the best place, you've got to break me through some things. And be honest about it people, some of the things (00:45:28) some of the lessons that I had learned in the church – some of the tribulations I've had to go through and had been said. Some of the stuff has worried me. Some of the stuff, it makes you feel like you're walking on hot coals. Some of the stuff makes you upset, but it teaches you and I understand it is God's leading me in the direct. And the more I live, the more I learned to walk around and around and around without complaining because I'm able to see all of the flesh. And I'm able to see that God is taking me through a process, a breakthrough. The breakthrough, but every breakthrough is going to happen. Every breaking through is going to happen. I don't want to have keep going through the same breakthrough over and over and over. (00:46:13) how to get through breakthrough.

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