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Nathaniel Bronner: Welcome to Brothers of the Word, because brother you need the word. Amen. Let us jump right into the word. I want you to turn you Bibles to the first book of the New Testament, the Book of Matthew, 5th Chapter and we will be reading the 45th Verse. And that Verse reads, "That ye may be the children of your Father, which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good and sendeth the rain on the just and on the unjust."

And I focus today on the last portion of that 45th Verse of the 5th Chapter of Matthew, "and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. And sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust." And I want to speak to you today from just a few minutes on the subject of, Walking in the Rain with the One I Love." "And sendeth rain on the just and the unjust."

And we've heard that statement so many times for God, "let that rain on the just and the unjust." And we say that often to mean that both the just and the unjust will have all kinds of stuff that will fall into their life, all kinds of calamity that will happen, all kinds of tragedy. That when do you a just the unjust, God left the rain fall in everyone's life. And it's the way that we've always taken that verse, but recently when I heard someone say it and they were saying as they look at a bad situation in someone's life.

And they say, Lord it rains on both the just and the unjust. And as I heard the statement, it's quickened in my spirit what God really meant. And you see, the rain has always been symbolic of God's blessing. He lets it rain on the just and the unjust. God sends his blessings on the dope pusher. And I'm not just talking about the dope pusher just out in the street, I'm talking about the dope pusher stuff in the penthouse. That the one who flies and then the one that you never see on the news.

The one who's faith and who's name you'll never know. The one who's got the real power, even the one that is really the real source behind the sea. God lets it rain on just and on the unjust. And he will let it rain on the man that is bringing all of that sin just because as he let it rain on the missionary that is out of the field trying to help straightening people's lives out.

And sometimes, you have to wonder what kind of God is it that would send blessings down on, sometimes so miserable of folk. Turn to the person to your next and say, "Thank goodness, you're

not God.” But because, if you were God, you would only let it rain on the just, and the unjust you have all kind of harsh penalties for. And the stuff will be quicker and if you were God you wouldn't have much mercy. I'm that way and I am a merciful man, but sometimes that folk do something to me, the first instinct that arises within you is not mercy.

We have the testimony this morning of how a pickpocket went through the pray service and stole a man's wallet. Don't you know most folk, if their wallet was stolen, and they were God. Even if they just had a real tight connection with God, where they could get God to do anything that they wanted. Don't you know, that man that was walking out with that stolen wallet, if that had been a person that just, could have God to do anything and God would do it.

Don't you know, all of a sudden that, that man would be struggling out with that wallet, his leg at point. His left to break in. It's his left leg broke or his back twist out of where. His right face would twist all up and his left eyeball would pop out. Thank goodness, we are not God.

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Because our mercy would be limited and our retribution harsh. But God said, “He lets it rain on the just and on the unjust. And those that are mired in sin will still be able to take a deep breath of God's clean air. And often will still be able to take the deep breath with good working lungs with no pain in their body. With some things that are really going right all around them because God will let it rain on both the just and the unjust.

He says on first part of that Verse, “for he maketh the sun to rise on the evil and on the good.” And see rain and sun, they are the necessary components for a harvest. Have you ever seen some folk, and you know the folk were living right below? They're just getting a harvest? You couldn't understand that. Because told God, “I make the sun and I made it rise on the just and the unjust, and I set the rain on the both the just and the unjust.”

So, sometimes you see folk, not doing right, but it appears that they are prospering because God said “I will send my blessing universally. I let the sun, that gives life, that gives warmth, that gives the growth and I will send the rain on some on some of that

seeds.” Because don’t you know, it is God that makes everything prosper. Yes, he has control over everything. The devil has to get permission to do whatever he is going to do from the Lord. That’s why I’m not worried about the devil, I don’t get the devil -- now the devil is a powerful being, let no one fool you about that.

I don’t say that the devil just has no power. Because the devil whooping a whole lot of folks. He is whooping a whole lot of folk. But he can’t do a bit of whooping without God’s permission. And God says, “I make it rain on both the just and the unjust.” And God’s blessing to be honest about it. They been raining on me all my life and sometimes I feel and I felt like at one point, I just felt soaked in blessing.

And I had to actually just ask God. I said Lord, I said, “what I have done to be so blessed?” I actually stop and just ask God the question, “What have I done to be so blessed?” I saw protection around me. Folk just couldn’t hurt me and I couldn’t understand and I won’t always right. I was out in the world and I saw folk couldn’t even hurt and I’m just having a -- “What in the world?” I said, Lord, I saw my companion that this is same thing that I did and yet all messed up.

I just said, I said, “Lord, what in the world have I done to be so blessed? I say, I’m just walking in the rain with the one I love. God can put so many blessings on you people. See, it’s one thing about walking in the rain. This isolated rain, it is symbolic of the blessing. You can’t count the raindrops. You ever try to count raindrop? You can’t count them. They come down, even in a light rain you can’t count them.

God’s blessings are so numerous. And you don’t understand the blessings just to even being able to sit. Do you know how many parts of your body are working right now? I mean, you probably got a million enzymes just working right -- just one of them, get all through all off wet. You’ve got, there are 206 bones, just in my hand is working right. Then another 206 in this hand. I don’t know, how many is in the foot. That working alright. He is working right, that working right. It’s so much stuff.

This fell off, but they’ve had no problem. See, that’s why you got to understand some things about life. You’ve got to understand when some stuff fallen off -- no problem. And that why we messed up sometimes. We’ll sit down and look at some just fallen off,

really has no real significance in our true development, in our overall life pattern and worry about it, and its insignificant when we all have been walking in the rain with the one we love. So, people can walk in the rain and be in different worlds.

I love to go out and jog in the rain and my wife will temper, she said, "You get (00:10:38) run in the rain? I said, "Yeah." She said, "But it's wet out there." I said, "So? I'm going to come right back and get into shower anyway." And if you ever go out and run in the rain, it washes you clean just as you run, so even -- but two people can be in the same circumstance and one sees the rain, and all they say, I want to get my umbrella, I got to get out of that, that rain will mess up my hair, this will do -- and another see the rain and just sometimes go and see the beauty of God's blessing.

See, to the farmer the rain is life. When the ground is parched. That's why in some of the other continent, they've had so much starvation because the heavens will shut up and there was no rain. And when there is no rain, there is no crop. And when there is no crop, the people starve. And some see the rain clouds and they see the rain coming down and they say, "Lord what a dreary day." Ain't no bad day. Those are the blessings of God coming down.

If you did not have the rain, sooner or later you'll starve. And God sends the rain on the just and the unjust, because event he unjust the biggest of sinners, they eat the fruit that the rain has produced. I'm walking in the rain with the one I love. And when you get to the point, people, where you can see it, and you recognize it, and you begin to see. And see, you always have to understand another thing about God's rain. Rain, didn't come without clouds.

See, we want the crop but we don't want a rainy day. You want to go right there and have you some juicy sweet corn, some nice string beans, some collard greens or whatever it is and you want all of this, even if you want to go and have your big porkchop. The pig has to have some rain. We want the fruit without the clouds and without the rain. We want to be closer to God without going through anything. We want to have our spirit to develop, we want and go say, "Jesus draw me closer to me but we don't want the rain." We just want the fruit.

And you can't have the fruit without the rain. And God will send his rain for everybody, for us to be able to produce his fruit. There was only time in the Bible, where God sent the rain and it did not fall on the just and the unjust and that was the first rain. The people had never seen it rain before. And when God flooded the Earth, he sent the rain only on the unjust. The just, He put in the Ark, but one (00:14:03). Everyone else got left outside in the rain until it eventually flooded everything. Now God sends the rain on the just and on the unjust.

“Isaiah 55, 10 to turn, we've heard this so many times before. “For as the rain cometh down and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.” Walking in the rain.

Had God sent the rain of His word into your life? Has He spoken something into your Spirit? That He has placed the seed and He is waiting on the seed to produce fruit. Or are you just walking in God's rain with an umbrella? Do you know that God's work can roll a folk just like water off of the duck's back? Do you all ever try to advise someone and they just won't listen? And God will send his rain into all of us. Some would put up an umbrella and some will soak it in, but you have got to learn how to walk in God's rain and His blessing. To be honest about it, people, I want all of you to be just like I am. I don't have a complaint in the world.

I tell folk that all, there is no one in the world I won't trade places with. God has been good to me. When I sung that song, God is smiling, I'm not kidding, I am not kidding. He's been good to me. Every area of my life has been blessed. I was, went into convention and some of the stuff may has just been caused by stress. Because when you're in leadership, you won't allow stress.

I ain't hold a lot of stress. I go sit, they (00:16:28) a lot. I ain't going on a whole lot of stress. I say, the folk who work for me, undermost stress than I am. I said, “I do a lot but I'm not under stress.” You don't see me threatening and worrying and this and that. I say, I am not under stress at all. When I go to work, I'm just as happy to get there. When I'm getting to ready to go home,

'm just as happy to get there. See, sometimes folk, they go to work because they don't want to go home, or they stay home because they don't want to go out. I'm happy both. I have not under a bit of stress.

Don't you all know what I'm going for? When I go home, (00:17:03) waiting on me there with open arms with only on Wednesdays and Fridays. But, when I go home, there is peace in the house. And that is why God think you know, God, in His blessings, He talks about -- He says, "I will bless you in the country. And I will bless you in the city, I will bless you in the field"

God said, "Everywhere you go. I will send my rain." And I'm just walking in the rain. I mean, life is wonderful and it has always been that way. Now, it does not mean that I have not have problems and it does not mean that I don't have a problem. But I tell you this, I got a lot more things right and wrong. And see, that's what really joy is all about. Joy is not about having everything you want. Joy is about won't everything have. And see, that's why we messed up sometimes. See, we're trying to get life, for we lay up on the beach, that's 80 degrees all the time without a could in the sky, and that's the way we want life. Life is not going to be like that.

And do you know, if you stay on the beach long enough, you know, you will get tired of that, first you get sunburn. And as a principle of that, I traveled in a lot of places. The tropical places are pleasant, everywhere you go. But there are always poor. Do you ever notice that? I don't care where you go, unless it has been western development that has come in and develop the place. There are always poor, and you say, "Why is that?" Because without the out storms, you don't learn to overcome.

When you are in a situation, where a wind come. It has dropped 40 degrees below zero, you have to figure out some stuff. You've got to figure out how make a fire, you got to figure how to insulate sun, you got to figure how to kill some bears just to stay warm, to wrap up, use it some coat.

If you're in a traffic, all you have to do is pull some leaves all been wrapped up around your behind and you're all right. You pull the fruit off the trees all day long, you can lay there, the living is easy, but you never develop stress. When you have to deal with nature,

you have to figure out some stuff and it makes you stronger. And that's why, often God's blessings, His rain. it comes in clouds and we don't understand the cloud. You remember with the children of Israel, how God led them. He led them with the cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. Sometimes to get to our destination, we have to have both cloud and fire.

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How you understand, it's been a blessing. I look back now over my schooling and as I look at my schooling. And as I think about the teachers that impacted me most. You know who they were? The teachers that sent me through the most. They were the toughest teachers. The easy teachers, they teach -- Mrs. Drew and Mr. Bail. I remember just and that woman was from elementary, one from high school, tough as nails. When I got out of the class, I knew something because they get set me through the rain.

And God right now has a rain cloud over you. But so many of you, all you see is the clouds and you don't understand that in order to prosper, in order to become fertile, in order to have things to grow you have to have rain and you cannot have rain without clouds.

And even when you look back in the original when -- in Genesis 2nd Chapter, beginning at the 4th Verse, it says, "This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, when the Lord God made the earth and the heavens and no shrub of the field have yet appeared on the earth. And no plant of the field had yet sprung up, for the Lord God had not sent rain on the earth."

Sometimes, people, if there's no fruit in your life -- you have an umbrella and you won't let the rain get to the fertile ground. And God is trying to take you and He's trying to show you some things, of all the adversities of life. My business is prospering now beyond measure but I didn't learn from the successes, I learned from the failures.

Not the successes has taught me, it was the failures that thought me. And I have to go through failure, after failure to I finally got success, but it taught me tenacity. It taught me not to give up and it taught me to always see the beauty of things. And I remember some of my friends when I have gone through four failures, I was this and this. And they told me they said, "Man,

you got to see your money back. You've invested all this money in this company. You owe all this money. They said, "You got to see your money down." I said, "No, I don't."

I said, "The way I view it is this. I look at it and know that I've got to pay to wipe up all of this debt." I said, "That note equals one child support payments." I said, "This continent s my baby." That's where I look at it. So, it's not what it is, it's if you can see the blessing of the faith. And now, the baby taking care of me.

We're working on a product right now in the company. We're working on a weight loss product. The first one we develop, did it work? The second, when we develop, did it work? The third one that we develop, did it work? Do we have one working now? See, we can't work at it and it thought us over and over, it was cloud, but it teaches you some things and one of the things --

I mean, the worst thing that can ever happen to you is fruit without you going through the breaking of the soil and going through the hard thing, going through the sweating of trying to produce and plant. The worst thing that could happen to you is fruit and you haven't gone through the process. It will mess you up every time.

When God sends his rain on the just and the unjust, the clouds into the storms. And sometimes when we hear lightning and we hear thunder and we see it. Do you know after a storm, when you go outside; everything is clean? He has to do it in our lives sometime. We have some mess in there that only a serious hurricane get rid of.

And God helps us to -- and you will know it. There's some stuff you will never let go. If God just had knocked you down and made you let it go. If he hadn't just made it whether there was just no other place for you to turn. You ought to say, "Thank God, for the storm." "I'll send the rain on the just and the unjust" God says. I am thankful for God that loves me that much that I love because many of the times, I have been just, but many of the times, I've been unjust.

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And I am thankful that God didn't cut His rain off when I was doing -- do you know what has supposed God cut His air when you

weren't doing right? I mean the minute that you have a lot -- supposed he cut it now when you weren't doing right. Can you imagine that? I mean just if God gets control His air and you had to commit fornication or dog shits, you think (00:25:39), God will cut it out. Do you know what supposed God just cut it out? Can you imagine? Thank God for God sent this rain and the sun on the just and the unjust. I am walking in the rain with the one I love. I thank God for every cloud that He sends my way. For in the cloud, it followeth my deliverance and my salvation and this is a route into the Promised Land. Walking in the rain with the one I love.

Thank you for watching Brothers of the Word. Because brother, you need the word.

Amen. God is an awesome God. He is God and He will -- You have been showered with blessings too, but you don't recognize. You spend so much time (00:26:55) what we miss it, focusing on what we don't have. Focusing on what could (00:27:01) not thinking about what God has already showered us. I can't count the stuff, so much rain I can't count the drops.

And I know some of you all think, "That's easy for you to say. Pastor you got it made." I do. I've learned to accept things, folk, just tell me something good. I will say-- folk tell me something. "Peter, we've been friends for a long time" and every time I call Peter, he used to say this to me. He used to say, "You're going to make a million dollars."

Remember that -- every time I call him, that's what he would say. That's right. And I'm beginning to start agreeing with that thing. I say, "So, right. Sure, I'm working on it right now." And every time I call that's what he says, "You'll going to make a million dollars." I'd love you to deliver this thing. And you see, but you got to be -- see, before you get to ever see ten men, you got to see the first man and you need to be able to hang around folk who can talk that kind of thing into you.

My mother is a master. She's always able to pump into her children dreams that we can never see. Sometimes the rain -- do you know how much potential, it's just there more that we could ever use. The problem is not the lack of rain. The problem is not the lack of God's blessings. The problem has always been the

vessel to contain it, so we weren't ready, walking in the rain. He has been good to ma and he's been good to you.

So many of you just can't see it because you're having thunders. You got these problems. You got this stuff and you always will. I'm going to tell you that right now. I'm not speaking prophetic. I'm just telling, "You always will." Something we'll ever get perfect. One thing gets sick, another one going to break. If it gets all right, but you, somebody that is close to you will going to have an issue.

It's always going to be something and (00:29:33), but I'll tell you this, God will always send rain whether you put up an umbrella to block God's blessing and not be able to see it and recognize it, that's your business. I'm going to sing it. I'm going to praise Him and thank Him so much. And the very seldom my body respond. Do you know when you care even your body, it hears you.

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I found that on my cars. You curse it, that thing will start breaking down on you. It hears you. I've seen it. I just know it happens. I can't explain it but it's a molecular. If you understand physics, you'll understand that all the matter is nothing but energy that vibrates in different levels. Words nothing but -- it's nothing but air that has been sending vibrations. So, all other stuff in the material plain vibrates and vibration resonates to certain things.

And when you say it and when you speak it, even inanimate objects that aren't really inanimate because they vibrate, hear you. You speak to your money, you speak to your body, you speak to the circumstances around you and stuff will happen. C. Elijah has talked about it so much even in health about how folks, "I'm catching a cold."

And I tell my mother and my wife sometimes, you tell me about germ, "What I tell you tell you about germs? You okay?" I said, "Germ, ain't go (00:31:05) in me. No virus, no nothing as if not going do anything to me. I can stand in the midst of a pool of germs and it won't bother me.

And do you know when you speak that thing and believe it. Jesus say, "If you have a belief of the brain and muscles, you can tell us

mountains, be thou move and be thou casting (00:31:35) has no choice but to obey you. There's a mountain in your life. See, I learned how to speak, start speaking your problems, so you get powers of that. You ain't heard me speak a single problem and I hope you're not fool enough to think I don't have some of it.

But you don't hear me speak and my wife will tell, "I'm not just sitting up here talking just in the pulpit, I talk that way all the time. My mother will tell you, "I have always talked that way." Let say, I'm just as blessed as I can be. I know -- that's a blessing. I've always talked that way. And as a result, the universe begins to line up with the way I speak or call things in the bench.

Sometimes, you need to start calling somebody. That's why you call things that are not and so they were. Stop calling some stuff and you'll be surprised when you start calling your stuff in the end, meet your good. Start calling --. My wife told me, she said, "I called you into bed." She didn't put it exactly like that. But what she did say was this, she said, "That was a certain kind of man that I wanted and I want to go and step anything else."

She said, "That's what my mind was focused on, that's what I have spoken" and that's what -- and when my wife catch me, the vibration went on fully. I couldn't even help myself because she had already spoken the thing into. And when she touches me somewhere all through, I even understand. I know what it was.

Some of you are speaking from things in your life. I just think we have getting all back -- I hear any good and you speaking it and you say and all, "How many do you need? How many do you need?" It doesn't matter, all you need is one.

So, you need to speak it. You made it, just look, it maybe hundred thousand no good men but the one I need, God is shaping them right now. God writes this, and the minute that man see you. something just go off through that man. You got to seek things and to being things is real. That the Bible doesn't tell you about the words of your mouth. That's what C. Elijah has been preaching.

He didn't tell you about that for nothing. This stuff is real. Not only do you hear it, but the host of angels all around you hear it and they are bound by the words of your mouth but what you speak. And when you begin to speak some things, you bring life

or death by the very words of your mouth. And even to understand the rain that God has sent on us. I'm walking in the rain, people. I'm walking in blessings. I came -- and I believe that too (00:35:01).

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Even when I die, they were there. You know what? Because God has already shown me my bank account on the other side. So, when I die, not if, when I die. Don't you all scared and tears on my funeral because I have at least the last account \$55 trillion in the heavenly bank. So, I'm in real good shape. I'm in real good shape. I'm not worried about life here. Lord in Heaven. And I have a conversation with God this morning as He was speaking some things to me.

And I said, "Lord, you sure about that?" I said, "Lord, just take into wilderness." You know what God told me? He said, "If I take you into the wilderness, I'd still send the angels with you." See, some of us just worry about some places God has for us to go, it is in the wilderness. And we get all frustrated. That's why when the spirit descended upon Jesus frustrates our sin, just like the wilderness.

So, there are places that God will have to send us and it will be the wilderness --. He will send the angels with us and when you understand it, it makes you not afraid of the world because even the wilderness had some beautiful things in it. And if you can see, I've been back into the deepest of the jungle, beautiful back in the jungle. All of the beautiful --

Now, some folks if you can't the blessings of the wilderness, you lay (00:36:38). Once you got to be able to see God's blessing, oh, it's a beautiful back then. I can enjoy everything that God has created. My wife would back up every bit of it. I can enjoy the best five-star hotel and I can be sitting out under the moon and the stars with the crickets running and the frogs hopping and appreciate a bone just too much.

Because all God's creation, it all (00:37:11) rain as long as I can see it and smell and hear it and my body, I'm blessed because of this, but if we don't understand the rain, we curse the clouds. Oh, no rainy day was getting us. I'm walking in the rain with the one I love. Amen.

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