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Nathaniel Bronner: Welcome to Brothers of the Word, because brother, you need the Word.

[Applause]

And I want you to stay with us today, those of you who are watching by television or those listening via airjesus.com. I am going to speak today from the subject of The Thing That Makes You The Sickest.

Now, I have a lot of natural health knowledge, I do, C. Elijah does, James, we all have a lot of natural health knowledge because that's sort of our orientation, it's the way that our father was. He taught us to take care of the body, to do the right things by the natural laws that God has set in motion, and I want to just tell you, just dealing with the body, the thing that can make you the sickest, and if you can learn to just eliminate this from your diet, it will help to keep you well, it will help to keep you whole, it will transform some things that's going on within your flesh and you need to hear what I am about to say to you today.

I am going to first of all start with Genesis, the 1st Chapter, the 27th Verse, you don't have to turn it because you have heard this before. And this is what that verse says, "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."

Psalms 82:6 says, "I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High."

John 10:34 says, "Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your Law, 'I have said you are "gods"'"?"

If he then called them Gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the Scripture cannot be broken; Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?

Now these verses, "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them", these verses basically point to the scripture saying that we have a character and the image of God. That God created us to be just like Him. He said He created us in His image.

One of my children looks very much like me and I had him with me yesterday and as he was with me, people could look and they could say, he looks just like you.

Turn to the person next to you and ask them, do you look like God? Now, if He created you in His image, that means that people should be able to look at you and see God. If He created you in His image, you ought to look like your daddy and they ought to be able to see you and see the nature and see the character and see the image of God just by looking at you.

And look at the person sitting next to you, and just look at them, and look at them, and you ought to be able to see the image of God in that person. Look at -- just look them straight in the eye, and you ought to be able to see the image of God.

Sometimes when you look at folk through the eyes, you can't see God too good, because the eyes are bloodshot and they all (00:04:00), and they have been up (00:04:02) and doped up and all and it's hard for you to look into the eyes and see God, because they put some stuff between God and them. And as a result it's hard for you to see the image that God has made you in.

So that -- actually that's the first principle that we have the character and we have the inherent nature of God because we were created in His image.

Isaiah 43:25 says this, "I, even I, am He that blotteth out thy transgressions for Mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins."

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This is a deep verse. I even preached a whole sermon on this verse called For His Own Sake, and you can go to airjesus.com and listen to the sermon, but -- but it says, "I, even I, am He that blotteth out thy transgressions for Mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins."

It's a deep verse because we think that God has sent mechanisms to forgive, and this is Old Testament, to forgive our sins for our sake. But that's not what He said. That's not what He said. I, even I, He emphasized it twice, He said, I, even I.

You know, when you do that, it's -- it means that you might have to do this too. See, if you -- it's just like sometime I say, even the preacher, it means, I have to do this just like you have to do this.

He said, "I, even I, am He that blotteth out thy transgressions for Mine own sake."

Now, we are created in God's image. We have the nature and the inherent character of God embedded in us, and God says, He has to blot out our transgressions, for His sake, for His sake, not ours, His sake. God says I've got to do this thing for Me.

Yes, I know you are filthy, low down, no good. You've done all this mess, but I've got to forgive and blot out your transgressions for My sake. We are just like Him, created in His image, and He said, this is what He has to do.

So number one, we are created in His image.

Number two, God had to forgive for His own sake.

Unforgiveness manifests itself mainly in hostility and anger. You know, when you've got some unforgiveness towards somebody, the main root of the thing is a hostile attitude towards them and you are just mad. You are just mad. I mean - - I mean you are just -- I mean -- and -- and see, sometimes people, it could have been something that just happened a long time ago and every time you think about the thing, it (00:07:22).

Every time you think about the thing. If you had a sphygmomanometer, which is a blood pressure machine, if you had that on your wrist, every time you think about it, you would just see the needle just starting to go up, because it just makes you mad just even thinking about the thing. And that's the way it often will manifest itself.

Now, a number of studies suggest that high levels of hostility and anger are associated with coronary heart disease, basically heart attacks in a nutshell. You have different categories of it, you know, you've got, you know, all kind of, but boil it down, you just have a heart attack, and it says, and I pull this from all of the latest research, it says a lot of the studies are saying that

high levels of hostility and anger are associated with having a heart attack.

Now, first of all, it doesn't take a whole -- you really don't need a doctor to tell you that. You know, you can feel your chest just go pounding and you feel stuff going on in your body, it doesn't take a doctor and a whole lot of medical research to tell you that getting mad can give you a heart attack.

But that's -- that's what the studies are showing more and more. And it says this, in fact, a study published in the November 2002 issue of Health Psychology suggests that hostility may predict heart attack more than other risk factors such as cholesterol and smoking.

It says, during the three year study, 45 of the men had an initial episode of coronary heart disease or a heart attack, angina or abnormal electrocardiogram. New episodes of cardio heart disease were more common in men with higher levels of hostility than those with other risk factors for coronary heart disease.

It says other risk factors for CHD or heart attack including high blood pressure, total cholesterol levels, fasting insulin levels, measurements of obesity and body fat distribution and even smoking did not predict a man's risk of coronary heart disease during those three years like it did (00:09:48).

Of the physiological measures only levels of HDL, which is basically high density lipoproteins or the good cholesterol predicted a man's risk of heart disease for the three years of the study.

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Specifically, HDL had a protective effect against coronary heart disease. However, hostility levels predicted incidence of coronary heart disease independent of the effect of HDL.

Now, let me just break this down and what this -- tell you what this is saying. It said in the study being mad at someone had a greater medical, and this is not spiritual stuff, some of these folk don't even go to church, so they only care about the research. They said that being mad and angry had a greater predicted effect of you having a heart attack than what your cholesterol

was, than what your body mass index or weight distribution was, putting inertia whether you are overweight or not, it said had a greater and even smoking, it says that being angry had a greater predicted effect of you having a heart attack than all of the other traditional medical measurements.

So the only thing that had a prediction was your HDL level and it said the HDL levels were consistent with the levels of anger, which meaning you had more of the good cholesterol, the less mad you were. Your body was even responding to it.

So the thing that can make you sickest is unforgiveness, and this is not a food, but yet it's something you take in.

People, it is better -- and you know, I am advocate of God's health vows. I believe what God told us in the beginning was the right thing for us to eat, because He was the builder, He knew what was in the motor and He told us what to put in the motor, but I will tell you this people, it is better for you to get you a big plate of greasy barbeque ribs with sauce all over, salted all the pieces, fried. It's best for you to have some fried ham hocks and bacon and all that kind of stuff, take your bread and put that all deep stuff, butter all of that, and fry that, it's best.

It's best for you to just take your fat back and cut you off a big chunk of fat back, put that over in your greens and just let that simmer and salty. It's best for you to eat all of the mess in the world than for you to have unforgiveness in your heart.

And that one element and that one thing that we take in is more predictive of us getting sick that all of this good food and all of this healthy stuff are best to put together.

See, my grandmother right there is 96-years-old, she is going strong, but one thing about grandma, grandma always had a pleasant spirit and a good heart and she is like I had nothing in my heart against nobody. And grandma eats some stuff.

I mean grandma, I went to grandma's house not too long ago, grandma is 96-years-old and grandma sitting up there, I saw something in the plate that I didn't recognize. And grandmamma, the nickname that we call her for all these years, for as long as I can remember is Pea. That's her -- so you know,

that's her nickname. So grandmamma is sitting up there with this bowl of stuff. I said Pea, I said what -- what is that?

She said these are chicken feet. I said -- and you know, I said -- I was trying to figure out what chicken feet were, because you know, it's just like buffalo wings, well, buffalo wings are not really buffalo wings because a buffalo doesn't have any wings; buffalo wings are chicken wings that are barbecued a certain way. So I was trying to figure out what was the real element in chicken feet. You know, I didn't know what that was; whether that was some flour, crispy, noodles, or something like that.

So I said well -- I said what exactly are chicken feet? She said they are chicken feet. I said well -- I said well, what are chicken feet? She said the chicken feet. I said but -- I said I understand that's what you call them grandmamma, I said but what exactly are they? She said they are chicken feet.

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And as I looked up and I picked one up and looked at it real close and sure enough, I could see that's what they were. I said why is this woman eating chicken feet?

So it was beyond my comprehension and it's one of those Deep South country things, but she was sitting there -- and that's one of her favorite foods. I have never even heard of anyone eating chicken feet. But see, grandmamma, even though she eats a lot of things that would just make the health of people just go haywire, grandmamma is 96-years-old and, still kicking strong because grandmamma doesn't have the unforgiveness within her heart.

Unforgiveness people will make you sick and it will kill you. And let me just show you even how, even in the Bible, if you remember the first temple was built by Solomon and it stood for 410 years and it was destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar, The King of Babylon. It was destroyed in the Jewish Calendar Year of 3338.

70 years later, another temple was built and that temple stood for 420 years and it was destroyed in the Jewish Year 3829. The first temple was destroyed because of idol worship. The Bible uses the phrase in the Kings, "He did evil in the sight of the

Lord.” Well, when you research what that was, they had turned to idol worship.

So the first temple was destroyed because of idol worship and it was rebuilt in exactly 70 years, the exact span of a man’s life.

The second temple was destroyed and it still hadn’t been rebuilt. But why was the second temple destroyed? The second temple was destroyed because the Jewish people had gotten hate into their hearts for each other, and God couldn’t forgive them worshiping idols and rebuilt that temple faster than when they got hate in their hearts for each other.

And do you know sometimes people, when you get -- it’s just like what happened if you look at the Biblical lineage of Abraham with the two brothers and what happened with Isaac and Ishmael. They are still fighting. They are still fighting, still at war, and the temple has never been able to be rebuilt because there is so much unforgiveness and so much strife among brethren. And people, that stuff will kill you and make you sick.

The Bible says in 1 Corinthians 6:19, “What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?”

People, we tearing down these temples is unforgiveness and hateful. They are sometimes so thick, even among the church folk, and we are just mad and got this stuff in our hearts and it’s killing us, it’s tearing down the temple and tearing up our flesh.

Now, I want to just give you some keys of how to begin working on getting this unforgiveness out of your hearts and I want to just give it to you from the Old Testament and you will see how God’s nature was consistent all the way through, just from the Old Testament.

In Exodus 23:4-5, it says this, “If thou meet thine enemy’s ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again.”

You see, if you meet your enemy’s ox or ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again. I will read this next line, this is the fourth verse. And actually, even though this is Old Testament, if you hear it in modern’s immaculate, most of

the time the King James is real fuzzy on something, but this is the fourth and fifth verse.

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“If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help with him.”

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Now, that's when it is street language. But that -- that's put in - - I am just reading this straight from the Bible, I am not interpreting it. But that fifth verse says, “If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden.”

Because some of you all call some of these folks that you are having some issue with some names, that's pretty rough. Some of you just call them some real rough names. So the Bible -- I am just reading the Bible. You all say he is just reading the Bible. I am just reading the Bible. It says, “If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help with him.”

Now, I am reading this in the NIV version, it's clearer, but I am not sure it is clearer, because some of you all understood that real good.

If you would come across your enemy's ox or donkey wandering off, be sure to take it back to him. If you see the donkey of someone who hates you fallen down under its load, do not leave it there. Be sure you help him with it.

Now, this is Old Testament, Exodus. So key number one is, help your enemy that you have got some issues with, help him, help him, help him, and see, people, this goes against every grain of the natural flesh, but it's what separates a Christian from an evil. Any fool can hate someone who hates them, any fool can do wrong to someone who does it wrong to them, it takes the love of God.

[Applause]

I hate to put it in words, but it takes the love of God to help your enemy's donkey out. It takes the love of God.

Proverbs 24:17 says this:

“Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth”.

So key number two, don't gloat over another's misfortune. You know, we have an issue with someone and they go through some hard times, we are so glad, Lord, I am so glad, they are getting what's coming to them, they shouldn't have done me that, and we just smile as they go through their misery.

The Bible says, Rejoice not in your enemy's misfortune. So these are just some keys that God put in His word to -- to help you deal and get some of that unforgiveness out of your heart, and if you could learn to follow this. And when you get that heart cleaned, you would be surprised that some of these conditions that we have in our bodies will clear up, because we are harboring so much stuff, this stuff will kill you.

Proverbs 29 -- Proverbs 24:29:

“Say not, I will do so to him as he hath done to me: I will render to the man according to his work.”

Basically what it's saying is principle number three, don't return evil for evil. Say not, I will do to him as he has done to me. If someone does you wrong, don't return on to them evil for evil.

Proverbs 25: 21-22:

“If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink:

For thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee”.

This is what it's saying, if you want to get back at someone, do good to them. See, our method of getting back at someone is to return to them multiplied what they did to us. The Bible says if you really want to get -- if you really want to heap coals of fire

on someone, do good to them when they are expecting you to do bad.

So this is the principle that we will -- if we can grasp some of this stuff, it will help us to get some of this unforgiveness out of our hearts.

Ecclesiastes 7:21 gives us the fifth point.

“Also take no heed unto all words that are spoken; lest thou hear thy servant curse thee.” What this is saying is it doesn’t matter what folks are saying about you, if you can just learn to get over folk talking about you, because see, most of the stuff -- to be honest, about 80-90% of the stuff we have unforgiveness in our heart has been due to what someone said about us.

It says look, take no heed to the words people say about you, lest thy servant curse you. Basically that means if you are a manager and you have got some people working under you, they are talking all about you, this and that, God said don’t even take heed to that stuff, because it will get in your spirit and it will start poisoning your flesh and it will make you sicker than anything else you will ever ingest physically.

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Why do you think Jesus narrowed all of the commandments down to nothing but love? Jesus basically in a nutshell said, “Love the Lord thy God and love thy neighbour like you do yourself.”

He brought all that, and see, when we do wrong, we won’t (00:25:30). Lord have mercy, look over our faults. See, when we do wrong, what we want is people to understand. We want folk to understand why we did what we did. I know I am messed up, but you have got to understand. See, we want people to understand why we did what we did, but when someone else does something against us, what we want -- we don’t want to understand and we want revenge.

And Jesus said -- He even told us even more times, He said “A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you.”

He said if you can just do this one thing, so He was talking to the disciples, because they had issue, anytime you have a group of folks, they go get issue, someone will offend someone, someone is going to get mad, unforgiveness will get into their heart and that stuff is going to start getting sick.

That's why God said, I forgive thy trespass. He can't forgive your stuff unless you forgive other folk, and all that forgiveness is salvation and salvation and healing in the original tongue means the same thing. So we can't get our bodies healed because we cannot forgive.

I am out of time. For those of you watching on television, if you would like to hear this message, you can go to airjesus.com and listen to this message all over again, the One Thing That Will Make You The Sickest.

If you know someone who needs to hear this message, you can go to airjesus.com and email it to a friend absolutely free. We thank you for watching Brothers of the Word today, because brother, you need the Word.

[Applause]

Amen! Amen! And Amen! And God just wanted to bring that message today, because He knows for those who are within the sound of my voice, there is some unforgiveness in your hearts and it has nothing to do -- see we, people, we often get it confused that it's okay as long as it's justified. It says your enemy, and you don't expect your enemy to do good stuff to you. So it says your enemy, it has (00:27:44), but you don't understand; in fact, you don't know what they did, but they are your enemy.

So what -- what -- I mean what -- if they are your enemy, what do you expect them to do? Jesus said love thy enemy. So if it's an enemy, that means automatically they have done some wrong things to you. So it has nothing to do with whether or not it is justified.

Now, forgiveness has -- it does not mean that you put yourself back in the same position to have the stuff done all over to you again. That doesn't mean that. It doesn't mean if someone, you know, busts you side of the head, that you go put your head

right back and say hit me again, it doesn't mean that. But what it does mean, it means that the scars, and the wounds, and the pains, and all of the animosity and the hatred and the ill feel that we've covered for so long, we need to get this stuff out of our heart and out of our soul and to get cleaned up.

And most of the time people, we have to start with most of this stuff in our own families. You would be surprised how -- I mean that's why even that Brothers of the Word is more significant and most people understand it. Brothers just have real issues, they can't get along and fussing and fighting and enemies and this and that, all kind of stuff.

So even if someone has done you wrong, let me just tell you even one of the -- one way that will help you in addition to all that the God has spoken, but whenever something happens, ask yourself this, what difference will this make five years from now. Whenever something, ask yourself the question, what difference will this make five years from now?

And when you start looking at it in that perspective, you would be surprised how much calmer your life will become. What difference will this make five years from now? Very little of it is going to make any difference. Some of it will make no difference.

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And see, if it doesn't internalize in your spirit, the majority of it won't even make any difference tomorrow, much less five years from now, but it can make a difference if you're still carrying it.

Someone made a remark that you were offended at, because we are so easily offended these days, and someone makes a remark that we are -- and sometimes folk don't even know they have offended you. What you perceived and what they said often weren't even the same thing, but you perceived it a certain way and you get offended and you carry this thing forever. And God wants you to get it out and forgive other's trespasses, so your own debts can be forgiven.

See, I don't need to hold stuff in my heart against other people, because I've got my -- I've got enough stuff of my own to bear, and I don't want -- when I go to the Lord, God even said, He

said, even if you have odd against your brother, He said even your offering is not (00:31:04). And I don't want to tell folk not to, you know, bring an offering, the church would go bankrupt.

But He said -- and actually what -- what He did say was bring your offering and leave it at the table, then go get it straight, then come back. So he didn't tell you don't bring the offering, he just said leave it at the table, so it doesn't really go in the treasury. I don't care how much money we have piled up.

So we need to get this stuff out of our hearts that we have with people and our brothers and our sisters and those who are even close to us. And some of you are all working with people and you won't even speak to them. You are walking -- he said something about me last year and I heard about it through the grapevine, uh-huh.

And that stuff burns in the soul and do you know, it's like a big pile of steaming mess, and we take this mess and put it in our pocket, and what do you think happens to you if you walk around with a big steaming pile of mess in your pocket? It messes you up, and we put this stuff in our spirits, we put this stuff in our homes, and it festers, and it makes our very bias carry down the temple, and God wants us to rebuild some of this stuff.

So there are some of you who are hearing my voice right now, and you need to give some forgiveness. You have to forgive some other folks. We want God to straighten out our stuff, but we don't want to -- we don't want to forgive other folk. Go through some (00:32:59).

Let's do something, somebody said something bad, just go to him one day, you are looking so good today, I just want to -- oh, you are looking so good. You are doing such good stuff. Let me just buy you lunch today.

And they would be like, Lord, I shouldn't have said that about them, they are so nice. Hot coals are falling on their head, but we respond not by Christ, we respond like the world, and as a result we've got all this stuff going on within the temple.

So I am not telling you all to go out and get you the barbeque or chicken feet, but I am telling you would be better off with the

barbeque and a clean heart and even just a pure vegan diet and got a lot of stuff against folk.

God is sending this message upon this day for us to clean up some things, and don't come to me and tell me, you need to go to the person, and go and clear it, and get this stuff out of your heart and get it cleaned, and you will be surprised how much better you just physically feel, you physically feel different. It will break some yolks and it will break some change.

Bow your heads. Dear Heavenly Father, we indeed thank You for your Word upon this day and we pray Dear Father, that as we forgive debts, as we forgive trespasses, that You shall forgive our debts and You shall forgive our trespasses.

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And as our heart becomes clean and clear so many of the things and unforgiveness to bring into our world that we will be able to see differently, breathe differently, speak differently, and even walk through life differently that real whole art against no man, no woman, we shall not be offended but we have to accept all things with grace and we will let not the words of another offend or harm our spirits.

We thank You Lord for Your word. We thank you for your son who showed us the way that even in the midst of all they did unto Him still said, Father, forgive them for the know not of what they do. And Father, when we hold this stuff in us we know not what we do. And they should understand why you said it that I must forgive my trespassers for my own sake.

Thy son Jesus' name we pray. Amen! Amen! Amen!

[Music]

And if there is anyone today and you want to come and dedicate or rededicate your life, for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I am right here now to come -- come forward but those of you who want to clear the transgressions that you've had and art against another to be honest about this, you need to go (00:37:00) and leave that (00:37:05) and do what is wisdom.

Now, if they don't know about it, they don't tell them. Do it with wisdom. If someone has no idea don't go and tell them, don't go and say, you know, I have been mad at you for long, long and if they have no idea about it you clear that stuff within your heart because if you go and tell this I wonder what – what in a world – so don't start something, it's not starting, and that's why you have to use wisdom with all things, so you (00:37:37) but if it's something that you know has been going on between you and another and both of you know it. You clear (00:37:44) and if they hold it that's their problem. So if they hold it Jesus said nothing about that enemy, that's the enemy's problem. Your charge and your responsibility is to clear(00:37:57) and we can get that stuff cleared and people are being able to look at us and they have to say, God, they will be able to see the image of God and it's a selfish thing, you know, it is for your own sack, for your own sack.

Is there anyone here today who want to dedicate or rededicate your life to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ?

Our second appeal if you like to make this church home and this church a family, your church, home and family, we invite you now to come.

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Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! I am going to ask either C. Elijah, James to come and join with us.

I want to ask even Abella Bernard if you just come up here with us also. He is not in the ministry as of yet but yet all of us are brothers and it's an important event for you to understand and even to seek that the problems are a gift. You understand, and let me tell you people, that's no small thing, that's no small thing that the brothers have done.

[Applause]

Because the first murder in the Bible was among brothers, so if we can -- that's why and Jesus (00:39:44) your brothering, your brothering, your brothering. The Old Testament said Psalms 133 says how good it is for the brothering to duel to gather in harmony and unity, if not and see, it's one thing for you to be in brothers and Christ but the blood brothers can't go well together

in unity these days, it is a difficult thing and that's same spirit and that's what even the spirit dealing with bedroom talk is dealing with today.

See, when you can't get along with your brother, it's harder for you to get along with your life because it's the same relationship skills, and the same spirit. And I just wanted all of the brothers just to -- to stand here before you as these two come to join the family, and it's always important even the anointing of whatever you join in cheap it will flow in upon you.

So just as this -- and we are not perfect because no flesh, but there is a difference in all flesh (00:40:53) we may not be, probably it's a big gap in some of those flesh, so it is a big difference, and hopefully the anointing of what is in this family will flow to the church of (00:41:12) and we just want to welcome you, and just pray with you that you have come upon this date, join this family officially and to be with us and just give me your hands and I just want to pray, dear Heavenly Father, we thank You for sending these two dear Father. And dear Lord we pray that we can be good students and that you'll teach and impart unto them, that's what they will need to know.

To handle everything in life they will have to deal with dear Father. So they will be able to deal with the joy or spirit and they will know the truth that they will be able to see the difference between the truth and the lie, they will know Your word and have Your spirit imparted within them, and from this day forth they will be able to handle both men and demon well in thy word, thy spirit. In thy Jesus' name we pray. Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen!

[Applause]

But if you all would just have a seat right now we probably have some material afterwards. Amen! Amen! Amen! And Bernard just got through telling me that he is -- he is involved in the movie business and he just -- they just did a screening of, I think some of the fans are here for the movie 'The Gospel' and they just did a screening of 'The Gospel' at New Birth yesterday.

So, he is not an official minister yet, I see what you do can affect the world in so many different ways. He told my mother, he said, mom, I will bring more -- more people to Christ and all

your son has put together and as -- I see, people, that's why a lot of stuff is caught. He just (00:43:22) brothers and you know he just so -- as like you have been in the middle of the world and you ran all this stuff, that's what -- whatever you get around, you start smelling like good man.

Whatever you get around you start smelling like whatever you are around, you are around people who are smoking, you'll have to be around them along, you come out, your clothes full of smoke, you are half full of smoke, everyday you got full of smoke, all the way down your underwear, everything full of smoke, you stay in that longer (00:43:51) smoke, everything gets full. So whatever you are around that's why God even talk about the fragrance that came up.

Whatever you are around you began to smell like, so if you are around people and that's why you have to be the people with the good fragrance because as they are around you they will start to smell different just because they are around you. I just want to take the people to Christ to wash you way (00:44:24) to get some of this stuff out of this and they will never be able to see the word unless they can see that word in action, because of that if you speak it and they can't see it, it becomes hypocritical and all they will say (00:44:51) all this stuff and look what they do. I don't want any part of that. You are the life of the world.

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They can only see Christ through you. You were the image of God and if they can't see God in you most people will never see God because he is not going to stand before them in a burning bush. They are going to see God through you. And all the chase, even Martin Luther King says, he said, I can just -- I don't care about all these awards, I said, if I can just say I have somebody, if you just change one person by your influence, and you never know but I can guarantee you this, people, people are watching you, (00:45:39) that people watching you, people watching you and you may not think so but people are watching you. People are watching you and they will get, they are -- sometimes, they are whole -- just watching you to see what you do, and I am telling you this one thing, they don't give much about who or what you say, they are watching you.

The reason they follow Jesus, why, because what do you say, they saw something. They saw the miracles if they follow the Man. And as a result what they were watching, so you have a walking, living, believing Word of God. You are walking sermon, tell Him again, you are walking sermon (00:46:25) what are you preaching. Amen! (00:46:34) location. Oh, my mother wants to have a word. Amen! Amen! You've got to sit right now for a minute.

Female Speaker: It is so good to be back home.

Nathaniel Bronner: And we want to -- we want to say there is -- we love our mother too. You would be surprised how many folks have issues with their mother, and I mean, I get -- I get so many prayer requests and this is what grandmothers will say. Pray for me that my daughter will let me see my grandchildren, and then you may think, but I get a lot of them like that. Pray for me that my daughter will let me see, because the way the children will hurt the parent, they won't let them see the grandchildren. And this thing is not rare, like I get a lot of prayer requests like that.

So this stuff that we have on the inside is not just -- I mean, people, it is bad when you get some stuff with your momma what is real.

Female Speaker: I will praise this to God what Pastor Bronner preached on today is so powerful, but this is so cool of what God is looking for in the church.

I have just finished going through one of the greatest ordeals of my life dealing with the heart. God tossed about the heart because it's underneath (00:48:15) trees, underneath the tree of the roots. We can't see the roots but we can see the tree.

So the heart is like the roots underneath the tree that only God can see, people can't see. God stopped me from writing the book, I had worked the blurry (00:48:40) for three solid weeks before going to be a (00:48:48) for my mother to try to finish the book and as far as I was concerned the book was finished.

Pastor Bronner came and he went through the book and he just glanced and he said, this is not what God wants. (00:49:06) he said, look at your title again. And it is reflections of a spiritual

journey. God want to go down into the roots of my heart and it's (00:49:18). He didn't let me close that I had to go through another experience and I didn't know that. I have cried so much. If all the people know how much I have cried, and I have to cry out to God so much. You get in a place where you can't help yourself. Only somebody who can help you is God and this is why people get on the (00:49:51), that's why they ask you what, and I know why they ask why. If you haven't been there – if you haven't been to that place, you don't know why people ask why.

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But I have been there and I had to ask him why? Why did I have to go through this? Why? It was so painful and even like what Pastor Bronner said, he told you, now if the person doesn't know that you have these issues concerning that he said don't tell them.

But God made me go into (00:50:29) to their face. Hallelujah! But I also understand as a part of my mission. Listen to me carefully. Someone had borrowed some money from me and said at a certain time, I am going to pay you back and it was the person with high armor and respect in fact a man of God, and I believed him and at the appointed time to pay the money back, he never said a word.

He only smiled in my face, he never said a word, but came with his hands almost invisibly out for more and (00:51:20) but I didn't know it was getting into my heart, and finally, I had a confrontation. We were hugging, just embracing and a demonic spirit entered via embrace and I felt it was like snitched, I said what is this, but I knew it was not God, okay, I knew it was demotic, it was a snitch.

And at that moment I didn't realize it was to the extent that it was but God did know it, so I went home back (00:52:13) troubled because of this unknown snitch, it was so forceful that he knew it and I knew it, but that was no words. All that week, it bothered me. I called the person and I said through the embrace, I discern that you need rest, your body is exhausted and you need rest and I prepare for him to take a week's trip out in Panama City and I will pay for every bit of it.

Part and past of what he said, he gave me some -- he gave me some clues on what to do. I was doing on, well, this didn't even know what I was doing. But the love of God, God knew my heart but God was dealing with the issue with me and with Him. This is why the matters of the heart are so important.

So the (00:53:31) Sunday I had to go back and I was not going to church and it was something about I told my mother, I said we got to go, I said get ready, we got to go. I went onto church and the preacher preached on the heart. I knew underneath what he was doing because God will not keep me ignorant. I knew what he was doing, he was preaching on the heart.

But what God had done was this, in the Sunday school class, He had a young man to get up and to testify, no one knew a thing and this man said that I had loaned a man some money, and he didn't pay me back and he is pulling out the check, he said I have had this check in my wallet for over a solid year and to keep something from getting in my heart, I am going to tear this check up.

He did not tear it up at that moment but he said, I am going to tear it up and he went on up and he -- he said, every time this person will look at me, he said, he would look funny and I will have to look at him funny. So there was some funniness going on.

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He said, oh, but he is not knowing the thing, I am showing you how God had all of this up as a setup. So he said he went on and he finished telling that he went on up in the class then and sat down, and he jumped back up, he said, wait, just a minute, I want to hold this check backup and he tore it into pieces and he said, now when I meet him, I am going to give him the torn check and say I forgive, your debt is forgiven.

[Applause]

After the preacher had finished preaching, I went to the front and I said I want to give a testimony and I gave the testimony of what the young man had just done in the Sunday school class, and I said the same thing had happened to me. I said, but I

forgive the debt as I stand here, I forgive the debt, all the man this man do -- what to say.

Nathanial Bronner: But you don't know that was the preacher.

Female Speaker: I said I forgive the debt, I forgive the debt. I didn't know that either got into my heart and He then turned demonic. When you open the door up to think like unforgiveness and anything that God has told us to keep out of their heart, it will turn demonic on you, and you don't want that. I had to have prayer, I had to have much prayer, that is why God is sending the messages.

If someone does even tell you, forget it, forgive, move on, do them good, and I had -- and every time I will do that I would always slip him something to help him out and I stopped slipping stuff. You see, it was getting into my heart and I didn't recognize it, I didn't recognize, that's what I am trying, that's why I was going to use this mean to open up my life to let other people see how easily it is for these things to grip you and you don't even recognize it.

But God said you have to keep on loving anyhow, you got to keep on giving anyhow because sometimes people's life are just (00:57:44) or whatever slipping in this bracket. And we are all one, we are all sisters and brothers, and that's why this love things is so important and we get caught up on things that don't even matter but God is going to look at this heart, that's why He said, (00:58:00) heart, that heart is something that we got to deal with and that's why He said, it's like a tree, a planet out of rivers and water, and that tree gather roots and it is the roots that determines the fruit and all of the stuff is going to stem from that, and this is what God is looking for and this is what God is going to judge, he is going to judge the heart but people can't see it.

Anybody can get up and make a good show, anybody can do that but only God knows the heart and that is the heart that you got to give an account to the God and that's why there's going to be so many distraction because you are -- it's the roots of another trees that only God can think, only He knows the heart, only He knows it and He is going to open that wider and this is what He is getting ready to do now, He is opening up the heart. He is opening up the heart.

I had no ideas that today He was going to bring the message of unforgiveness that has not to be a chapter in the book, their unforgiven heart, you understand what I am saying, you know what God is looking for, that's the heart, it's the thing we can't see, we can't see it, you all would never know this if I hadn't told you. You can't see it but God can, and this is what He is concerned about today.

So let's -- and I have cried at Him, when I got to Him, I was sick, my body was sick from unforgiveness. Evangelist called me and I was coming to a prep meeting last Wednesday, you know what, I was getting ready to come and God did an operation. He did a cardiovascular operation on me.

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Will you enter the World of God and join the Word of God, God will take care of you whatever you have to go through. I asked the (01:00:09) but God knew it was for greater mission. He knows -- He knew that I have to open it up and tell people but God looked in my heart and I had to stay in bed all day, because it was done in the spirit realm. You want to understand on what I am saying that these things can get into the heart, upset the body, make it sink, give you a heart attack, do all of these things.

God can make you sick, this has been unforgiveness, that's why he says forgive. You got to learn how to forgive, but only God can help you. Only He can help you to forgive. If you have fault in your heart against Him and, He says, leave your gift at the altar, go and reconcile and then come back to the altar with your gift. This is what He is concerned about and only you know it and He. That's the sum total of His message today, and God knew I was a living example, sitting right there next in the queue. Had just gone through it, just gone through it. Just gone through it and it's a little deeper than that some parts not even tell but it was even deeper than that. I could have had enough of (01:01:57) bitterness.

But God in His infinite vista and His forever given love (01:02:06). You heard that song by (01:02:08) and He had enabled me to go through what I had to go through. So catch it at its onset. Don't let it fester and get rid of it. God bless you!

[Applause]

Nathaniel Bronner: Amen! Amen! Well, that's really bringing the word alive on both ends of that and that's why you have to be careful with as representative because when I talked with my mother about that situation, she said, Pastor, so whenever you are representative of Christ, people expect more from you and they look at you, and there you won't be able to be partial. And that's a good example, like, if you owe someone some money, you can't say, look, at least just and my mother said, if he had just come to me and just said, look I just can't pay it, I just don't have it.

So even when you (01:03:36) and see that's -- that's part of your word, that's part of your word, that's why Bates look at 01:03:44 for it will lend you money, because it's a part of word, so when you owe a man, people will agree to pay and if you can't pay him at least go ahead and tell, say, look, man, I just, I had forgotten about you, and you know, when you lend someone some money and they at least will come to you every now and then, so look, I haven't forgotten about you, it then (01:04:06). After a while you go even wondering, did I lend anything or none. They (01:04:14) only wanted when you leave because they should have forgotten it. So this is just a part of teaching you from both ends. You should be able to forgive those who have wronged you but it also teaches you don't be the wrong or evil, because you were especially if you claim to be Christian. Don't be the wrong one. Live after your word, do what you say you want to do.

I had a situation yesterday. I was supposed to go somewhere and speak in, I had asked C. Elijah to just 901:04:45) too much to do. The day is just burned down and I went to, early that morning I was thinking about that thing, and the problem was it wasn't see a logic, couldn't do an awesome job perhaps even better.

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But the problem was I give them the word that I was going to do it. That was the problem. So I had to be there, I put -- I just had to go and be there and do what I said I was going to do because I represent the clause, and when you represent, you need to do the best that you can to be a good. You can't be perfect, but there are some things that you can do to where you

were at least timed to represent the love of Christ. Amen! Well, come across the aisle and say Amen!

[Music]

Just to let you know the last time I went to visit my grandmother, she was -- and had children all over the house. She was doing. Let us pray.

Lord, we thank you for this message today. Lord, we thank you for giving us the teaching or Lord getting unforgiveness out of (01:06:43) so that we can live even have help in our bodies and live long life, O'Lord, free of heart attacks, O'Lord. It's no accident. O'Lord, did you even call it the heart, and for unforgiveness given the reason, even actually the physical heart fails, O'Lord, because we failed to do what you told us to do by forgiving our enemies, O'Lord, so that all contains, it fails O'Lord. We thank you O'Lord for the enlightenment of this day, O'Lord so that our hearts will not fail.

We thank you, O'Lord, for forgiving us O'Lord. Providing the example even with Your son, O'Lord, forgiven those that it (01:07:25) living in his hand. In Father's names it's preached. (01:07:29) and yet he can look at him, steal good evening from it and hurt him, and say, Father, forgive them. Yes, what matters (01:07:43) examples but Lord, for we have such little things to forgive for all that You have given us that even others haven't paid back in a way, you gave it anyway, it's your enemy. We thank you for this word today, O'Lord.

In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen!