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Verse 9 --"But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man."

The first three words of that verse impressed themselves upon my heart....

"But we SEE JESUS".

Today, in all the world, there is a conflict and a controversy concerning Jesus Christ. I presume that the Name of the Son of God is mentioned more today in the world than the name of any man or creature, including Hittler, Mussolini, and Stalin. The world is more interested in Christ than the men who monopolize the newspapers everyday.

I am sure that every true christian in the world today has one longing desire in his soul and that longing desire is to know Jesus Christ better than ever before. Every child of God has that burning in his soul to see Jesus Christ and to know Him, and I believe that that is the prompting of the Holy Spirit of God for the last days of time. May God grant it to every one of us in this service tonight to receive from the Holy Ghost that burning desire in your soul to SEE JESUS.

I might explore my bible and go back thru Genesis, and Exodus, and on thru the Prophets, then over into the New Testament and on down thru the entire book to that of the last book of the bible, the book of Revelation and in every one of these books I would find men -- and sometimes women, (because when men have not been available, even in Israel, God has used the women to judge the people and carry the standards of God's righteousness before them), --all thru God's bible you will find that God's people every where have had one burning desire to know God.

In these days when we speak of God our minds, naturally and spiritually, turn to the LORD JESUS CHRIST. Our bible has focused in JESUS CHRIST all the wonderful attributes of the fullness of Deity -- all the marvelous wisdom

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and knowledge of which God is capable, and all the grace and power of the Godhead Bodily in the Heavens above and the earth beneath have all been focused on the Lord Jesus Christ.

When you and I can see JESUS CHRIST we are looking at Him who has become the very embodiment of everything that is holy and just and right and every thing that is pure. It is all in Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son.

In this world of ours there are two outstanding characters -- two powers that work side by side -- sometimes they are intermingled. One of these characters is Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and the other is Satan, the god of this world; the prince of ^{power} the air; that demon Being, that Satanic Prince that is dominating the destinies and policies of the whole world at this very moment of time. And always and everywhere you will find these two Powers are locked together in a mighty conflict.

Our bible leads us on step by step and brings us down to that very moment of time when the very Heavens shall be torn asunder in the conflict between righteousness and sin, between Christ and Satan, and between the powers of the Heavens and the powers of Hell.

But -- WE SEE JESUS.

There are many things to consider; many things that interest us in these days, but when we stand up to preach we are not concerned today about preaching because of the marvelous things that are said in a general sense, but God has called his Ministers today to preach one wonderful thing. If only the Church and the people and children of God everywhere could catch this one thought...that God wants us to preach JESUS CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED, and to lift up that ATONEMENT before all the world, because that is the basis of God's dealings with man from the very beginnings of time and there is no other foundation that can be laid and there is no other place from which God will judge the world in these last days of time than the Standard which has been lifted up by the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Some folk try to tell me that that Standard is too high and too holy and that human beings are utterly incapable of living up to that Standard as given in the Son of God, but God gave us JESUS for that very thing.

In Isaiah you will find God saying thru His prophet: "I HAVE LIFTED HIM UP AS A STANDARD TO THE PEOPLE", and it is for you and for me, friends, to revise our theologies in these last days and to begin to believe that God meant what He said and He is ready, when men are ready, to apply that Standard to them and to impart the virtues and grace necessary in us to attain to the Standard of the Son of God.

The world and the Church are altogether too deeply wrapped up in other's theologies and philosophies. It is not the abundance of your knowledge that is going to give you favor in God's sight. I warn my Brethren everywhere that "knowledge puffeth up" and a soul like that is impossible for God to deal with. God never tries to deal with that. He leaves that to the devil. When men get like that God sends a messenger of Satan to buffet them and bring them to a place where they are willing to recognize their status before God and to know that in every christian it is the measure of Christ in them that appeals to the MOST HIGH. It tells us this in our bible.

There is a strong desire in us to find a way to bring down on the earth the mighty Spirit of God in a Revival that will set this world on fire. It is in my heart, and I know it is in your heart by the way you say: "AMEN". All over the world, (not only in Issaquah, or Seattle, or Tacoma), but all over this world there is a burning desire in the Spirit and heart of God's children for a Revival, and it is gathering force every day and bye and bye that thing is going to overwhelm Heaven itself and we are going to see in the earth the glory of God poured out and souls born again and filled with the Holy Ghost, but it is not going to come because of what we know... not because we are fine bible teachers or because we can write books. I can write books and I want to write books but there is one thing I want to do

more than to write books. I have lots to write about now but I want to SEE JESUS. In some way I want God to brush the cobwebs out of my Spirit and open up my Spirit so I can see Jesus. Do you know what will happen to you when we see Jesus? John testified: "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day." That is a wonderful place to begin, friends. Not: "I was in my lesson books," but "I was in the Spirit."

I want to get in the Spirit. If you will get in the Spirit of God; if you will lose yourself in Jesus; if you will give yourself to the contemplations of Him who carried the burden of the world; if you will go with Him into Gethsemane and get so close to Jesus Christ that you will tell Him that you want to carry some of the burden He carried and get into the prayer that He Himself prayed --- Jesus is looking for a fellowship like that in the Church today. I know, because I had an interview with Him. He told me that His heart was like mine; His desire was like mine and He was looking for the fellowship of His sufferings in the Church.

I want you to see Jesus. May God breath the vision of Christ on this earth of ours. Many times you have read the story of the Comrade in White as he made his way among the wounded and among the graves of the soldiers of the world war, and when he stopped to touch the dying ones and to breath on them the comfort of the Holy Spirit -- I tell you when men saw that white-robed figure and saw the scars in His hands and His feet, the bullets ceased to fly and hatreds gave place to love and calm, quiet fellowship. What this world needs today is a vision of Jesus.

(Message in tongues by Pastor Offiler)

Interpretation :

"Thus saith the Lord -- there shall be no bounds to my love and no limits to my grace. Nothing shall be hidden from thee. I shall make bare all my heart to my beloved."

If we can SEE JESUS. There are some things that have to happen before we can receive the vision of the Lord Jesus Christ. Recently I tried to tell the people that just as the standard was set up in the beginning of this

