

# SIGNS, WONDERS, AND MIRACLES

Grandma Crouch was a preacher. And what a preacher! Grandpa farmed near Woodward, Iowa but Grandma would crank up the Model T Ford, pack a huge tent on the back and go preach the gospel, heal the sick and cast out demons. Every letter we ever received from her was stuffed with gospel tracts and how she would pray. One Thanksgiving dinner we kids timed her - she prayed 20 minutes with that turkey aroma making our mouths water! She always prayed for Egypt the land she had been a missionary to in the early 1900's. Her peircing crystal blue eyes would sparkle with love as she would exclaim, - "Did you know, one soul is worth more than the whole world?" Agnes Crouch, preacher extraordinaire, had grown up in the Mennonite church. I never remember her in any other dress than her long black one, with the stiff white collar and cuffs. If anyone had a problem in our family we went to see Grandma. - She always had the answer somehow and would help you pray through on it. Her life was dramatically changed when she was "baptized with the Holy Ghost" by her own testimony. From that day till she went home at 86 her life had indeed been a "living epistle, known and read of all..."

Why am I telling you this little story? Because my life was changed just by knowing her for a few short years. And I see two very real spiritual dangers in the twilight of this 20th century that Grandma's life gave me the answer to. I'll come back to that answer in a moment.

The one danger is a growing curiosity and desire by the world for the supernatural. From Shirley MacLaine's "Out on a Limb" to an ominous rise in the occult and New Age movements. You see, if people are not introduced to the true supernatural power of God by the Church, satan will see to it that they get the supernatural alright! Satan's counterfeit signs, wonders and miracles abound everywhere for the spiritually naive. Jesus warned us that in the last days,

#### "FOR FALSE CHRISTS AND FALSE PROPHETS SHALL RISE, AND SHALL SHEW SIGNS AND WONDERS, TO SEDUCE, IF IT WERE POSSIBLE, EVEN THE ELECT." Mark 13:22

This brings us to the other danger that I see. On the one hand the false religion of satan but on the other hand a church that bears the name of Jesus Christ but denies the power thereof.

"HAVING A FORM OF GODLINESS, BUT DENYING THE POWER THEREOF: FROM SUCH TURN AWAY." II Tim. 3:5

And what is the POWER? Jesus said,

### "YE SHALL RECEIVE POWER AFTER THAT THE HOLY GHOST IS COME UPON YOU." Acts 18

The POWER is the Holy Spirit. Now, this may sting but on the authority of God's word I say: Any church, ministry or denomination that denies the operations, manifestations or gifts of the precious Holy Spirit needs to repent, do their first works and return to the POWER of the true and living God!

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Now, back to Grandma Crouch to illustrate what I mean... One day near the end of her life Grandma came to visit. I was in my first year of Bible school and by chance Grandma and I were left at home alone one Saturday afternoon. She said, "Son, God shows me that he is calling you into a very special kind of ministry for Him, and I want to tell you some of the wonderful things God has done for me. I shall never forget that Saturday afternoon nearly 35 years ago for as I said earlier it changed my life. For several hours she held me spellbound as she recited story after story of miraculous event after miraculous event. Signs, wonders, and miracles indeed were the Life of this precious saint of God.

The one story that stands out perhaps above the others was the one of Grandpa and her three sons, Andrew, James, and John. Andrew would later be my father. The first Model T Fords were out and Grandpa had to have one. He and the boys went to town to buy their first car. A couple of times around the block was the only driving lesson needed and they were on their way home! Meanwhile back at the farm Grandma told this story: "I was carrying an armful of wood in for the cookstove when God spoke to me OUT LOUD." (She paused to emphasize that this was one of only two times in her life that God had spoken to her out loud.) "God said," she continued, "Frank (Grandpa) and your sons have had an accident. You must hook up the team and wagon and go get them. You will find them under the bridge in the river bottom." Her wrinkled faced turned dark as the memory of it flooded her Soul. I threw the load of wood into the air and ran to obey the Lord. Sure enough there they were. Just as she said. Dad had lost control crossing the bridge and had crashed 30 feet below onto the dry river bed. All four were unconscious with concussions, many broken bones, and undoubtedly many internal injuries. I somehow dragged all four into the wagon and headed for home as fast as I could. A neighbor passed her and spread the word. The sheriff and doctor were called, but Grandma would not let the doctor into the house. She had seen the blind healed, the lame walk, and yes, even the dead raised to life again. A few old timers around Woodward and Perry, Iowa remember that day when the preacher woman, Agnes Crouch, anointed her husband and three sons with oil and in the name of Jesus commanded them to rise up and walk! Grandma continued with tears flowing from those crystal blue eyes, "God healed them honey, they got up that very evening and did their chores broken bones and all!-their bodies healed by the power of God!"

Beloved Partners, the world is searching, crying, groaning for the real, supernatural power of God. How dare anyone say that miracles ceased with the first century church. Could those who have preached such folly have driven a seeking lost humanity into the arms of the sorcerers, fortune tellers, or even to satan himself? You see, human beings will seek the supernatural - the question is what will they find?

Oh, don't you see why we must keep building TV stations? Don't you see why we have to keep preaching the true gospel? Letters reach us daily with glorious testimonies of God's miraculous power. Why miracles you ask?

#### "THEN PHILIP WENT DOWN TO THE CITY OF SAMARIA, AND PREACHED CHRIST UNTO THEM. AND THE PEOPLE WITH ONE ACCORD GAVE HEED UNTO THOSE THINGS WHICH PHILIP SPAKE, HEARING AND SEEING THE MIRACLES WHICH HE DID."

Acts 8.5, 6

Beloved Partners, it is the POWER of God that convinces the lost of Jesus' power to save. Look at the rest of what Philip did:

## "FOR UNCLEAN SPIRITS, CRYING WITH LOUD VOICE, CAME OUT OF MANY...AND MANY TAKEN WITH PALSIES, AND THAT WERE LAME, WERE HEALED. AND THERE WAS GREAT JOY IN THAT CITY." Acts 8:7, 8

Thank God we are seeing many wonderful things of God daily, but Partners, in my spirit I know that this is just the beginning. God's power is now falling on ALL FLESH just as Joel prophesied. According to God's prophetic word this final massive outpouring will intensify and finally crescendo with the rapture of the Church of Jesus Christ! Yes, even in the midst of all the shaking within the body of Christ, the world will yet see THE GLORY OF GOD!

Beloved Partners, Christian Television is still the fastest and best way to reach them. Will you help Jan and me? Some have turned away from supporting Christian Television. What do you say? Shall we stop building the only 100% Christian TV Network that preaches the full gospel and power of Jesus Christ? You will decide. Jan and I will wait for your decision. Millions also wait for your decision. Their eternal destiny is in our hands. God bless you. Jan and I know that you will help us. We will be praying for you and looking for your letter.



June 1987



The most beautiful music this side of Heaven rolled from the keyboard of the BOSENDORFER as fabulously talented DINO played beautiful classical music for us on PRAISE.

Jesus always sends the BEST to PRAISE. We love Him so much. Randy Shankle, Paul & Jan were so blessed as we know you were at HOME.

We are in one GREAT BIG prayer meeting together, praising God and glorifying HIS name on PRAISE. Don't miss PRAISE--we'd sure miss you! You are precious.

We need your support.

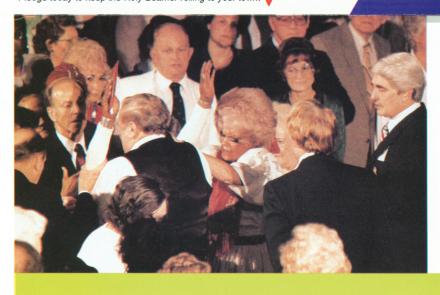


Paul is always so anointed for his GOD GIVEN JOB of leading the Praise-a-Thon! God has given him this special ability to stir us all to "GO INTO ALL THE WORLD" and bring "GOD'S GOOD NEWS." People, Pray for Paul. Cover him with the BLOOD of JESUS every day! Ask for ministering angels to be around him and ask the precious Holy Spirit to guide him daily. Hundreds of decisions are made every week for YOU and your TV Network. He needs your prayers and your LOVE. Paul & I never let one day go by that we do not remember YOU in our prayers!



"...In my name...they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." (Mark 16:18)

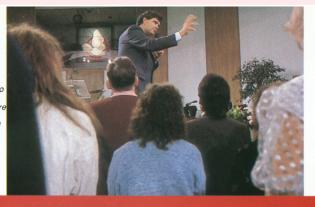
Precious Bro. Schambach always ministers to everyone that is sick--until the last person leaves--usually around midnight--at all of our TBN Revivals! "...Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus...RISE UP and WALK!" (Acts 3:6) And many did at our recent Greensboro, N. Carolina Ch. 61 Revival. The Holy Beamer will be rolling to YOUR TOWN SOON and we will be there to minister to YOU in Jesus' name. Pledge today to keep the Holy Beamer rolling to your town.



**June 1987** 

Precious, wonderful Dr. Richard Eby is one of our TBN family favorites! Dr. Eby was an eye witness of HELL and was told to ""TELL THEM, TELL THEM, TELL THEM". All the horrors and smells and mockings of the demons...the torture and sorrow is summed up into a few words, "God has allowed Dr. Eby to see it - he has warned you NOT to go there so please don't!" The precious blood of Jesus and the belief that God raised Jesus from the dead and you're simply asking Jesus to come into your heart is your simply asking Jesus to come into your heart is your blessed assurance you will miss hell and Heaven will be your HOME.

Hundreds received Jesus that night on PRAISE. If you want a copy of that tape, order tape #0423-87 Help keep PRAISE on the air.



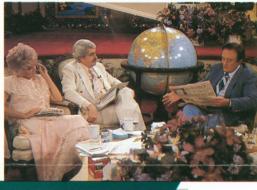
A Dynamic, tell-it-like-it-is, James Robison--is always a special blessing to all of us at TBN. James & Betty Robison came to Orlando Christian Center on theer wedding aniversary to BLESS the nation with his DYNAMIC preaching! Thank you, James & Betty I We love you & Happy Anniversary! James & Betty can be seen daily on the TBN NETWORK at 11 A.M., and 7 A.M. Sunday, Pacific Time

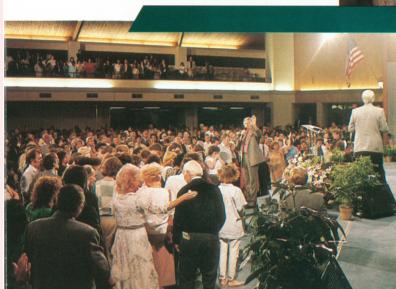
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TIRE. Pray for James--he is such a vital part of the body and bride of Jesus! He is in the ministry of Restoration and this is a much needed ministry today! You need restoring--we need restorying--the whole bride needs restoring & it is happening!

The recipient of seven earned doctorates, Dr. Steuart McBirnie, is always a TBN favorite when he comes on PRAISE.

"Dr. Mac" taught us on the four horseman of the apocalypse and how the LAST RIDER, the PALE HORSE, represents AIDS. It means Jesus is coming soon, family. DO YOU HEAR ME? JESUS IS COMING SOON--WE'RE GOING HOME, never more to roam. Do you know how near we are? Nothing matters except that you know JESUS as your Savior. Accept him today.

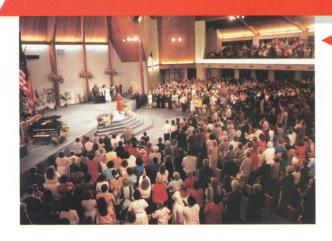




LaVerne Tripp ministered beautifully in Greensboro, North Carolina, at the Cathedral of His Glory. Many, many came forward and confessed Jesus Christ as their LORD and SAVIOR! So many ministered to us there--and it was a great REVIVAL! Buck & Dottie Rambo, Betty Jean Robison, LaVerne & Edith, Rosey Grier, Meadowlark Lemon, and of course, Dr. R.W. Schambach and Jan prayed for the sick until almost midnight! Many reports have come to us of people healed and ministered to. We love you, GREENSBORO! Please support YOUR Ch. 61!

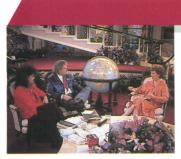
We always say to the audience before we go on the air, "This is not a TV program--it is a church service. The TV cameras are just looking in--so those at home can be a part."

This scene happened in Florida after the TV cameras had gone off. It was just glorious ministry. To the precious partners in the studio in Florida. NICKY CRUZ was beautifully anointed and Paul & Jan and all the guests just prayed for beautiful partners together. We love you partners - we are trying so hard to do what's right. Thank you for loving us!



GREENSBORO, N. CAROLINA--Billy Graham country--Ch. 61, one of our newest, wonderful baby stations, but such a vital part of our NETWORK! Hundreds came to Cathedral of His Glory and welcomed us all. Pastor & Mrs. Paul Willis were so gracious and the congregation was was warm, receptive, and everyone went away realizing SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY is ALIVE and WELL in Greensboro! But most of all--we who went to minister were ministered to! So many said, "We love TBN! We love you and welcome to our home."

We love you Greensboro! Pledge today for Ch. 61!



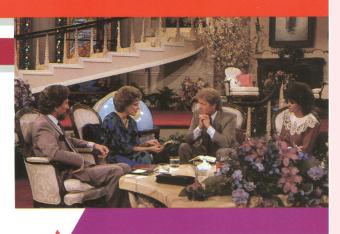
Our favorite lady teacher, Marilyn Hickey, is always a favorite on Trinity. LaVerne & Edith had the joy of hosting as Marilyn taught us great nuggets from the Word. If you have not enjoyed Marilyn on her DAILY TBN series, you must watch each morning, Monday through Friday at 7:30 A.M. Marilyn is one in a million-worth a million, and we love her! Support Marilyn's daily program by writing: Marilyn Hickey, P.O. Box A, Santa Ana, CA 92711. Marilyn tapes ber daily rorgram at Heavility! (D. 57 in Denver Colorado

Marilyn tapes her daily program at beautiful Ch. 57, in Denver, Colorado.

Dr. D. James Kennedy--our classic Presbyterian brother--was our recent guest on PRAISE while on LOCATION in Florida. Dr. Kennedy is so learned and scholarly. It is always a joy to sit at his feet and LEARN so many marvelous things about our mutual Father! mutual Fatherl

mutual Father! Dr. Kennedy taught on the Heavens declaring the Glory of God in the stars--and how the plan of Jesus with life--death, etc.--is all spelled out in the stars. You must order this tapel Order #225-87 and be blessed PRAISE is always special--always new--always exciting! Pledge to be a part of PRAISE today!

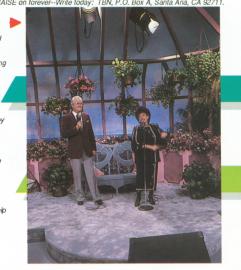




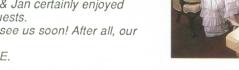
Our own Dwight & Zonelle had the joy of hosting our FAVORITE WORLD CHANGERS, Drs. T.L. & Daisy Osborn. T.L. & Daisy have done more to change the world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ than anyone alive on this earth. These two have probably preached to more people face to face than anyone! The way they reached the crowds was with SIGNS & WONDERS, it the name of JESUS. One miracle would bring thousands to Jesus...They have done th for a LIFETIME!

Nor a Lin-E TIMET We love you, Drs. T.L. & Daisy! Keep PRAISE on forever--Write today: TBN, P.O. Box A, Santa Ana, CA 92711.

Buck & Dottie Rambo, precious friends of TBN and God's special vessels through whom He is pouring His words and His melodies for the Body today, were our special quests our special guests in Florida. Buck & Dottie are Buck & Dottie are aways anointed by the precious Holy Spirit and always are so special Thank you, Dottie, for letting God use you! Thank you, Buck, for loving Dottie! Enjoy this special music on music on PRAISEoften. Help PRAISEoften. He keep PRAISE on the air by supporting TBN. Pledge today to: TBN, P.O. Box A, Santa Ana, CA 92711.



A Jewish Rabbi on PRAISE THE LORD? Yes, and it was wonderful. Rabbi Yechiel Eckstein has written a book entitled. What Christians Should Know About Jews and Judaism and he was our special guest along with our TBN buddy, Hal Lindsey. The Rabbi enjoyed his time on PRAISE and Paul & Jan certainly enjoyed having him as their guests. Please come back to see us soon! After all, our Jesus was a RABBI.



Always watch PRAISE.

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Dynamo for Jesus, Rev. Reinhard Bonnke, a full-blooded German, whom God has called to SAVE AFRICA, was our special guest recently on PRAISE. He sees God open BLIND eyes, open DEAF ears, the LAME walking and leaping in Jesus name-night after night-in his many crusades where hundreds of the upped hours of the day of the transfer of the t thousands have attended over the past few years GOD has HIS PEOPLE everywhere, and this GOSPEL of the Kingdom is bein preached in all the world for a witness. People, JESUS IS COMING



leader from MAINLAND CHINA, Mr. Xie Fei from China Central Television, was our guest in the studio of the TBN headquarters recently to meet with Paul about the exchange of TV programs between MAINLAND CHINA and TBN. Paul and Nora Lam had the privilege of showing the tage of Paults showing the tape of Paul's preaching in a STATE CHURCH in China and praying the sinner's prayer with the people for the first time in 36 years! GOD IS DOING MARVELOUS THINGS, PEOPLE. CHINA has opened and we are GOING THROUGH!

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# **OUR LOVE GIFT TO YOU...**

Are you a TBN partner? If not, do you want to be? Well, I think all TBN partners ought to be decorated! You have helped Jan and me fight the Good fight of faith. We have seen many combat campaigns together!

SO-- We have commissioned this beautiful TBN partners' badge of rank--an embroidered patch that looks great on almost anything--Men's blazers, (Dwight Thompson does not have one), or Ladies like them on purses. Let everyone know that you are part of TBN and that together we are pulling down the principalities and powers of the air through Christian Television. Partners, Jan and I need you more than we ever have before! You know that--so I'm asking you to write today. Enclose your monthly love gift or Praise-A-Thon pledge. Please--we can't go on without you! We love you and are praying for you.

Use the enclosed envelope or write to: TBN, P.O. Box A, Santa Ana, CA 92711.

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