

**TELECAST SERMON FOR
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TO GAIN SAY HIM IS TO DENY HIM!
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Thank you Mevin!

It is truly wonderful, viewers, to have you share in my sermon for today, entitled, **“TO GAIN SAY HIM IS TO DENY HIM.”** Are you searching for the Spirit of the Lord, so that He can lead and guide you in your daily endeavors? I guarantee that one way to discover Him is through the self-same Gospel taught by Jesus, Himself, at Galilee, and being offered by yours truly in this telecast, and as in all our telecasts: the past ones, the present ones, and the future ones. With your Bible in hand, we can proceed together.

Our telecast sermon will address the subject "gainsaying." What does gainsaying mean. It means to deny, to contradict, to speak or act against, oppose or forbid. There are several examples in the Bible where unbelievers have attempted to discredit the Lord's work by opposing not only God and His prophets, but also the New Testament, and the preaching of "The Gospel."

However, it is to be expected that unbelievers will persecute the church and the righteousness of God. Peter, Paul, and the other Apostles suffered at the hands of persecutors, which forbade them to speak of the doctrine of Jesus Christ.

Let us read of the answer Peter gave to his persecutors. Let us turn to and read Acts 5:27-29, "And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them, Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? And, behold ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us. Then, Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men."

Yes, we need to be bold in the effort of spreading the good news. Peter was no longer afraid or ashamed of being associated with Jesus. It was with the power of the Holy Ghost that he was able to stand and be counted for the Lord.

However, the act of gainsaying becomes more serious in nature, when it occurs within the Church. It is serious because gainsaying the Word of God will divide and confuse the Body of Christ of which Jesus Christ is the head. When Israel came out of Egypt, they were of a mixed multitude, meaning not all believed.

Today the church is comprised of a mixed multitude. Levels of faith, commitment, and participation vary. Every born again Christian should desire to ascend to the designation given to, David, as found in Acts 13:22, "...a man who is after mine own heart, who will fulfill all my will."

The scripture is twofold. First, we must develop a heart that loves the Lord and His righteousness. Secondly, we must possess an allegiance and diligence to live a life that reflects Jesus in us.

Gainsayers within the church are comprised of Saints, who have arrived at a different opinion, regarding what the Lord expects of His Saints. They unfortunately have chosen to question the authority of God's anointed.

As a result, a schism is formed, thus causing confusion and division. The source of their self-willed worship comes from a contentious, rebellious, and unteachable spirit. Additionally, they fail to be convicted by their own conscience. Here are two examples. Just prior to sending the spies into Canaan, Aaron and Miriam conspired against Moses, accusing him of his faults, one of which was marrying an Ethiopian woman.

In essence what Aaron and Miriam did was to make God choose between them and Moses, and God did so. Let us read in Numbers 12:1-2, "And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married; for he had married an Ethiopian woman.

And they said, hath the Lord indeed spoken only by Moses? Hath He not spoken also by us? And the Lord heard it!" Aaron and Miriam entered into an area where only a covetous and jealous heart would lead.

Fueled by a presumptuous spirit, they made themselves equal and greater than Moses. What they forgot to consider was that Moses had been appointed of the Lord and not by man. Having heard their accusations, God intervened on behalf of His anointed and raised a standard.

God referred to Moses as being better and greater than a prophet. Where prophets rely on visions and dreams, Moses was placed at a higher level of exposure to the Lord. For Moses, God spoke to him mouth to mouth, and face to face, as a man speaketh to his friend.

What a wonderful description of the relationship Moses had with the Lord. The communication between the two was made in a very clear manner, and it was done with Godly sincerity and truthfulness. In the end, Moses was vindicated.

Miriam was immediately afflicted with leprosy, causing Aaron to consider his foolish mistake and ask for repentance. Only then was Miriam healed of the leprosy.

After Israel was admonished by the Lord and condemned to wander 40 years in the wilderness, it was Dathan, Abiram, and Korah, who thought there was no need for a leader as Moses, being that God dwelt amongst them. In essence these three descendants of Reuben, thought to worship the Lord in the manner that was right in their own eyes.

Let us read in Numbers 16:3, "And they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, ye take too much upon you, seeing all the congregation are

holy, every one of them, and the Lord is among them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation of the Lord?"

Likened to Aaron and Miriam, these three, and those, that followed them, failed to respect Moses, as being anointed of God. They felt that God was with them just as much as He was with Moses, and accused Moses of self appointing himself over Israel. It was because of their rebellious attitude, that they and their families and all who supported them were swallowed up by the earth.

When Paul testified to the Jews, they blasphemed, contradicted, and rejected "The Gospel of the Kingdom of God." In return, Paul told them that by rejecting "The Gospel," they have determined for themselves how they are unworthy of everlasting life.

Let us read in Acts 13:46, "Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, it was necessary that the Word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo we turn to the Gentiles."

Jesus is the self existing God of the Old Testament. The Jews rejected Him, and therefore, Jesus included the Gentiles in His plan of salvation. He considered that all have sinned, and therefore "The Gospel" needed to be heard by everyone.

Jesus Christ has abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through "The Gospel." So, what is this Gospel that the apostles spoke of. The Gospel is good news, that, "Jesus save, Jesus heals, Jesus baptizes with the Holy Ghost and with fire, and Jesus is coming soon."

Let us turn to and read Mark 1:14-15. "Now after that John was put into prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the Kingdom of God, and saying, the time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand: repent and believe the gospel."

John the Baptist, who was sent of God, as a forerunner, to prepare the way of the Lord, was now imprisoned, allowing only the ministry of Jesus to exist. What John preached was the baptism of repentance.

Accepting his ministry indicated that one will put his faith into another who would come after John. John never intended to form his own denomination, which would challenge and oppose the authority and ministry of Jesus.

He never once spoke presumptuously and declared himself to be the author of his own ministry or even to be the messiah. He never instructed his disciples to form their own sect. He never spoke as a gainsayer against Jesus, but as with other believers looked for the Messiah with great anticipation.

Thus, he sent his disciples to inquire of Jesus, asking Him, "Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?" Jesus' answer to them was, "Go and show John again those things which

ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the Gospel preached unto them."

What accompanied Jesus was the promise of eternal life and the power to forgive and remove sins. John the Baptist ended his ministry, just as God planned it. As Jesus put it, "Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist; but he that is least in the Kingdom of God is greater than he."

Jesus tells us that his cousin John fulfilled his calling to the letter. Yet, as great and successful the work he did, those, who have accepted the Lord, as their personal Saviour, carry a greater significance in the eyes of God.

Through Jesus they have obtained the forgiveness of sins, and the promise of eternal life. Though not having been exposed to the words that pertain to life and immortality, I am confident that John, the cousin of Jesus, has retained a special place in the heart of God for having significant faith and for being of good report, just as with the faithful believers, who lived before him.

Paul tells us in Hebrews, "God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect." The Holy Ghost describes it explicitly, that God will acknowledge all those, who lived faithfully prior to the birth of Jesus, who have not heard the "Gospel of the Kingdom of God." These will be measured by their works and obedience.

They will have met the same acceptable level of obedience and faith, as with the present day believer. Thus, in Jesus only, eternal life becomes achievable, when every man is judged by the same standard.

Let us read in John 3:5 we read, "Jesus said, verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God."

Salvation is an individual matter, however, how salvation is achieved is the point being emphasized on this telecast. Born again means this: 1) The operation of water baptism, and having it performed in the name of Jesus, and 2) One is filled with the Holy Ghost, bearing in mind that the only Bible evidence that confirms one, as having been filled with the Holy Ghost, is the speaking in an unknown tongue. The speaking in tongues, that was experienced on the Day of Pentecost by 120 believers, is very much alive and in practice today!

Let us read in I Peter 3:21, "The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us, (not putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ." Water baptism is reinforced by examples in the scriptures. The House of Cornelius was baptized after rejoicing over the Word of God brought to them by Peter.

The guards who were positioned to prevent the escape of the Apostles were baptized after witnessing the power of God. Even the disciples of John the Baptist were rebaptized in the name of Jesus upon hearing the preaching of Paul.

Let us read in Acts 2:38, "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of the Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

Peter spoke these words after experiencing the power of the Holy Ghost on the Day of Pentecost, also known as the Feast of Harvest.

Did you know, as a result of his preaching, 3000 hearts were converted and confirmed by water baptism. A few days later, an additional 5000 souls were added to the Body of Christ, totaling 8000 taking on the name of Jesus in water baptism.

Being that this particular Day of Pentecost was significant, we can also say that the Holy Spirit fell upon all those that passed through water baptism. What a wonderful sight it must have been! Multitudes in the water, and slain in the Spirit.

Let us read in Acts 4:12, "Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved."

Yes, Jesus was given a name above every name, and it is confirmed, as we read in Philippians 2:9-11, "Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father."

Today, television viewers, you are faced with a choice regarding the salvation of your soul. Put aside traditions and let God's Word lead you to the Kingdom of God. During the 80's we witnessed the corruption, irresponsible actions, moral and ethical decline, scandals within the Christian realm that involved some renown televangelists.

Today we see the largest Christian church in the world, battling with immoral and abominable acts of their leaders. What message could Jesus be sending? He is saying to everyone involved in these ministries, to look somewhere else to find true salvation. The Lord is telling you that there is but one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God, and Father of us all.

Let us read in II John verses 8-11, "Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: for he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds."

Controversy continues regarding the sovereignty of Jesus Christ. Prevalent beliefs place the Godhead in three persons. There is no such thing. There is but God, who is a Spirit, and His

name is Jesus. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost were manifestations of God during different dispensations.

In the beginning, God spoke through His anointed and prophets. In the New Testament, God speaks to us through a body prepared for Himself, Jesus. In the last days, God speaks to the Body of Christ through His Spirit, that is through the gifts of the Holy Ghost.

Let us look at the preexistence of Jesus and read in John 8:51-58, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, if a man keep my saying, he shall never see death. Then said the Jews unto Him, Now we know that thou hast a devil. Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and thou sayest, If a man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death.

Art thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makest thou thyself? Jesus answered, If I honor myself, my honor is nothing it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that He is your God!

Yet ye have not known Him; but I know Him, and if I should say, I know Him not, I shall be a liar like unto you; but I know Him and keep His saying. Your Father Abraham rejoiced to see my day, and he saw it, and was glad. Then said the Jews unto Him, thou art not fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham? Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I AM."

The Pharisees refused to hear the words of Jesus, and therefore, restrained themselves from seeing the things Jesus was revealing to them. They fixed their observations of Jesus only on the present. They did not believe that He was the Son of God.

When Jesus eluded to the fact that he met with Abraham, they immediately condemned him, by saying, "Thousands of years have passed, and you are not even 50 years old, how can you say you have met Abraham?"

The best answer is a simple one, Jesus said, "Before Abraham was, I AM." The term, "I AM," explained His pre-existence. There was no God before Him, none after Him, and none on the right or the left. God does not seek counsel of another. He is the self-existing God, and ever so omnipotent.

Let us read in II Timothy 2: 11-13, "It is a faithful saying, For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with Him; if we suffer, we shall also reign with Him; if we deny Him, he also will deny us; if we believe not, yet He abideth faithful; He cannot deny Himself."

It is very important that the truth and the promises of God be kept in clear focus at all times. We serve God not by sight, but by faith. To do otherwise would mean placing our confidence on a false foundation. The key to success with the Lord is to obey.

The prophet, Samuel, admonished King Saul, as he said, "It is better to obey than to sacrifice," which by the way is the only way that we can overcome the world. In Paul's epistle to Timothy, Paul expressed the basic principles of being a good soldier for the Lord.

As true believers we stand in stark contrast against the rest of the world, for we believe in God, His Kingdom, His existence upon the earth through the person of Jesus Christ, and we believe that "The Gospel" brings life and immortality to our understandings.

First Paul spoke of being dead in Jesus, which means, that once coming to Jesus in search of His righteousness, true holiness, and eternal life, we must sever our ties with the world. Dead means to mortify our earthly desires, and rise again into the newness of life.

Thus, the need for water baptism, sets a pattern of good works for all men to follow. Through the simplicity of water baptism, meaning the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and all those that will believe in Him, one passes from death unto life.

The calling of Elisha into God's service makes this point very clear. Let us read in I Kings 19:19-21, "So he departed thence, and found Elisha the son Shaphat (Shay-fat), who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen before him, and he with the twelfth: and Elijah passed by him, and cast his mantle upon him.

And he left the oxen, and ran after Elijah, and said, Let me, I pray thee, kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow thee. And he said unto him, Go back again: for what have I done to thee? And he returned back from him, and took a yoke of oxen, and slew them, and boiled their flesh with the instruments of the oxen, and gave unto the people, and they did eat. Then he arose, and went after Elijah, and ministered unto him."

Elisha was working in the field. Of the twelve yoke of oxen, meaning pairs of oxen harnessed together, he had the yoke that was numbered as twelve. Elijah, enroute to Damascus, saw Elisha in the field and threw upon his shoulders his mantle, which was a token of investiture with the prophet's office and of adoption of a son.

Elisha accepted the call, delaying only long enough to sever his ties with his father and mother, and his former life. This passage is the last reference to Elisha, until II Kings chapter two, when he witnesses Elijah's rapture into heaven and becomes God's anointed prophet.

The passage is of great significance because it reveals how great a commitment Elisha made to the Lord. Elijah's response to Elisha indicates how the decision to enter the Lord's service at the Lord's call falls fully upon the individual.

You will notice, TV viewers, how he severed all ties to his former life by cooking the oxen he drove, and using all the equipment that harnessed them to fuel the fire.

Thus when we serve the Lord and desire the Kingdom of God and eternal life, we must present ourselves "a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God," which is but a reasonable service.

Jesus reminded the disciples about their stewardship by saying, "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back is fit for the Kingdom of God."

Secondly, Paul speaks of suffering, meaning being exposed to persecution for righteousness sake and the hardships that accompany an expressed faith in God. We are reminded in the scriptures that we should not be ashamed of "The Gospel," and that the Captain of our salvation is made perfect through suffering.

Before Jesus died, while hanging on the cross, He cried, "Eloi," meaning father! He cried, "Father, Father, why has Thou forsaken me!" His cries tell us that the pain and suffering placed upon His body, for the sins of the whole world was very real.

He could have called a legion of angels to rescue Him, but He did not, in order to fulfill all righteousness. Because Jesus endured the pain and suffering during His ministry and ultimately on the cross, we arrive to the understanding, that there is a great reward for those who will endure. Jesus said in Matthew 24:13, "But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved."

Thirdly, Paul addressed the fact, should one choose to deny Jesus. What will be the outcome? It will end in the loss of one's soul. If mankind chooses to reject Jesus, He will not cease to exist. The world oppresses the thought of Jesus, so as make and create an uncertainty and embarrassment within anyone who may choose to believe in Him.

Paul tells us in Romans, 1:16, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first and also to the Greek."

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Until our next telecast, this is your host, Head Pastor William Han, Jr. expressing my sincerest appreciation to each of you, who have allowed us to come into your homes. May the good Lord bless and keep you all in the hollow of His hands.

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