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« E-40 † After while a young architect from up in England come down, famous man, reputable man, had a good reputation. Oh, I like that. I like a man with a reputation. Oh, you don't have to be a big man; you can be a pauper that lives in a attic and have a reputation far better than a potentate. Absolutely. You don't have to be rich; you can just have a reputation. It declare your reputation. **What you are makes you what you are; it gives you your reputation. And you're known by your reputation.**

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« E-21 † And Joshua now, **his word was at stake (Yes, sir.), just as--as Noah of old.** But Joshua must cross over this river. And looked like he picked the worst time that could ever be thought. It was in the month of April, and that's when the snow was melting in Judaea and coming down through the mountains. And the old Jordan is muddy and spread plumb out into the--to the fields, to water the fields of Jordan. And looked like, if it would've been mathematical, or--or educational, or scientific, he--he picked the worst time in all the year to cross Jordan. But God likes to take those kind of times to prove that He's God. And **men of God who believe God and know what God has promised, is not afraid to do it, because God will stick with His Word just as certain as He is God.**

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« E-42 † Oh, he had a vision. Before a man can make a reputation he has to have a vision of what he's doing. Oh, blessed be the Lord. That's the reason you--there's a heaven to go to. That's the reason we can have a reputation as a Christian. We know what material is in this building. That's right. The Blood of Jesus Christ is in this building. That's right. His stained Blood has washed away all sin. He took me from the alleys of hell and made me His servant; then I believe in Him. So I passed from death to life, and

every believer has did that, because that **they got confidence and they believe in this great Builder**, in this great Architect.

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« E-45 † If he went to that much trouble to be sure that the bridge would be safe, how much trouble do you think God went to, to be sure this church would be safe? Yes, sir. There's a memorial to the death of Christ; that's His church. Some people don't want to live it; some people will. But it's a testing time; God's testing people today for His memorials.

A lot of times people say, "Oh, I'm so tempted." Blessed be the Name of the Lord for the temptations. "When I am weak, then I'm strong," said Paul. "Every son that cometh to God must first be tried and tested." And these testings are more sweeter to you and dearer to you than precious gold. It's testing time.

« E-47 †

That's what they're saying today. "This here Holy Ghost religion you're talking about, it won't be long, that tree will burn down." But it don't burn down. Oh, the--the fire only waters it. It only gives us new hold. It only--it only strengthens it, every trial testing. Every time a wind hits a tree and shoves it back and forth and back and forth, it only loosens the roots, so it can go deeper and get a better hold. Every time sickness strikes your home, every time trials strikes your home, every time the neighbors say something bad about you, it's only shaking you, loosing you up, so you can get down and get a better hold on the eternal Rock of God's unmovable Word. That's how God does it; **He sends those trials to test you, to prove you, to shake you up, and to give you a new hold.**

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« E-48 † Then, we find out, when he got all that done, the critics stood by and said, "It can't work." But what the architect knowed his bridge would hold. He knowed it would, **because it would been tested.**

That's the reason God said, "I'll have a Church without spot or wrinkle."

Amen. She'd went through the test. And every child that comes to God must be tested.

...It'll hold. God's got confidence in you. We got confidence in Him.

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« E-60 † How His all seeing eyes a moving over the earth trying to find some man that'll wear that robe that he talked about. "Can you drink the cup that I drink? Can you be baptized with the baptism I am? You can," He said to them. So we today as a church, are to put on the robe of Christ, the whole armor of Christ, the whole shield and buckler and armor, that we might stand blameless at that day. He's looking for time-tested memorials as He can say, "There's my servant. I've tested him; I've tried him; I've put him through like Job. He still proves a hundred percent." God, be merciful to us, that we can take God at His Word and be time-tested memorials. Let us pray.