"Having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?"
—Galatians 3:3

Recently I attended a meeting of Charismatic Businessmen and their wives. On the initial evening of the meeting the speaker began to call people out of the meeting to tell them about their problems indicating that God was going to resolve those problems. He then stated that there were twelve people in the audience who had suicidal problems. He had these people identify themselves and stand up for prayer and group exorcism. Next he called out twenty-five people with arthritis and another group with cancer. As I sat praying ardently that I would evaluate what was happening spiritually and not from a spirit of criticism I reflected upon the contrast of what was happening and the ministry of William Branham. Brother Branham would often identify people whom he had never known before by name and would then tell them through spiritual discernment what their difficulty was, often in detail. He often told the person details of their problems known only to the person himself and no one else.

How different this is from what is going on today! Using psychic means or simply logic, men who have become people-manipulators know that in any audience there are those with various problems especially when they have come for spiritual help or healing. There will be those with arthritis, those with mental and suicide problems, and those with cancer and various kinds of pain. There will also be people with diabetes, epilepsy, paralysis and various other ailments. Knowing this, it is easily possible to begin "calling out" those so afflicted.

As I have seen more and more of this happening in charismatic meetings along with such "ministries" as mass exorcism, leg-lengthening, tooth-filling, "slaying in the spirit", and healing of the memories I have been dismayed and disheartened. The charismatic today is not satisfied unless some kind of phenomenon production is going on. Most of this phenomena can be reproduced by the psychics, the spiritualists, and the hypnotists. Much of the "slaying in the spirit" seen in meetings is simply hypnotic power or "suggestion" operating upon susceptible people.

There are legitimate Holy Spirit-endued ministries today where various physical occurrences take place through the super-natural power of the Lord Jesus operating through His ministers. However, the true Jesus-empowered minister will not be seeking to produce phenomena and to please people. He will always be endeavoring to be a servant of Jesus and to be winning souls to Him. He will follow the Scriptural authority to heal, to cast out devils, to anoint with oil, to preach Christ—in an effort to make fragmented men whole and to get him saved. His objective will always be to emphasize salvation and the bringing of man to his Saviour. When this is done, the resurrection power of Jesus Christ will operate to give His ministers discernment, healing power, miracle-working ability, prophecy, knowledge and wisdom to handle any situation. But there will be no doubt in the minister or in those he ministers to that Jesus is present and is doing the work and not unto man.

The great problem with the non-charismatic church today is intellectualism— which has been emphasized in place of the work of the Spirit, anointed by the Holy Spirit. This, also, is error and results in deadness and lack of freedom, joy and love. Just as lethal is the tendency of the charismatic movement to move away from the Word of God and the gifts of the Holy Spirit into man-manipulated psychic and mental oriented phenomena. The true move of the Holy Ghost lies between these two movements and that is where CMF and the CMF physicians and nurses groups want to find themselves. May we truly discern what Satan is attempting in the midst of God's people today. May we find the one true God and His Holy Spirit. May we then follow the Lord and not man in this day of so much confusion and distortion.

—[See Romans 1:16, 17—Amplified]
MONTHLY HAPPENINGS NOTICE

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DAILY PRAYERS AT 1 PM IN THE CMF CHAPEL! EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

MONDAY - Every Monday - 6:30 AM. Men's Prayer Breakfast at CMF House. COME!

TUESDAY - Every Tuesday - 10 AM. Ladies' Bible Study and Sandwich Luncheon. (BRING A SANDWICH, PLEASE!). Kay is now teaching Luke's Gospel. The Clinical Correlation of the Gospel by Dr. Reed at 1 PM. Healing service, 2 PM.

FRIDAY - Aug. 20 - 8 PM. St. Petersburg CMF Station Meeting at St. Petersburg Federal Savings & Loan, 83rd Ave. at 9th St., St. Petersburg, Fla. Dr. Reed speaking.

SATURDAY - Aug. 21 - 8 AM. Plant City CMF Station Meeting at Johnson's Restaurant, Plant City, Fla. Dr. Reed speaking.

SATURDAY - Aug. 21 - 7:30 PM. Tampa CMF Station Meeting at CMF House, 4821 Memorial Highway, Tampa, Fla. Dr. Reed speaking.

FRIDAY - Aug. 27 - 7:45 PM. Orlando CMF Station Meeting at Dover Shores Branch of First Federal Savings & Loan, 3212 Curry Ford Road, Orlando, Fla. Dr. Reed speaking. For information please call 305/894-6150, 425-2511 or 647-4667. Please do not call First Federal Savings & Loan.

SATURDAY - Aug. 28 - 7:30 PM. Daytona CMF Station Meeting at Holy Trinity By-The-Sea, No. Grandview at Ora, Daytona Beach, Fla. Dr. Reed speaking. For information please call Father David Dillon, Jr., 904/252-8997.

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SONY VIDEO 3/4 INCH CARTRIDGE TAPES ARE AVAILABLE FROM CMF on such subjects as Coma, Malignancies, Euthanasia, Abortion, Patient's Bill of Rights and Morality in Medicine. These are interviews with Dr. Reed (Roy Leep, Moderator) and require special equipment for viewing. Write CMF for further details.

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THE FOURTH ANNUAL PHYSICIANS' CONFERENCE on Logo-Pyschosomatic Medicine will be held in Tampa, Sept. 30 through Oct. 3, 1976, at the Host Airport Hotel. Other information concerning this conference has been sent out and your registration materials will reach you very shortly. Please set aside these dates and plan to be with us.

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