Let's go to the Lord in prayer tonight.
The Lord, you're worthy of our praise.
Lord, it is because you're alive that we can face tomorrow.
And it's because you are alive, Lord, that we have forgiveness for yesterday.
There's not a God beside you.
There is no one that can do what you can do, love the way you look.
We got in this life of so many needs and so many struggles.
Lord, there's nothing more pressing or urgent than our spiritual walk and condition.
Lord, in your eyes.
God, I pray tonight as we meet here.
Lord, you have spoken already through your word.
The testimony through the word of song.
I pray tonight that you would speak to this human vessel.
That you would give Brother William, not his words, but yours.
That your will might be accomplished in this place.
And that, God, I thank you in advance.
Lord, for the work that you will accomplish.
In Jesus' name I pray.
Amen.
There has been a joy in my heart to get to be here in
this revival meeting and get to move forward to you.
I want the Lord to have in store.
I've enjoyed every service.
It's been a real blessing.
And, Brother Brian, thank you again for being kind to us.
We appreciate you.
We appreciate your family.
We appreciate the church.
And, thank you for allowing us to be here.
I remember several, several years ago, Brother Roger Watkins told me.
He said, he said, now this will be my last time here.
I remember him saying that.
And, Brother Roger, many of you know, had been such a blessing here.
First time I ever met him was here in this church.
And, my, my, what a preacher.
What a blessing that that man was in my life.
And the preaching that that man.
But I remembered him singing a song, my last time.
And, we don't ever know, we don't never know when the last time is going to come.
We'll sing our last song one day.
And, that song Brother Roger sang.
I visited him over at the nursing home, over
at Boaz, just trying before he passed away.
And, sat down with him.
But, this was after Miss Betty had passed away.
And, I sat down with him and talked with him.
And, we shared together a lot of good blessings

of working together here at New Bethel.
And, he still loved y'all, talked about y'all.
And, we had all that and enjoyed the good fellowship with one another.
But, we don't ever know.
And, this may be my last time here at New Bethel in preaching revival meeting.
It may be.
It may be the last time you're here in this revival meeting.
Nevertheless, we'll have our last moments here.
And, I want to read tonight the text.
Then, I want to talk about the last battle and then victory.
I want to talk about that tonight in the message.
Chapter number 14 in the book of Joshua.
The preacher talked about this text last night, or not
before last, about Caleb and the mountain and so forth.
But, I want to read it and give you what the Lord has given me in the text.
And, I want to begin reading with verse number 6.
When you find your place, if you would, stand with us and we'll honor the Bible.
Chapter number 14 in the book of Joshua.
Verse number 6.
Beginning at verse number 6.
And, I want to read several verses here in your hearing.
Down to verse number 15.
The children of Judah came unto Joshua and Gilgal.
And, Caleb the son of Jephunneh, the Kenizzite, said unto him,
Thou knowest the thing that the Lord said unto Moses,
the man of God, concerning me and thee in Kadesh Barnea.
Forty years old was I when Moses, the servant of the
Lord, sent me to Kadesh Barnea to espy out the land.
And, I brought to him word again as it was in mine heart.
Nevertheless, my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people melt.
But, I wholly followed the Lord my God.
And, Moses swear on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon thy feet
have trotted shall be thine inheritance and thy children's forever.
Because, thou hast wholly followed the Lord my God.
And, now behold, the Lord hath kept me alive, as he said, these
forty and five years, even since the Lord spake this word unto Moses,
While the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness,
and now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old.
As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me.
As my strength was then, even so is my strength
now for war, both to go out and to come in.
Now, therefore, give me this mountain, wherefore the Lord spake in that day.
For thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were
there, and that the cities were great and fenced.
If so be the Lord will be with me, then I shall
be able to drive them out as the Lord said.
And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb, the

son of Jephaniah, Hebron, for an inheritance.
Hebron, therefore, became the inheritance
of Caleb, the son of Jephaniah, the Kenzite,
unto this day, because that he wholly followed the Lord God of Israel.
And the name of Hebron before was Kirjathabar, which Arbar was a
great man among the Anakims, and the land had rest from the war.
Our Father, we bow in your divine presence, O God, again
this evening, thanking you, Father, for all your blessings.
I thank you, dear Lord, for the privilege that I've had to be here all the week.
And, Lord, I thank you, Father, for the good presence and
sweet presence of the Lord that we've felt in every service.
And, Father, I pray tonight, God, as we are here
one more time, to proclaim the good news of victory.
Lord, as the Apostle Paul said, Who shall deliver me from this body of sin?
Thanks be unto God, who giveth us the victory through the Lord Jesus Christ.
Father, I pray for victory tonight in somebody's life.
We ask you, dear God, that you touch us and help us one more time.
Anoint us, give us words to say, and what you
do for us, we'll be careful to praise you.
In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.
Amen.
Several good thoughts came through my mind as I began to
pray and began to seek the Lord for the service tonight.
And a lot of good things run through my mind.
A lot of battles that we have been in.
And a lot of victories that we have rejoiced and
enjoyed because of what God has done in our lives.
I think about Jesus, I think about Jesus, and
he reminds us that our last enemy is death.
We'll face him one day, only to know that in Jesus we have victory over death.
Hallelujah.
Amen.
Amen.
We'll fight that last battle one day and we'll have victory.
I thought about Caleb.
Caleb now is 85 years old.
He said, I'm as strong today as I was the day that
Moses promised me that I could have this land.
It was Mount Hebron that Caleb was interested in.
A couple of things had happened at Mount Hebron.
And many of you know that it's the place of the burning bush in Moses' life.
Can you imagine that?
On the backside of that mountain was the place where Moses had got the direction
from God to go into Egypt and deliver the children of Israel out of bondage.
I'd like to have had that mountain too, wouldn't you?
I'd love to have been standing where Moses was standing and heard God say,

take your shoes off, for the ground that I standeth on is holy ground.
I'd have loved to have that place as an inheritance
in my life when God spoke out of that bush to Moses.
Now, Caleb had only heard the story.
Caleb was not there at Mount Hebron when that happened.
He had only heard the story of what had happened to
Moses there and the experience of that burning bush.
It meant something to Moses.
I believe it was the place where Moses had got converted.
You can't have an experience like Moses had in the
burning bush and not leave there a different man.
Amen.
I really do.
I believe there's something about that place that was dear
to Moses' heart and Caleb wanted that place right there.
It's the same place that God had brought Moses up and gave him the Ten Commandments.
Mount Hebron and Mount Sinai is the same place.
And it's the place where Moses had went to the mountain.
And you remember the thunderings and the lightnings had
happened and the children of Israel was down at the bottom.
And God had told them, don't touch that mountain.
If anybody came to touch that mountain, man or beast, that they'd be destroyed.
They'd be killed.
Moses was on the top of that mountain with God as God
wrote with his finger on the tablets, the Ten Commandments.
I'd want that mountain too, wouldn't you?
Yeah, it was an experience that Moses had that he
had told Caleb and told the children of Israel.
The experience that God had given him sometimes
it's in those kind of places that we look for.
We call that mountaintop experiences in our lives from time to time.
But it's those kind of experiences that comes when we have a battle in our life.
We don't get that being lazy.
We don't get that kind of mountaintop experience
in our lives just sitting around doing nothing.
We get those kind of experiences when we have our
hands to the plow, not looking back but going forward.
And we're fighting, amen, the good fight of faith.
And that's why the Apostle Paul, when he died, could
say that he fought of that good fight of faith.
He kept the faith.
He fought, amen.
And God, he was looking forward to the crown of victory that
was going to be given him, but not only him, but to all of them.
How that love is appearing.
That victory, amen.
And that last battle, just before the mountaintop, amen.

So Caleb now is reminded, you know, if my memory serves me right, this is
the same place that Elisha and Elijah had the conversation concerning him.
Elisha wanted to be like Elijah, the man of God.
He wanted that double portion.
He wanted that that Elijah had.
It was that kind of experience that they had there at Mount Horeb.
And it was a special place.
And it was the place that many battles were fought, but much victory was given.
Amen.
One of these days, we're going to fight that last battle.
And our inheritance is going to lie right in front of us.
The Bible said in verse number one, said in these were the countries with which the children of Israel inherited in the land of Canaan, which Eleazar,
the priest, and Joshua, the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel distributed for inheritance to them.
And then it began to name the inheritance that was given to them.
And where Caleb wanted was a place where the giants dwelt in the land of Canaan.
And nobody else wanted that place, but Caleb did.
But it come with a battle.
This is the last battle in the land of Canaan
just before the whole place gets conquered.
But there's this place right here that becomes
Joshua's inheritance where victory is given unto him.
Now there's a few things that Joshua had to do
before he could get that inheritance, that place.
He had to get it cleared out from the Anakims that
were still dwelling in that place, in that mountain.
And they needed to be cleared out.
And Joshua knew that Caleb is now 85 years old.
Does he really have the wherewithal to be able to fight that last battle?
Does he have what he needs in his heart to fight that last battle?
And Caleb begins to tell Joshua, he said, I'm
just as good right now as I've always been.
He said, I was 40 years old, he said, when Moses, the servant of the Lord,
sent me to Kadesh Barnea, that sent me from Kadesh Barnea to spy out the land.
And I brought him the word again as it was in mine heart.
You remember what happened?
He comes back.
They send the spies.
And Joshua and Caleb comes back.
And Joshua and Caleb, the rest of them, says, we cannot
have that land because there's giants in that land.
You remember that?
And Joshua and Caleb said, we can have that because God said we can have it.
But nevertheless, they had to wander around in the wilderness for 40 years.
And now Joshua is 85 years old.
And the Bible said, he tells Joshua, he says, Joshua, he said, Moses, swear on the

day, saying, surely the land where on thy feet have trodded shall be thine inheritance.
And the children, and your children forever,
because you have fully, wholly followed the Lord.
And he said, behold, the Lord hath kept me alive.
He had fought his way.
You remember there's Jericho and Ai and the land of Canaan.
And they were marching through.
And they were fighting the battles.
And Caleb was fighting alongside him.
And now they come to the place Joshua said, God has kept me alive.
You're here tonight to fight your last battle.
Amen.
You're here tonight where victory is right close.
It's right near.
Don't give up.
Find in your heart and in your life a promise that
God has made to us that we're going to have victory.
The Bible said, behold, he's kept me alive these 40 and 5 years.
Even since the Lord spake the word to Moses while
the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness.
And now, lo, I am fourscore and five years old.
And he said, I'm as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses had given me.
And he said, my strength was then.
Even so is my strength now for a war both to go out and to come in.
And I said, I'm going to tell you, I'm going to tell you there
was nothing about Caleb that caused him to run from the Anakims.
He wanted this mountain.
He needed this mountain, this mountaintop experience.
And God promised it to him.
Let me give you a few things now.
I'm starting this victory.
How you'll find first of all is faith in God.
He had faith in God.
He had faith when he went down and spied out
the land and said, God said we can have it.
I'm going to tell you, if you're going to
fight the last battle, it still takes faith.
It's impossible to please God without faith.
We walk by faith, not by sight.
If we're going to have victory in the Lord, we've got to have faith to believe that
he's fighting the battle in front of us where we can join the victory behind us.
And so you know his faith.
He'll believe that God is going to give him that inheritance.
He always had it in his heart that he's going to get that mountaintop.
That experience that he was going to have in his
life was going to be his victory in his life.
I'm telling you, I'm not giving up.

Amen.
I've got an inheritance that's beyond this life.
It's eternal in the heavens.
It's mine.
There's not enough devils in hell that's going to rob us from it.
Amen.
It might look like we're going down, but hang on by faith to the promise of God.
We're not going down.
We're going up.
And one of these days, we're going to stand in glory.
Hallelujah.
Tonight, our last battle is right here upon us.
Amen.
And so he kept his eye on God.
When it said he wholly followed God, it meant that his faith was as strong
as it was in the day that Moses promised him the land that his feet was on.
His faith was as strong now as it was then.
It took faith.
But it does take strength.
We've been beat up.
Now, battles, you don't come out of a battle smelling like a road.
We're beat up, banged up.
And we're sore and hurt and beat down and discouraged.
Oftentimes, when we fight battles, I tell you, every
time I get behind a pulpit, there's a battle raging.
Every time in the heavenlies, there's a battle.
Satan and all of his angels don't want souls to be saved.
He does not want them to hear the gospel preached.
There's a battle right now in the heavenlies and Gabriel and all the angels
are fighting in the service tonight as we're here preaching the gospel.
You can rest assured that if he can stop somebody from
getting saved tonight, he'll do everything he can.
But we're fighting the battle with all the strength God will give us.
Hallelujah, tonight.
There's victory just over the horizon for the sinner tonight and the children of God.
Take strength.
He said, I'm just as strong.
Could you imagine what he must have looked like at 85 years old?
He'd been fighting battles and he had scars all over him.
He had in his body, no doubt.
But his strength never wavered.
You remember what it said about Moses.
Moses, the Bible said that he looked young.
He could see his eyes.
His shoes didn't even get old.
I mean, Moses, how the fault and Moses kept on.
And he looked just as good as he did when he ended as he did when he started.

Amen.
I'm going to tell you tonight, I know that there's a lot of battles that we fight.
And it'll take strength.
And there is strength in the Lord.
If we'll put our faith in God, we can keep going.
I tell you, I want to keep on fighting until I breathe
my last breath, my final breath, and keep fighting it.
And then just before the devil thinks that he's got us,
I will slip off into eternity and victory will be mine.
I've always said I want to die at the pulpit.
Amen.
I want to die at the pulpit.
Somebody said, why would you want to do that?
Because this is where I fought most of my battles is right here.
Behind the pulpits and preaching the gospel.
Amen.
I still feel as good right now as I did when I was 24
years old when I first started preaching the first message.
I feel the same power of God as I did then.
Now.
Hallelujah.
I'm telling you, there have been a lot of battles
behind us, but a lot of victories before us.
And one of these days, we'll all fight the last battle.
Hallelujah.
And we'll step over on the other side.
He was dedicated.
Caleb got dedicated to God.
It'll take dedication if we're going to fight this last battle.
The fight is still the fight of faith.
The New Testament calls it the good fight of faith.
And it is a fight.
It's a battle all the time in our lives.
Is it God or is it not God?
Does he want me to do it or does he not want me to do it?
It's a fight all the time.
Does he want me to come to the altar?
Or does he not want me to come to the altar?
Is he talking to my heart or is he not talking to my heart?
It's a battle all the time.
That's why it's called the good fight of faith.
We must believe that he is and that he is a
rewarder to them that diligently seek after him.
He's never lost a battle.
He's never failed us.
His promises are just as rich towards us tonight as they've always been.
Thank God tonight how we put our little bitty hand in the great big hand of God.

We're going to dedicate our lives to him and
I'm telling you we can enjoy the victory.
Joshua when he came to Jericho just before the battle started.
The Bible said that while he was there there was the angel of
the Lord stood in front of him and Joshua asked him a question.
Joshua said are you for us or are you against us?
And the angel of the Lord, which was Jesus, had his sword drawn and said neither.
He says neither.
But he said I have come to take this thing over.
Get that right back out of his foot.
He's come to take it over.
Amen.
The Bible said that Caleb had dedicated himself to this mountain.
Dedicated himself to God.
And in his strength, God gave him strength in his life to win that battle.
But then it will take courage.
It will take courage in our lives to fight that battle.
There have been a lot of Christian people have taken out to the house.
Have left the battlefield.
King David wouldn't have got in trouble had he stayed on the battlefield.
You remember the Bible said David was at the
city at the time where kings went to battle.
But David didn't go to battle.
He stayed at his house and that's when the trouble happened.
That's when he fell to the temptation of Bathsheba.
And thus, sin caused the death of his young child.
So, it was at that time when he should have been in the battle.
What could have happened if he had stayed in the battle with courage?
It takes courage to stand.
The Bible said when we've done all just to stand.
Sometimes in these battles that we fight and we don't know what
to do and we feel like running, but there's no place to run.
If we're going to get that mountain top, if we're going to get to that place that's promised, if we're going to have that Holy
Ghost in our heart and our meetings in our heart to praise God, to move on him, we're going to have to stand with courage.
Don't let nobody, don't let the devil, don't let nobody
discourage you, but encourage, amen, with courage.
Stay with the Lord.
You remember what the Lord told Joshua in chapter number one.
He said, be of good courage for I am with you.
I am with you.
Not only one time did he tell him that, but three times
he reassured Joshua to go in courage, go in courage.
There's something about fighting the good fight of faith
that we have to have courage to be able to fight it.
He doesn't mean for us to tuck ourselves, tuck our tail between our legs and

run, but to be able to stand and look the devil in the eye and say, no, no.
Do you remember what I read to you just now?
Joshua, I mean Caleb said, that Moses gave me this land and my children, my children.
I'm going to tell you if the battle ain't worth fighting
for your children, there's something wrong with you.
Amen.
I want my children to have what I have.
I want them to know what I know.
I want them to feel what I feel.
I want them to get, when they come to the house of God, to know
that there's a battle raging, but there's also victory in the Lord.
Courage, standing for courage in God.
But notice what it says.
The Bible said, the Anakims were there.
That the cities were great and fenced.
If there was ever a discouragement there, it was right here.
There's giants there.
There's big cities, great cities, and they're fenced in.
And I'm 85 years old.
He said, if so be the Lord will be with me, then I
shall be able to drive them out as the Lord said.
Wow.
Wow.
And Joshua blessed him and gave unto Caleb, the
son of Jephunneh, Hebron, for an inheritance.
It's yours, Caleb.
You got it.
The Bible said, Hebron therefore became the inheritance
of Caleb, and he drove all the Anakims out among them.
And the Bible said the land had rest from war.
All of Canaan land had been conquered.
Every tribe had gotten their inheritance.
Every battle had been fought.
Every victory had been won.
Except Caleb's.
And the Bible said, if the Lord be with me, I want that mountain.
I want that mountain.
Let me ask you a question.
Have you claimed, have you claimed the best?
Of God in your life?
Or have you got discouraged along the way and felt like you've been defeated?
You've gotten weak in your faith?
There's no more strength.
There's no more courage.
I'm going to tell you, it takes courage to get saved.
It takes faith to get saved.
It takes courage to be saved.

Because the devil is on one side and God's on the other side.
And they're fighting against each other.
The devil is wanting you to die in your sins and die in over hell.
And the Lord wants to save you.
Your soul is so important to God.
And it's so important to the devil.
Until there's a battle for your soul.
Raise it right now.
Right now.
And it takes courage.
Faith.
Courage to be saved.
You remember when you stepped out by faith and came to God.
You remember that?
You know what happened?
You got courage and strength to come.
And by faith you came.
That courage.
Boy, I never will forget that.
I said, Lord, I'm coming to you.
And I stepped out and came to God.
And I'm telling you, I got what belonged to me.
Salvation.
Amen.
Tonight, I don't know your heart.
You may be real close.
Real close to a victory in your life.
And it will take faith in God to get it.
You may have thought that somewhere down the line, down the
road, in your journey, that you could have what grandma had.
You could have what grandpa had.
Them folks shouted all over the place and run up down the aisles and praise God.
And you thought, well, you'd just be like that.
Well, if you'd do like they did, you could have what they had.
Yeah, they stood.
They had faith.
They stood with God.
They dedicated themselves to God.
They had courage and faith.
And they claimed that mountaintop.
And they got it.
They got it.
Somebody said, one time, you have what you want in God.
We'll fight our last battle.
I know it's coming.
I'll fight my last battle one day.
And I'll get victory.

Because the promise, the promise has already been given to me.
It's as good as if I'm already there.
So tonight, fighting that battle and getting the
victory tonight while we get a song, Brother Alpha.
That struggling on the inside of you, that discouragement,
that feeling of no hope, don't have to be that way.
But you can have victory tonight.
Come on, while we stand against it.
One hundred twenty.
One twenty.
Let's take a break.