- **GCC Pearl**: Jesus said "These signs shall follow them that believe." But when God's people drift away from the anointing of God, they lose those miraculous signs that exist among true believers. That's why they have to erect signs on the outside of their buildings, so people will know where to find them
- **GCC Pearl**: "Romans 14:17 does not say that the kingdom of God is 'righteousness, peace, and joy *about* the holy Ghost' but 'in the holy Ghost.' *Talking about* righteousness is not righteousness; *talking about* joy and peace is not having joy and peace. 'The kingdom of God', Paul said, 'is not in word but in power.'"
- **GCC Pearl**: You'll never see a congregation [in this world] with everyone right who is in it. It's not even intended to be that way. Paul said, "There must be divisions among you, so that those who are approved by God may be made manifest".
- **Brother Frank Pearl:** You can believe there is a God, but believing there is a God is not knowing there is one. If you don't have the holy Ghost, you don't know if there is a God or not.
- **Brother Frank Pearl:** If God didn't have a body, you wouldn't have a body. We are made in His image.
- **GCC Pearl:** God's people are bewitched.
- **GCC Pearl**: Whatever keeps the holy Ghost out of your life here on earth will keep you in the grave when Jesus returns for his Bride.
- **GCC Pearl**: Salvation is for the body. As Paul said, "The creature itself waits for the manifestation of the sons of God."
- **<u>Earl Pearl</u>**: We're going to have to be Christ to the people. They cannot see him, but they can see us.
- **Earl Pearl**: God's people have to do right to have right children.
- **GCC Pearl:** You don't come to a prayer meeting to serve God. You come here because you've *been* serving God. . . . Now, how big a paycheck do you deserve?
- **GCC Pearl**: Of all the places of worship you've ever been, and all the congregations, and all the preachers and all the preaching you've ever known, you'd be better off to go to hell from there than to go to hell from here. There is going to be a hot spot waiting for you if you go to hell from here, where the truth is taught and lived.
- **GCC Pearl**: We have to put on the righteousness of *God*. His righteousness is not obeying a list of rules. It is a purging of the conscience, a sanctifying of the soul. You know the sanctification under Moses' Law, the holiness under Moses' Law. But God's righteousness is the true sanctification that came down from heaven. This is the reality of the shadow that God gave to Moses.

Aunt Onie Pearl:

Seems that God said to me this morning, "My people respect the refrigerator in their kitchen more than they do what comes from my mouth. They wouldn't eat a thing in their refrigerator that has gone bad and has an odor; they would throw it in the trash can. But they eat lies about me."

- **GCC Pearl:** You don't die and then look for eternal life. You receive eternal life right here before you die, but it's assigned to you on condition. Only on condition. Whether you retain it or whether you lose it in the end depends on your walk, your life right here in this life. It's in your hands.
- **GCC Pearl:** It is better for you not to know the doctrine if you're not doing God's will. To know it, in that case, would be a curse to you now and a mark against you on Judgment Day.
- **GCC Pearl:** Say, "Get behind me" to all evil. On the Sea of Galilee that stormy night, Jesus did not see the storm; his disciples did. But they saw it because they had Jesus behind them, below deck sleeping. When you see sickness, trouble, etc., it is because Jesus is in the back. Wake him up and get him out in front!
- **GCC Pearl**: I've never seen a false preacher because there is no such thing. There are plenty of false teachers, but no one can preach unless God truly sends him with power to do so.
- **GCC Pearl**: God is just as much in you right now as He ever will be. He is either there or He is not.
- **Aunt Leatha Pearl**: If we're not in the better way, I don't know who is, because we haven't had to believe a lie. It is a precious thing to be taught the truth.
- GCC Pearl: You answer every one of your prayers that you can, and leave the rest to God.
- **GCC Pearl:** Pentecostal groups are so much like the world now, this work of God is the only thing that is being persecuted. And I'm afraid they'll stop persecuting me because if they do, I will have stopped the way they have. Then, I might start passing that persecution along to someone else who's kept going. You better be traveling on. If you stop by the wayside to pull the flowers around here, you're gonna be left.
- **GCC Pearl:** Man cannot disturb a holiness meeting when God's got it. The religious gatherings you can disturb are the ones that man's got.
- **GCC Pearl**: The worst thing in the world is not recognizing your spiritual condition until it's too late.
- **GCC Pearl**: It does no good to be a martyr if you do not have charity.
- **GCC Pearl:** Jesus wasn't battling anymore with the flesh after he was tested by Satan. He had overcome that world. Some of us are still on the mountain, battling, after all these years.

- **GCC Pearl:** God's children need to be scattered more than they are they lean on one another; when one does wrong, another one does wrong because that one did.
- **GCC Pearl:** The only reason a lot of the people of the Lord are poverty-stricken is because they are not able to embrace the truth and take with thanksgiving what God wants them to have.
- **GCC Pearl:** Hebrews says, "It is appointed unto man once to die, and after that, the Judgment." That doesn't mean a man can only die once. If that were true, Lazarus would still be here, along with a few others who were raised from the dead. It means that it is appointed unto man *at least* once to die, and after that the Judgment.
- **GCC Pearl**: If you're not close enough to God to be persecuted, then you're far enough off to persecute others. . . . I'd rather be on the receiving end of the line in that case.
- **GCC Pearl**: Some decisions are final.
- **GCC Pearl**: If you want people to love you, and admire you, and like you, let them be somebody. Make them feel how important they are to you, and to God.
- **GCC Pearl**: Hilliard and I heard a preacher say that Jesus was a man and that he wants you to be one. That is true. Most in the religious world make the Lord out to be so big and so lofty until we think we can't live as he lived. Jesus was down to earth, and holy, and he wants us to be the same way.
- **GCC Pearl:** There is a song you get when you get the Blessing, and when you lose that song, you are really getting down. Your oil is getting low.
- **GCC Pearl**: [Referring to the vanity of man, thinking he is great for going into outer space.] "Blessed are the meek, for they shall go to the moon?"
- **GCC Pearl:** It is a dangerous thing to sit under an anointed man of God and not get pregnant with the Word of God."
- GCC Pearl: All one-talent people will be lost.
- **Earl Pearl**: I can't blame people for turning to the life of holiness because holiness is life.
- **GCC Pearl**: For the real issues of life, the wisdom of this world can only serve to confuse you.
- **GCC Pearl**: Jesus said, "When you've seen me, you've seen the Father." God help those of us who can't say that. "Has anybody seen God in you lately?" Paul said, "It is Christ in me." Jesus said, "Of myself, I can do nothing. It is the Father that doeth the work. He has not left me alone." And I say today that it is Christ in us.

GCC Pearl: Not one of you had a thing to do with my attaining to this doctrine. And as your pastor, I can't use you in making my decisions as to which direction we'll go any more than I used you to attain to the doctrine.

GCC Pearl: Your only chance is that I stay in tune with God.

GCC Pearl: Whose fault is it that our relationship with other groups is poor? As long as we are led by different spirits, it will remain poor. Those led by some other spirit do not even agree among themselves; how can they agree with us?

GCC Pearl: Somebody said, "If I see, then I'll believe." No! You're going to believe, and then you will see.

GCC Pearl: God disciplines even if you don't feel well. He has never accepted one excuse.

GCC Pearl: God only has one Assembly, just one body of Christ, and He is the only one who can take you in or put you out.

GCC Pearl: If you can catch the fish, the gold is in his mouth.

GCC Pearl: My salvation doesn't depend on the last forty-eight years I've been preaching. What matters is from this moment on, until the end. As Sister Gladys said recently, "It's the first mile and the last mile that saves you."

GCC Pearl: If you ever get to the place you're too sure, you're in trouble.

GCC Pearl: If you can't pray except when you get together with the saints, you're in bad shape.

GCC Pearl: Don't compare the giants to your own strength.

GCC Pearl: There are people who seem to know God but do not have the real peace of God.

GCC Pearl: As long as people could lift me up as a great preacher or something, I was easily hurt by criticism. But since I got established in the faith, people can't make me bigger, and they can't make me feel small.

GCC Pearl: A wife doesn't have to beg a hungry husband to come to the table to eat. And you don't have to beg souls to eat the word of God if they want it.

GCC Pearl: If you stay full of the holy Ghost, there will be no room for evil.

Sister Gladys Pearl: If you hold on, the holy Ghost will hold out.

Brother Hunnings Pearl: Sinners are not tempted. It's their nature to sin.

- **GCC Pearl**: Any church men can take you into, you stay out of. And any church that men can put you out of, you stay out of.
- **GCC Pearl**: Many of God's people have fallen asleep, but the Bridegroom is still going to come.
- **GCC Pearl**: God has never been surprised. The spiritual mind cannot be surprised.
- **GCC Pearl**: You can insult God's people today because they think a lot of themselves.
- **GCC Pearl**: It's not worth two cents what you go through if you don't come out right.
- **GCC Pearl**: If you find out there's somebody you're not helping, you'd better help yourself.
- **GCC Pearl**: Sometimes, you just have to wash your hands and walk away. I've done that with some of the dearest souls I've ever known in my life. . . . I'm not against them, but I don't know how to help them. I have a number of people like that in the hands of God today.
- **GCC Pearl**: You can't keep the truth hidden. It'll spoil on you. You can't even keep God's blessing a secret. Use it! Eat it! Give it to somebody! Do something with it!
- <u>Uncle Joe Pearl</u>: I told Melvin (his black fellow worker): "The black man thinks that if he had what the white man has, he'd be happy. But why should he think so? The white man's not happy with it!"
- <u>Uncle Joe Pearl</u>: Happiness is not joy. Happiness comes from things that happen. Joy comes from fellowship with God.
- GCC Pearl: Before Pentecost, the old man got everything. After Pentecost, the new man got everything.
- **GCC Pearl**: Jesus never told anybody to do what that person, in his own power and wisdom, could do. He only commanded his followers to do what they could do if they had faith in God.
- **GCC Pearl**: Is it acceptable with God to go by tradition? It would just depend on where the tradition was coming from. There is a tradition of power and truth. Paul told Timothy to hold on to that tradition.
- **GCC Pearl**: Nobody can get their name into the Book of Life. Even if they did, it wouldn't do any good. Every soul that will be saved at the end already has it there. The Bible says, "Whosoever's name was not written in the Lamb's Book of Life *from the foundation of the world* was cast into the Lake of Fire.
- **GCC Pearl**: We don't worry about getting our name into the Book of Life; we worry about *keeping* it in there. And you won't ever have to do that if you'll follow what I'm telling you. Don't take up time and associate on an equal basis with anybody that's not clean and not moving forward. Don't disdain them or persecute them. Just pray. Make them follow you; don't you follow them.

GCC Pearl: A Baptist is not somebody whose been baptized; it's somebody who does the baptizing. The followers of John the Baptist were not called "Baptists". John was the Baptist and they were the baptized. John was the Baptist because John was a baptizer with water, and Jesus is a baptizer with the Spirit. And if you'll pay the price and get anointed by God, you'll be a Baptist.

GCC Pearl: Healing is not even for the world. It's for the children of God.

GCC Pearl: Sometimes, I see the way so straight and narrow that it frightens me. If I didn't know the scriptures as well as I do, I'd have more victory sometimes than I have. I see people violate God's commandments, and they don't understand it, and they act three times happier than I am.

GCC Pearl: There's no short cuts. None of the seventeen works of the flesh is going to get through the Judgment.

GCC Pearl: We've just got enough religion to make us miserable. And we're afraid to quit it.

GCC Pearl: Nobody is ready to meet God. If you were, you'd be meeting God. Paul wasn't ready until he had finished his work, and Jesus wasn't ready until he said "It is finished".

GCC Pearl: Don't grumble. It is a worldly habit.

GCC Pearl: The way to go up is the way to go down. "Pride goeth before a fall." You humble yourself under the mighty hand of God and let Him lift you up.

GCC Pearl: As you speak to me, the Lord speaks. I don't get what you say unless the Lord talks to me, and you don't get my message unless the Lord talks to you. Every ounce of understanding that exists on earth is the result of God helping us to understand one another.

GCC Pearl: Get anointed and people will get out of your way.

GCC PEARL: If a minister doesn't watch out, his work won't all be for the glory of God.

<u>Uncle Joe Pearl</u>: It's just like it is, no matter what they say.

GCC Pearl: If you want your Baptist friends to get into holiness, you have to be more Pentecostal than they are.

GCC Pearl: If you are righteous, nothing shall come between you and God. God always comes first. He even comes before you do. To a righteous man, God doesn't even come between that man and himself.

- GCC Pearl: "Taking the Lord's name in vain" means taking His name upon yourself, but with no effect. When Jesus cursed the fig tree in the name of the Lord, he did not take his Father's name in vain. If that tree had lived, he would have taken it in vain. Whatever you petition God for, whatever you strive to achieve, if you don't succeed, you've taken His name in vain. "In vain" doesn't have to mean "in sin"; it can just be a failure.
- **GCC Pearl**: Why did John say, "Whosoever is born of God cannot commit sin." The answer is in the rest of that verse: "because he is born of God." Whatever there is in that new birth life, don't measure it by whether somebody will like it or not. Don't measure it by whether its going to suit anybody or not. You are free in Christ today. You can eat the shewbread just as David did.
- **GCC Pearl:** If you've got salvation, as many now claim to have, and you're sick, you're the most miserable creature in this world. Saved and sick at the same time? You don't get sick when you receive His salvation. God's salvation is a new, glorified body, and you don't get sick when you have that.
- **GCC Pearl**: I am not saved. I don't have salvation. I don't claim salvation. I don't claim to be saved. If I did, I would be in violation of what the Spirit of God is saying to me. The Spirit of God anointed me and told me that we would be saved in the end, and then only if we are obedient to Christ.
- **GCC Pearl**: As God's people grow in grace, they will have more and claim less.
- **GCC Pearl:** I made up my mind a long time ago not to let anyone, especially a child of God, do anything to me that would cause me to hate them.
- **GCC Pearl**: I enjoy persecution because it shows I'm doing something right. I enjoy living in the town where I live. Everybody there loves me or hates me. God settled the issue between Job and his friends, and God will settle the issue between me and everybody who persecutes me.
- **GCC Pearl:** The gifts of God don't always bring joy when they work through a person.
- **Uncle Joe Pearl:** We'd better be in a condition to receive a rebuke from anybody at any time.
- <u>Uncle Joe Pearl</u>: The man who tells you what is right is your friend.
- **GCC Pearl:** If there is somebody in the congregation that you can't look in the eye, or don't want to look at and don't much care if they weren't there, don't tell God how much you love Him. You couldn't tell a bigger lie than that.
- **GCC Pearl**: People are trying to get God on their side. Don't you know that God's ways are not your ways?
- **GCC Pearl**: Somebody is responsible for reaching every sheep on earth today who is not in the fold. And somebody is also responsible for taking care of them once they do come in.

- **Brother Frank Pearl:** What little faith I've got is in the power of God.
- <u>Uncle Joe Pearl</u>: Don't tell me you can't cross bridges before you get to them. You'd better cross them before you get to them, in your heart. If you don't, you're going to have a heartbreak. You'd better cross the bridge of facing death before you get there. I've crossed the bridge many a time of my mother's death. She's almost there now, and I've pictured her lying in her coffin. I've already crossed that bridge, and I know it's alright!
- **GCC Pearl**: Time won't do it; time won't establish you in the Lord. Time has failed to do it for you. Time has failed to set some of us free. It's failed to accomplish the product that the Lord is expecting out of you. God wants us to come into possession of something right now, not later on. If we don't possess this now, we're not going to possess that later.
- **GCC Pearl**: Brother, you don't need this world's goods when you have the goods of God. When you have those goods, you are able to minister to the people.
- **GCC Pearl**: Brother, you had better get where you feel God and I don't mean feel Him in a meeting; I mean alone. And I don't mean just at night. I mean just walking around feeling this glory that I feel right now.
- **GCC Pearl:** If you die and go to hell, in just one minute after you depart this life everything in the world that you've ever missed God in, if you had it to do over again, you wouldn't miss Him. And those who are blessed enough to be allowed into Paradise, if they had to come back to this world, they would be more careful than they'd ever been.
- **GCC Pearl:** I don't believe there's a one here who'll be saved if they leave me.
- **GCC Pearl:** The disciple John had just as hard a job getting clear of the natural kind of love he had for Jesus as Peter and the rest of them had in getting the right kind.
- **GCC Pearl:** The holy Ghost baptism is God's true-evidenced body of Christ, the body you're put into when you receive it, and the one you're out of if you don't have it.
- **Grandma Edna Pearl:** Remember one thing, the holy Ghost is hated just like it was in the Apostle Paul's time.
- **GCC Pearl:** Go any place that Jesus went when he was here. Take him with you and don't be afraid. He was less welcome in the synagogue than anywhere, but he went. So, it won't hurt you to carry him back there for a visit, into the churches of men. They'll run you and him both out.
- **GCC Pearl:** Jesus was always looking for the poor, the drunks, and harlots. They had better hearts than the religious folk had. In other words, they were down and they knew it. There wasn't any argument with them. They were on the bottom. There was nothing to argue about.

- <u>Uncle Joe Pearl</u>: Everything in our hearts that we die with, we are going to be resurrected with.
- **GCC Pearl:** You have to get right to live right.
- **GCC Pearl:** Jesus said, "I am the way." The only way you need, and the only way you should be in, is the way he is. When you become as he was, you've found all the way you need.
- **GCC Pearl:** God's church is the saints of God.
- **GCC Pearl:** If a person is too good, I'm afraid of him, and if he's too bad, I don't want to be around him.
- **GCC Pearl:** Jesus told his disciples to pray this prayer: "Forgive our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us." If you pray, "Lord, forgive me as I forgive others," you are in reality praying this: "Just like I forgive others, Lord, forgive me." That's why people don't have the victory. Jesus is not forgiving them, just as they are not forgiving others.
- **GCC Pearl:** You're never going to raise the dead as long as you're burying them. Jesus broke up every funeral he ever attended.
- **GCC Pearl:** Somebody may say, "I have asked something in Jesus' name, and he didn't do it." No, you committed two evils right there. You said you asked in his name, and you didn't. That's one evil. And then you asked in vain; that's another one. That's two errors you made. Jesus said, "If you ask anything in my name, I will do it."
- **GCC Pearl:** You ask in Jesus' name only when the Spirit of God moves you to ask. The Spirit came to man from God in Jesus' name, and nothing done without the Spirit can be in his name. And you don't have to say the words, "in Jesus' name", for something to be in his name. When Paul said "Rise up and be healed," the anointing of God was on him and that's the name! The name is in the power!
- **GCC Pearl:** If the Lord should come down to this meeting today, and stand in that door, and say "I want everyone that's ready and wants to be judged to come on. I'm ready to judge you, to see whether you go back with me or whether you stay. But if there's anybody in here that's not ready for that judgment, I'll let you go out of the other way and live on a while longer until you feel like you're ready." Now, which door would we go out?"
- **GCC Pearl:** Somebody said to me, "There's too much noise in a holiness meeting." I said, "You know, this is the quietest world you're ever going to be in. You read in Revelation where it tells about 'mighty thunderings', and of millions of heavenly beings praising God, and millions of saints shouting the victory. And we're told that down in hell, there is screaming and squalling, 'weeping and gnashing of teeth'. Yes, this is the quietest world you're ever going to be in."

- **GCC Pearl:** Are you ashamed of your name? "They shall call them the holy people." We're not supposed to call ourselves that. The Bible says, "THEY shall call them they holy people." You can't truly get right with God without being called "holy" by others. They'll do it when it is real. Whether they want to or not, they will do it when it is real.
- GCC Pearl: Jesus is still standing behind his people, the body of Christ that he created at Pentecost. What about all these churches that have sprung up since then, claiming to be the body of Christ? Every one of them has a way to get into it other than through Jesus Christ. Did you ever think of that? Every one of them has a way to get into it other than the way the Bible says we enter into the body. The Bible said Christ is the door, and that he shuts and he opens, and no man can close and no man can open it. He's the only one who can take you into the right body, and he does it the way Paul said he does it; that is, he baptizes us by his Spirit into his body.
- **GCC Pearl**: You are not right with God if you're not persecuted. Paul said, "If any man," or a woman "will live godly in Christ Jesus, he shall suffer persecution." If your preacher is not being persecuted, he can't be living right.
- **GCC Pearl:** Don't ever give God's tithes and offerings to anybody who's begging for money. Give to somebody who is living close enough to God where God says they can get it, and where you'll feel led to give it, where you'll delight to give it. And when that leading of the Spirit to give comes on to you, don't ever throw it off. That is God talking to you.
- **GCC Pearl:** Jesus, in himself, had no preeminence over anybody filled with the holy Ghost because he said, "Of myself, I can do nothing". Well, I can do that, too. I can do nothing. We all can.
- GCC Pearl: You will never be able to separate the Spirit of Christ and the holy Ghost as long as you live. One writer said, "The Spirit of Christ was in the prophets, testifying beforehand of his suffering and of his coming into the world." Another writer said, "The holy Ghost spoke by the mouth of the prophets." Both scriptures are true.
- **GCC Pearl:** Nobody is going to fall out with you over telling them the truth unless they've already made their decision to go another way.
- **GCC Pearl:** If you ever hear anything about me, a scandal of some sort (and I've had a plenty of them), will you do what the Bible said to do? Don't try to justify me and don't condemn me. Just let me be. If you condemn the just, you're an abomination in the sight of God, and if you clear the guilty, you're the same thing.
- GCC Pearl: You either have faith in God or you don't.
- **GCC Pearl:** Depression is the worse sickness people suffer.
- **GCC Pearl:** Every fallen angel, one third of the heavenly host, was cast out, and everyone of them is insane.

- **GCC Pearl:** The devil is not after a single soul that he already has.
- **GCC Pearl:** The "church" of God is the body of Christ. The "church" of God is every born-again believer on the face of the earth. And outside of that church, I'm not interested in any church anywhere.
- **Grandma Pearl:** It pays to take an inventory of your soul.
- **GCC Pearl:** The work that God has given me is not so much to get people to receive the Spirit as it is to get those with the Spirit to be established in the truth and to grow.
- **GCC Pearl:** God does not have to prove Himself; He's already done that.
- **GCC Pearl:** If you don't have confidence in God, it can only be that *you've* been unfaithful, not Him. No husband or wife can be unfaithful without losing some confidence in the other spouse. The unfaithful husband cannot help but worry about what his wife might be doing while he's out being unfaithful. It's just like that in the spirit realm. If you're not being faithful to God, you lose some of your confidence that He is faithful to you.
- **GCC Pearl:** You cannot repent, with what the Bible calls repentance, without receiving the holy Ghost. If you can, then you can be saved in the end without repenting. The Bible says unless you repent you will perish, and if you do repent, you will receive the Spirit.
- **GCC Pearl:** Everybody who claims that they had God in them, that they had Christ before they received the holy ghost, is antichrist.
- **GCC Pearl:** Let your trials and persecutions make you strong. Trials are only opportunities for you to get deeper. Don't shun them and don't run from them.
- **GCC Pearl:** Don't be afraid of holding up a standard for the people around you. Don't worry that you're going to hurt somebody. You'll never help anybody much without hurting them.
- **Uncle Joe Pearl:** The gifts and callings of God are without repentance. But I found in the Bible a place where God calls people to do evil as well as He does to do righteousness. God "hardens whom He will," and He makes "one vessel unto honor and another unto dishonor by the same power."
- **GCC Pearl:** You can backslide easier in prayer than anywhere else. Just consider Balaam. He knew what God wanted him to do, but he prayed about it, anyway.
- <u>Uncle Joe Pearl:</u> If you don't get an answer to your prayers, you'll lose faith.
- **Grandma Pearl:** Saying words is not praying.

- **GCC Pearl:** Everything Jesus sent his disciples to do, they could not do it. He told them to heal the sick; they couldn't do it. He told them to raise they dead; they couldn't do it. Everything he told them to do, including preach the gospel, they couldn't do.
- GCC Pearl: Talking is not preaching the gospel. Paul said, "The gospel is not in word; it is in power." And he said, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God.' That's what heals; that's what raises the dead; and that's what preaches. That's the real gospel. This anointing and this power, that's the gospel, and I'm not ashamed of it! Many of God's people today are ashamed of the power of God. They want to cover up the real gospel with ceremonies and programs and then get up and talk about it.
- **GCC Pearl:** You better swallow the truth if you want to stand when this world is on fire. If you want to stand against what we are facing today, you better get established in God, and you better take in the word of God.
- **GCC Pearl:** The enemy is wanting a compromise today. If you want to make friends with somebody, I'll tell you somebody who is waiting for your friendship: Lucifer. He will compromise with you. If you won't live close enough to God to be happy, to shout and praise God, he'll let you prosper most anyway you want to. He hates the power of God. He hates healing. He hates anything the power is in. But he loves a form, without the power.
- GCC Pearl: You know what is esteemed as the greatest thing on the face of the earth among mankind today False religion. That is what Jesus was taking about when he said, "That which is highly esteemed among men is an abomination in the sight of God."
- **Uncle Joe Pearl:** Whatever happens to you will be for your good, for Paul said, "We know that all things work together for good to them who are called according to His purpose and love God." I believe we love him. I believe I love Him. Praise God, because I love everyone of you. That's how I know.
- Grandma Pearl: If there's anything in the world you can do for anybody to get them right with God, do it.
- **GCC Pearl:** There is coming a time when the testimony God gives you will be your last one.
- **Sis Glady's Pearl:** You don't have to have a lot of education to be holy.
- **GCC Pearl:** The life in the Spirit is too good to tell; you'll never tell it. You can only do what Sister Edna once said: "tell at it".
- **GCC Pearl:** Don't fall out with the world if they think you are crazy. They just don't know what a good thing they are missing. They don't know how real it is.
- GCC Pearl: It's awful when you get out of tune with God. Nothing sounds right or works right.

Grandma Edna Pearl: Every time a test comes, it drives you closer to God or further away.

Earl Pearl: I've had the best time in my life I've ever had being in holiness, and I'm not ashamed of it a bit!

Earl Pearl: I'm glad we know. Knowing is better than believing.

Earl Pearl: Eternal life is free, but it's got a price tag on it: sacrifice of self.

GCC Pearl: Sometimes, we work too hard to be free.

Grandma Edna Pearl: If you please God, you'll enjoy it.

Uncle Joe Pearl: If you do His will, there is great pleasure in it.

GCC Pearl: There's no way to prove that God has called you than to have the holy Ghost because Peter said, "The promise is for you and your children, and for those who are afar off, even as many as the Lord thy God shall call."

GCC Pearl: There is not a person here who is ready to meet God, and you won't be ready until you accomplish what God has you here for.

Uncle Joe Pearl: The Scripture says "Seek ye first the kingdom of God AND His righteousness." Another way of saying that is "be converted AND become as a little child" (GCC adds, "It's the same thing as "keep His commandments AND do the things that please Him."

GCC Pearl: There are some things you can please God by doing, but you will be breaking one of the written commandments to do it.

GCC Pearl: Some think they are not backslidden by telling themselves "I haven't gone back on God because I don't love the world, and I'm not going to do what I know is wrong." You don't have to do all that to backslide. When Adam and Eve backslid they weren't trying to be less like God, but more. They weren't trying to go down; they were trying to go up. Satan said to her, "This will make you more like God, make you wise. That fruit is good; it doesn't hurt anybody to eat fruit." She ate it to get promoted but she got demoted. And what Satan offered Jesus in the Temptation is what just about anybody would want; authority here on earth and all the things that go with it. And the angels that fell thought they were being promoted. No doubt Satan thought, "I think I can run things better, if I can get in power."

GCC Pearl: The story of Jesus started out in an ox stall, in there with the cattle. And ever since then, people have been trying to get it out of the manger – out of old white-washed buildings and into fine buildings. But when you go to doing that, God walks off. He leaves them there with their nice building and nothing with it. Think of the places of worship today, the nice buildings and all. If they just knew what we've found! Yes, "It pleased God through the foolishness of preaching to save those who believe."

- **GCC Pearl:** You can't build God a house. If He would have been interested in that, He would have kept the first temple. Nothing you can build would be as nice as that one.
- **GCC Pearl:** Mary thought she had Jesus for several days one time, but he wasn't with her. Some people go all their life and think they have him.
- **GCC Pearl:** When Mary and Joseph found out they didn't have their son Jesus, they knew where to go back and get him. They knew they had left him in Jerusalem. That's one good thing for us. If we leave anything of God behind, we know right where to go back to get it.
- **GCC Pearl:** The true gospel is not in large buildings; it's not through the educated professional ministry at all! That's not the way you get it. You get this on your knees!
- **GCC Pearl:** It was for the lack of knowledge that the Old Testament children of God failed. That's what killed Jesus. The Romans say the Jews are responsible, and the Jews say the Romans killed him. I tell you what killed him. Ignorance killed him. Peter said to the Jews on the Day of Pentecost, "whom ye ignorantly crucified". And Paul said that the men who crucified the Lord would not have done it if they had known what they were doing. They all thought they were doing right.
- **Brother Frank Pearl:** There is a scripture in Psalms that says "from the rising of the sun until the going down of the same, the name of the Lord is to be praised." You can't pray too much, and you can't praise God too much.
- **Brother Frank Pearl:** If you pray through at home, when you come to the meeting, you will have the victory.
- **Brother Frank Pearl:** I'm not interested in going to a dead meeting. The Bible says, "Why seek you the living among the dead? He is not here. He is risen."
- **Uncle Joe Pearl:** No matter how much the devil comes against you, no matter how many things you say or do wrong, when God touches you, you become a whole man again. And without that wholeness in Christ, you're not going to be able to walk among men as a witness for God.
- **Earl Pearl:** Paul said, "The kingdom of God is not meat and drink but righteousness peace and joy in the holy Ghost." I used to think that since we had the holy Ghost, we had righteousness, but when I sat down and thought about it, there are a lot of people with the holy Ghost that are not living righteous. The righteousness of God is in the holy Ghost, but it's not the holy Ghost. You only have the righteousness of God if you obey the Spirit's that's in you.
- **GCC Pearl:** Jesus told a parable of servants with talents. The servant with just one talent was cast out of the kingdom. Every one of God's children has at least one talent. He gives them one to start with, and we all had better get at least two talents if we want to be saved in the end.

- **GCC Pearl:** There is a sin of *commission* and a sin of *omission*. If God tells you to do anything, you sin if you don't do it. If He tells you *not* to do anything, you sin if you do do it. You can sin by doing nothing. Or, you can sin by doing something you're not supposed to do.
- **GCC Pearl:** You don't only preach with your mouth. You have to live what you preach in order for your preaching to do much good.
- **GCC Pearl:** People must desire to be like you before you can help them. And if you don't want others to be like you are, don't say anything to them about Jesus. Let them go to somebody else. If you don't want people to be just like you are, don't you mention Christ to them.
- GCC Pearl: Don't allow yourself to even feel right toward God until He does what He says He'll do. Tell Him about it. Have the backbone and have the nerve that you've seen in the Bible. We hear Moses say, "No, LORD! No!" He went to grips with God. Other men of God went to grips with Him, too. They reminded him of His promises, and held on until He fulfilled them. God wants you to stand up and be counted. You tell Him what you've done, and what He's supposed to do. I think He holds back sometimes just to see if you will claim your victory.
- **GCC Pearl:** To be like God means to be different, and I'm willing to be.
- **GCC Pearl:** The world expects us to speak out against their wrong. They won't even have any confidence in you unless you do that. When you see them do wrong, they expect to hear something from you. Let's not be guilty of the sin of keeping mute when evil is so prevalent all around us. Let's reprove it!
- **GCC Pearl:** If the Lord came at you to correct you with anger, you would not be where you are. He came with a meek spirit, and those he anoints will come that same way. There may be a time for "open rebuke", but if he does that, it will still be with a meek spirit.
- **GCC Pearl:** Every person who was in favor of Jesus being crucified was just as guilty as the ones carrying out the execution.
- **GCC Pearl:** You are not going to get by with just washing your hands of a situation and doing nothing, any more than Pontius Pilate got by, by washing his hands when he could have stopped the whole proceeding.
- GCC Pearl: I hope that everyone here will make up your mind that you're going to do something for God besides just go to the meeting and sit down, because you are going to be stripped of the "one talent" you do have if you do that. That's how you 'bury your talent'. Just come and sit. If you want to know how you "bury your talent in the earth", as the parable says remember this you're the earth. You bury it inside your body by keeping what you know to yourself, by keeping your testimony to yourself, and by keeping your talent to yourself, saying within yourself, "Let the other people do it."

- **GCC Pearl:** Some say, "I pay the preacher to do my preaching," or "I pay the choir to do my singing," or "I let others do the testifying." But let me tell you something. God, not you, is going to pay them for doing their part, and some of what He pays them with will be what He has taken away from those who have done nothing with what they had.
- **GCC Pearl:** Let's start doing something for somebody, somehow. If you'll start warning the wicked and getting his blood off your hands, then when you come to these meetings, you'll have something to talk about. You'll have a testimony.
- **GCC Pearl:** There is nothing about the way of holiness that is hard if you stay up. Now, if you fall behind, it's a little hard to catch up.
- **GCC Pearl:** The only way we can understand God is to perceive Him as smaller than He is. If how great God is filled our minds, there is no telling what it would do to us. We'd feel smaller than an ant on the floor. That's why He sent us His Son. We have to see Him in the Son. We can understand God when we look at him.
- **GCC Pearl:** In one of Jesus' parables, the servant that pleased his master was busy when the master returned. I want to be busy when the Lord comes. And if you'll stay busy for God, you won't have time for these spiritual battles that you keep having. They won't even be there. There's no battle when you're busy.
- GCC Pearl: People talk about "battling the devil", but most of God's people don't know the devil. They've never been around him, and he's done nothing to them. They are not that grown up in the Lord. The devil deals with God's grown-up children, somebody like Paul or Jesus. The devil has underlings, demons that carry out his work, little imps. It just takes a small one to keep most of God's children down, to keep them crying or whining. But when you grow up in the Lord, and get anointed, and get in a condition for God to use you, you might get in contact with the old man himself.
- **GCC Pearl:** A person having the holy Ghost doesn't mean that person knows God. It takes time for a child of God to know their heavenly Father, the same way it takes a newborn baby on earth to get to know his father.
- GCC Pearl: The most important thing to remember when you are talking to others about the Lord is that no matter what you are saying, what those people are hearing you say is this: "I want you to be like me." It's more important to be like Jesus than it is to say good things about him. That way, if others follow your example, they'll be saved in the end.
- **GCC Pearl:** Pentecostal people have become so humble that they are proud of it.
- **GCC Pearl:** God is more interested in keeping you well and happy than you are interested in taking care of your own children.

- **GCC Pearl:** Let's stay where God can use us. If we do that, God will be robbing Himself of His own service for us to be sick or otherwise troubled and unable to work for Him.
- **GCC Pearl:** Nobody makes me any better than I am, and nobody makes me any worse. I'm just what I am. If I hear praise or if I hear criticism, I just pass on through it.
- <u>Uncle Joe Pearl:</u> The Lord gave me a message for a divided congregation one time. He told me to tell those people, "Don't be yourselves tonight; be somebody else. Be that one you have the hardest trouble getting along with; put yourself in his place and be willing to forgive that person just like you want to be forgiven."
- **GCC PEARL:** You can't sincerely ask the Lord Jesus to come if you are not ready. If there's a spot in your life, you're not asking him to come from the heart. He's coming back for a people who are saying from the heart, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Let's live in that place, where we can say from the heart, "Come, Lord Jesus."
- **GCC Pearl:** God is the most jealous Being there is. He's so jealous over a wife that He wants to sleep between her and her husband. And He feels the same way toward the man. And if He doesn't sleep between them, they will have trouble.
- <u>Uncle Joe Pearl</u>: I'd rather take my chance on the outside of Christianity. There might be more danger inside that place than here where we are. In fact, I know there is.
- **Sister Linnie May Pearl:** People ask me, "Why do you all want to testify so much?" It's cause we're friends. Jesus said, "I call you friends, and all the things revealed by the Father to me, I've made known to you." Another time, he said, "I have given them the word which thou gavest me." We want to give one another what God has given us!
- **Sister Linnie May Pearl:** It's the mother that nourishes the children. The father just makes it possible for her to do it.
- **GCC Pearl**: You can be persecuted for the sins you have committed if God has forgiven you. Even after he got right with god, Paul was persecuted for how badly he had treated God's children, but God blessed him for those persecutions because he had washed all those sins away.
- **Sister Linnie Mae Pearl:** God loves God.
- **GCC Pearl:** The Bible says, "Bless those who curse you." A lot of people don't know what cursing means. If I slander you and that slander cuts off your fellowship with others and makes you unfruitful, I've cursed you. Pray for me.
- **GCC Pearl:** The gospel cannot be taught. It must be preached because it is the power of God.
- **GCC Pearl:** There is no scripture that tells anyone to pray to get the holy Ghost. There is no scripture that tells anyone to pray to be born again. Sinners are only told to repent.

- **GCC Pearl:** Jesus said those who believed on him would do greater works than he did. What could that be? I can tell you one thing greater than he did: lay hands on someone and have him receive the holy Ghost. That, Jesus could not do while he was here on earth.
- **GCC Pearl:** The Spirit does not bring life; it IS life.
- **GCC Pearl:** There is government in the body of Christ. When I put government in the little group I had, I lost over half of them. But I gained! We need government among the children of God.
- **GCC Pearl:** If the truth offends, I'll just have to let it have its course.
- **GCC Pearl:** Anything you believe could be a lie, as far as you know. John wrote, "I write unto you who *believe* that you may *know*." The woman at the well told people about Jesus, but later, those same people told her, "We no longer believe because of your word. We've seen him for ourselves!" Have you seen him for yourself, or are you still going by what you've heard?
- **GCC Pearl:** Those who went down to John the Baptist were given a receipt by him proving that they had obeyed God. Jesus does the same thing now for every one who obeys him. He gives them all the receipt of his baptism of the holy Ghost.
- **GCC Pearl:** If you have the signs that Jesus said would follow believers in Mark 16, you don't need a sign outside, telling people who you are.
- **GCC Pearl**: Unless you want others to be like you, don't tell them about Jesus.
- **GCC Pearl:** Pentecostals and Charismatics are ruining the faith by trying to organize the power and the Spirit of God. They're trying to set it in order, but the power and Spirit of God is what sets *you* in order.
- GCC Pearl: I'm not satisfied with having the Spirit; I want to know what I've got.
- **GCC Pearl:** Sanctification is not a condition; it is an experience.
- **GCC Pearl:** There is no such thing as a work of grace. Grace doesn't work.
- **GCC Pearls:** A sheep is always a sheep, even before he comes to the Lord. A goat is never changed into a sheep.
- **GCC Pearl:** There may be some foolishness in a wise man and some wisdom in a foolish one. Judge no one quickly.
- **GCC Pearl:** One reason for letting your light shine is so that others will not stumble over you.
- GCC Pearl: If you don't put God ahead of your family, you're not going to have a family worth having.

- **GCC Pearl:** Everyone on earth who honestly and sincerely desires the truth will find the truth because they will pay the price for it. But you can't pay the price for it as long as you are too hooked up with anybody.
- **GCC Pearl:** Even though I am the pastor of the work, I am not responsible for your sins. I am responsible to show them to you, and to tell you what they are, but it's your job to get clear of them. I won't be lost if you're lost.
- **GCC Pearl:** The body of Christ as a whole is not the Bride of Christ. The Bride of Christ will be those in the body of Christ who are faithful to Christ while here on earth.
- **GCC Pearl:** You don't have to pray to get right with God; you only have to confess your sins and repent. This stuff you see on TV, where ministers tell sinners to pray what they call the "Sinner's Prayer" to "get saved" will wash no one's sins away. When a sinner gets real with God and pours out his soul in true repentance, no one would want that on TV. The prayers men pray on TV are for public show.
- **GCC Pearl:** I'd rather die being persecuted or stoned to death for the truth than to live in error and get to the place where I don't know which is my right hand or my left, the place where I don't know why I'm saying what I'm saying.
- **GCC Pearl:** You must receive the Spirit of God. You'll never be saved without the Spirit of God. And you won't even be saved with the Spirit of God if you don't obey the Spirit of God once you have received it.
- **GCC Pearl:** Sin and sickness are bedfellows. If you start getting miserable, you'd better start praying. Sin and sickness are right next door.
- **GCC Pearl:** Do not give in to the demon of worry. Leave God's business alone. He's obligated to take care of you.
- **GCC Pearl:** The world "knew not God", John said. The more worldly you get, the less you'll know God, too.
- **GCC Pearl:** A man told me, "I'm a sinner saved by grace." I told him, "I'm not a sinner, and I'm not saved. John said, 'Whoever sins is of the devil,' and Jesus said, 'Whoever endures to the end shall be saved.' I am not of the devil, and I haven't endured to the end, yet, either."
- **GCC Pearl:** If you haven't heard from God lately, let me tell you something. When you've not treated somebody right, they're not very talkative, are they? God's like that.
- **Uncle Joe Pearl:** You either forgive sin or you condone it.

- **GCC Pearl:** You know what the death of Jesus did for his disciples? It caused every one of them to backslide. They were all discouraged and went away.
- **GCC Pearl:** If you have the mind of Christ, you are not tempted. The mind of Christ is not tempted.
- **GCC Pearl:** The day you get the holy Ghost is your first day in God's school.
- **GCC Pearl:** The older God's children are, the dumber they are. You tell me the condition of one of God's children, and I'll tell you how long they have been in the way.
- **GCC Pearl:** Every relative I have in the world has the holy Ghost.
- **GCC Pearl:** It is foolish to try to be friends with the world. The world hates you anyway, if you belong to God, no matter how friendly you are.
- **GCC Pearl:** What imperfection you have is the only part of you the world has fellowship with.
- **GCC Pearl:** If you don't want people to hear you pray, you're in bad shape. And if you want people to hear you pray, you're in worse shape.
- **Brother Frank Pearl:** It'll give you the victory if you do enough praying and praising God.
- **GCC Pearl:** As long as you're for something, you're against something. I'm not for anything, and I'm not against anything. Whatever God wants, I want.
- **GCC Pearl:** You can't be real in God without hurting somebody's feelings. Worrying about that hinders many.
- **JDC Pearl:** Some children of God are allowed to do things that we cannot.
- **JDC Pearl:** You can do damage with the truth.
- **JDC Pearl:** Some of the Bible's prophecies could not have been given with a right spirit if men had made them up.
- **JDC Pearl:** Christ was in charge even while he was on the cross.
- **JDC Pearl:** We're not supposed to do what Jesus did; we're supposed to be doing what he does.
- **JDC Pearl:** There is no holy land on this earth. In Revelation, John saw the holy city of Jerusalem coming down out of heaven.
- **JDC Pearl:** Paul said, "The law has dominion over a man as long as he liveth." Paul was dead. In fact, he said he died every day.

JDC Pearl: Many of God's people still worship in the flesh, and sin still "takes occasion" in it.

GCC Pearl: Sheep don't feed sheep. The shepherd feeds the sheep. The sheep feed the lambs.

JDC Pearl: The Bible says nothing. Everything we get from the Bible, we read. God does all the talking.

JDC Pearl: We can't tell who God loves by who He blesses.

JDC Pearl: It's good to ask God, "You know the truth, God; why don't I know it? You know where people are; why don't I know?"

JDC Pearl: It's hard to "speak the truth in love" unless you are thoroughly convinced of it.

JDC Pearl: Sin hurts everybody, never just one.

JDC Pearl: "The increase of God" is not an increase that man sees.

GCC Pearl: God is not going to anoint every one of you the way He anoints His teachers. Then, how are you going to know who has heard from God and who has not? Do God's will! Jesus said, "My doctrine is not mine, but His that sent me. If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself."

JDC Pearl: The wise men of earth think they do not believe in the power of God because they see a better way. But if any man does not believe in the power of God, it is because God has hidden his eyes, and God has not called him. Jesus said, "No man can come unto me except God calls him."

JDC Pearl: The *only* reason any person on earth has not received the holy Ghost is that God has not given it to him.

JDC Pearl: Everyone who believes the truth has the holy Ghost or is seeking it.

JDC Pearl: If God doesn't call, you can't come. If God calls, you can't stay away.

JDC Pearl: Paul said that no flesh glories in God's presence because God's presence is going to destroy all flesh.

JDC Pearl: Whoever enjoys the holy Ghost desires to be in God's presence.

JDC Pearl: If you are ashamed of the holy Ghost, you are ashamed of Jesus.

JDC Pearl: How long does something have to be here before it is holy? Does time sanctify?

GCC Pearl: When two people quarrel, who is right? They both are . . . in their own eyes.

- **GCC Pearl:** The best thing that can happen to someone who is ready to meet God is for them to meet God.
- **GCC Pearl:** God spoke to me this week. He said, "My people are laughing at a lot of foolishness. Half of what they laugh at is contrary to the Spirit of God." When you get carried away in foolishness, you have drifted away from the attitude of faith. If someone came to you needing prayer, you would have to change spirits to pray for them. Stay in the attitude of prayer.
- **GCC Pearl:** Jesus won a lot of people to himself, but then, he had to get them over to God. That happened at Pentecost. I've won a lot of people and never could get them in God's hands. The disciple John loved Jesus so much that he would have been satisfied with the man Jesus, without the Father, but Jesus would not have it. He chose death over that, and by his death, he introduced John to the One Jesus said was greater than he was.
- **GCC Pearl:** Your name was in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world or it will never get in there.
- **GCC Pearl:** Don't ever stay with anybody when the time comes to go with God or go with them.
- **JDC Pearl:** The saints who go up with the Lord Jesus are the same saints who will come back down with him to reign a thousand years. You are not ready to go with him unless you are ready to come back with him and reign.
- **Uncle Joe Pearl:** Before my trip to Louisville, Brother Clark prayed that I would have a safe trip. But Brother Clark's prayers for a safe trip didn't go farther than the speed limit. When I went past the speed limit, I went beyond Brother Clark's prayers, and God's other servant, the highway patrolman, stopped me and gave me a ticket.
- **JDC Pearl:** If you are in Christ, all things are under your feet because all things are under his.
- **GCC Pearl:** The more educated you are, the bigger fool you can be.
- **GCC Pearl:** The humbler you are, the purer you are in the sight of God.
- **GCC Pearl:** There is no such thing as a false preacher.
- **GCC Pearl:** Jesus never prayed for the sick.
- GCC Pearl: Without the pentecostal baptism, there is no such thing as a body of Christ.
- **GCC Pearl:** I'm more afraid of this stuff called 'love' than anything I know of.
- **GCC Pearl**: God determines who comes into the body of Christ and who goes out. I do not do it. If I did it, it might be wrong.

GCC Pearl: Don't ask me to pray for you to have anything that I don't have.

GCC Pearl: It's insulting to God for you to worry. You can't be as happy as God wants you to be as long as you are worrying.

GCC Pearl: We love some people because they love the ones we love.

GCC Pearl: The Father has eternal life within Himself. There was no beginning of his life, and there will be no end. The Son has the same life within himself, but to him, it is everlasting life instead of eternal life because with him it had a beginning. The beginning of the Son's life was when the Father gave it to him.

<u>Uncle Joe Pearl:</u> You're either "bearing his reproach" or you are one.

GCC Pearl: You're either being persecuted or you're persecuting someone else.

GCC Pearl: God will use you in a negative way if He can't use you in a positive way.

GCC Pearl: God was with us before we came into the Way. He was with us before He was in us.

GCC Pearl: We're not looking for shouting, clapping hands, singing. That all is fine. But we're looking for the power that *moves* things.

<u>Uncle Joe Pearl:</u> If we'll quit doing what God's not doing, we'll be more like Him.

JDC Pearl: Humility makes our blessings and good qualities secure. There are many who are blessed and who have good qualities, but our good qualities and blessings will be lost in time if we are polluted with pride. Without humility, there is no gratitude for our good qualities or blessings, and without gratitude, we cannot retain the good things we have.

GCC Pearl: "In my name" has nothing to do with speech.

GCC Pearl: Jesus' body was as normal as yours.

GCC Pearl: God wants losers.

GCC Pearl: If you haven't gotten the things you wanted, consider why. If you had gotten what you wanted, you might have been too well satisfied to have heard the voice of God.

GCC Pearl: You'll never see a group of believers with everyone right. It's not even intended to be that way. "There must be heretics among you," Paul said. And Jesus said that there must be stumbling blocks among the saints.

GCC Pearl: The world hasn't cooled off from its hatred of holiness; God's people have cooled off from their love of it.

- **GCC Pearl:** We don't have bad weather, just different kinds.
- **GCC Pearl:** I know that what's kept me is God; I didn't keep Him.
- **GCC Pearl:** When I prayed about how I have hurt some of God's children, God gave me an answer. He said, "You never stopped a one. You can't stop those who hear my voice. You can't stop a wise virgin. They'll go around you; they'll jump over you; they'll go under you. They will get to me because that is what they really want. So, don't worry about it."
- **GCC Pearl:** The holy Ghost is not a guarantee of your salvation. Everyone of the Foolish Virgins had it, and they were not allowed in. I'll tell you what your assurance of salvation is. It is that clean, white "wedding garment" Jesus mentioned in his parable. And what is that? That is the righteousness of saints. But what is the righteousness of saints in this covenant? It's God's righteousness, which was not given under the law. It comes only through the Spirit.
- **GCC Pearl:** It is harder to forget what you've been taught than to learn something new.
- **GCC Pearl:** All of God's people have the love of God (Rom. 5:5), but not all of them have charity, which is the love of God *in action*. You cannot fail with charity, but you can fail with only the love of God, buried inside of you.
- **GCC Pearl:** The desires of your heart are what God judges now. You cannot justify yourself by deeds you have or have not done, as under the law. Justification now is according to your innermost desires because "the Kingdom of God is within you."
- **GCC Pearl:** Don't fight things outside yourself, things in the world. There is no sin outside of man's own heart.
- **GCC Pearl:** I wish people would do right. But I am not going to fret myself. We can't fix others when we have not been delivered. We can only complain about them. God can fix us more than once. I have been fixed since God fixed me the first time.
- **GCC Pearl:** Here in this congregation would be a hard place for someone to come who does not really want to be delivered.
- **GCC Pearl:** I'm not looking for anything greater than perfect peace. And you can't have perfect peace as long as you are attached to someone or something that you just can't turn loose.
- **GCC Pearl:** The people you cling to who don't want God will drain your soul, and you still won't be able to help them. The only way you can help anybody is to "come out from among them and be ye separate," and lay man's ways down as an example for them.
- **GCC Pearl:** Being filled with the holy Ghost makes you feel excited about Jesus coming soon.

- **GCC Pearl:** Would we still have fellowship with one another if we could read one another's mind?
- **GCC Pearl:** You have to be in a certain spiritual condition to be healed. A healing might cause some people's souls to be lost if they are sick because God is dealing with them.
- **GCC Pearl:** The time may come when God will not hear you, when you can't feel His touch anymore. When that leaves you, it won't do any good to do anything pray, cry, seek, or whatever. All you can do is get still and wait for the Lord to come back to you.
- **GCC Pearl:** If things are not exactly right in your spirit, this place of worship is a hard place to come, but it is the ONLY place to come if you want to be delivered. Many a backslidden soul is highly respected in many churches even in their backslidden condition. They have drifted from holiness and now sit in their pews and act just like them. Dead. I don't want to die while I'm alive.
- **GCC Pearl:** It is awful for somebody to come to a holiness meeting just because they desire to shout or desire to speak in tongues. That's wrong. I never sought those things. I sought to be right with God.
- **GCC Pearl:** I have the Spirit of God. If I had the Spirit of Christ, and it wasn't the same Spirit as the Spirit of God, I'd have two Spirits.
- **GCC Pearl:** Everybody needs a church home, a place where you can say, "Our meetings". Don't run around on your husband, and don't run around on your church home. If so, it is fornication.
- **GCC Pearl:** Get possessions out of your way and Jesus will heal you and make you the happiest person on earth.
- **GCC Pearl:** The best thing you can do for a person who is not free in God is to express the joy of being ready to meet God.
- **GCC Pearl:** People are too satisfied and comforted with worldly things to pray through to the holy Ghost.
- **GCC Pearl:** Search out the truth and put it to the test. God promised to show the way. We would all be in one accord if we all searched with our whole heart.
- **GCC Pearl:** Not every prodigal is going to come back home.
- **GCC Pearl:** There's not a one trying to escape hell that will succeed.
- **GCC Pearl:** Jesus said, "Ye do err, knowing neither the scriptures nor the power of God." This means that you will err if you do not know these two things.
- **GCC Pearl:** The Bible is not the Gospel.

- **GCC Pearl:** Let's keep this fellowship of love above all else. No natural relative can give it to us. It's stronger than anything in this world. I'm for natural affections, the love of natural relatives, but this is better than that.
- **GCC Pearl:** Men may say, "I don't see it as you do." Well, I'll tell you one thing; you better see it as God sees it.
- **GCC Pearl:** If you're in deep financial trouble, you have missed God somewhere.
- **GCC Pearl:** Pentecostal people are proud of their humility.
- **GCC Pearl:** People are deceived, and seem to be glad of it.
- **GCC Pearl:** Holiness means to get out of holiness now. God's people have turned the holiness movement into a playhouse.
- **GCC Pearl:** Tithes are what you owe. Offerings are what you give. You can't give tithes. They don't belong to you to begin with.
- **GCC Pearl:** We're not supposed to be borrowers.
- **GCC Pearl:** Going to work and paying tithes is not enough. You need to work in God's kingdom.
- **GCC Pearl:** Everybody you meet, you need to give them something: money, directions, a wave, something. Be a friend to everyone.
- **GCC Pearl:** Whatever side God is on is the majority.
- **GCC Pearl:** People think you have to cry and yell and pray to get the holy Ghost. The only thing the Bible says you have to do is repent.
- **GCC Pearl:** In the early days of the Church of God, there were no transfers to other churches. The only thing a pastor would write down when someone left was "Backslid".
- GCC Pearl: It is good to pray out loud together. The Bible says, "This wasn't done in a corner."
- GCC Pearl: You've got to have an open life. You've got to have a life open to God and open to the family of God. There are no secrets with God. Hallelujah. Just stand before God today and ask Him today, "Lord, what do I still lack? What is my trouble? Do I show anything other than you to others? Do I manifest the wrong spirit? Do I lose self-control? Do I vex others? Am I hurting or doing good? Am I an example, God, of what you want and what you are looking for? Am I an example of that? Am I a pattern of that? Or, am I contrary to that?

GCC Pearl: The time is coming when you are not going to be able to change. "Today – now – if you hear the voice of God," don't put it off! Tomorrow you may feel differently. You have to move when the Lord moves. When God speaks, that's the time to step up closer.

GCC Pearl: It's much worse to be lifted up too high than to be cast down. To be proud and haughty is worse than being down and crying and praying a little bit.

GCC Pearl: The more Pentecostal revivals they have, the more people are getting away from God. Just repent, and you won't need a revival. It will be a cheap price to pay for eternal life.

GCC Pearl: Carnal does not mean "sinful"; it means "natural".

GCC Pearl: You're not ready to die until you die. Jesus wasn't ready to die until he died, not even while still on the cross. Only when he finished was he ready.

GCC Pearl: If you've ever fought the battle with the devil, it will be at the end, on your death bed. That is the time of hardest battle.

GCC Pearl: False doctrine is evil.

Aunt Myrtle Pearl: Sometimes there's victory in just keeping your mouth shut. It's easier to tame wild beasts than to tame your own tongue.

Uncle Joe Pearl: The question is not whether God is dead or not. The question is, "Are we dead, or are we alive?"

Brother Frank: Some people are expecting to go to heaven. I'm not expecting to go, myself. I've got the holy Ghost. I'm expecting him to carry me.

Brother Frank: I don't have insurance from man; I've got assurance with God.

Brother Frank: Every foul spirit has a foul doctrine.

Brother Frank: God's blessing is going to be where God's unity is.

Brother Frank: It's not supposed to be a "holy mess", but holiNESS.

Grandma Edna Pearl: I don't hate nobody because they don't like holiness. The Bible says it's not you they hate; it's God.

Grandma Edna Pearl: God picks up all the trash. Just leave it alone.

GCC Pearl: You will only persecute someone ahead of you in the Lord, doing what you are supposed to be doing, or going where you're supposed to be going.

- **GCC Pearl:** I believe I'd rather be in sin than to be over here on this side, justifying myself by good works [because of what I don't do].
- **GCC Pearl:** When you've gone the last Smile of the way, you've gone the last mile of the way until you get your smile back.