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very striking, the absolute necessity of revelation, and in fact, of revelation from God, stressing the necessity of God's Word, not merely if our life is to be worth while, not merely if we are to accomplish what we want to, but if we are actually not to perish and to die eternally. Well, now this idea of revelation we discussed at some length yesterday, but I would like to give you this one long illustration which will take our full time today, this illustration of an experience which I had five years ago, which the Lord gave me, I believe, in order to make clearer to me and to others exactly what revelation means and how necessary it is.

It begins toward the end of June in 1944 at the airport in , Nevada. That night a big bomber began flying at about ten o'clock, flying in a general southeasterly direction and as that bomber through the air there the men in that bomber could have used any one of three ways to try to determine at any particular time where they were. One method would of course be our standard method of determining facts, induction. . They could look out, look down below them and try to see what they saw there, try to see the lay of the land. Well, it was pitch dark. There was no moon that night. There were practically no towns in the whole area over which they flew, no lights to give them an idea of towns there, hardly any rivers which might reflect the star light and give them an idea. As they looked down it was blank darkness. Induction was no help to determine where they were at any particular time. A second method would be deduction. Deduction--they could look up at the stars. They could set their course in a certain direction. They could look at the map and they could say, "We started from this point, we aim to fly in this direction, we fly at this rate a certain length of time. Therefore we ought to be right about here. But deduction was of no use that night because there was a seventy-five mile gale blowing through the sky, blowing at different directions at different places, and the plane would blow this way and that way and the other way and as they flew there in the darkness it was impossible that night to tell by deduction within several hundred miles, after they had been going a short time, where they might be at any particular time. Then there would be a third method of determining where they were, and that method