

SONGS:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

CECIL PALMER: Supposed to be only four.

(What are the words?)

Words of wisdom and knowledge.

CHARLES PALMER: When he sings I could explain them to you but I can't get him the way it is.

(As he sings them?)

Sonny could. Sing that song. You know some of them have words in it.

SONNY EAGLE WING: Got their own meaning. When they sing them in this religion, they have a meaning. Just like you humming "Amazing Grace" or something like that. You don't hear no words but you feel it. You know the words within your mind. In your mind and your humming it. But that's what he saying. That sound. That gutural sound is in a way put forth a song. Well, you can take that, turn it around, and that same song just sing it out loud. Like me I could sing; ((he hums "Amazing Grace")) That's "Amazing Grace", right? Or then I could; ((he sings words to "Amazing Grace")) See what it is? You can't explain them but Indians know.

CECIL PALMER: Learn them long years ago.

7, 8, 9

SONNY EAGLE WING: These are recordings of Cecil Palmer from Hog Creek, Oklahoma. American Indian church songs.

CHARLES PALMER: He knows some good songs. Sing them others. Old time songs.

Yeah., sing them goods ones.

12, 13, 14, 15

CHARLES PALMER: That's water song.

CECIL PALMER: That's old time water song.

16, 17

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