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JOHN 6:53-69

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 \sim 53 ⁺ Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.

» 54 ⁺ Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.

» 55 ⁺ For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.

56 [†] He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.

» 57 ⁺ As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me.

> 58 ⁺ This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever.

» 59 ⁺ These things said he in the synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum.

 \sim 60 ⁺ ¶ Many therefore of his disciples, when they had heard this, said, This is an hard saying; who can hear it?

» 61 ⁺ When Jesus knew in himself that his disciples murmured at it, he said unto them, Doth this offend you?

» 62 [†] What and if ye shall see the Son of man ascend up where he was before?

 \sim 63 ⁺ It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

» 64 ⁺ But there are some of you that believe not. For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who should betray him.

» 65 ⁺ And he said, Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father.

» 66 ⁺ From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.

» 67 ⁺ Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away?

» 68 ⁺ Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.

» 69 ⁺ And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.

1A) 63-0825E PERFECT.FAITH_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-11 SUNDAY_

S1 + Now, now we see, at first the disciples didn't have this Perfect Faith. They didn't have it, because they'd had Christ, walking with Him; but then afterwards, Christ was in them. And so, you see, it's hard then to have this Perfect Faith without the Holy Spirit; It has to bring it, It does. Now, you say, "The disciples didn't have Perfect Faith?" No; for they had an epileptic child there, that they were trying to cast this devil out of him, and they couldn't do it.

52 And the father seen Jesus coming, and he said, "We have brought my son to--to Your disciples, and they could not cure him." See?

53 And afterwards, the disciples asked Jesus, saying, "Why could not we cure him?"

54 And Jesus said, "Because, of the lack of faith, of your unbelief." That's right. "Because of your unbelief at..."

1) 53-0608A DEMONOLOGY.PHYSICAL.REALM_ CONNERSVILLE.IN DE 21-40 MONDAY_

* 78 * Now, there's where sight and time is God's worst enemy in Divine healing. I don't know whether Brother Baxter ever gets to these things in meeting. I set down, explained it to him and Brother Bosworth over and over. But here's what's happened. I doubt whether many of the people get it, because after while you begin to find the people coming back, saying, "I had my healing, Brother Branham, for two or three days, but bless God it--it left me." I find it. I think it's because they don't set the meeting right. The people don't understand. I've had men to come to the platform and be totally blind, cancers or cataracts over their eyes, and read this Bible after being prayed for, walk down, in three or four days be just as blind as they was in the first place. What happened? Anyone knows that when the life has gone out of any flesh, it shrinks for a while. Is that right?

2) 62-0318 THE.SPOKEN.WORD.IS.THE.ORIGINAL.SEED.2_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-2 SUNDAY_

« 124_ ⁺ But it was done, the Hebrew children, but they never tempt the Lord thy God. They was just thrown into it. They didn't try to manufacture something.

125 That's what's the matter with Pentecostals today, they're manufacturing something. **They can't wait. O God! They just can't wait, so they commit adultery. Amen. Tares, to manufacture something, and what does it bring forth? Like it did the first time, the first bride that couldn't wait.**

126 She brought death through a bastard-born child, which we all are children of. But God came in the flesh, to give us another Birth, to bring us back to original sons and daughters of God. See? There you are. The Life sperm of Eve never happened. It never did. Why? She mingled it. Kept it away, instead of Adam coming to her for a bride, when the time appointed would be. Just like Christ will, would have come to the group. Christ would have come to His Church. He promised to do it.

127 God promised to multiply them, but they had to wait until God's time.

3) 62-0401 WISDOM.VERSUS.FAITH_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-17 SUNDAY_

* Now, now you see that the seed Word cannot grow in the atmosphere, then, of knowledge.
That right? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] See? As soon as knowledge mixes with faith, it dies right there.
232 Eve come and said, "The Lord God said. 'The day we eat thereof, that day we die.'" Then she stopped to see what he would say.

He said, "But, listen, my dear, you lovely little thing. See? Surely God made you for a purpose. You know that's right. See, you're a woman, you were made for this purpose. That's what it is. You don't know it now, but you were made for this purpose. Oh, you're a lovely little thing, dear. Uh-huh. Look at those dainty little hands. See? Why, sure you will. Surely."

"But He said, if we--if we did, we'd 'die.'"

He said, "But, oh, you think that a good, loving Father, God, would do a thing like that?" What'd she do? She listened to reason, took his wisdom. Said, "It's a tree, delight. One can be desired of it." And she fell for it. That's exactly. And when she did, what happened? Like it would to any woman. As soon as you fall for it, it finishes right there. That's right.

235 Now, you see, the seed that she was holding, and would have finally become a mother, by the will of God, through a spoken Word. She would have finally become a mother. But, she couldn't wait, went into that.

4) 57-0309E JEHOVAH.JIREH_ PHOENIX.AZ SATURDAY_

« E-39 ⁺ And then one day God wanted to make it real plain to the people in Phoenix. So how He was going to do it, He was going to give this Abraham a double test. So He said, "Abraham, take thine son, thy only son, and take him to a certain mountain, where I'm going to show you, and there sacrifice him.

Now, what if Abraham would have took the second thought? "How am I going to be the father of nations, when here I am this old, and You're asking me to kill and destroy the only evidence that I have that You'll keep Your Word and make me a father of nations?"

How God loves to test His people. Every child that comes to God must be tested, child trained; no exceptions, everyone.

And maybe tonight, that you're sick, just to have a little child training, just a little testing. Don't be discouraged. God's on the throne. He knows all things. If were truly borned of the Spirit of God, everything's working together for our good. He's going to make everything right. He promised He would. He swore He would. And He's got to keep that Word. He's kept it now for oh, thousands of years to every believer. Would you be any exception? No, sir. We're no exception. Now, watch Him now.

5) 55-1006E THE.POWER.OF.GOD_ CHICAGO.IL THURSDAY_

« E-14 ⁺ Think. We have an Anchor (Amen.) that's in the veil. We can't see it sometimes, but we know it's there. Like the little boy was flying the kite. They said, "Where is it?" Said, "I can't see it." Said, "I know it's still there, 'cause I can feel it." So that's right. We may not be able to see it; times gets dark. The clouds may hide His blessed face for a spell. But remember, the clouds may hide His face, but it don't hide Him. It can hide the sun from you, but it's still shining beyond the clouds. And faith sees the sun beyond the cloud.

And here was Moses' mother in the conflict of testing of her faith. And every child, every son that cometh to God, first must be tried. God tests your faith. Now, look like God could just simply bypass the whole thing and don't have any--appropriate a way, and just cut the thing off, but it's better that He gives you a test, and then comes to you when you're in the test. I like that, don't you? The greatest experiences of my life, is when I come up against a mountain that I can't get over it, under it, or around it. And just stand still, and God will move the thing back. And He will move... No matter how dark the cloud is, faith pierces it yonder with a eye that looks beyond anything that the devil can set before you. 'Cause God is our victory. Amen.

6) 57-0818 TIME.TESTED.MEMORIALS.OF.GOD_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SUNDAY_

« E-45 ⁺ If he went to that much trouble to be sure that the bridge would be safe, how much trouble do you think God went to, to be sure this church would be safe? Yes, sir. There's a memorial to the death of Christ; that's His church. Some people don't want to live it; some people will. But it's a testing time; God's testing people today for His memorials.

A lot of times people say, "Oh, I'm so tempted." Blessed be the Name of the Lord for the temptations. "When I am weak, then I'm strong," said Paul. "Every son that cometh to God must first be tried and tested." And these testings are more sweeter to you and dearer to you than precious gold. It's testing time.

7) 59-0412A BE.CERTAIN.OF.GOD_ LOS.ANGELES.CA SUNDAY_

« E-19 ⁺ And the woman as she seen those--that crucial hour coming, no doubt she checked up and said, "Lord, **I've done all that I know how to do.**" When you've done everything that you know how to do, and met every requirement that God has required, that's where faith takes a hold. That's where faith comes in. If you've met every requirement that God required you to do, then sometimes God tests your faith, to see what kind of a reaction you'll have on your action. Oh, He's good at that. It's just lets--it just proves whether you really believe what you think you believe. You know He does that many times.

8) 62-0124 HAVE.NOT.I.SENT.THEE_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY_

« E-99 [†] Quickly, Martha. Oh, my. Poor little thing was heartbroken. She'd left her big church, her and Mary. They had harbored Jesus, made Him a little place in Bethany. After He... He was had no place to stay. They'd give Him a home there with them, with her, Martha, and Mary, and Lazarus. And they thought that He surely was the Messiah, and all this. And the brother got sick.

See how God lets things happen? Just tear you all to pieces to test you. Every child that comes to God must be tried and tested. "Think it not strange, beloved, when fiery trials comes." It's all done to prove your faith. See?

9) 63-0717 A.PRISONER_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-8 WEDNESDAY_

« 10 ⁺ So I'm happy to hear the sister's testimony there, the brother, about that Light up at South Carolina or North Carolina, somewhere. Greenville, was it? [A sister says, "No. Southern Pines."--Ed] Southern Pines. Yes.

11 Brother Lee Vayle was just here today. I baptized him, today, in the baptismal service here today. Brother Lee Vayle you know, and the ministers there, Brother Parker Thomas. There's...

12 I remember of--of the time, a sister being shadowed. It was a great confirmation, sister, to what the... The Holy Spirit sometimes will let us go ahead and test our faith, to see what, and tests others' faith. When you're looking directly at something, and see something, and say it; others look and don't see it, they say it's not there. See? But it is there.

10) 65-0801M THE.GOD.OF.THIS.EVIL.AGE_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-4 N-9 SUNDAY_

* 37 t We find now, this evil age is to prove, to Satan, She is not like Eve, that She is not that type of a woman. And She will be tried by His Word, the Bride, as Adam's bride was tried by the Word. And Adam's bride believed every bit of the Word, all, but confused on one promise, that, "He's the same yesterday, today, and forever," today, see; but failed on one promise, under the temptation of the enemy, face to face. And now, the people that's called for His Name, of course, is His Bride. She is to come in contact again by the same thing; not by just denominational truth or something, but every Word!

38 For, in the beginning of the Bible, man was given the Word of God to live by. One Word, misinterpreted by a--a man called Satan, in a person of an animal called the serpent. Satan, in this person, could talk to Eve, and misinterpreted the Word to her, and was lost. See, It must be every Word.