

Notes used in the Message

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15-0722 - Perfect Love Casteth Out Fear - Bob Black

DEUTERONOMY 20:1

1 When thou goest out to battle against thine enemies, and seest horses, and chariots, and a people more than thou, be not afraid of them: for the LORD thy God is with thee, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

2 And it shall be, **when ye are come nigh unto the battle, that the priest shall approach and speak unto the people,**

3 **And shall say unto them, Hear, O Israel, ye approach this day unto battle against your enemies: let not your hearts faint, fear not, and do not tremble, neither be ye terrified because of them;**

4 For the LORD your God is he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you.

5 And the officers shall speak unto the people, saying, What man is there that hath built a new house, and hath not dedicated it? let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man dedicate it.

6 And what man is he that hath planted a vineyard, and hath not yet eaten of it? let him also go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man eat of it.

7 And what man is there that hath betrothed a wife, and hath not taken her? let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man take her.

8 And the officers shall speak further unto the people, and they shall say, **What man is there that is fearful and fainthearted? let him go and return unto his house, lest his brethren's heart faint as well as his heart.**

I JOHN 4:18

18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

LUKE 21:26 **Men's hearts failing them for fear**, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. - **whistling through the graveyard**

- LOS ANGELES, Catholic Church, Obama, Police Brutality, Russian missiles, Concentration camps!

SECRET FEAR, - ENCOURAGING WORDS - I BRING HOPE TO YOU

- it is no secret what God can do

PREPARE

- SOPAKO;

- widow woman - barrel of meal shall not run dry

- (Noah's Ark, Lot -> **don't keep going on the same as you've always been**)

I SAMUEL 10:19

And **ye have this day rejected your God, who himself saved you out of all your adversities and your tribulations; and ye have said unto him, Nay, but set a king over us.** Now therefore present yourselves before the LORD by your tribes, and by your thousands.

I SAMUEL 11:7

7 And he took a yoke of oxen, and hewed them in pieces, and sent them throughout all the coasts of Israel by the hands of messengers, saying, **Whosoever cometh not forth after Saul and after Samuel**, so shall it be done unto his oxen. And the fear of the LORD fell on the people, and they came out with one consent.

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- Catholic church; Charles Chiniquy's milk cow
 - o Where can you find the 'vicar of Christ' (Vicarius Cristi) in the Word? No one takes His place, yet it has been done and people accept it.
 - o Where can you find that 'added revelation' is accepted by God, especially revelation contrary to one already given? Yet they accept it and rest on it.
 - o Where do you find 'paying money to get out of hell'?
 - o Confessions
 - o Complicated -> Trinity, Novinas, purgatory, mass
 - o Suicide - hellbound
 - o You can't be saved - bastard (Jephthah), son of a prostitute (Boaz)
 - o You can't understand the Bible
 - o I am the messenger you need to hear; that will tell you if you're saved
 - o It is not in the Word, but men put it in their own book and by it took over the people, ruling them by fear. Where do you find that 'man has the power to forgive us as though he were God'? "Grievous wolves," is hardly strong enough to describe them. Nicolaitanism. Organization. Man over man.
- No mercy
 - Wesley in 1778 began the publication of The Arminian Magazine, not, he said, to convince Calvinists, but to preserve Methodists; not to notice opponents, but to teach the truth that "God willeth all men to be saved." A "lasting peace" he thought could be secured in no other way.
- Men want to make other men inferior
 - o God wants to bring us up to his level (joint heirs in Christ)
- Bro Branham wrote a letter to God because he couldn't find a place that would preach the word (flowers, current events)

THE WORD WILL LIBERATE YOU FROM FEAR

GIDEON'S ARMY – GOD CAN'T USE SOMEONE WHO IS AFRAID (Judges 7:6)

Whoever is fearful and afraid, let him return and depart early from mount Gilead. And there returned of the people twenty and two thousand; and there remained ten thousand.

So he brought down the people unto the water: and the LORD said unto Gideon, Every one that lappeth of the water with his tongue, as a dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by himself; likewise every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink.

ADAM & EVE – AFRAID/TORMENT

GENESIS 3:10

And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

*** TORMENT (PUNISHMENT); CHRIST TOOK THE PUNISHMENT FOR YOU

- Peter Cartwright, Martin Luther, John Wesley -> torment

PANIC ATTACKS – FEAR IN THE MIND

GREATEST BATTLE

- Torment FROM reasoning, memory, imagination, affection, consciousness;

CAST IT DOWN

o Why you can't sleep at night

o PRAY -

- Open up the heart to let the Word in
- DON'T STOP AND LISTEN TO THE DEVIL'S LIE

PRAYER

EXPECTATION_ NEW.YORK.NY WEDNESDAY_ 50-0405

E-3 In the younger days, I did not have very many friends. I was more or less... Well, I... As a boy not smoking, and dancing, and so forth, why, people thought I was a sissy, my friends. Then later on in my church when I was converted a few years ago, I seen the Gospel as the power of God, and I was a fanatic unto them. And then later when I found there was a group who believed me and accepted me as their brother, my, certainly thankful to--that God has placed me with you. And now, I thank each one of you a few moments ago when you were singing, "For You I Am Praying." That's what I want you to do. **It's--it's prayer that I depend on. That's the secret of all the mysteries of God. That's the key that opens the door to everything of God, is prayer. If you pray and believe, when you pray, then believe that you receive what you ask for, and God will make it known.**

FROM.THAT.TIME_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY_ 60-0302

E-34 Paul, a persecutor of the church... Oh, that little, hook nosed Jew... Show the power of decision of the church, they had the keys. That's true. And watch how they made their decision. Talking about what the church can do. **The church has only got one key; that's prayer.** The church doesn't save you. You're a member of the Church by birth, but the church doesn't save you; it's Christ that saves you. It's not coming in contact with the church. It's coming in contact with Christ, and then automatically you're in the church. The church had the keys. Jesus told them He gave them the keys. Look how they used it. They said, "Now, it is written in the Scriptures; the Scripture must be fulfilled. that let another his bishoprick, talking of Judas, and he said, "Let's choose one that has been in--out among us." And they had two; they fine--fine, cultured men, good men, just as religious as they could be to the key, men that were good reputation, and they cast their lots and chose Matthias, but what good did it do? There isn't one thing recorded in the Bible, that--that he ever did, not one thing, just a good, old deacon or something another like, but he was supposed to be an apostle. God went over and chose a little old, high tempered, hook nose, church hater. It shows that God can take nothing and make something out of it. That's what makes Him God.

EXPECTATION_ LONG.BEACH.CA TUESDAY_ 61-0207

E-9 What man calls great, God calls foolish. And what man calls foolish, God calls great. **So what we've got to do is get back into the program of God and find out, after all, what God wants us to do. And the only way I know to do it is prayer. Prayer is the key. That's the answer. Prayer changes things. Prayer is the most powerful weapon that was ever put in the--the control of human beings. There's no atomic bomb, or no hydrogen bomb as powerful as prayer. Prayer will change the mind of God. Did you know that? It did do it one time.**

A prophet was sent up to the king in the chamber, and said go up and tell him, "THUS SAITH THE LORD, he's not coming off the bed, he's going to die right where he's at." Isaiah went up and told Hezekiah that. And I can imagine all the--the celebrity at the gate, the peasants out at the outer courts, when they went in said, "Oh, prophet of God, what will become of our king?"

"THUS SAITH THE LORD, he's going to die."

Went out to the soldiers, "Oh, great prophet, what does the Lord say about our king?"

"THUS SAITH THE LORD, he's going to die." And that was right; the Lord told him that. Goes on down, gets in his little hut somewhere back in the wilderness.

JAIRUS.A.SECRET.BELIEVER_ MACON.GA SATURDAY_ 55-0604

E-6 Could you imagine the position that put Isaiah in? Here he comes right back through the gate again, "THUS SAITH THE LORD he is going to live." Right up to the soldiers, "THUS SAITH THE LORD he is going to live." Right into the celebrities, "THUS SAITH THE LORD he is going to live."

Well, I'd imagine you'd say what kind of a prophet is that? What was the big difference? Prayer changing from death to life. It'll do it for every sinner here tonight from death to life. It'll do it for every sick person tonight from sickness to health. Prayer changes things. So always bear that in mind. Pray without ceasing.

If you want to be an indebtment to the meeting, just don't pray. If you want to be the greatest help this meeting can have, it's not financially; here's the greatest help you can be to this meeting: **set aside an hour or two every day that you pray for the meeting.**

Go out and visit someone if the Lord puts on your heart and bring them into the meeting. Then pray that God will save them when they're in there if they're not saved, heal them if they're not, if they're sick and in need of healing. That's the greatest contribution that you can give to any meeting is to pray and seek God to help in this time of trouble.

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.2_ JEFF.IN COD SUNDAY_ 64-0823E

1012-Q-287 287. Dear Brother Branham, approximately ten years ago God met me now and healed what the gift of love--or revealed what the gift of love was, and same then my prayer is for--that I will return. Will I receive it before I die? Will my husband hear the Word, and what am I to do?

That's more of a question. Now, she said... Now, what it is here, or--she said, "My husband," so I suppose it would have to be the woman that said this. **Now, she lost her first love. See? She--she got cold in the Spirit.** Now, sister, maybe 'cause you still come to church and do what's right, you haven't lost your salvation, but you've lost the joy of your salvation. David cried to the Lord one time, "Lord, restore to me the joy of my salvation." You still are a Christian, but I--**what you want to do, sister, is turn loose of everything that you know how, and seek God, and pray.**

"Will my husband hear the Word, and what am I to do?" As I said this morning, just be salty: "Ye are the salt of the earth." Your husband will watch your chaste life, and the husband that's a unbeliever will be sanctified to the Lord by the believing wife. Just seek the Lord, stay humble, **and pray all the time**, giving God praise, and be kind to your husband as long as he's willing to live with you that way.

WHEN JESUS COMES, FEAR HAS TO LEAVE

- THREE HEBREW CHILDREN – then Jesus came; He was already there; stayed for 2 or 3 hours
- MOSES – The water had to roll back
- DANIEL in the LIONS DEN
- **JESUS CALMED THE STORM** – peace be still
- PETER in JAIL
- JESUS rose from the DEAD (doors shut **for fear of the Jews**)

III JOHN 1:2

2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

JOHN 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

JOHN 3:36

He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

JOHN 5:24

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

JOHN 6:38-40

For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.

And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.

And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

JOHN 6:47

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.

I CORINTHIANS 6:9-11

Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, I Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. **And such were some of you:** but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

Birthright - Ugly MULE and the SACRIFICE

WHAT IS PERFECT LOVE?

I JOHN 4:8 - He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

58-0314 LOVE_ HARRISONBURG.VA FRIDAY_

« E-20 † And as he rushed out on the platform, I didn't know him. And he let out a great big scream, and he set his teeth together, and his eyes pushed back. And he started walking towards me. And he said, "You hypocrite. You snake in the grass," he said, "upon this platform, posing yourself as a servant of God. You're nothing but a hypocrite."

Everyone kept still. About that time, two little policemen that I had led to Christ back in the dressing room run out to grab him. And I motioned to them. I said, "This is not a flesh and blood affair." But the strange thing was, that when the man went up there, I wasn't afraid. Now, perfect love casts out fear, **and that's the reason people won't take God at His Word for healing. They don't love Him well enough, because you're scared He won't keep His Word.** That's the reason that people fear somebody else will say something against them if they receive the Holy Spirit. They're afraid somebody will laugh and make fun. But when love comes in...

56-0726 LOVE_ SHREVEPORT.LA THURSDAY_

« E-32 † We put so much stress on the evidence of the Holy Ghost. The Methodist said you have to shout 'fore you got It. A lot of Methodist shouted and didn't have It. The Pentecostal said speak with tongues when you got it. A lot of them spoke in tongues and didn't have It. That's right. But, brother, when you come to a place where you got love, it never will fail. That's right. If my wife trusted me because I give her ten dollars every time I left, well, brother, that wouldn't be very much sign I loved her. I'd be right or true. **But when she knows that I love her, when I know she loves me, then there's a perfect trust between each other. No--no worry at all. Then when you got perfect love of God in your heart, you don't question God about anything. When the Bible said, "I'm the Lord that heals all thy diseases," you say, "Amen, Lord, that's right. That's me."** "Tarry in the city of Jerusalem till you're endued with power from on high." "That was me, Lord."

BEYOND.THE.CURTAIN.OF.TIME_ JEFF.IN SUNDAY_ 61-0305

E-21 [Brother Neville continues to read: After this, Hope, my first wife, hugged me and said, "My precious brother." Then another young woman hugged me, and Hope turned and hugged the young woman. I said, "I don't understand this. This is something entirely different from our human love. I don't want to go back to that old body on the bed." Then a Voice spoke to me, **"This is what you preached that the Holy Ghost is. This is perfect love. Nothing cannot enter here without it."**--Ed.]

EXODUS 13:13

13 And every firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb; and if thou wilt not redeem it, then thou shalt break his neck: and all the firstborn of man among thy children shalt thou redeem.

GET THE SOLDIER, THE HOLY SPIRIT, THAT TAKES THE WORD, AT THE BATTLE FRONT

- DON'T LOOK FOR A MAN, LOOK FOR GOD

- **it doesn't matter how many fell by the wayside**

- **open the flues up and see how many stood with the Word**

GOD WANTS THE FEARLESS, but if you are FEARFUL, **HE HAS A PLAN to REMOVE THE FEAR TO TAKE GOD AT HIS WORD**

- **LITTLE GIRL WITH BLUE LIPS HEALED OF HODGKINS LYMPHOMA**

- **Get the sin out of your life first**

Justification - is a Work of Perfect Love - removing the fear

Sanctification - Is a Work of Perfect Love - removing the fear

Baptism of the Holy Ghost - is Perfect Love Himself - removing the fear

Stature of a Perfect Man - is Perfect Love - removing the fear

The Capstone - is Perfect Love - removing the fear

GOD.CALLED.MAN_ JEFF.IN V-2 N-27 SUNDAY_ 58-1005E

7-3 And many people praying for a revival, I wonder if there sometimes (if those who are praying), if their own prayers don't stop up the wells of blessings. When they're cowardly and afraid to trust God, afraid to take

Him at His Word, afraid to believe that He still lives today, when His Bible plainly says that He is the same yesterday, today and forever.

FEAR OF DEATH

- BEGAN in the GARDEN, ENDED AT CALVARY
- BEYOND THE CURTAIN OF TIME
 - o SPOOKY?
 - o YOU ARE REAL

53-0327 ISRAEL.AND.THE.CHURCH.3_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN IC 65-96 FRIDAY_

« **56** † Notice, and don't you underestimate Jesus Christ, either, 'cause He's the power over all powers. Don't be afraid of Satan, as long as you're in Him. But if you're not in Him, you better tremble. But if you're in Him, not even death itself can harm you. You're free from all fear. Oh, when I think of that, I want to shout, "Hallelujah." Amen. All right.

51-0508 FAITH.IS.THE.SUBSTANCE_ LOS.ANGELES.CA TUESDAY_

« **E-16** † So Paul said it was possible for him to do those things without having the Giver, "Thou I speak with tongues as men and angels, and have not charity, it profit me nothing." See, see? All right. *Now, love one another. Above everything that you do, love one another. And as you love one another, you'll love God. See? You love each other and you'll love God. For God is love.*

And a man that walks in love, walks in life. And perfect love casteth out all fear. Then if you can take Him at His Word, and not fear a bit about it. Say, "Lord, I love You; I know You're going to answer because You promised me You would, and I just know You're going to do it." See? And it takes away all fear.

ROMANS 8:14

» **14** † For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

» **15** † For ye have not received the *spirit of bondage again to fear*; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

Little chick pecking its way out of its egg

- "You can't do it"

- "Stop that pecking"

Do you really, sincerely, here at the altar, believe that right now, while you're here, that just the act of turning yourself loose, not an emotion now, but in genuine, unadulterated faith, that God will receive you and nurture you with His Word until you are eagles, yourself, and can fly? If you do, and you want God to do that, raise up your hand, you that's around the altar down here. God bless you. Each one has their hands up.

THE.INVISIBLE.UNION.OF.THE.BRIDE.OF.CHRIST_ SHP.LA V-2 N-15 THURSDAY_ 65-1125

392 Do you really mean it? Say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Say, "Amen," once more. ["Amen."] Say, "Lord," ["Lord,"] "search me." ["search me."] "Try me." ["Try me."] "And give me an opportunity." ["And give me an opportunity."] "This is all I could do, tonight," ["This is all I could do, tonight,"] "is give myself to You." ["is give myself to You."] "You know the hunger of my heart." ["You know the hunger of my heart."] "You know my desire." ["You know my desire."] "Your promise was to fill that desire." ["Your promise was to fill that desire."] "Now I accept it." ["Now I accept it."] "And I surrender to You." ["And I surrender to You."] All together.

I surrender all

I surrender all

All to thee my blessed Savior

I surrender all

All to Jesus I surrender

All to Him I freely give

I will ever love and trust Him

In His presence daily live