

# Notes used in the Message

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## 18-1003 - Being Born Again Pt.39 (Go On To Perfection) Pt.2 - Samuel Dale

### I PETER 1:22-23

- » **22** † Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:
- » **23** † Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

### II PETER 1:1-7

- » **1** † ¶ Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ:
- » **2** † Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,
- » **3** † According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:
- » **4** † Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.
- » **5** † ¶ And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;
- » **6** † And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;
- » **7** † And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

### 1) 62-1104M BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY\_

« **90** † Now, there is some of these Things you might miserably disagree with. So if there is, just like I always said about eating fried chicken, "When you hit the bone, you don't throw the chicken away. You throw the bone away." So always do that. "Eating cherry pie, and you run into a seed, you wouldn't throw the pie away. You just throw the seed away." So you do the same thing in listening to This.

**91** Now, I--I believe that--that the--the reason that there is so much confusion today, about the Holy Spirit, it's not correctly taught. I believe that the baptism is taught... and just say "the baptism."

**92** But then be like you say "automobile." But now I've got several mechanics in this church, and I don't know one thing about it. So if I make a mistake, brethren, I'm... Remember, I'm not a mechanic. There has to be coils, and plugs, and points, and valves, and everything else, that makes the automobile.

**93** And when you talk about the baptism of the Holy Spirit, there's a lot goes with That. Huh? See? There's a lot goes with That. And here is what I think that God is proving: the Holy Spirit is here. See?

### 2) 61-1231M YOU.MUST.BE.BORN.AGAIN\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-11 N-5 SUNDAY\_

« **35** † And now I'm saying this, and I know it's going on tape, and I want to say this to the pastors that will perhaps receive this tape. I suppose maybe just a little different from what the regular church teaches it, I teach and believe, and believe can sufficiently prove by the Scripture, that you're borned of the Spirit and then baptized into the Body by the Holy Spirit.

Now, many of them teach that just to come up and be recognized before the congregation, and so forth, as a--as a sinner, that you want to accept Christ as personal Saviour, that that is the new birth. Many believe that water baptism is the new birth. And some of them believe that you're--you're borned of the water when you're baptized in the water. And there's so many different versions of it. Lot of them, many believe that to recite a creed and believe on a doctrine of a church, just accept and say, "I believe in the holy church of So-and-so. And--and I believe God to be the--the Saviour of men, and so forth. And from this day on, I--I become a member of this church, and fellowship with the Christians." They believe that that's born again.

### 3) 56-0101 WHY.ARE.PEOPLE.SO.TOSSED.ABOUT\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-14 SUNDAY\_

« **14-6** † See, I believe that you believe unto Everlasting Life. I believe that--that your acceptance of the Lord Jesus gives you Everlasting, Eternal Life when you believe it. Then I believe by one Spirit then you're baptized into the body of believers. (We're going to get to it in a few minutes, if God willing.) You believe unto Life.

He--Paul said, passing through the upper coast of Ephesus, finding certain disciples, he said, "Have you received the Holy Spirit since you have believed?"

**4) 57-1002 QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.ON.HEBREWS.2\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN COD WEDNESDAY\_**  
« **365** † **But now, as far as having Eternal Life and being a Christian, you are a Christian the moment you believe. Now, that's not make-believe; that's truly believe on the Lord Jesus and accept Him as your personal Saviour, you're borned again right there, and have Eternal Life. God comes into you.**

Now, watch. Eternal Life... Jesus said, "He that heareth My Word and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath Eternal Life, and shall not come into the judgment, but's passed from death unto Life." **You're a new creature right then.**

Then Paul had met some of those people up in Acts 19. They had them a preacher up there which was a converted lawyer by the name of Apollos. And Apollos was a mighty man in the Scriptures, and he was proving by the Scriptures that Jesus was the Christ. See?

**5) 62-1014M THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-18 SUNDAY\_**  
« **299** † **But if you got genuine faith, then put genuine virtue to it, then genuine knowledge, then genuine temperance, then genuine patience. See? You're moving right on up the line.** All right.

**300** Fifthly, add godliness. Oh, my! Godliness to be added. What does godliness mean? I looked in four or five dictionaries and couldn't even find what it meant. Finally, I was down at Brother Jeffery's there, we found it in a--in a dictionary. Godliness means "to be like God." Oh, my! After you got faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, then be like God. Whew!

**301** You say, "I can't do that, Brother Branham." Oh, yes, you can.

**302** Let me just read you a few Scriptures here, just a minute. Matthew 5:48. We'll take this one and see what it sounds like, Matthew 5:48, and see if you're supposed to be like God. You know the Bible says, "Ye are gods." Jesus said so. Why? All the virtue, all the things that's in God, is in you. Matthew 5:48, "Be ye..." Jesus speaking, in the beatitude.

*Be ye therefore p-e-r-f-e-c-t, (What's that?) perfect, even as your Father... in heaven is perfect.*

**303** **You got way up here now, before you're asked to do that. All these things has to be added first. Then when you get up here, He's asked you now to be perfect, godliness, sons and daughters of God.** That's right. How many things I could say along that line!

**6) 62-1104M BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY\_**  
« **277** † To my knowledge, I add temperance, self-control. I like that. "My country 'tis of thee, crown my soul with self-control, from sea to shining sea." See?

**278** Patience. Oh, my! Tested. Don't you worry; Satan will count them for you. I'm climbing up the ladder now. See? **I've added virtue, knowledge, temperance, now I've got to add patience. I still ain't got the Holy Ghost.**

**279** Then after I add patience, I add godliness. You know what that is? Like God. I add that. Don't misbehave myself. Go like a Christian gentleman ought to. Let that not be a put-on. Something in me, the love of God, just boiling. See? See? Not say, "Uh-uh-uh-uh, boy, I could do it, but maybe I better not." See? Huh-uh. Huh-uh. It's there, anyhow.

**280** It's a Birth. I been birthed into this, into this, into this, into this, into this, into this, into this. And then the love of God, Christ, comes down and seals all that up in me, for service. See?

### **7) EPHESIANS 4:11-15**

» **11** † And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

» **12** † For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

» **13** † Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

» **14** † That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

» **15** † But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

### **8) I PETER 2:1-2**

» **1** † ¶ Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

» **2** † As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

### 9) II PETER 3:18

» **18** † But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

### 10) HEBREWS 5:11-15

» **11** † Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing.  
» **12** † For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat.  
» **13** † For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe.  
» **14** † But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

### 11) HEBREWS 6:1-3

» **1** † ¶ Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,  
» **2** † Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.  
» **3** † And this will we do, if God permit.

### 12) 57-0908M HEBREWS.CHAPTER.FIVE.AND.SIX.1\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB SUNDAY\_

« **53** † Now notice.

*But strong meat belongeth to them that are... full age, even those who by reasons use... have used their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.*

Know what's right and what's wrong, by the discernment.

**54** Now notice, starting now on our lesson. This great background now, let's go for the **1st** verse.

**Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ,...**

**What's he saying? All these first five chapters has been laid on Christ, to show who He is. Now we're leaving those principles of the doctrines of Christ.**

### 13) 57-0908E HEBREWS.CHAPTER.SIX.2\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB SUNDAY\_

« **240** † **How many enjoyed the message on perfection? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] "Let us go on to perfection." That was our Message, this morning, in the 6th chapter of the Hebrews.**  
**241** Now we're just getting into the place to where we begin to get the--the real part. Oh, we can all agree upon these things: upon the Deity of Christ; and Him being the Son of God; and how He was with God, and God was with Him; and He was in God, and God in Him, and so forth. We all agree upon that. **But, now, from here on, I don't know how we're going to agree.** So whatever it is, every few nights, we're going to give you a chance to write me a little note and tell me what you think about It.

### 14) 57-0908M HEBREWS.CHAPTER.FIVE.AND.SIX.1\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB SUNDAY\_

« **65** † Now, Paul, getting there, which I'm sure that through the past lessons you've understood it. We'll go over it again, sometime, the Lord willing, just verse by verse, now.

*Therefore having... leaving the--the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection;...*

**66** That stumbles them. Doesn't it? Let us do what?

*... let's go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundations...*

« **67** † **Watch this. Let's get this word "perfection." Do you know there's only one way you'll stand in the Presence of God? That's, perfect. God cannot tolerate unholy things.**

**68** **And you legalists: how could you ever perfect yourself, when you have not one thing to perfect yourself with? You were born in sin. Your very conception was in sin. The very desire of you being here was sin.** "Born in sin, shaped in iniquity, come to the world speaking lies." Now where are you going to stand at?

**69** Where you, sinner, that--that said, "I'll quit smoking. I'll go to Heaven"? Where are you, lukewarm, mossback, so-called Christian, that goes around here with a long face and saying, that, "Well, I belong to the church"? You sinner. **That's right. Unless you are born of the Spirit of God, you're lost. That's true.**

**14) 57-0908M HEBREWS.CHAPTER.FIVE.AND.SIX.1\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB SUNDAY\_**

« 80 † **Now, you, Branham Tabernacle. Oh, I know, "We have healings." That's wonderful. "We have visions." Oh, that's--that's fine. And you have spiritual dreams, and sometimes they're not spiritual dreams. And--and sometimes you... "We, we try to help the poor. We do what we can." Oh, that's all right, but that's not what we're talking about now. We're entering into another phase.**

*... leaving... the doctrine...*

**81** "Oh, yes, we got the doctrine of Christ. We believe He was the Son of God, is virgin-born. We believe that, with all these things." That is just wonderful.

« 82 † **But, "Leaving that, let's go on to perfection." Oh, my! Wish I had the voice of an archangel now,** to bring this to a place where you could see it. Now he says, "Leaving all the doctrine of Christ," all the--the theologians, and all the theology that we know, all about the Deity of Christ, how He was God made flesh, all these other things.

**83** Paul goes on to explain it all here, just in a few minutes. Let's just read it, just a little bit, before we get to it.

*... laying again the foundations of repentance from dead works...*

Now, we believe that.

**15) GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 746**

**746** » arche {ar-khay'} ajrchv from 756; TDNT -- 1:478,81; n f

AV -- beginning (40)

-- principality (8)

-- corner (2)

-- first (2)

-- misc. (6) [58]

- 1) beginning, origin
- 2) the person or thing that commences, the first person or thing in a series, the leader
- 3) that by which anything begins to be, the origin, the active cause
- 4) the extremity of a thing, of the corners of a sail
- 5) the first place, principality, rule, magistracy

**16) 57-0908E HEBREWS.CHAPTER.SIX.2\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB SUNDAY\_**

« 276 † **Baptisms, laying on of hands, and things, but that isn't perfect. That's only the carnal reform. And that's where the churches leave off at, today, is on that carnal reform. One of them said, "Oh, well, the water, the word baptism means this and it means that."**

**277** And they set up organizations: and one sprinkles, the other one pours, the other one baptizes face forward, the other one backward, and all those things; some of them laying on of hands for the sick, and some making apostles, and some making prophets and so forth, **by laying on of hands; and preaching the resurrection from the dead, and which is all right; and the supreme Deity of Christ, that's all right. "But," he said, "all these are formal reformations. We're just been reforming. Now let us go on to perfection." You get the picture?** [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.]

**17) 57-0915M HEBREWS.CHAPTER.SIX.3\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB SUNDAY\_**

« 535 † **Now, then, last Sunday we taken, "Leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ," in the 6th chapter, we read this, "let us go on to perfection." And we found out that the people today in many churches, along with the Branham tabernacle and different ones, we lay too much on studying about the principles of Christ: He was the Son of Abraham, He was the son of--of so-and-so, and on back, the genealogies. But the Bible said, "Let us lay aside those things, and go on to perfection."**

**536** **First you must know the doctrine, and then you must know all these things; then let's lay them aside, He said, of resurrection of the dead,** laying on of hands, baptisms, and all those dead articles of God. Yet, they--they have no Life in them. But the church today just goes to those things, "Oh, we believe in the Deity of Christ." Yes. Sure. "We believe in water baptism." Yes. Sure. "Laying on of hands."

**537** Paul said, "We'll do all this if God permits. But in the face of all of that, **let's lay it aside now, and go on to perfection."**

« 538 † **Now, the church cannot be perfected through organizations. It gets further away from God, all the time, or farther away from each other. We draw barriers, we separate ourselves, seemingly not having the Faith. But then when we leave those principles of doctrine, if we move on to perfection, then those little things become of not much use.**