

HEBREWS 5:6-7

» 6 † As he saith also in another place,
Thou art a priest for ever **after the order of
Melchisedec.**

» 7 † **Who in the days of his flesh**, when
he had offered up prayers and supplications with
strong crying and tears unto him that was able to
save him from death, and was heard in that he
feared;



HEBREWS 5:8-10

» 8 † Though he were a Son, **yet learned he obedience** by the things which he suffered;

» 9 † **And being made perfect**, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;

The Smyrnaean Church Age – Chapter Four

In plain language, **the very character of Jesus was perfected by suffering**. And according to Paul **He has left His church a measure of suffering that they, too, by their faith in God while suffering for Him, would come to a place of perfection**. Why did He want this?

James 1:2-4,

"My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;

Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

But let patience have her perfect work, **that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.**"



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GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5048

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5048 » **teleioo** {tel-i-o'-o} teleiow from 5046; TDNT -- 8:49,1161; vb

AV -- make perfect (12)

-- perfect (4)

-- **finish** (4)

-- fulfil (2)

-- be perfect (1)

-- consecrate (1) [24]

1) **to make perfect, complete; to carry through completely, to accomplish, finish, bring to an end**

2) to complete (perfect), i.e. **add what is yet wanting in order to render a thing full**; to be found perfect

3) **to bring to the end (goal) proposed**

4) **to accomplish, i.e. bring to a close or fulfilment by event: the prophecies of the scriptures**

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Hebrews 12:2

Looking unto Jesus the **author** and **finisher** of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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5047 » **teleiotes** {tel-i-ot'-ace} teleiouvthß from 5046; TDNT -- 8:49,1161; n f

AV -- perfectness (1)

-- perfection (1) [2]

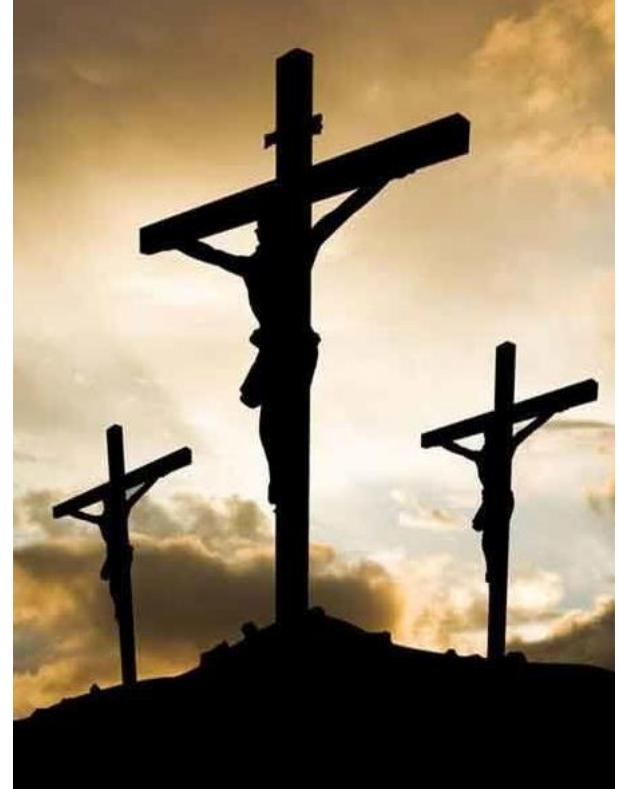
1) **perfection**

1a) the state of the more intelligent

1b) perfection; **moral and spiritual perfection**



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10 † Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.

57-0915M HEBREWS.CHAPTER.SIX.3_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB SUNDAY_

631 Then what come to pass? One day down there, when Abraham was setting in his tent. We'll get to it, tonight. When Abraham was setting in his tent, God came up to him, **in a body of flesh.**

"Oh," you say, "Brother Branham, he was..."

632 We'll find Him out here meeting Abraham before that, **in the order of Melchisedec, a body of flesh**, which was God. Sure, it was. **He was God in flesh.**

633 You say, "Then, Brother Branham, why would He have to come back and be born?"

« 634 † He wasn't born then. He was just created, **a body that He dwelt in.**

Melchisedec was the **King of Salem**, which is the King of Jerusalem, which is the King of peace; which had neither father nor mother, beginning of days or ending of life.

Jesus had both father and mother, and a beginning of days and ending of life. **But He was made "after the order" of Melchisedec, which had no beginning of days or ending of life.**

635 **Melchisedec was God Himself.** Melchisedec was Jehovah God, the same One that met Abraham, years later, in front of his tent.

The Order of Melchizedek – **God in Flesh**



10 † Called of God an high priest after the order of **Melchisedec**.
» 11 † **Of whom** we have many things to say, and
hard to be uttered, seeing **ye are dull of hearing**.

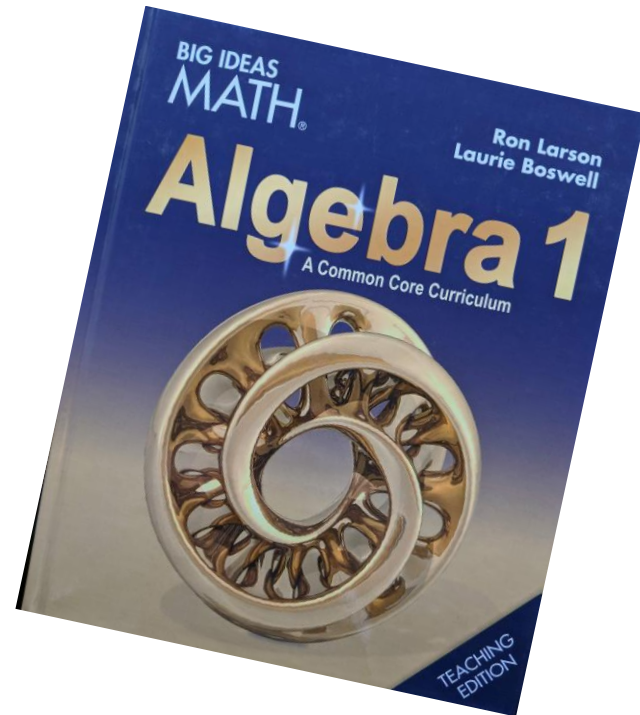
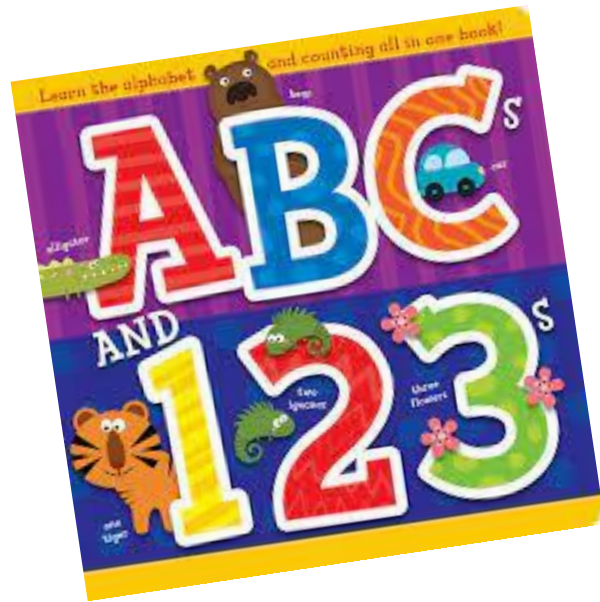
3576 » nothros {no-thros'} nwqrovß from a derivative of 3541; TDNT --
4:1126,661; adj

AV -- dull (1)
-- slothful (1) [2]

1) **slow,**
sluggish,
indolent,
dull,
languid



» 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.



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55-0312 THE.SEAL.OF.THE.CHRIST_ LOS.ANGELES.CA SATURDAY_

If we have served the Lord, you Christians, all these years, **it's time we were getting off of a milk diet, time we were able to eat some strong meat. The strong meats is here** for us; and the Holy Spirit will feed it to us, if we'll only open up and let Him do it.

55-0731 THE.UNCERTAIN.SOUND_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-26 N-19 SUNDAY_

Won't You, please, Father, take each one of them into Thy loving care? **And give them of the sincere milk of the Gospel now. And if they have already taken that, may they receive strong meat now, and become full Christians, never no more to tattle with the world, and indulge in the world, but be real men and women, believing the certain sound: that the Gospel is true, no matter who says It's not.** The Bible, every Word is truth. "Men teach for Doctrine the commandments of men." But God's Word will never fail. May they believe It today.

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Scriptures

- Romans 8
- II Peter 1
- Ephesians 4
- Luke 17
- Matthew 24
- Daniel 9
- Hebrews 7
- Revelation

Sermons

- The Third Exodus
- Why Cry? Speak
- Perfect Faith
- The Token

STRONG MEAT

Mature Teachings Of Christ



- **Who is This Melchisdec**
- The Super Sign
- God Identifying Himself by His Own Characteristics
- The Identified Christ of All Ages
- Who is This Melchisedec
- Birth Pains
- The Seed Shall not be Heir with the Shuck
- The Choosing of a Bride
- Spiritual Food in Due Season
- The Invisible Union of the Bride of Christ

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- Gets feelings hurt easily
- Cries a lot
- Always wanting their way
- More concerned with their own comfort than others'
- Can't express themselves well
- Little, if any, self-control
- Lacks understanding
- ... but thinks they can fully discern right and wrong
- Not ready for responsibility
- Trips and falls often
- Needs help to eat
- Can't digest table food

THE GROWTH NUTRIENTS YOUR CHILD NEEDS

SLOWED GROWTH? THE RIGHT NUTRITION CAN HELP YOUR KID CATCH UP.

1 2 3 4 5

CARBOHYDRATES, PROTEIN AND FAT

Follow MyPlate guidelines to make sure your child gets a healthy balance of macronutrients from whole foods.

FRUITS, GRAINS, PROTEIN, VEGETABLES, DAIRY

CALORIES

Underweight children need to eat more than the recommended RDA of calories.

DAIRY

IRON

Increasing intake can spur growth in iron-deficient kids. Try meat, seafood, beans, peas, fortified cereals and dark, leafy greens.

ZINC

The mineral can help underweight, pre-pubertal children catch up. Beef, spinach, shrimp and kidney beans are all good sources.

VITAMIN D

Schedule extra outdoor playtime (sun exposure boosts levels), increase intake of D-rich foods such as milk and mushrooms and, if needed, try a nutritional supplement like pedisure.

» 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.



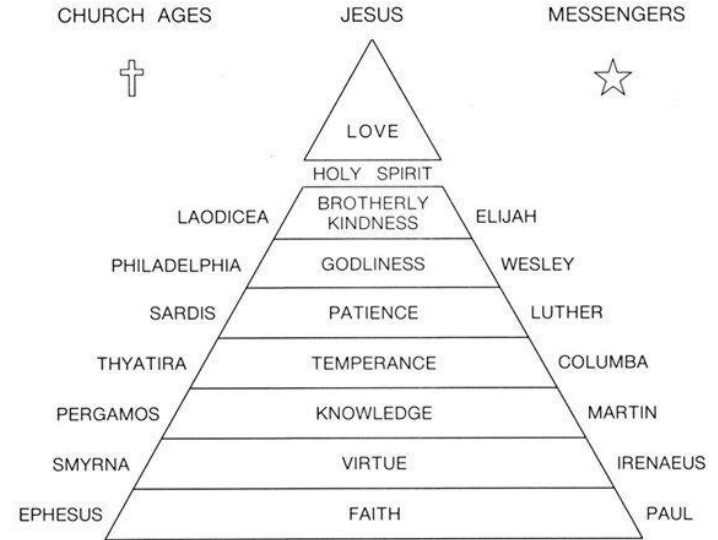
Hebrews 6:1-2

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- » 2 † Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.

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THE STATURE OF A PERFECT MAN



SECOND PETER 1:1-8

ACTS 7:44-49, HEBREWS 10:5, MATTHEW 5:48

EPHESIANS 4:11-15, HEBREWS 11:32-40

This is a copy of the drawing that Brother Branham drew on his chalkboard and to which he refers throughout this Message.

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63-0707M THE.INDICTMENT_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-19 SUNDAY_

« 235 † See, Paul wants to know that **these things here are absolutely essential**; baptisms, laying on of hands, the resurrection, second Coming. **All these things are Eternal. They are absolutely the Truth.**

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57-0908E HEBREWS.CHAPTER.SIX.2_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB SUNDAY_

« 270 † Now, all these things, like **baptisms: one is baptized backward, one forward, one in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, one Jesus name, one this way, and that way, and all these different little things of baptisms.**

271 **And of laying on of hands: "Bless God, I got the gift of laying on of hands. Hallelujah! You, you can get It this way. Hallelujah!"**

272 **Laying all of that aside, because that's dead works, these reformations, reforming.** See? **He is speaking of another class. Now he said, "Let's get away from that, and go on to perfection."** You get It? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.]

273 **And the church is still lingering back in those things.** That's what they were trying to do. The early Hebrew church was trying to say, **"Well, I was baptized by immersing, and--and I was got this, and this, and all these things."**

274 He said, "Now, lay all of that aside, leaving it behind." But, now, did he say we shouldn't do it? Now listen to what he said about that.

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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.]

What is a “reformer?”

A reformer is one who sees a need for change and works to create it, in spite of the difficulties that often arise from human beings' natural aversion to change.

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64-0719M THE.FEAST.OF.THE.TRUMPETS_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-16 SUNDAY_

« 70 † And now, through the church ages, they've done the same. And the Seven Seals is to reveal all the mysteries that was left off during that time, because we're without prophets, **and the Word does not come to reformers. Prophets!**

...

72 **We can make a decision, and next year we can think better. We got a better idea of it, next year. God can't; He's infinite. His first decision is perfect**; nothing can move it. I can learn more; we are finite. I can learn more; you can learn more. But God can't learn more; **He is perfect, to begin with.** And, therefore, **His first decision, rest your soul upon it. What the Bible says, that's it!**

Hebrews 6:1

...**let us go on unto perfection**; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,



» 7 † For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, **and bringeth forth herbs meet for them by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God:**

» 8 † But **that which beareth thorns and briers is rejected, and is nigh unto cursing; whose end is to be burned.**

Hebrews 6:4-6

- » 4 † For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,
- » 5 † And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,
- » 6 † If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.

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65-0725M THE.ANOINTED.ONES.AT.THE.END.TIME_
JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-5 N-3 SUNDAY_

He was in the blades; He was in the tassel; He was in the shuck;
but now He's in the Grain.

« 233 † Now, you go back and try to live again? What if that Life took back down, you think that (left) Life would ever talk, go back after that old shuck is dried up, ever go back and live in it again? It never does. "For it is impossible for those which were once enlightened," **and didn't move on with the Word as it come to pass**, "they are dead, gone; and the thorns and thistles which is nigh unto rejection, whose end is to be burned." Is that right?

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64-0830M QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.3_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN COD SUNDAY_ « 293 † There's nobody can say a word against them fine religious people; they're just as nice as they can be. Church of God, Nazarene, Free Methodist, those people are real, **but when it comes down to the works of the Spirit**, they say, "**Oh, oh, that's the devil.**" **And what'd they do there? Blaspheme the Holy Ghost.** When they do that...

Now, what is blasphemy? There's no forgiveness. Is that right? He that once enlightened, made partakers, and **tasted of the heavenly gifts** (tasted of God's sanctification: cleaned up from cigarettes, and filthy women, and all kinds of life like that)-**and tasted of the heavenly things** (to see that they'll walk up to that borderline like those spies did that eat part of the grapes... See? **But what do they have to do? They had to break up their denomination to come over into this.** See? Say--See?)--tasted of the heavenly gifts; seeing that they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and count the Blood of the covenant wherewith they were sanctified an unholy thing.

Hebrews 6:5-6

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Religious, Word Rejectors

- Dathan
- Korah
- The Ten Lying Spies
- Judas
- Self-Righteous Pharisees

Mark 12:13-14

- » 13 † And they send unto him certain of the Pharisees and of the Herodians, to catch him in his words.
» 14 † And when they were come, they say unto him, **Master, we know that thou art true, and carest for no man: for thou regardest not the person of men, but teachest the way of God in truth:** Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar, or not?

Anointed Ones

Chapter Five - The Pergamean Church Age

Now let me tell you, I was shocked. How could I not be? Here were two men, one of which was a real believer and the other was a sinful impersonator. YET BOTH WERE MANIFESTING GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT. I was troubled by this confusion. I left the meeting to seek God for the answer. I went alone to a secret place and there with my Bible I prayed and waited on God for the answer. Not knowing just what portion of Scripture to read I casually opened the Bible to some place in Matthew. I read for awhile and then laid the Bible down. **In a moment a wind blew into the room and turned the pages of the Bible to Hebrews, chapter six.** I read it through and was particularly impressed by those strange verses,

Anointed Ones

I closed the Bible, laid it down, and meditated awhile and prayed some more. I still had no answer. I again opened the Bible aimlessly but did not read. **Suddenly the wind blew into the room again, and once more the pages turned to Hebrews 6 and remained there as the wind ceased.** I read those words over again, and when I did, then came the Spirit of God into the room and I beheld a vision. I saw in the vision a man dressed in the purest white who went forth into a freshly plowed field and sowed grain. It was a bright day, and the sowing was done in the morning. But late at night after the sower in white had gone, a man in black came and stealthily sowed some more seed amongst that which the man in white had sown. The days went by--the sun and rain blessed the ground; and one day there appeared the grain. How fine it was. **But a day later appeared the tares. The wheat and tares grew together. They partook of the same nourishment out of the same soil. They drank in the same sun and rain.**

Anointed Ones



« 168-4 † PERGAMEAN.CHURCH.AGE
- CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.5

Then I knew the truth of the camp meeting and the vision. The parable of the Sower and the Seed, the sixth chapter of Hebrews, and the evident manifestation of Spiritual gifts in a mixed audience-all became wonderfully clear. The sower in white was the Lord. The sower in black was the devil. The world was the field. The seeds were people, elect and reprobates. **Both partook of the same nourishment, water and sun. Both prayed. Both received help from God, for He maketh His sun and rain to fall on both good and evil. And though they both had the same wonderful blessing and both had the same wonderful manifestations, THERE WAS STILL THAT ONE GREAT DIFFERENCE, THEY WERE OF DIFFERENT SEED.**

Hebrews 6:5-6

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MATTHEW 7:21-24

- » 21 † **Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.**
- » 22 † Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?
- » 23 † And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.
- » 24 † **Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them**, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

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« 169-2 † PERGAMEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.5

And there it is. **You CAN'T claim that manifestation is the evidence of being Spirit-born, Spirit-filled.** No sir. I will admit that true manifestation is the evidence of the Holy Spirit doing mighty acts, but it is **NOT** the evidence of the individual being Spirit-filled, even though that individual has an abundance of those manifestations.

The evidence of receiving the Holy Ghost today is just the same as it was back in the day of our Lord. It is receiving the Word of truth for the day in which you live.

Jesus never did stress the importance of the Works as He did the Word.

He knew that if the people got the WORD the works would follow. That is

Bible.

HEBREWS 6:9-12

» 9 † But, beloved, **we are persuaded better things of you**, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak.

» 10 † For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

» 11 † And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence **to the full assurance of hope unto the end:**

» 12 † **That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.**

Hebrews 6:13-15

» 13 † For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, he swore by himself,

» 14 † Saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee.

» 15 † And so, **after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise.**



HEBREWS 6:16-18

» 16 † For men verily swear by the greater: and an oath for confirmation is to them an end of all strife.

» 17 † Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the **immutability** of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath:

» 18 † That **by two immutable things**, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:

GENESIS 22:16-17

» 16 † And said, **By myself have I sworn**, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

» 17 † That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

Psalm 110:4

The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

- "We have two things?" Yes. **First, His Word said He would do it. The second was His sworn oath on it, He would do it. Oh, my!**
- To know this, that, "God has promised us, by a sworn oath. **One, that He cannot lie; the other, He swore an oath on top of that,** that He will raise us up at the last day and give us Eternal Life."

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Hebrews Chapter Six #3

Knowing, that, "After we have been called, that He said that He knew us before the foundation of the world, and predestinated us unto adoption of children through Jesus Christ. And He foreknew us. He called us. And when He called us, He justified us." We cannot justify ourselves, so He justified us by the death of His own Son. "Those who He has justified, He has already glorified." **The Word is already spoke.** And we're just on our road, going along, rejoicing on our way to Glory.

Romans 8:30

Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, **them he also glorified.**

» 19 † Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;

» 20 † Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.



54-1212 HE.SWORE.BY.HIMSELF_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-26 N-11
SUNDAY_

The Forerunner, the Man that went before us, as One come and took our place, none other but God Himself. He come down and made Himself a Man for a Forerunner, to prove to the people. Why? **He swore by an oath He was going to do it. He swore He was going to save us. He swore that we could do it. He swore these things to us by Himself. Then He come down and was made a Forerunner. He made Himself a Forerunner. He entered here on the world, and lived in the world, sin all around Him, and above sin, because He trusted God. Is that right?**

57-0915M HEBREWS.CHAPTER.SIX.3_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB SUNDAY_

« 627 † The Forerunner, He tells us, "There's a place just beyond, yonder, where you'll never get old." Where there'll be no wrinkles, where you won't have to use Max Factors to make you look nice to your husband. The Forerunner has went on. There's never a place where you get old and weary and shaky. There's a place where you'll never get sick. Where the baby will never have a colic. Where you'll never shed a false... or a tooth, to get a false one. Hallelujah! O blessed be His Name! He entered in, and immortal we'll stand in His likeness, someday yonder. The stars and the sun they'll outshine. Certainly. The Forerunner has gone before us. *... the forerunner is gone, has for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.*

« 628 † **This great Forerunner has gone before us, making a way.** He become from spirit, the great fountains of the rainbow of God, who had no beginning or no end. He was, forever, God.