WHO IS THIS SON OF MAN ? PART 51

JOHN 1:1 & 14

 $\gg~1~^+~$ ¶ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

» 14 ⁺ And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

ROMANS 12:2

» 2 ⁺ And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the **renewing of your mind**, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

» 3 ⁺ For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

» 4 ⁺ For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office.

» 5 ⁺ So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

I CORINTHIANS 13:1

>> 1 + ¶ Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

» 2 ⁺ And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

» 3 ⁺ And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

GREEK STRONG'S NUMBER 26

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26 » agape {ag-ah'-pay}
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AV -- love (86)
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- 1) brotherly love, affection, good will, love, benevolence
- 2) 3

FIRST STAGE – THE BIRTH

ROMANS 8:14-17

» 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.

» 16 ⁺ The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

» 17 [†] ¶ And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and jointheirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

JUSTIFICATION

SANCTIFICATION - soul

1) 55-1110 A.HIDDEN.LIFE.IN.CHRIST

He said He'd give you a new spirit. Now, that spirit isn't God's spirit; that's your spirit. God gives you a new spirit, then He says, "I'll put my Spirit in him." But the thing God has to do is give you a new spirit, make your nature a little more gentle and settle down, or He couldn't even live with you.

BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST

I PETER 1:22-25

» 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.

ROMANS 8:29

» 29 [†] ¶ For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

» 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.

ROMANS 11:2

» 2 ⁺ God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew.

EPHESIANS 1:10-14

» 10 ⁺ That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

» 11 ⁺ In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

» 12 ⁺ That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.

» 13 ⁺ In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

» 14 ⁺ Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

ACTS 1:4

7 + And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.
8 + But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1411

1411 » dunamis {doo'-nam-is} duvnamiß from 1410; TDNT -- 2:284,186; n f

1a) inherent power, power residing in a thing by virtue of its nature, or which a person or thing exerts and puts forth

1b) power for performing miracles

1c) moral power and excellence of soul

2) « 143-1 † SMYRNAEAN.CHURCH.AGE -CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.4

In every age, (and every age is the age of the Holy Ghost for the true believer)--I say, in every age the evidence was the same. Those who had the Spirit, the Teacher, heard the Word, and that Spirit in them took the Word and taught it (revealed it) to them; and they were of the group that heard the messenger and his message and took it and lived it.

MATTHEW 12:36

36 ⁺ But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.
37 ⁺ For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

ROMANS 10:9

» 9 [†] That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

» 10 ⁺ For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Confess - to admit or declare one's self guilty of what one is accused of.

JAMES 5:16

» 16 ⁺ Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

POSSESS - 1) to acquire, get, or procure a thing for one's self, to possess; to marry a wife

I THESSALONIANS 4:4

» 4 [†] That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; STATURE

3) 62-1014M THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN

103 What is sin? Unbelief. There's only two elements that controls the human being. That's either doubt or faith, one or the other. You're possessed of one that dominates your life. Just depends on how much faith you have, how high you can rise.

4) 51-0717 THE.MANIFESTATION.OF.THE.SPIRIT_

Now, you come to the altar realizing that you're a sinner and you are sorry for your sins. You repent of what you've done. And you can stay there and cry for week in and out. And it would never save you until you believe in your heart that you are saved. Is that right? Then you confess it. Now, He can't do nothing for you until you confess it. Is that right? For He is the High Priest of (conjunction)--of your confession. He can do nothing... "You confess Me before men, I'll confess you before the Father." Is that right? "What you say I done down here for you, that's what I say the Father that you... that I have done for you." He's the High Priest. You get that young man? The High Priest of your confessions.

Now, here He is setting here to make intercessions on my confession, and I have a right to confess that He's done anything for me that's in the redemptive blessings. There you are.

RENEWING OF YOUR MIND

HEBREWS 11:6

6 [†] But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

5) 63-0825E PERFECT.FAITH

« 26 ⁺ Now, we want to speak now upon faith, and a different type of faith: Perfect Faith. That's a great thing. Now, faith, we're told in the Bible, "Faith cometh by hearing." Now, you cannot be saved without faith. And faith is something that you have to believe it's there, that really nothing else will declare it's there but faith. Now I'm trying to bring faith to you, so that you can be ready for this prayer line, in the next few minutes.

« 27 ⁺ Now, faith: "He that cometh to God must believe that He is." And it's impossible to--to please God without faith, you cannot please Him. And if you say you believe God... you have never seen Him, see, so then you've got to believe It by faith. And if you could see Him, it would be no more faith

ROMANS 12:2

» 2 ⁺ And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 342

342 » anakainosis

1) a renewal, renovation, complete change for the better

» 3 ⁺ For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

EPHESIANS 3:17

» 17 ⁺ That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,

» 18 ⁺ May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;

> 19 ⁺ And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

VIRTUES – OUR OLD NATURE IS CONTRARY TO GOD

6) 62-1014M THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN

« 141 ⁺ Now here is what we do. What's the first thing? Have faith, and be born again. That's laying the foundation.

JUDE 1:3

» 3 ⁺ ¶ Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

» 4 ⁺ For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

LOST FAITH...FAITH OF FATHERS-ACTS

FAITH FOR THE TIME THAT'S NEEDED

7) 63-0825E PERFECT.FAITH_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-11 50 And when she touched It... to prove that it stopped--it stopped, Jesus turned and said, "Who touched Me?" That Perfect Faith! And that same Perfect Faith tonight, will touch Jesus Christ just as it did then. The woman come with a Perfect Faith for that time.

8) 63-0825E PERFECT.FAITH_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-11

« 123 ⁺ Notice now another. Perfect Faith is a master of all circumstances. Perfect Faith masters all circumstances. No matter what it is, It masters it. Now, just watch! When you believe anything, do anything, and you got faith in what you're doing; no matter what the circumstance is, that don't have one thing to do with it. See, it masters that circumstance. If it's in a--a room of sickness, and the Lord's revealed that this certain thing's going to happen, you just speak it and go on.

124 "Oh, does the...?" Just don't ask any questions. It's already over, just keep going. See? It masters all circumstances. "Well, if you do this, So-and-so's going to do..." That... you see, It already got it mastered. See?

125 Faith believes that God will work it out. "I don't know how He's going to do it, but He'll do it anyhow." See? It masters all circumstances.

PAUL DANIEL

DIVINE HEALING FAITH MIRACLE FAITH RESURRECTION FAITH RAPTURING FAITH

9) 53-0603 GOD.COMMISSIONING.MOSES

I have a great faith to believe that one day before the coming of the Lord, that our little differences will be settled. God may have to let communism sweep us together, but something will take place that'll make us all one heart in one accord.

If we can't have faith now for healing, how are we going to have rapturing faith? Hmm. We've got to have faith for the little things first, before the great things. So there'll be something that'll cause... That's onl--that's in God's providence; I do not know. But I seen a demonstration of it recently, and that's what I want to tell you about.

JAMES 1:2

» 2 † ¶ My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; » 3 ⁺ Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

» 4 ⁺ But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

PUT YOUR FAITH IN WHAT ?

10) 63-0317M GOD.HIDING.HIMSELF.IN.SIMPLICITY « 139 ⁺ So don't you see: "As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man." Scientifically, no one... The doctor could say, "Looky here, your lump is still there. Your cancer remain. Your arm is as crippled as it ever was. You're crazy." And remember, that's that same spirit from the days of Noah that said, "There's no rain up there. We can shoot the moon with instruments, and there's no rain there." But if God said there would be rain there... For faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things that not seen. And faith takes its final resting place on the Word of God. There's where it finds its resting place. You--you understand? Its resting place is on God's Word. That's where Noah rested it: "God said so." That settles it.

JAMES 2:14

» 14 ⁺ ¶ What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him?

» 15 † If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food,

» 16 [†] And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit?

» 17 ⁺ Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

» 18 ⁺ Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

» 19 ⁺ Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.

» 20 ⁺ But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

» 21 ⁺ Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?

» 22 ⁺ Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?

» 23 [†] And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.

> 24 + Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

» 25 [†] Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way?

» 26 ⁺ For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

11) 65-1126 WORKS.IS.FAITH.EXPRESSED

« 197 ⁺ John expressed his faith in what God had revealed to him. Therefore, works is faith's testimony. When they see you acting like you're healed, then they'll know you got faith that you are healed.

198 What does testimony say? Saying this: "I have it now, 'cause I received God's promise. It is now working in me. I am making ready for it to happen." Uh-huh. See, that's what you testi-... your works does. Well, sure!

12) 63-0123 IDENTIFICATION

« 81 ⁺ I would like to open that just a little bit for you, if it be permissible. You see, sin is "unbelief." There's only two thing, channels, that you can live by. One of them is faith, and the other one is unbelief. "He that believeth not is condemned already." Smoking, drinking, committing adultery, lying, stealing, carnal impersonations, those things are attributes of unbelief. If you was a believer, you wouldn't do those things. No. You do that because you're not a believer.

Oh, you--you say, you say, "Oh, but I am a believer."

82 "But by their fruits you shall know them." See? Your--your actions speak louder than what your confession proves. See? When you disbelieve God's Word, and count It as something gone by, or take some book in Its stead, and saying, "This is just as good as That," it goes to show that you're not a believer. That's right. You're-you're not. And if you was, then you would believe God's Word. It would... He would express Hisself through His Word.

83 Now, He was God's Word expressed. And He said, "Now, if you can't believe Me," said, "believe the works that I do. Search the Scriptures, for in Them you think you have Eternal Life. And that's the very thing that tells Who I am." Oh! I wonder if...?... "See, That's the One that says Who I am. The Scriptures tells Who I am."

« 84 ⁺ And let me take that a little further, will you? The Scriptures is what tells what you are. That expresses you and expresses me. The Scriptures tell what we are. It's so loud that our voice cannot be even heard. Our life speaks louder than our voice, see, and it is God's way of letting us see what we are.

13) 63-0825E PERFECT.FAITH_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-11

« 93 [†] Jesus had Perfect Faith. He--He had it, and it come because He was the Word. And you become the Word; you become the Word, as you receive the Word. "If ye abide in Me, and My Words in you. My Words which..." (this Word) "abides in you, then ask what you will, and it'll be done for you." See? "If ye say to this mountain, 'Be moved,' and don't doubt, but believe in what you've said, then you shall have what you said. When you pray, believe that you receive what you ask for, and ye shall have it; it'll be given to you." Time, space, nothing else will ever change it. You know it's done. It's already--it's already over with.

14) 56-0421 WHAT.VISIONS.ARE

See, your faith is not what you feel; your faith is what you believe. If you really believe it, I don't care how you feel, you'd never, never say you wasn't healed. You'd always believe it. That's what does it. See?

« E-17 ⁺ That's what happens here at the platform when I have healing services. Hundreds of people that way, they come to the platform, "Oh, Brother Branham, I got all faith." If it was ink it wouldn't dot an "i." See, you got hope instead of faith. Faith is positive. There's no, nothing can move it; it's positive. No matter how sick you got, how everything went, noth... Now, if you're trying to bluff it, it won't take bluffing. The devil's not... He's a bluff himself, and he knows how to run a bluff. But when you got the goods, it don't take loud hollering, don't take stomping and screaming; it takes faith. He will recognize it. Don't worry, just say the word.

15) 62-1014M THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN

« 102 ⁺ Notice, you must be born again. And when you're born again, you can't be born again without having faith. That's right. So, you see, on my chart here, I got the very foundation, faith is the foundation of all of it. "For without faith it's impossible to please God. He that cometh to God must believe that He is, and a rewarder of those that diligently seek Him." See? He must be. And

when you're a skeptic of the Bible, when you're skeptic of the Word being right, you just might as well stay back until first you believe it. 103 What is sin? Unbelief. There's only two elements that controls the human being. That's either doubt or faith, one or the other. You're possessed of one that dominates your life. Just depends on how much faith you have, how high you can rise.

« 104 ⁺ But, first, it's got to be faith. Let me stay on that foundation for a while. Now, faith is what you must believe. Faith is what... "Faith is the substance of things hoped for." It's, you already have it when you have faith, because it's revealed in faith. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for," Hebrews 11, see, "the evidence." What is it? What kind of an evidence? A holy evidence.

16) 53-1108E EXPECTANCY

Now, no matter what the opposition looks like, Christ is the answer. Faith brings Christ. Notice, could you remember? Eighty years old, white beard, white hair, and yet the old man went around telling people that he wasn't going to die until he seen the Lord's Christ. What a beautiful picture of faith.

Faith knows no defeat. Faith is perfect. Faith brings things when there is no things to be brought. Faith creates. Faith takes doubt away, takes negative and makes positive. How beautiful. The old man had a basis for faith. Faith is not mythical, something mentally worked up, it's an absolutely, fundamental result that happens in a persons heart. When faith is appropriated, then it is something in the person's heart. But it can't be based on, say, "Well, go touch a tree and you'll get well," or--or, "Pray to the--the post." It's got to have a foundation.

« E-10 ⁺ Now, here it is. I want you to get it. How much more foundation could you place your faith on any level than the Word of God? What more could you put faith in? When He said, "Heavens and earth will pass away, but My Word shall never pass away."...

17) 62-1014M THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN

118 And, now, faith does the rest of it. Faith does the rest. So you must have faith for a foundation. All Christianity, all you are, all you'll ever be, is based upon faith in the Word. That's the reason I believe the Word. See?

18) 62-1014M THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN

« 131 ⁺ First, you must be born again. And then when you're born again, you have faith; you believe the Word. Until you're born again, you'll argue against It. If you're just religiously inclined, and--and you got a--a--a little human knowledge that you should do right, you'll never be able to agree upon the Word of God. You'll never do it. You've got to be born again. And, born again, it produces faith. All right. Then, after you get faith, this right here, f-a-i-t-h, faith, then you're just in position of growing.

« 132 † Now, a lot of people go up to the altar, and pray, and say, "Lord, forgive me." And a great experience of sanctification come upon them, and things. Then you have a great time, get up to the altar, shouting. You go back, say, "Bless God, I got it." No, you just started to a place where you can grow. You ain't done nothing yet. See? The only thing you done is just laid the foundation. 133 Now you're going to build a house, and you pour the foundation, say, "Boy, I got her." See? You got the foundation to

build your house on. Now you got to build a house.134 Now there's where the thing comes in, this morning, we're

going to talk about now. All right. A house, this foundation is first. What is the foundation of Christianity? Faith in the Word of God. That's your foundation. Then you begin to grow. Then you start, you begin to add to this foundation.

19) 50-0815 WHO.IS.GOD

« E-35 [†] And when the inspiration of the Holy Spirit is here to inspire you, remember, God will make your body come into your confession. If you say you're a drunkard, and want a drink. Don't worry, you'll soon be one. If you say you're a sinner, and want to sin, you'll be right into it.

If you say you're a Christian and believe it all along, God will bring... Your testimony will bring you right into it. If you believe in healing, and believe that God has healed you, confess it, and God will make your body obey your confession, for He's the High Priest of your confession; setting at the right-hand of the Father now with His own Blood to make intercessions for any confession upon anything that He died for.

And He died to rid sin. And sickness is the result of sin. "He was wounded for our transgressions, with His stripes we are healed." Remember that. Have faith. Don't waiver. Stand on it.

20) 54-0402 BLIND.BARTIMAEUS

Some people touched the garment of Jesus and was made well. Others smacked Him in the face and hit Him on the head with sticks, and spit in His face, never felt any virtue at all. It was their attitude of approach. It--it depends on what attitude you come in. If you come believing that you're coming to get help and you're confident that you're coming to the right Person, Jesus Christ, and you're coming His provided way of approach, you're going to receive something if you come reverently. If you come, "Well, I'll go touch and see if it helps me," that won't do any good at all. See? It's your--it's your approach to God's Divine article is what does it. Just like the brass serpent. Why, the serpent didn't have no virtue in it; it was a piece of brass they'd brought it up out of Egypt. Neither did the pole have any virtue in it, not a bit. But it was obeying what God said do, what brought the power, what brought the virtue, is obedience to the Word of God. And that's the same thing tonight

21) 63-0428 LOOK_ PHOENIX.AZ

« 120 † Pharaoh did not have this potential. He was offered it, but refused it. And when he refused it, then he couldn't focus.

121 No man, after he's turned down the Word of God, can ever focus hisself into It, because you refuse the Word that brings you into relationship of Christ. That's right. So...

122 But, Moses looked out of this window, he believed it. Why? Moses looked by faith. That's how Moses looked.

123 Now listen real close to this remark. Faith! Now, don't forget to get this now. Faith is designed to see what God wills and wants. There is no knowledge that can do that. Faith alone is designed, and give to the human race, to find out what the will of God is.

124 And you take your faith that you got, and it don't focus with the Word, then leave it alone. You got the wrong faith.

125 But when your God-given faith focus you with the Word of God, you're directly in line and zeroed. Oh, my! God help us this hour, great hour that we live in. Faith, designed to see what God wants! How do you see it? Through the camera of His Word, His promise. This is a full revelation of Jesus Christ.

I PETER 1:6

6 + ¶ Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:
7 + That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

» 8 ⁺ Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

» 9 † Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

22) 62-1014M THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN

« 146 [†] Virtue must be in us. And until we get virtue... Then when we get true virtue, we can add it to our faith. That's the next foundation wall. Now, first youmust have faith. Faith alone won't do it. You've got... Peter said, "Then add virtue to your faith." You must have virtue, in order to add it to your faith.