

SON OF MAN

PART 101

- » 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.**

II PETER 1:5

- » 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;**

I TIMOTHY 3:16

- » 16 † **And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness:** God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

1) strife, dispute

1a) strife, quarrel

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56-0304 MAKING.A.WAY_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SUNDAY_

So foreknowledge looks back and says that He foresaw this, and knows that's the reason He could tell what the end was from the beginning. And therefore, knowing that all these marvelous days that we're living in now, and to stand and witness and see the things that we've seen now, God had to make a preparation for it.

**63-0728 CHRIST.IS.THE.MYSTERY.OF.GOD.REVEALED_
JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY_**

<< 102 † Now, God's secret mystery, He had before the world began. Now, back in the back part of God's mind, there was something that He was trying and was going to achieve, and He had a motive in doing it, in order to let Himself be expressed. Because, first, there wasn't even a moon, star, atom, molecule, or anything. He was God. But He exactly wasn't God at that time, because God is an object of worship, and there wasn't nothing to worship Him.

103 So, in His great mind, He wanted these attributes to be expressed. And in Him was love; in Him was to be Father; in Him was to be Son; in Him was to be a Saviour; in Him was to be a Healer. And all these great attributes that we see already expressed, they were in God.

II PETER 3:14

>> 14 † Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

>> 15 † And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

I CORINTHIANS 1:7

» 7 † So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ:

» 8 † Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

» 9 † God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

» 10 † ¶ Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

I CORINTHIANS 6:9

» 9 † ¶ 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,

» 10 † Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

» 11 † 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.

PHILIPPIANS 2:15

» 15 † That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

GRACE

TEMPERANCE

PATIENCE

- 1) steadfastness, constancy, endurance: **in the NT the characteristic of a man who is not swerved from his deliberate purpose and his loyalty to faith and piety by even the greatest trials and sufferings: patiently, and steadfastly**

« 116-2 † SMYRNAEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK
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Now the Lord God Almighty says, "I KNOW." There He is walking in the midst of His people. There He is, the Chief Shepherd of the flock. **But does He hold back the persecution? Does He stem the tribulation? No, He does not. He simply says, "I KNOW your tribulation--I am not at all unmindful of your suffering." What a stumbling block this is to so many people.** Like Israel they wonder if God really loves them. How can God be just and loving if He stands by and watches His people suffer?

That is what they asked in Malachi 1:1-3,

"The burden of the Word of the Lord to Israel by Malachi.

I have loved you, saith the Lord. Yet we say, Wherein hast Thou loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the Lord: yet I loved Jacob,

And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness."

You see, they could not figure out God's love. They thought that love meant no suffering. They thought that love meant a baby with parental care. But God said that His love was "elective" love. The proof of His love is ELECTION--that no matter what happened, His

love was proven truly by the fact they were chosen unto salvation (because God hath chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth). He may commit you to death as He did Paul. He may commit you to suffering as He did Job. That is His prerogative. He is sovereign. But it is all with a purpose. If He did not have a purpose, then He would be the author of frustration and not of peace. His purpose is that after we have suffered awhile we would be made perfect, be established, strengthened and settled. As Job said, "He puts strength in us." (Job 23:6b) You see He, Himself, suffered. He learned obedience by the things that He suffered. He was actually made perfect by the things that He suffered.

Hebrews 5:8-9,

"Though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered;

And being made perfect, He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him."

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."

Why does He stand by? The reason is in Romans 8:17-18,

"And if children, then heirs, heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together.

For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

Unless we suffer with Him we cannot reign with Him. You have to suffer to reign. The reason for this is that character simply is never made without suffering. Character is a VICTORY, not a gift. A man without character can't reign because power apart from character is Satanic. But power with character is fit to rule. And since He wants us to share even His throne on the same basis that He overcame and is set down in His Father's throne, then we have to overcome to sit with Him. And the little temporary suffering we go through now is not worthy to be compared to the tremendous glory that will be revealed in us when He comes. Oh, what treasures are laid up for those who are willing to enter into His kingdom through much tribulation.

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

« 138 † And that's what we're supposed to do, reflect the Son of God. And now we're supposed to do His work. He said, "He that believeth on Me..." Saint John 14:7, "He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also." **You're beginning to reflect the works of Christ.**

139 But so many of us try to do the works of Christ before the reflection of Christ is in us. Now there's the trouble. We find those things happening. You know it. I know it. We see these, stumbles along the road. We find the scrap heap of ministers, of Christians, piled along the road, is because they didn't go into it right.

140 And that's why I'm here this morning, is to try to teach this little church, and myself, how that we can become the dwelling place of the living God. How many like to be that? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] The dwelling place of the living God!

II PETER 3:9

» 9 † ¶ The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not

willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 3114

- bear long (1)**
- suffer long (1)**
- be long suffering (1)**
- patiently endure (1) [10]**

1) to be of a long spirit, not to lose heart

1a) to persevere patiently and bravely in enduring misfortunes and troubles

1b) to be patient in bearing the offenses and injuries of others; to be mild and slow to punish

62-1014M THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-18 SUNDAY_

« 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 you must have faith. **Faith alone won't do it.**

60-0802 EL.SHADDAI_ YAKIMA.WA TUESDAY_

« E-11 † And then, Abraham, we found out, didn't obey God just right. **Now, he made ready and had faith in the promise. But see, we can still have faith in the promise and then not obey, still it'll hinder us.**

Now, you can say, "I've a... I--I believe in the Holy Spirit. I believe I should--I should be baptized with the Holy Spirit." Now, no matter how much you believe, you've got to obey that commission. See? **Just faith alone won't work, because faith without works is dead. That's right.**

**62-1014M THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN
V-2 N-18 SUNDAY_**

« 233 † Patience with what? What kind of patience? First thing, is have patience with God. If you've got real, genuine faith, you'll have real genuine patience, because faith worketh patience. When God says anything, you believe it. That's all. You got patience.

ISAIAH 40:28

» 28 † Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

» 29 † He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

» 30 † Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

» 31 † But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

62-0719E PERSEVERANT_ SALEM.OR THURSDAY_

« E-10 † The trouble of it, with we people, we're in too much of a hurry. It's just got to be done right now, can't come back no more. See? And when you get that in your mind (See?), that--

you're going to lose right there. You're--you're on losing grounds right there. You--you have nothing to stand on. You must be patient.

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« 275 † And we should have patience with one another, too. NOTE

276 Like, I've tried to get this Message over at the tabernacle, to see that each member of the tabernacle become This. It's hard to do. I've tried to have patience; this is thirty-three years. See? Have patience. Women still bob their hair, still just the same. But just have patience. See? Just have patience. Wait. Have to. If you ain't got it, don't try to build on this down here. Have patience.

HEBREWS 12:1

» 1 † ¶ Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

» 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.

MATTHEW 10:22

» 22 † And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.

ENDURETH

-- STRONG'S NUMBER 5278

2) to remain i.e. abide, not recede or flee

2a) to preserve: under misfortunes and trials to hold fast to one's faith in Christ

2b) to endure, bear bravely and calmly: ill treatments.

END

1d) the end to which all things relate, the aim, purpose

HEBREWS 6:12

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

» **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.**

LUKE 21:19

» **19 † In your patience possess ye your souls.**

GODLINESS

STRONG'S NUMBER 2150

-- holiness (1) [15]

1) reverence, respect; piety towards God, godliness

II TIMOTHY 3:2

- » 2 † For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
- » 3 † Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
- » 4 † Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
- » 5 † **Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.**
- » 6 † For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,
- » 7 † Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

I TIMOTHY 3:16

- » 16 † **And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness:** God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

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- « 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!

« **304** † Let's turn to Ephesians 4, and find out over here what, in the Book of Ephesians, it says about this thing, too, about how we should--how we should do. Ephesian, the 4th chapter, and begin with the 12th verse. Ephesians 4, and begin with the 12th verse. All right. Let's begin up here at the 11th verse.

And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets;...

305 Remember last night? Don't try to take the other man's office. See?

... and some, evangelists; and some, pastors... and some, teachers;

306 "For the perfecting of God"? Does it read like that? [Congregation says, "No."--Ed.] The perfection of what? ["Saints."] Who are the saints? The sanctified ones. Amen. The ones started from down here.

... perfecting of the saints, for the working of the ministry (the ministry of Jesus Christ), for the edifying of the body of Christ (for the edifying, building It up, edifying): until...

Till we all come in to the unity of the faith, and... the knowledge of the Son of God, and to the perfect man, unto the assurance, (oh, my), to the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

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

« 243 † And a man that's born of God, a son of God, has to have the nature of God. He has to be like God. He honors God. He is part of the Word of God. And in this last days, of this Bride taking form, just exactly the same power that He was in at the beginning, has come up through these organizations, and so forth, and come out for the Bride. He can't be nothing else but that.

I TIMOTHY 2:1

» 1 † ¶ I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men;

» 2 † For kings, and for all that are in authority; **that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.**

I TIMOTHY 2:8

» 8 † I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.

» 9 † ¶ In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;

» 10 † **But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.**

» 11 † **Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.**

2317 » theosebeia {theh-os-eb'-i-ah

1) reverence towards God's goodness

2318 » theosebes {theh-os-eb-ace'}

AV -- worshipper of God (1)

1) worshipping God, pious

I TIMOTHY 4:6

» 6 † ¶ **If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.**

» 7 † **But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and **exercise thyself rather unto godliness.****

» 8 † **For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.**

» 9 † **This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation.**

» 10 † **For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe.**

» 11 † **These things command and teach.**

» 12 † Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

I TIMOTHY 6:3

» 3 † If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, **and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;**

» 4 † He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,

» 5 † Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.

» 6 † ¶ **But godliness with contentment is great gain.**

» 7 † For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.

841 » autarkeia {ow-tar'-ki-ah}

AV -- sufficiency (1)

1) a perfect condition of life in which no aid or support is needed, sufficiency of the necessities of life, a mind contented with its lot.

II TIMOTHY 3:1

» 1 † ¶ **This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.**

- » 2 † For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
- » 3 † Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
- » 4 † Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
- » 5 † Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

**65-0725M THE.ANOINTED.ONES.AT.THE.END.TIME_
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24 Otherwise, if He wanted to break it down so we would more or less understand it better, He would say, "In the last days there shall rise false, anointed ones." Now, that seems almost impossible, see, the terms of "anointed." But notice the very next words, "and false prophets," p-r-o-p-h-e-t-s, plural.

« 25 † Now, anointed one, is, "one with a message." And the only way the message can be brought out is by one that's anointed, and that would be a prophet, anointed. "There shall rise false, anointed teachers." A prophet teaches what his message is. Anointed teachers, but anointed people with false teaching. Anointed ones, "Christs," plural; "prophets," plural. And if there is such a thing as a--a Christ, singular, then these would have to be "anointed ones," that their prophecy of what they were teaching would be the difference, because they are anointed ones, anointed.

You may say, "How can this be? Would the anointed ones..."

27 What were they? "Christs," C-h-r-i-s-t-s, anointed. "Christs, and false prophets." Anointed ones, but false prophets!

Jesus said, that, "The rain falls on the just and the unjust."

28 Now, someone might say to me, "Do you believe that that anointing on those people means that it's the anointing of the Holy

Spirit?" Yes, sir, the genuine Holy Spirit of God upon a person, and yet they are false.

Now listen close and see what He said. "And they shall show signs and wonders, insomuch that it would deceive the very Elected if it were possible." And they are anointed with the genuine Holy Spirit. I know this sounds very foolish, but we're going to take time and explain it by the Word, that that's absolutely THUS SAITH THE LORD, the Truth.

**65-0725M THE.ANOINTED.ONES.AT.THE.END.TIME_
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« 160 † But remember, that Pentecostal church, in the last days, was the Laodicea; and Christ was turned out, the Kernel, the Wheat, Itself. When He tried... Remember, when He tried to manifest Himself in the church, He was taken out. It was still a church, claimed to be; anointed.

But here is the Word, Christ Himself, that's the anointed Word which shall come for the rest of His Body, the Bride. The anointed, of the same water that watered the wheat, as we talked about, also waters the tasters, anointed ones. Only the Elected, or predestinated, will be able to detect the difference between them. Now, Ephesians 5:1 tells you so, and about how it was.

« 161 † They are anointed ones. Everybody say, "Glory to God! We got freedom down here. Hallelujah! We... Oh, hallelujah! We speak in tongues, and jump. We got freedom of the women; you people try to put them under all these kind of things." See? Go ahead. There ain't nothing you can do. Say, "Well, we speak in tongues. We shout. We dance in the Spirit. We preach the Word." Absolutely. Not a thing to say against it. So do these men back here in the Bible.

Jesus said, "It'd deceive the very Elected if it was possible, the very Elected."

« 166 † It only lets the Wheat be known, to the Elected, which are part of It. Notice how beautiful this is brought in here now. Only the... Notice, the anointed ones be able; the true, Elected, predestinated, Ephesians 5:1, or 1:5, rather, will be ordained, elected. They are the only ones that it will not deceive.

Notice, the anointed prophets will be false, and there among it will be true anointed. How you going to tell it? By the Word. Like, we have it in shadow. Do you see it? Say, "Amen. [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] See?

« 167 † Notice, the anointed ones, only the Word will separate them, not the signs. Oh, no. They'll do the same signs, but the Word what's separated them. Sure. They all prophesied. They all done this, that, and the other, sure, just the same. Jesus said they'd do the same thing. But the Word is what separated them, notice, not signs.

65-0815 AND.KNOWETH.IT.NOT_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-10 SUNDAY_

« 152 † Why? You say, "These are good people. What makes them..." Because, one thing, their tie post is on a church. And in here... You remember last Sunday's, a week ago; how many was here and heard the sermon on The Anointed Ones In The Last Days? I think all of you. **See, they are anointed. Their spirits are anointed, in this second realm.**

65-0822M CHRIST.IS.REVEALED.IN.HIS.OWN.WORD_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-4 N-10 SUNDAY_

« 27 † Today, so confused about the evidence of the Holy Ghost, and so forth. Satan can impersonate any kind of a gift that God has got, but he cannot bring that Word, Word by Word. That's where he failed in the garden of Eden. That's where he's always failed. That's where them, the tape on "false, anointed ones," or

anointed ones; they can be anointed with the Spirit, speak in tongues, dance, shout, preach the Gospel, and still a devil.