

THE BRIDE'S BILL OF RIGHTS 67VB

II PETER 1:2

2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

II PETER 1:3

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:**

II PETER 1:4

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.

II PETER 1:5

5 ¶ And beside this, giving all diligence, ***ADD** to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

ADD: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2023

epichoregeo {ep-ee-khor-ayg-eh'-o}

minister nourishment, to supply, furnish, ministered unto, assisted

Greek, in the possession of your faith, minister virtue.

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6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

II PETER 1:7

7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN_ JEFF.IN V-2 N-18 SUNDAY_62-1014M

50-2.....now we put the Blood of Jesus Christ in. See? And that brings the faith of Jesus Christ, the virtue of Jesus Christ, the knowledge of Jesus Christ, the temperance of Jesus Christ, the patience of Jesus Christ, the godliness of Jesus Christ, the brotherly kindness of Jesus Christ, and the love of God which is Jesus Christ. He's the Head that controls you. And your feet is the foundation, faith. Amen. Controlled by the Head, takes the people...?... There you are. **There is the perfect man of God when he possesses these virtues.**

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18-2 Notice: you must be borned 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 are 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. 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.** But first it's got to be faith. Now, let me stay on that foundation for a while.

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18-4 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.....

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20-2.....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.**

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22-1.....You've got to be borned again; and borned 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.**

ACTS 3:16

16 And his name through **faith in his name** hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, **THE FAITH WHICH IS BY HIM** hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

ROMANS 1:17

17 For therein is the righteousness of God **REVEALED FROM FAITH TO FAITH:** as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

ROMANS 4:16

16 Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,

GALATIANS 2:16

16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, **BUT BY THE FAITH OF JESUS CHRIST**, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified **BY THE FAITH OF CHRIST**, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

GALATIANS 2:20

20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live **BY THE FAITH OF THE SON OF GOD**, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

EPHESIANS 3:12

12 In whom we have boldness and access with confidence **BY THE FAITH OF HIM.**

COLOSSIANS 2:12

12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him **through the faith of the operation of God**, who hath raised him from the dead.

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22-1.....**when you're borned again, you have faith; you believe the Word.** Until you're borned again you'll argue against it. If you're just religiously inclined, and--and you've got 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 borned again; and borned 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.**

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M

22-1.....**And the biggest part of our faith is mental faith.** [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] By hearing the Word it brings us to a mental recognition of God. But if this coming from above, oh, brother, if it ever strikes this, **there is a godly, spiritual faith.** Then what does that faith do? That faith recognizes only the

Word. No matter what anything else says, **it only recognizes the Word**, because "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (And the Word's still God.) And the Word was made flesh and dwelled among us." **And when the word Itself is pouring into our faith, our mental faith becomes a spiritual revelation.** "And upon this foundation I'll build My Church," (See?), not upon a mental conception of church joining, a mental conception of that, but upon the revelation. **When them streams of grace has poured into that mental faith that you've got, then upon this, a spiritual revelation,.....**

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M
23-1.....**NOW, COMING FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHAT IS COME? Then He will give to you supernatural faith, spiritual faith, that here at the bottom.** Then that spiritual faith recognizes only the Word. No matter what anybody else says, it don't--it don't do no good. That only knows the Word. If somebody'd say, "The days of miracles is past," **that faith only knows the Word.**

Somebody says, "There's no such a thing as the baptism of the Holy Ghost." **That faith only knows the Word. That's real spiritual faith.** You see? That's right. See? It only knows the Word.

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23-4.....after we lay the foundation, secondly, you add to your foundation. "Add to your faith," Peter said here. Add to your... First you have faith, **THEN YOU ADD VIRTUE TO YOUR FAITH.** This is the next column. First pour your foundation: faith. Then to your faith add virtue.

Now, right there knocks a lot of us down. Yes, sir. Yes, add virtue to your faith. That doesn't just mean living a virgin life, you know, like a woman or man, and so forth. That doesn't have nothing to do with that. The Bible said... We read over here in the Book of Luke where it said, "Virtue went out of Him." Is that

right? **If we're going to be like Him, we must have virtue then. We must have it to be like Him.....**

MARK 5:29

29 And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague.

MARK 5:30

30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that **VIRTUE HAD GONE OUT OF HIM**, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes?

THE WORD "VIRTUE" IS USED IN THE OLD MEDICAL SENSE,

THE POWER OR FORCE WHICH BRINGS ABOUT A CERTAIN DEFINITE RESULT.

LUKE 6:19

19 And the whole multitude sought to touch him: **FOR THERE WENT VIRTUE OUT OF HIM**, and healed them all.

PHILIPPIANS 4:8

8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; **if there be any virtue**, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

II PETER 1:3

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23-6.....**if I'm going to be like Jesus, I've got to have virtue** and a pass that it can pass forward from me to the people, because virtue went out of Him to the people: virtue. **And before you can let it out, you've got to have it first.** If you haven't got it, it won't come out. There's nothing for it to come out of. What if someone tried to draw virtue out of us, the--the check would return "insufficient funds." See? No, no, none there to draw from: check bounced. Somebody looking at you as a Christian and tomorrow see you out here carrying on like a sinner, **not much virtue can be drawn from that.** See? That's right. 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.**

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24-3 Now, first you must 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.....**

.....If virtue went from Him to heal the woman that was sick, HE'S EXPECTING THE SAME VIRTUE IN HIS CHURCH, because He was our Example. And if He had virtue to give to the people, **He expects us to have virtue to give to the people.** And what is virtue? "Virtue" is "strength, power.".....

BELIEVEST.THOU.THIS_ HOUSTON.TX SUNDAY_ 50-0115

E-31.....I tell you, that's what's a whole lot the matter with the people today. They're not friendly like they used to be. **The people has got too selfish,** got to a place where they--they think they live in a little world by themself. You know that's the truth.....

AT.THY.WORD_ MINNEAPOLIS.MN FRIDAY_ 50-0714

E-3 **A person who lives their life for theirsself, lives a selfish life.** We must live for others: "Bear ye one another's

burdens and so fill full the law of Christ." And we got to have a feeling for one another.....

FAITH.IN.THE.SON.OF.GOD_ HAMMOND.IN TUESDAY_ 52-0715

E-2.....each day I want to live, not for myself. **If I live for myself, I live a selfish life. I want to live for others,** and give what strength I have, not to myself, and to my own pleasure, but for the benefit of others, that'll build the Kingdom of God.

THE.EAGLE.IN.HER.NEST_ CHICAGO.IL FRIDAY_ 57-0705

E-42.....God will take you from that miserable unrighteous, ungodly, **selfish life** that you're living and make you free, happy, and live above sin, and live in a blessed atmosphere, that the world and the chickens know nothing about.

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24-5 Now, Peter's talking about **building a House of God (See?), the Temple of God**, fixing it to a place. And after you have virtue you must have--after you have faith, you must have virtue with it. That's right. **HAVE VIRTUE FOR THE WHOLE WORLD.**

I preached a sermon about twenty years ago, I guess, on Reverend Mr. Lily, Lily, the pastor. Took it from the text to where Jesus said, "Consider the lilies how they neither toil or spin, yet I say unto you, Solomon in all of his glory is not arrayed like one." Look at the lily. It comes from way down in the muck; and every minute of the day it has to be drawing from the earth. See? And what does it do with this virtue that it draws? It gives it out. It makes a beautiful sight for the admirer. It opens up itself for honey, for the bee to come and get his part. Don't complain; it just got it to give out. What if a bee came in there, "Insufficient funds," no honey. That little bee would scratch his head and say, "What kind of a lily is that?"

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25-5 **Now, now, you must have virtue.** I said
.....then, the first thing you know there's somebody loves to
smell the odor. He ain't selfish; he's got odor. Before he can give
out odor, he has to have it. Before he can give out honey, he has
to have it. Before he can give out beauty, he has to have it. **'Fore
you can give out virtue, you have to have it. So add to your
faith virtue.** Amen.....

II PETER 1:5

5 ¶ And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith
virtue; and to virtue **KNOWLEDGE**;

ROMANS 11:33

33 ¶ O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and
knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and
his ways past finding out!

I CORINTHIANS 1:4

4 I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of
God which is given you by Jesus Christ;

I CORINTHIANS 1:5

5 That in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all
utterance, **and in all knowledge**;

II CORINTHIANS 2:14

14 Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to
triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour **of his
knowledge by us in every place.**

COLOSSIANS 1:9

9 ¶ For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do
not cease to pray for you, and to desire that **ye might be filled
with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual
understanding**;

COLOSSIANS 1:10

10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, **and increasing in the knowledge of God;**

COLOSSIANS 3:10

10 And have put on the new man, which is **renewed in knowledge** after the image of him that created him:

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2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through **the knowledge of God**, and of Jesus our Lord,

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.

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25-6 Now, first, it's faith; then virtue. **And then thirdly, you add knowledge.** Knowledge, now that don't mean worldly knowledge, 'cause that's foolishness to God, **but knowledge to judge. Judge what? Right from wrong.**

How do you judge it then if you've got Christian knowledge with your virtue and faith, you judge whether the Word is right or wrong. And if you can lay aside all your creeds and all your unbelief, everything that you claim you have done, **then you have knowledge to believe that God cannot lie.** "Let every man's word be a lie, but Mine be True." See, now you're getting knowledge. **That's supreme knowledge.** You don't have to have four degrees in some college or something like that to have it, **because all these virtues are GIVEN TO YOU BY GOD to place upon the foundation of your faith, that you might come to the full stature of a real living man of God. Yes, sir.**

THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN_ JEFF.IN V-2 N-18 SUNDAY_62-1014M

26-1.....**You should believe today that the--and accept it that the days of miracles is not passed, knowledge that what God says, God's able to perform.....**

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26-4.....When you have knowledge, you say, "Well, I don't know now whether this Scripture is just right. Now, here's Acts 2:38; I don't know how to go...?... with that; Acts 28:19, I don't..." All right, don't do--don't add nothing, 'cause you ain't got it yet. See? What are you going to do? **Because you haven't got knowledge enough to know of God yet that the Bible doesn't contradict Itself. Leave it alone.** Don't say no more about it. See, leave it alone. But when you can see that the Scripture is not contradictory, that you can say that--and can see that by the revelation of God, the whole Word is wrote in mysteries, **and only the knowledge of God can reveal It.** Then when you get and say, punctuate every word of God with an "Amen," then add that to your faith.

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26-5 Oh, you're getting to be a pretty good man right now. See? **You're coming up. See? What with? With faith, then with virtue, then knowledge.** See how it's building this man? You can see there's no--no way of escaping it. **This is the way to become in the full stature of Christ. Yes, sir.** To judge, judge right, judge whether it's right or wrong to believe God's Word; judge whether it's right or wrong whether I should serve a creed or serve God; judge whether it's right or wrong, "I should be born again, or join a church." Then you begin... Judge right when the preacher says, "The days of miracles is passed." The Bible said, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever." Now, which are you going to believe? When you say, "I'll take God." Now, you don't say that to say, "Well, I--I take it," just from your heart, "but something in you--your faith pushes out there. There you are. Your faith says, "I know He's the same. I've

witnessed Him the same." **There's nothing can take it away from you. "I know He's real." Then add that to your faith. Lay it down on the foundation.**

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27-5.....Christ never sent me to build an organizations. **Christ sent me to build individuals to the statue of Jesus Christ that they might be the power house...?...** dwelling place of His Spirit by His Word (Uh-huh.)--by His Word. See? Build up the individual to that place, not build an organization to a greater denomination, but build the individual to sons and daughters of God. That's the idea.

See, add to your faith virtue; to your virtue, add knowledge. Well, now, you're coming to a place.

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28-2 Now, when they begin to say, "Well, we don't have to accept that today." You do have to. It must be. The Scriptures cannot lie and, "There are no private interpretation," the Bible said. You just believe it the way it's written there. See, you've got to have these things. **And the only way you'll ever be able to have them is to have heaven-born knowledge. And heaven-born knowledge will vindicate the Word.....**

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28-5 Now, there'll be another thing on this knowledge we might speak of: godly knowledge. See? **Has the Bible in this day lost Its meanings?** See, they--a lot of people tell you that, that the Bible doesn't exactly mean that. If God watches over me, and corrects me in my sin; and if I am a son of God, He does that. He does you that way. Sons and [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.]--daughters, when you do anything wrong, He corrects you. Then if God is so particular about you that He watches over you and corrects you, how much more has He His Word, which is your Example, which is Himself. "In the beginning was the Word, and

the Word was with God, and the Word was God, and made flesh and dwelled among us."

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28-6.....**I believe in genuine Holy Ghost knowledge. Holy Ghost knowledge will always punctuate the Word with, "Amen."** When you get these things that seem to contradict themselves in the Bible, you set down and study it, and prayerfully like that; and the first thing you know, the Holy Spirit begins to move in. **After while you see it ties together, and there you got it. See? THAT'S KNOWLEDGE.**

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29-4 **Knowledge, not worldly, it reasons. Any kind of worldly knowledge reasons.** See, but faith has no reasoning. God reveals to you a certain-certain thing's going to happen, every scientist in the world could say it's contrary, it could not happen; you believe it anyhow.....

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30-1 All right, now, knowledge. Now, not worldly knowledge, **BUT IT'S HEAVENLY KNOWLEDGE**. And heavenly knowledge, when God is the fountain of all knowledge, and God is the Word, **then if you've got heavenly knowledge, you believe the Word, and you reason anything by the Word.....**

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30-6 Sure, knowledge, not worldly, **spiritual knowledge of the Word**, knowing what God said, do what God said. That's right. Then if you've got that and can believe all these things that He's the same in all these things the Word says is true, **you punctuate everyone with a, "Amen" it's all right. ADD THAT TO YOUR FAITH. That's all right.**

Yes, if somebody tries to tell you that the Bible has lost Its power, there is no such a thing as the baptism of the Holy Ghost (Huh-uh.), **don't add that. It won't work.** It'll fall off, like putting clay on a rock; it won't stand up. It'll crumble.

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31-2 Then people tell you, "The Bible can't be trusted today. You be careful now. Don't you go being a... It can't be trust..." You've heard that all the time. Little saying: "You can't trust the Bible." Well, if--if you've got that in your mind, **you--don't--don't try to add it, 'cause it won't work. The whole building will fall down right there.** She's got to be mortared by the Holy Spirit; I mean stuck together, the mortar that seals it. And the same thing that seals it... **You know the way a vulcanized tube always lasts longer than just an old stuck on patch, a little heat gets stuck on an old patch on a tire, the first thing you know get that tire a little bit hot, run a little fast, and it'll melt off.**

Yes, sir. See? And that's what's the matter with a lot of people today: they try to stick their knowledge on, a worldly knowledge, with a little old earthly glue. And when the trials come, "Well, maybe I was wrong." See? Then the air goes; you're deflated in a few minutes. All your shouting and jumping up and down didn't do you any good. The people sees you right back in the same puddle again. See? That's right. **But if you stay there with enough heat of the Holy Ghost till it makes you and the Tube one, that's it. You and the Tube becomes one.** When you stay there till you, and every promise of God becomes one, then add that to your faith. If you don't, don't add it at all.

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31-4 You say, "The Word can't be trusted." Don't try to add that. If you say, "The promises in here of the baptism of the Holy Ghost was only meant for the twelve apostles," like some churches say today; don't try to add that. That's where their foundation's all crumbled up.....