

THE BRIDE'S BILL OF RIGHTS 72

THE RIGHT TO BE IN DIVINE ORDER 18

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;

II PETER 1:6

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.

II CORINTHIANS 12:7

7 **AND LEST I SHOULD BE EXALTED ABOVE MEASURE THROUGH THE ABUNDANCE OF THE REVELATIONS,** there

was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

II CORINTHIANS 12:8

8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

II CORINTHIANS 12:9

9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

HOW.CAN.I.OVERCOME_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-12 SUNDAY_ 63-0825M

118.....See? Sometime Satan can take you, and when you think that you're doing the will of God, **and can make you a proposition, you'll fall for it.** Yes, sir. He sure can.

HOW.CAN.I.OVERCOME_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-12 SUNDAY_ 63-0825M

119 Now let's just take, for instance, like our sisters. They're pretty. And he can get you to a place, that, you let your hair grow out, you didn't realize. It looked so nice on you, and, **the first thing you know, you get kind of feeling a little stuck-up, little above something else.** Some of you men, you know what I mean. See? And he can take that same thing and proposition it with you. That's right. **You got to overcome that.** Just remember, you're living for God. You have one objective, and that's Jesus Christ. Outside of that, there's nothing else counts. That's Him. Then, secondly, for your family. Then, thirdly, for yourself. But, first, for God; next, for your family; and next, for you. **You're number three; that's the end of the road. Put yourself last; He did.**

INFLUENCE_ PHOENIX.AZ SATURDAY_ 63-0112

72 This king got along fine until he found out that all the nations was fearing him. **He become largely populated. His**

kingdom got built up. And he got lifted up in his heart, with pride. "You see, we're just... I'm just a big man now." And that's the way out.

73 The way up is down. How do you know which is up or down? Cause, if the world stand in space, how do you know which is up or down? So, always, "He that humbles himself, God will exalt. He that exalts himself, God will bring to abase." He'll bring him down. **Always keep humble, AND BE LITTLE IN YOUR OWN SIGHT.** No matter what God does for you, just see how much more humbler you can be, all the time. **More God blesses you, just keep getting more humble, all the time. HE CAN CONTINUE TO BLESS.**

74 But when you get to a place, you think, "I've got it," you haven't got it. You're on your road out. That's right. See? You lose your influence. **You lose the--the your strength of your testimony.....**

THE.INFLUENCE.OF.ANOTHER_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-11 SATURDAY_62-1013

62 So many today... You take a--a family of people that'll start going to church. And God will heal the little family. He'll bless them, and give them the Holy Spirit in their lives. The little children will pray around the table; they'll pray before they go to bed. Mother and father will join hands and pray. **And as long as they continue like that, they'll stay a family;** but you let them get... First thing you know, they didn't have nothing, an old junk car, maybe, riding around in it, or maybe walking. Finally they'll get a good car, a better home. **And the first thing you know, then they want to get to what they--the world calls, a better class to associate with.** They move into a different neighborhood, and in there they find out they become influenced by the wrong influence. **You must always stay where the Kingdom of God is and where the glory of God is pouring out.** Stay where you can be spiritually fed day and night. Then the first thing you know, separations comes in the home, and worldliness, and they get lifted up. Uzziah did that; **he got lifted up, much pride.**

INFLUENCE_ PHOENIX.AZ SATURDAY_ 63-0112

76 Now, pride. He got lifted up, and he thought, "**What a great fellow I am!**" **So much, he got lifted up, till he tried to take the place of a minister.** He goes into the temple, which took, picked up the censer of fire, and went up to the altar of incense. Now, that was only consecrated men could do that.

77 Now, as I have said before, so say I again. Businessmen are not preachers. We preachers have enough time to try to keep this Thing straight, let alone businessmen. You all are businessmen, not ministers. **And don't take the place of one, or try to, because you're not called for such.....**

INFLUENCE_ CHICAGO.IL V-21 N-6 SATURDAY_ 63-0803E

35 This king, though being a godly man as he was, **he felt self-sufficient.** He felt like that he could hoist himself up in pride, that he could just take over and do whatever he wanted to, **nobody else he had to ask.**

But, remember, we're always under God. God is our God.

36 And we find out, he got lifted up, and he--he got so lifted up till he thought that, because he had been 'blessed of God,' **he could 'take a minister's place,'** so he took the censer and went in to take a minister's place. **He got out of his place of duty.**

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CPT.5

Too often when men are signally used of the Lord they become lifted up with pride.....

PERFECT.STRENGTH.BY.PERFECT.WEAKNESS_ JEFF.IN V-8 N-1
SUNDAY_ 61-1119

42 **We try to make our weaknesses excuses.** We want to tell how big we are, how great we are. I think that's one of the things that I--God gave me the text for, was to get that out of our mind. See?

There's little things that we do. **And that's what we come to church for, is to find out where our faults is, and the things that we might better ourselves by.** If we come to church for any other--any other objective than this, I'm afraid we won't get

too much out of coming to church. **We must come to find our weaknesses, find our bad places and our--how--SEE HOW LITTLE WE ARE**, and put our trust in Somebody that's strong.....

PERFECT.STRENGTH.BY.PERFECT.WEAKNESS_ JEFF.IN V-8 N-1
SUNDAY_ 61-1119

44 There's so many of us likes to testify or likes to think **that we're insufficient**; and therefore, we make that an excuse, "I have no education; I have no ability; I'm unable to do this." And if you keep that up and do that in that way, keep going like that, **then you can't 'mount to anything**. But the very thing that we make excuses by our weaknesses, **God uses that very thing to tackle the job with**. See? He waits for us to get to that condition so that He can use us. We--we take the excuses and say, "Well, I--I--I--I'm can't do this, I'm insufficient. I--I can't do it." **And God takes that very thing to do the job with**. That's true.

That's the reason why that He--He chooses us, BECAUSE WE'RE IN THAT CONDITION. Now, that sounds strange, but just a few minutes we'll get to the reason of it, if God being willing.

We--we find out, just as we've been reading, that weaknesses and rejections... And we find out that those people who are the weakest and the rejected by the outside world, **is God's heroes, that conqueror up in the front line, takes those who are--are--feel themselves unworthy**.

PERFECT.STRENGTH.BY.PERFECT.WEAKNESS_ JEFF.IN V-8 N-1
SUNDAY_ 61-1119

52 **Notice that it takes the--the weakest and the rejected, and practically every hero God ever had on the front line was that type of person**. A person that was rejected, a person that thought he was insufficient, a person that had no ability at all, **then that person's just in good shape so God can start using them**. That's right. When they feel like that they can't, they haven't got nothing, that's when God can take ahold of them and do something with them. See? When... **But**

when we are thinking that we're able to do it, then God can't use us because we're wanting to do it ourselves.

PERFECT.STRENGTH.BY.PERFECT.WEAKNESS_ JEFF.IN V-8 N-1
SUNDAY_ 61-1119

56.....There's one thing that we've got to master if we expect to fulfill God's desire in our life; that is, **we have to MASTER THE THOUGHT OF HUMAN ABILITY**. If we ever get to a spot where we think that we can do it with our own intelligence and our own abilities, **we've got to master that in such a way that we can get rid of the thing and lay it aside so that God can use us**. That's right.

PERFECT.STRENGTH.BY.PERFECT.WEAKNESS_ JEFF.IN V-8 N-1
SUNDAY_ 61-1119

110.....God passes the nobles and gets the weakness. God passes those who think they're something to take somebody that don't know nothing to order to work His purpose in their life. That's what we get. God said to Paul, "My strength is perfect in your weakness. **MY--MY STRENGTH BECOMES MORE PERFECT AS YOU BECOME MORE WEAKER**. More you can yield to Me the better I can use you.....

PERFECT.STRENGTH.BY.PERFECT.WEAKNESS_ JEFF.IN V-8 N-1
SUNDAY_ 61-1119

118 Here's something to console us. Here's something that encourages. **Out of weakness and humility God chooses the people to build His Kingdom out of**. If we ever get to heaven, if we ever stand in the Presence of God with His Church, **we'll stand in a bunch of people that's been weak and rejected and cast out by the world, and know-it-nothings**.

Isn't it strange that God likened us to sheep? A sheep is the most helpless thing there is. There's nothing so insufficient of defense than the sheep. A rabbit can run; a squirrel can get in a tree; a dog can bite; a lion can tear; a horse can kick; a bird can fly; but a sheep stands helpless. **That's the way God wants us. Realize that we are totally insufficient, then God takes that**

person and BEGINS TO MOLD HIMSELF INTO THAT

PERSON: make his hands do what God would have hands to do, make his lips speak what God's lips would speak; because they're not his; they're God's. **He begins to build a character, begins to take this weakness and to make His Ownself.**

II CORINTHIANS 12:9

9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. **Most gladly therefore** will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

II CORINTHIANS 12:10

10 Therefore I take ***PLEASURE** in ***INFIRMITIES**, in ***REPROACHES**, in ***NECESSITIES**, in persecutions, in ***DISTRESSES** for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

PLEASURE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2106

eudokeo {yoo-dok-eh'-o}

be well pleased, think good, to do willingly; to be ready to, to be favourably inclined towards one

INFIRMITIES: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 769

astheneia {as-then'-i-ah}

weakness, disease, sickness, want of strength, to bear trials and troubles.

REPROACHES: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5196

hubris {hoo'-bris}

hurt, harm, haughtiness, a wrong springing from insolence, injury inflicted by the violence of a tempest

NECESSITIES: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 318

anagke {an-ang-kay'}

distress, necessary, needful, calamity, distress, straits

DISTRESSES: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 4730

stenochoria {sten-okh-o-ree'-ah}

anguish, a narrow place; metaph. dire calamity, extreme affliction

HEBREWS 13:5

5 Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: **for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.**

HEBREWS 13:6

6 So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

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

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.

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

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.

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

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.....**

II PETER 1:5

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

II PETER 1:6

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

TEMPERANCE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1466
egkrateia {eng-krat'-i-ah}
self control (the virtue of one who masters his desires and passions, especially his sensual appetites)

GALATIANS 5:22

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

GALATIANS 5:23

23 Meekness, **temperance:** against such there is no law.

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

33-4.....Now, you're going to add temperance.

Temperance doesn't mean: stop drinking alcohol here either. No, no. Temperance doesn't mean alcoholic cure, not in this case.

This is Bible temperance, Holy Spirit temperance. That's just one of the lust of the flesh. But we're talking about Holy Spirit temperance. **That means how to control your tongue, not be a tattler; how to control your temper, not fly off every time anybody speaks cross to you.** Oh, my. Boy, a lot of us are going to fall off 'fore we get started, aren't we? See? Then we wonder why God's not in His church doing miracles and things that He used to do.

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS_ JEFF.IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 59-1223

489-89.....Jesus said, "Take your leave. But come out of him." Amen. Oh, my. Little bitty Guy like that speaking to that big legion of devils. "Come out of him. You have your leave." And they got into those hogs, and they had fits, run them hogs into fits. And down the way they went to the river and drowned in the river, choked themselves in the river. Isn't that right?

Now, when they did... Of course the devils went out of them, 'cause it killed the hogs. It just run them into a fit. They had a fit just like anyone. Did you ever see a person have a temper fit?

Well, that's just--that's just what it is. That's just them devils.

That's what happened to them. You ever see one of them having a temper fit, you say, "Oh, uh-huh, I know what happened in Gadara now." See? That's just exactly. Just a few more come in there,

run him completely insane; 'cause the medical doctor will tell you that temper is the first stage of insanity.

That's what Mayo says, the first stage of insanity.....

PSALM 57:4

4 My soul is among lions: and I lie even among them that are set on fire, even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows, **and their tongue a sharp sword.**

PSALM 64:2

2 Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity:

PSALM 64:3

3 Who whet their tongue like a sword, and bend their bows to shoot their arrows, even bitter words:

PROVERBS 10:20

20 ¶ The tongue of the just is as choice silver: the heart of the wicked is little worth.

PROVERBS 12:18

18 ¶ There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: **but the tongue of the wise is health.**

PROVERBS 12:19

19 ¶ The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

PROVERBS 16:24

24 ¶ Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.

PROVERBS 10:11

11 ¶ The mouth of a righteous man **is a well of life:** but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

PROVERBS 12:18

18 ¶ There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health.

PROVERBS 15:4

4 ¶ A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit.

PROVERBS 15:26

26 ¶ The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the LORD: **but the words of the pure are pleasant words.**

PROVERBS 16:24

24 ¶ Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.

PROVERBS 18:21

21 ¶ Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

PROVERBS 21:23

23 ¶ Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.

JAMES 3:5

5 Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!

JAMES 3:6

6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; **and it is set on fire of hell.**

I PETER 3:10

10 For he that will love life, and see good days, **let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:**

PROVERBS 13:16

16 ¶ Every prudent man dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open his folly.

PROVERBS 14:17

17 ¶ He that is soon angry dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.

PROVERBS 14:29

29 ¶ He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.

PROVERBS 15:1

1 ¶ A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.

PROVERBS 15:2

2 ¶ The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.

JAMES 1:26

26 If any man among you seem to be religious, and ***BRIDLETH** not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain.

BRIDLETH: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5468
chalinagogeo {khal-in-ag-ogue-eh'-o}
to lead by a bridle, to guide; hold in check, restrain

IS.YOUR.LIFE.WORTHY.OF.THE.GOSPEL_ JEFF.IN V-5 N-5
SUNDAY_ 63-0630E

149 Don't fuss. When the family gets in a fuss, don't fuss with them. Your mother said, "I ain't having you go up there, that old church, anymore. Well, you, all you think about now, you're letting your hair grow out. You look like some old grandma."

Don't fuss with her.

Say, "Okay, mother. It's all right. I love you, just the same. And I'll be praying for you as long as I live." See?

150 **Now, don't fuss. See? Temper breeds temper.** First thing you know, you grieve the Holy Spirit away from you, you'll be fussing back. Then the Holy Spirit takes Its flight. **Temper breeds temper.**

And love breeds love. Be full of love. Jesus said, "This will all men know you're My disciples, when you have love, one for another." That's the fruit of the Holy Spirit, love.

PROVERBS 25:11

11 ¶ A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver.

JAMES 1:19

19 ¶ Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

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

33-6.....Temperance, how to answer in kindness when wrath is spoke to you. Somebody say, "You bunch of holy-rollers down there." **Don't jump out and roll up your sleeves now.** See? Not that, but talk with godly love. Temperance, kindness, is that the way you want to be?

When you're riled upon, rile not back. Let Him be your Example. When they said, "If Thou be the Son of God, turn these stones into bread," He could've done it and show He was God; **but He had temperance.** When they called Him Beelzebub, He said, "I forgive you for it." Is that right? They pulled handfuls of beard out of His face, and spit in His face, and said, "Come down off the cross."

He said, "Father forgive them; they don't even know what they're doing."

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

34-2 When He had the gift... He knowed all things, for in Him was the Fullness of the Godhead bodily. They had seen Him perform miracles by telling people what was wrong with them, and so forth like that. They put a rag around His head like that, around His eyes, and hit Him on the head with a stick, and said, "Prophecy; tell us who hit you; we'll believe you." See? He had temperance.

Now, if you've got it like that; add it to your faith. If you still blow up and sass, and fuss, and stew, and carry on. Huh, uh. You ain't got no... You can't add that, 'cause it won't add.

See, it won't vulcanize. You couldn't take a piece of rubber, you know, and vulcanize it to a piece of iron. It just won't work. No, it's got to be flexible just like the rubber is. See? And when your faith and your temperance becomes the same kind of Holy Ghost temperance that He had, **then it'll vulcanize with Him. You're added to it.**

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

34-5 When your virtue is like His virtue, then it'll add to it. **When your knowledge is like His knowledge, "I come to do Thy will, oh God."... With the Father's Word He defeated every devil.** Heavens and earth will pass away but the Word will not. See, when you got that kind of knowledge, it'll vulcanize with your faith. When you got the right kind of temperance, like He had; it'll vulcanize. If you haven't--just a man-made, halfway, soused-up belief, or temperance, "Oh, I ought to slap him down, but--but maybe I'd better not, 'cause they might put my name in the paper about it." That ain't the kind of temperance He's talking about. Don't try to add that; it won't work. **But when you can really, with the sweetness from your heart forgive every man, hold your peace; let it be gone (See?), then it'll vulcanize. You can add that to your faith.**

Whew. No wonder the church is so short. Isn't that right? No wonder.

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

35-1 I say, "Repent and be baptized, the Bible said, in the Name of Jesus Christ," and a strict trinitarian don't believe that, would say, "That old antichrist; He's a Jesus' Name; He's a Jesus only." **Look out, boy. I don't know about your temperance right now.** See?

Why don't you come and say, "Let's reason this together, Brother Branham. I'd like to hear this explained." See? Then come down and listen to it; and then it's put right before you, and then you walk away, we'll--we'll get to that in just a few minutes in godliness.

But when you--when you fly loose, want to jump at every conclusion, huh-uh, that's--that's not it. See? You haven't got Bible temperance yet when you do that. HOW TO ANSWER BACK. THEN IF YOU'VE GOT ALL THIS, YOU CAN ADD THIS TO YOUR FAITH.