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GENESIS 24:54

54 ¶ And they did eat and drink, he and the men that were with him, and tarried all night; and they rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master.

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55 And her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel abide with us a few days, at the least ten; after that she shall go.

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56 And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing the LORD hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master.

GENESIS 24:57

57 And they said, We will call the damsel, and enquire at her mouth.

GENESIS 24:58

58 And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man? And she said, I will go.

GENESIS 24:18

18 And she said, Drink, my lord: **and she hasted**, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.

GENESIS 24:19

19 And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw water for thy camels also, until they have done drinking.

GENESIS 24:20

20 **And she hasted**, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, **and ran again** unto the well to draw water, and drew for all his camels.

GENESIS 24:28

28 **And the damsel ran,** and told them of her mother's house these things.

DESPERATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-1 SUNDAY_ 63-0901E

95 Rebekah, the beautiful maid, came, watered the camel. And then he said, "Don't delay me in my way." **She had to come to a time of decision whether she would go.** She was a type of the Bride. Would she--would she go and marry a man who she has never even seen? Now, that's a great thing. Never even seen him, yet she had only heard by his servant.

96 **That's a type of the Bride. You've never seen Christ. But you hear, by His servants, what He is. You sell out everything, leave your homes,** everything else it takes, to go to find Him. Now notice, and she made the decision, a type of the Bride, left her denominational home, see, to go.

ISAIAH 40:31

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.

THE.REJECTED.KING_ CHAUTAUQUA.OH FRIDAY_ 60-0610

E-51 **But then when Saul wouldn't wait on the Lord no more, Samuel turned right away from him.** Remember, and the first time, not the second time, but the first time that Saul took upon himself to take over the service of the Lord, Samuel turned his back on him and walked away from him. And the first time that the church lets their leaders take over to lead the people, the Holy Spirit gets right away from them. **And the very first time that you go being led by man instead of God, the Holy Spirit will get away from you too.** Let the Holy Spirit lead. That's what we need is leadership. And God gave us a Leader, and we don't hear It.

TRYING.TO.DO.GOD.A.SERVICE.WITHOUT.BEING.THE.WILL.OF.GOD_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-8 SUNDAY_ 65-0718M

169 I've been pretty rough this morning, see. **They wait on the Lord, waiting;** and when they do, and they see that promise of today, being vindicated, it renews their faith in His Word.....

LIFE.STORY_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_ 51-0415A

E-82.....So then, I remember the flood coming on; they rushed her out to the government depot, out there for the hospital. And--and, oh, that part of the night, it raining, twisting, blowing; and how brother, sister...?... now.

Always mind God. No matter what it is, God says for you to do. And I tell you, today, that God in heaven, Who looks down upon me standing in this platform, will forgive me. **I know that many thousands of souls that I'll have to answer for at that day, for listening to somebody else instead of God. That's true.....**

LIFE.STORY_ HAMMOND.IN. SUNDAY_ 52-0720A

E-102 I walked away, went down. She looked at me, Hope did. She said, "Bill, that's my mother, but I will go with you." See? I said... God bless her heart. She said, "I will go with you." And I said, "Honey, I..." I said, "I guess I'm carrying water on both shoulders." But I said, "I don't want to hurt her feelings." She said... I said, "What if something would happen to her and then you'd be worried all your life: you--you broke your mother's heart." **I said, "Maybe we'll just put it off a little while."**

And friends, there's where I made the worst step I ever made in my life, right there. We put it off.

About few weeks after that, things begin to happen. The flood come on later from that. And the first thing you know, wife got sick; Billy got sick during that wrong. Right after that, the little girl... Just eleven months difference between Billy and his little--his little sister, which was Sharon Rose...

MY.LIFE.STORY_ ZURICH.SWITZERLAND SUNDAY_ 55-0626A

E-21 **Now, from here, listen. I listened to my mother-in-law instead of God, and forsaken the church, and went on back with the Baptist people.** Right away, plagues hit my

home. My wife took sick; my father died on my arm; my brother was killed. And everything happened just in a few days.....

A.TIME.OF.DECISION_ LA.CA SATURDAY_ 59-0418

E-20 Remember, she had to choose by faith. She'd never seen the man. **But she had to choose by faith and the words of a servant.**

That's the same way you'll have to do. 'Cause, that's the only way there is to do it. **GOD SENDS OUT HIS SERVANTS AND THEY PREACH THE WORD.** Faith cometh by hearing. What do you think about it? That's up to you to make your choice. **I would advise you not to put it off.** You say, "Well, I have always longed to receive the Holy Spirit. I better think it over." **Don't think it over. This is the time.** It's the truth. "I believe that God would heal me someday." As long as you keep that in your mind, you're a defeated person. God healed you nineteen hundred years ago. Now is the day of your decision when you hear the message that Christ was wounded for your transgressions, with His stripes you were healed. **This is the time now to believe it.**

A.TIME.OF.DECISION_ LA.CA SATURDAY_ 59-0418

E-21 You have to make other decisions. Before you get married, you have to decide on what girl you're going to make your wife. And you women have to decide on what man's going to be your husband. You better not put it off too long; he might change his mind.

Like the woman was here some time ago; she had two men, they were both good men. And she couldn't make up her mind which one she was going to marry, and she lost them both.

So God wants immediate action. If you love Him, throw everything else aside and take Him. If you believe His Word, cast everything else away and take His Word. It's a time of decision. You have to make up your mind.

SOULS.THAT.ARE.IN.PRISON.NOW_ JEFF.IN V-2 N-22
SUNDAY_ 63-1110M

367.....if you've got any **DARKNESS** on your life, won't you come right here around the altar now, while we continue to sing. Right now, if there is a worry, if there is a spot, don't put it off any longer.....

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HEBREWS 3:15

15 While it is said, **TO DAY** if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation.

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I PETER 1:7

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:

I PETER 1:8

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:

THE.TIME.OF.DECISION_ CHICAGO.IL THURSDAY_ 59-0611

E-31 And then there was another great decision had to be made. Then after she was given, then the parents said, "Well, I would... Just let her stay around about ten days." Let her hang around the revival to really feel whether she has decided to do it

or not. I haven't got much confidence in a person make a decision to wait even until tomorrow.

But the message had stirred Rebekah. She was satisfied the message was from God.

So the parents said, "Oh, let her stick around awhile. She'll get over it. It's just a little excitement. She was over to that revival, you know, and..."

But, oh, Then the--the true servant said, "Don't--don't weary us. Don't hinder me." **A lot of the servants of God has been hindered by put-off decisions.** "Don't hinder me, seeing that the Lord has sent me, seeing that he's been good to me. Don't hinder me."

Then they said, "Let her make her own decision." That's where you stand tonight. Make your own decision.

Then they called Rebekah and said, "Will you go with this man, or do you want to stay around a little while to see whether you really want to do it."

She said, "I will go." She was ready. Her decision was quickly made. She knowed there'd Something been leading her.....

GENESIS 24:59

59 And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men.

GENESIS 24:60

60 And they blessed Rebekah, and said unto her, Thou art our sister, be thou the mother of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them.

GENESIS 24:61

61 And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, **and followed the man:** and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

SELF PITY

Feeling sorry for yourself can be self destructive. It makes overcoming adversity difficult if not impossible and it keeps you stuck.

“Bad things do happen; how I respond to them defines my character and the quality of my life.

**I can choose to sit in perpetual sadness, immobilized by the gravity of my loss, or I can choose to rise from the pain and treasure the most precious gift I have—life itself.”
Walter Anderson**

Some of us experience more adversity and painful events in our lives than others. We wonder why our difficulties don’t happen to the “bad” people out there instead of us.

SELF-PITY IS A CHOICE

When we fall into the depression of self-pity, we allow it to take control of our lives. We become completely self-absorbed.

It is destructive to dwell on negative events and carry that bitterness and resentment forward. When we keep our focus on the hurt, we aren’t focused on taking control of our lives.

We whine and feel sorry for ourselves. We can choose to spread our misery, or we can choose to rise above our circumstances.

Self-pity is a form of selfishness. It makes us less aware of the needs and suffering of others. Our own suffering is all we think or care about in our self-absorbed state.

You can choose to lift yourself up and enjoy life! You are in charge of your own happiness. It is your personal responsibility.

STRAINED RELATIONSHIPS

Constant self-pity can push others away, as it may come across as seeking validation rather than problem-solving.

Research on social interactions suggests that individuals who frequently express self-pity may struggle to build strong relationships due to perceived negativity.

Over time, this can lead to social isolation, feelings of loneliness and distress.

ADVICE FROM THE PROFESSIONALS

So go ahead and cry and mope and feel sorry for yourself and stay in bed all day. Feel [the pain and the hurt](#). Live your reality and misery. It's okay and even healthy to do that. But then let it go!

Don't let it consume your life. You are not alone or unloved. Remember there are other people in your life who need you.

**There are people you haven't even met yet who need you!
You can't help anyone else if you only see yourself.**

**You cannot change the past, but you can change your
future.**