

THE BRIDE'S BILL OF RIGHTS 80

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 PETER 1:6

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

PATIENCE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5281

hupomone {hoop-om-on-ay'}

enduring, patient continuance, patient waiting, steadfastness, 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

[224-1 THYATIREAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK
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"I know your faith." Now he does not say here as He did to the church in Pergamos, "you hold MY faith". He is not talking about His faith now, but He is commending them for their faithfulness. And as He does He also mentions their 'patience.' **NOW**

FAITHFULNESS AND PATIENCE GO TOGETHER.

In fact patience is the outcome of faithfulness, for it says in James 1:3,

"The trying of your faith worketh patience."

There is absolutely no other way in which to gain patience. It has to come by the trial of our faith.

Romans 5:3,

"Tribulation worketh patience."

How highly God regards this outworking of our patience is seen in James 1:4,

"But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire lacking nothing."

God's will for us is Perfection. AND THAT PERFECTION IS PATIENCE--WAITING ON GOD AND WAITING FOR GOD.

This is the process of character development. How highly God has commended these saints of the Dark Ages. Patient as lambs led to the slaughter, lovingly, faithfully they served God. That is all they wanted out of life, just service to their Lord. How great was to be their reward.

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THE EULOGY AND THE PROMISE

Revelation 3:10,

"Because thou has kept the word of My patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth."

What does He mean by the "word of His patience?" Hebrews 6:13-15. "For when God made promise to Abraham, because He

could swear by no greater, He swore by Himself, saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee. And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise." You see the Spirit is speaking about the Word of God which is given to us. **To wait for the fulfillment of that Word required patience even as it did in the case of Abraham.** He endured as seeing Him Who is invisible. He was patient and then the Word finally was fulfilled. **This is the way God teaches His people patience.** Why, if He fulfilled His Word in physical manifestations the very instant you prayed, **you would never learn patience, but would become even more impatient with life.** Let me show you this truth even more fully set forth.

Hebrews 11:17,

"By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises (the Word of God) offered up his only begotten son."

There it is: Abraham was tried AFTER he received the Word of Promise. Most think that as soon as we pray in Jesus' Name over the good promises of God that there could not be a trial. But here it says that Abraham was tried after he received the promise.

That is exactly correct according to the Psalmist referring to Joseph, 105:19,

"Until the time that his word came: the Word of the Lord tried him."

God gives us exceeding great and precious promises. He has promised to fulfill them. He will. **But from the time we pray until the time we get the answer we must learn to receive patience into our souls for only in patience do we possess life.** May God help us to learn this lesson even as we know the people of this sixth age learned patience. We read the history of the lives of these great Christians; **what a contrast we see between their lives and ours for they were so patient and quiet, and today we are all but overcome in over-impatience and haste.**

TAKING.SIDES.WITH.JESUS_ JEFF.IN COD FRIDAY_ 62-0601

748-24 And I believe that all these things has a time of lingering, waiting; but it's waiting for a time for the Scripture to be fulfilled, till everything gets right, everything in order, waiting. **Many times we get patient--impatient.** Like a child, we great-get great anticipations and many times jump way ahead, **and that--that just hinders the work, until the work gets caught up.** See? We must just move reverently, have a purpose in heart that God, if He would desire to use us in such-and-such... **but wait till He makes the opening, 'cause He has to go ahead of us.**

You remember David going to battle that night? He was weary about that fight, and he laid under those mulberry trees until he heard the Lord in the rumbling of the leaves going before him; then he went with courage, because he knowed that God had gone before him. **And if we only do that, brethren, knowing the battle must come, but we must wait till we see the hand of God going before us to make a way.**

SHALOM_ SIERRA.VISTA.AZ V-13 N-5 SUNDAY_ 64-0112

146 Patience. Patience. Some of us get so, some of us gets in such a hurry. **I think a many a good man has done that. You get in too--too much of a hurry. You want to, see, you want to do it yourself.**

147 And minister brethren, you know from when I'm talking, you that's listening to this tape. I'm talking to you, not only to the little congregation here, but men around the world.

148 **Many men go out, impatient; but believing that the time is near, you try to do something within yourself.** Wait upon the Lord. Patience is virtue. If you can have patience, it's virtue. It's virtue if you... "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." **Not they that try to get ahead of the Lord,** they that try to tell the Lord, "Lord, I know You want me to do this, and glory to God I..." Don't do that. Wait upon the Lord. The Bible said, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

SHALOM_ SIERRA.VISTA.AZ V-13 N-5 SUNDAY_ 64-0112

149 God took thousands of years to fulfill His promise of a coming Saviour. But, remember, He knewed it all the time, when it was coming. **There were many people rose up and tried to be messiahs.** Many churches tried to produce messiahs. But God had the time set for His Messiah. **He was in no hurry.** See?

150 And, during the time of this, He showed many types of Messiah. He showed it all the way from Adam to the Messiah, first and last Adam; one of them of the world and the other One of Heaven, one earthly and the other One Heavenly, One come down from Heaven and the other one come off the earth. But promised a Messiah, **He took thousands of years to fulfill it.....**

HEAR.YE.HIM_ KLAMATH.FALLS.OR TUESDAY_ 60-0712

E-22 A group of Methodist brethren that just received the Holy Spirit came to my church, and, where I used to pastor, and they was great men, lived up in Indiana. And they had said, "Brother Branham, after we've received the Holy Ghost, we been reading some books." Said, "Should we wait on the Lord and seek the Lord to tell us our ministry?"

I said, "Don't you do it at all."

He said, "Well, the book said..."

I said, "But wait a minute, brother."

If you ever take men that's so zealous that they want to always be doing something, God couldn't trust that person.

If you'll notice in the Bible, the man that God used, was the man was trying to get away from all of it. That's the one that God used. Take, for instance, Paul, Moses, and so forth, **trying to run from the very cause.**

HEAR.YE.HIM_ KLAMATH.FALLS.OR TUESDAY_ 60-0712

E-23 **If a man's got to give man to do a certain thing, and he was so zealous of it, the first thing you know he'd be so swelled out.** But if a man doesn't want to do such, maybe God can use him for a while, anyhow. If you just can get something out of him... But men that usually wants to go, and blast over the world, and tear it down, usually God can't trust him because he can't... **He wants to do it himself. He gets into**

his own way with it. If a man don't want to go, then God almost has to drive him into it. That's the type of man that God usually uses in the Scripture.

I said, "You just live for Him, and love Him with all your heart, and He will place you in the place that He desires for you to be." That's right.

We try to take one another's places; we can't do that. We must always abide in our calling, where God has called us to.

I SAMUEL 8:4

4 ¶ Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel unto Ramah,

I SAMUEL 8:5

5 And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: **now make us a king to judge us like all the nations.**

I SAMUEL 8:6

6 But the thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD.

I SAMUEL 8:7

7 And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: **for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.**

I SAMUEL 8:8

8 According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, **wherewith they have forsaken me, and served other gods, so do they also unto thee.**

122-1 SMYRNAEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.4
.....In the days of Israel when they left Egypt, they were under the leadership of the Spirit of God manifesting in gifts. **God was the leader of the people. Actually He was their King. He**

was a Father-King. He took care of Israel like a man cares for his family. He fed them, fought their battles, smoothed away their difficulties and settled their problems. **He just busied Himself over them.** They were the only nation to which He was truly God. But one day they got to looking around, and they saw the Philistines and other nations with kings over them. **It caught their eyes and they decided that they ought to humanize their leadership, so they wanted a king.** Now God was going to humanize the leadership Himself, in the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ, but they got ahead of Him. Satan knew the plan of God so he put it in the hearts of the people to get ahead of God (the Word).

122-2 SMYRNAEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK
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When they approached Samuel and asked for a king, Samuel was so dismayed that his heart almost failed him. **God had been leading His people through this consecrated, Scripture-vindicated prophet and he felt that he had been rejected.** He gathered the people and pleaded with them not to turn away from the God Who had carried them like children, and prospered them and blessed them. But they persisted. They said to Samuel. "You have never been wrong in your leading. You have never been dishonest in your financial dealings. You have done your best to keep us in line with the Word of the Lord. We appreciate the miracles, wisdom, provision and protection of God. We believe in it. We like it. And furthermore we don't want to be without it. **It's just that we want a king to lead us to battle.** Now of course when we go out to battle it is still our intention to have the priests go ahead with Judah following, and we will blow the trumpets and shout and sing. We don't intend to stop any of that. **BUT WE WANT A KING WHO IS ONE OF US TO LEAD US."**

And God said to Samuel. "See, they have not rejected you, but they have rejected ME from ruling over them."

123-1 SMYRNAEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK
CPT.4

How tragic that was. Little did they realize that when they were asking God to let them be like the rest of the world they were rejecting Him, because God had ordained that His people act different from the world. They are not of the world and they don't look like the world and they don't act like the world. They are crucified unto the world and the world is crucified unto them.....

123-2 SMYRNAEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.4
You see the one difference between Israel and the rest of the nations was God. Put God to one side and Israel was like any other nation. When Samson cut off his hair he was like any other man. **Put the leadership of the Holy Ghost aside and the church is NOTHING BUT THE WORLD WITH GOD'S NAME ATTACHED TO IT.** The world and the church are all of the same lump, just like Jacob and Esau were of the same parents, but the Spirit of God makes the difference.

PSALM 37:7

7 ¶ Rest in the LORD, **and wait patiently for him:** fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

PSALM 40:1

1 ¶ To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. **I waited patiently for the LORD;** and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

HEBREWS 6:12

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

HEBREWS 6:13

13 For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, he sware by himself,

HEBREWS 6:14

14 Saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee.

HEBREWS 6:15

15 **And so, after he had PATIENTLY ENDURED, he obtained the promise.**

THE.SPOKEN.WORD.IS.THE.ORIGINAL.SEED_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-2
SUNDAY_ 62-0318

71-3.....Now, the so-called bride is pregnated with all kinds of tommyrot, disgrace. The women won't pay a bit more attention to what God's Word says than nothing in the world, neither will the men, **or even the preachers.** Then call that a bride...

What is it? She's pregnated. **Christ's bride has become pregnant with the world: dressing like the world, acting like the world, big churches, fine...** What... It shows what she is. She's of the devil. That's what Satan done at the first place, was try to build a big beautiful kingdom in the heaven and was kicked out for it, excommunicated from heaven. **That's what Christ's modern bride is; she's kicked out, because she's excommunicated from God, because she is a whore and not a virgin. It's deep, but I hope you get it.**

THE.SPOKEN.WORD.IS.THE.ORIGINAL.SEED_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-2
SUNDAY_ 62-0318

72-5 Now, Adam's bride could not wait, but she went forward first. That's the way today, the bride today. **She wants to manufacture something. "Glory to God," she's got to work it up on the platform.** She's got to have everything. See? What is she doing? Manufacturing something.

Look where it's going. You can see there's nothing to it; it's a phony. Exactly right. If it wasn't, this world would be aflame with the power of God; the church would be on fire; oh, what... Dead would be raised and all kinds of things would be taking place. **But what did she get sowed up with before Christ could get to her, before He got to her to plant His Own seed?.....**

THE.SPOKEN.WORD.IS.THE.ORIGINAL.SEED_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-2
SUNDAY_ 62-0318

73-4 That's what's the matter today. You want some kind of a phony makeup with screaming, jumping, speaking in tongues, or something, **instead of waiting for the real Word of God to be made manifest to the Bride.** Them kind that takes the Word is God's true Bride, bringing forth children. They can't die. A child the Bride brings forth on the Word can't die, because It's the Word. Amen. Did you get it? She can't die 'cause she's... That child can't die because he's a Word child; he's a seed child; he's an eternal child. Hallelujah.

That's exactly what Jesus Christ was--a spoken eternal Child. Didn't have to die, but He did it in order to pay the debt. That's the only way it could be paid. Nobody else could do it; they was all sexual born after the devil, his plan. You got it now? See?

THE.SPOKEN.WORD.IS.THE.ORIGINAL.SEED_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-2
SUNDAY_ 62-0318

80-5.....That's what's the matter with Pentecostals today. They're manufacturing something. **They can't wait. Oh, God, they just can't wait, so they commit adultery.** Amen. Tares to manufacture something, and what does it bring forth? Like it did the first time, the first bride. They couldn't wait. She brought death through a bastard born child, which we all are children of. But God came in the flesh to give us another birth to bring us back to original sons and daughters of God. See? There you are.....

.....just like Christ would've come to the group... Christ would've to come to His church; He promised to do it. **God promised to multiply, but they had to wait until God's time.**

THE.SPOKEN.WORD.IS.THE.ORIGINAL.SEED_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-2
SUNDAY_ 62-0318

81-2 **That's what's the matter today. They don't want to wait God's time.** They want to get something else, and so the devil's got the wisdom right there to give it to them: "Make an organization; be bigger than the rest of them.".....

THE.SPOKEN.WORD.IS.THE.ORIGINAL.SEED_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-2
SUNDAY_ 62-0318

81-4.....**The reason that Adam's bride never did bear right the life child is because she disbelieved God's Word.** If that's right, say "Amen." [Congregation replies, "Amen."--Ed.] The reason that Jehovah's wife was put away, or His bride, was because that she rejected God's Word, the Prophet. Is that right? **The reason that Christ's bride is put away in divorcement is because that she has rejected the Word of God, like Eve did, like the rest of them did; exactly, all whores, all polluted.** Their husband couldn't get to them. They was already pregnated 'fore their husband got to them.....

ECCLESIASTES 7:8

8 Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof:
and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit.

ROMANS 2:6

6 Who will render to every man according to his deeds:

ROMANS 2:7

7 To them who **by patient** ***CONTINUANCE** in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life:

CONTINUANCE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5281
hupomone {hoop-om-on-ay'}

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

ROMANS 12:12

12 Rejoicing in hope; **patient in tribulation**; continuing instant in prayer;

I THESSALONIANS 5:14

14 Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, **be patient toward all men.**

II THESSALONIANS 3:5

5 And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the **patient waiting for Christ.**

SHALOM_ PHOENIX.AZ V-22 N-1 SUNDAY_ 64-0119

111 Some people says, "But, Brother Branham, I have tried and I have tried."

112 **But wait a minute. Patience is virtue. Patience is Holy Spirit virtue. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."**

113 You say, "How can I wait any longer?" Just keep on waiting. When you've done all you can do to stand, then stand, see, just stand. **"How am I going to do it?" Stand! He said it's the Truth, and it's the Truth.** He said it'll happen. "How?" I don't know; but it'll happen. He said so. He promised it. If He promised it, it's going to happen. That's all.....

EVENTS.MADE.CLEAR.BY.PROPHECY_ JEFF.IN V-12 N-3
SUNDAY_ 65-0801E

17 And the true believers in this Word, who accept It that way, believe It, **and with patience wait for Its prophesied promises, every one of them to be manifested in its age.** Every believer has watched for it. Every believer that's been on the toes, watching, is the one that's been revealed to.

MARK 10:35

35 And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, come unto him, saying, Master, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire.

MARK 10:36

36 And he said unto them, What would ye that I should do for you?

MARK 10:37

37 They said unto him, Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left hand, in thy glory.

MARK 10:38

38 But Jesus said unto them, **YE KNOW NOT WHAT YE ASK:** can ye drink of the cup that I drink of? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?

MARK 10:39

39 And they said unto him, **WE CAN.** And Jesus said unto them, Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized:

MARK 10:40

40 But to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared.

MARK 10:41

41 And when the ten heard it, they began to be much ***DISPLEASED** with James and John.

DISPLEASED: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 23
aganakteo {ag-an-ak-teh'-o}
have indignation, to be indignant,

MARK 10:42

42 But Jesus called them to him, and saith unto them, Ye know that they which are accounted to rule over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise authority upon them.

MARK 10:43

43 But so shall it not be among you: but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister:

MARK 10:44

44 And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.

MARK 10:45

45 For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

MARK 9:33

33 And he came to Capernaum: and being in the house he asked them, What was it that ye disputed among yourselves by the way?

MARK 9:34

34 But they held their peace: for by the way they had disputed among themselves, who should be the greatest.

MARK 9:35

35 And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them, If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all.

MARK 9:36

36 And he took a child, and set him in the midst of them: and when he had taken him in his arms, he said unto them,

MARK 9:37

37 Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name, receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me, but him that sent me.

MARK 9:38

38 And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbad him, because he followeth not us.

MARK 9:39

39 But Jesus said, Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me.

MARK 9:40

40 For he that is not against us is on our part.

JOHN 16:29

29 His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb.

JOHN 16:30

30 Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God.

JOHN 16:31

31 Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe?

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

40-3 **And we should have patience with one another too. See? One time, we get--we get so much impatient with one anothers.** We think we got to be like Moses. Moses had patience with the people. Look at--that's what caused them not to go over. See, if you're trying to do something... Like I've tried to get this message over to the Tabernacle, to see that each member of the Tabernacle becomes 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; just have patience, wait. Have to. If you ain't got it, don't try to build on to this down here. Have patience.

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

40-4 **Even one time when that rebellion bunch of people had such impatience they caused Moses to do something that was wrong...** But yet when it come to a show down, God got sick of their action. He said, "Separate yourself, Moses. I'll kill the whole bunch of them and start anew."

He threwed himself in the breach and said, "God, don't do it."

What? Patience with the people that was rebelling against him.

I wonder if we could do that? If you can't, don't try to build on this, because it--it don't change, you know. That's the way the first one is vulcanized into this, and that's the way every one of them has to be vulcanized. If you don't, you don't come to that statue of the dwelling place of the living God. **You haven't got patience, patience with one another.**