GODLINESS

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.

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43-4 But if you've 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.

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 Jefferies there; we found it in the--in a dictionary. **"Godliness" means "to be like God."**

Oh, my. After you've got faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, then be like God. Whew. You say, "I can't do that, Brother Branham." Oh, yes you can. 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's in you. Matthew 5:48 "Be ye..." (Jesus speaking in the beatitudes) "Be ye therefore (p-e-r-f-e-c-t, what's that?) perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect." You got way up here now 'fore you have 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.

EPHESIANS 4:11

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

EPHESIANS 4:12

12 For the ***PERFECTING** of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the ***EDIFYING** of the body of Christ:

PERFECTING: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2677 katartismos {kat-ar-tis-mos'} complete furnishing, equipping

EDIFYING: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 3619 oikodome {oy-kod-om-ay'}

building, wherewith (one) may edify, (the act of) building, building up; the act of one who promotes another's growth in Christian wisdom, piety, happiness, holiness

EPHESIANS 4:13

13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a *PERFECT man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

PERFECT: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5046 teleios {tel'-i-os}

of full age, brought to its end, finished; wanting nothing necessary to completeness; consummate human integrity and virtue; of men, full grown, mature

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44-2 Perfect, takes godliness. You have to add to your faith, godliness. See you start off down here with virtue, then you go to knowledge; then you go to temperance; then you go to patience; now you're on godliness--godliness.

Oh, my, our time's getting away, I see. **But you know what godliness meant. You sing this song:**

To be like Jesus,

To be like Jesus;

On earth I long to be like Him.

All through life's journey

From earth to Glory,

I only ask to be like Him.

That's godliness. When He was smite on one side of the face, He turned the other one. When He was spoken rough to, He didn't speak; He didn't rile back (See?), godly, always looking for one thing. "I always do that which pleases the Father." Amen. Yes, sir. Always: that's godliness.

II PETER 1:6

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

I TIMOTHY 2:1

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

I TIMOTHY 2:2

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

GODLINESS: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2150 eusebeia {yoo-seb'-i-ah} holiness, reverence, respect; piety towards God,

<u>I TIMOTHY 2:9</u>

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;

<u>I TIMOTHY 2:10</u>

10 But (which becometh women professing $\underline{*GODLINESS}$) with good works.

GODLINESS: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2317 theosebeia {theh-os-eb'-i-ah} reverence towards God's goodness

I TIMOTHY 3:16

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.

New International Version

Beyond all question, the mystery from which true godliness

springs is great: He appeared in the flesh, was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was preached among the nations, was believed on in the world, was taken up in glory.

GOD'S WORD® Translation

The mystery that gives us our reverence for God is acknowledged to be great: He appeared in his human nature, was approved by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was announced throughout the nations, was believed in the world, and was taken to heaven in glory.

Literal Standard Version

and confessedly, great is the secret of piety: who was revealed in flesh, declared righteous in [the] Spirit, seen by messengers, preached among nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory!

<u>I TIMOTHY 4:7</u>

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

<u>I TIMOTHY 4:8</u>

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.

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;

<u>I TIMOTHY 6:4</u>

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

I TIMOTHY 6:5

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

I TIMOTHY 6:6

6 ¶ But godliness with contentment is great gain.

TITUS 1:1

1 ¶ Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness;

II PETER 3:11

11 ¶ Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy *CONVERSATION and godliness,

CONVERSATION: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 391 anastrophe {an-as-trof-ay'} manner of life, conduct, behaviour

II CORINTHIANS 1:12

12 ¶ For our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in simplicity and *GODLY sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, we have had our conversation in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward.

GODLY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2316 theos {theh'-os}

refers to the things of God; his counsels, interests, things due to him

whatever can in any respect be likened unto God, or resemble him in any way: God's representative or viceregent, of magistrates and judges

II CORINTHIANS 7:9

9 Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a **GODLY** manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing.

II CORINTHIANS 7:10

10 For **GODLY** sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.

II CORINTHIANS 7:11

11 For behold this selfsame thing, that ye sorrowed after a **GODLY** sort, what carefulness it wrought in you, yea, what clearing of yourselves, yea, what indignation, yea, what fear, yea, what vehement desire, yea, what zeal, yea, what revenge! In all things ye have approved yourselves to be clear in this matter.

II CORINTHIANS 11:2

2 For I am jealous over you with **GODLY** jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

I TIMOTHY 1:4

4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than **GODLY** edifying which is in faith: so do.

II TIMOTHY 3:12

12 Yea, and all that will live ***GODLY** in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

GODLY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2153 eusebos {yoo-seb-oce'} piously, godly

TITUS 2:12

12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and **GODLY**, in this present world;

GODLY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2153 eusebos {yoo-seb-oce'} piously, godly

HEBREWS 12:28

28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and *GODLY fear:

GODLY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2152 eusebes {yoo-seb-ace'} devout, pious, dutiful

II PETER 2:9

9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the **GODLY** out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

III JOHN 1:6

6 Which have borne witness of thy charity before the church: whom if thou bring forward on their journey after a ***GODLY** sort, thou shalt do well:

GODLY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2316 theos {theh'-os}

refers to the things of God; his counsels, interests, things due to him

whatever can in any respect be likened unto God, or resemble him in any way: God's representative or viceregent, of magistrates and judges

II PETER 1:7

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

BROTHERLY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5360 philadelphia {fil-ad-el-fee'-ah}

brotherly love, love of the brethren, in the NT the love which Christians cherish for each other as brethren

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45-3 All right. Coming in to perfection now... All right. **Then sixthly, let's add, the Bible said here, adding brotherly love--brotherly kindness.** Now, that's a good one. Right here, the sixth one--seventh. All right, adding brotherly kindness. All right. When we get to that, brotherly kindness, put yourself in his place on the matter. Now, you say, "My brother sinned against me," said Peter, "Shall I forgive him?" He said, "Seven times a day?"

He said, "Seventy times seven." See, brotherly kindness. Now, you see, if a brother's all out of tune, don't be impatient with him. See? No. See? Be kind to him. Go anyhow.

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45-5 Somebody said not long ago, said, "How can you believe these things the way you do and still go to the Assemblies of God, and the Oneness, all the rest of them? **Well, see, brotherly kindness (See?), hoping someday.** See? Patience with him (See?), temperance, enduring with him, knowledge to understand what he believes. And remember, it's in his heart. That's what it is; virtue in yourself to let it go out with kindness, meekness to him; having faith that someday God will bring him in. See? Brotherly kindness, the seventh thing. One, two, three, four, five, six, seven. See? Seven things.

Then... Now, you're coming. Next thing then add charity, which is love. That's the capping stone. One of these days in the church...

ROMANS 12:10

10 Be kindly ***AFFECTIONED** one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

AFFECTIONED: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5387 philostorgos {fil-os'-tor-gos}

loving affection, prone to love, loving tenderly;

I THESSALONIANS 4:9

9 ¶ But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are **TAUGHT OF GOD TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER**.

HEBREWS 13:1

1 ¶ Let brotherly love continue.

I PETER 1:22

22 Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto *UNFEIGNED love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a PURE HEART FERVENTLY:

UNFEIGNED: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 505 anupokritos {an-oo-pok'-ree-tos} without dissimulation, without hypocrisy, undisguised, sincere

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M 16-5......She dreamed that she saw a--a rock box like, like a framework setting right in top of this mountain. And her husband was just behind her. And she saw a large man standing there with work clothes on, sleeves rolled up, bailing the most pure water that she ever seen and pouring into this box, this rock box setting in top of the mountain. And the rock box would not hold the water; and it rolled right out of there and just boiled up all the trash and sticks and everything in there, and boiled it out, and rolled down the mountain. And it rolled over her feet, and she was standing right in that stuff; only it didn't stick to her. And--and then she asked why the box didn't hold it, and the man said, "That is not water. That's the Holy Ghost," and said, "nothing will hold It."

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M 17-1 And said, "Then he went back and got another big bucket--and it was full of honey--and poured the honey into there and said, 'Now, it'll hold this.'" And she thought that the box was-

-a rock box was going to burst out and spill the honey, but it didn't. It finally stuck together and held it.

She turned and went down the mountain. Going down the mountain, she stopped at the bottom of the mountain and looked back. She saw five streams of this pure, crystal water, not contaminated by the things that it'd went through, still pure and clear, coming swiftly. Then it slowed up; then almost fading out. And she was wondering would it ever reach the bottom of the mountain--five streams--and she woke up. I think that's just about close to being right, isn't it, Sister Shepherd?

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M 17-3 Now, no more than I picked up the letter and opened it, before I read it, I saw her dream. Now, that's the way dreams are interpreted. Now, many of you has come to me with dreams and-and say things to me about dreams. I say, "Wait a minute. You never told it all" (See?); and go back and pick it up. Then if you can't tell what you dreamed, how do you know the interpretation's right or not? See? You've got to have--you've got to see the dream. A vision has to show the dream. And when you see the dream that the person dreamed, and could tell them before they tell you, then you know the interpretation...

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M 18-3 Now, here's interpretation of her dream. She was bothered about the Holy Spirit. Now, insomuch as she seen the box on top of the mountain was the rock, rock box is "rock confession." Now, like Jesus said in the Scripture, He said... Peter said... Jesus said, "Who does man say I, the Son of man, am?" One said, "Thou art Elias, and Moses, and so forth." And He said, "But Who do you say I am?". He said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M 19-3 **Now, but in this church age the Message is being poured into the church.** But the church body itself, in altogether... Like the--this tabernacle, we'll say; that's where she comes to church. This tabernacle is not a Holy Ghost tabernacle.

There's no such a thing. Individuals that come into this church is Holy Ghost tabernacles. They are tabernacles that contain the Holy Ghost, but not the church in the body of group. Therefore, It runs out.

But what, this man who was pouring the water, the messenger to the church, pouring the Message into the church... But what was the water doing? It was boiling out all the trash that was in it. That's what the Holy Spirit does: boils it up.

NOW, NOW, THE HONEY REPRESENTED BROTHERLY LOVE, BROTHERLY KINDNESS, WHICH IS THIS AGE. I just got through telling you (See?) of brotherly kindness, the age that we live in now.

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M 19-6 Now, you might say, "Look, I--I--I sure don't like Brother Neville," or, "I sure don't like Brother Jones; I don't like Brother So-and-so," and something like that. **But just let something happen to him; brother, your heart's broke. It just nearly kills you.** See? We can obtain brotherly kindness and feeling for one another. See? But to maintain in a group of people...

Why do you care for that brother? Because you broke bread with him here at the altar, as you will tonight; you fellowship with him; you shook his hands; you worship with him. He's your brother. And he might do something in the flesh that you would disagree with, cause you just kind of stay (which you oughtn't to do but)--shun him a little. But in the bottom of your heart, if something happened to that brother, it would just nearly kill you, or that sister.

I'm--I'm an old man. I was once young and now I'm old. I've seen it down through the age do that. Hear people say, "Well, I just won't have no more to do with him." And something happen to that man, it nearly kills him; he thinks, "Oh, God, I let my precious brother go without making friends with him (You see?) again." See? See, it's brotherly love. It looks like it won't stick, but it does stick. The honey, it sticks.

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M 20-3 Now, insomuch that she come from there, down the hill to the bottom of the hill... Now, this glorious water was gushing over the hills in five streams. Now, five is the number of grace: J-e-s-u-s, f-a-i-t-h, g-r-a-c-e. See? Five is the number of grace. Five streams was pouring from up here at the trough down through here. And each one of these ages had that rock confession. The saints are sleeping, waiting, waiting, waiting, waiting (See?) on till this age, but soon the Holy Ghost, being poured out from Christ, will come and will seal up the Church, then the Church will be raptured. It'll be a complete unit of God, a Bride for Christ, who will be the head of all things. You follow me now?

Now, she was wondering... Now, in her dream she was wondering, would this little stream, would this little stream ever get to the bottom. See? It was drying up. Now, being that she herself... Now, here's what I want you to get to now. She herself was wondering about her own self: Did she have the Holy Ghost?

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M 21-5 **Our sister had her feet wet when she got to the bottom.** All of us know Sister Shepherd to be a charitable... Her house is open. Her and Brother, I don't care if it's a bum, beggar, or whatever it is, they'll feed him, do anything they can to help him along. **Oh, God accepted that, her foundation part....**

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_ 62-1104M 22-3......But the five streams you see coming down through here tempers this together. It's been the Holy Spirit that made the Ephesus church. It was the Holy Spirit that birthed the Smyrnaean church. It was the Holy Spirit that give the Pergamos church, and the Thyatira church in the Dark Ages......

.....And it's been the Holy Ghost in this age, that age, that age, that, that, that, that on up to the top: the Holy Spirit. And now, as in the individuals, these virtues and things are (knowledge and temperance)--is added to our faith, then when the Capstone comes, the Holy spirit cements it together;

There's the baptism of the Holy Spirit. That's why it's so short today.