50-0827a - "Prodigal" Rev. William Marrion Branham

Our Heavenly Father, we, the prodigals from the Kingdom, strayed away. Many of us, dear Father, are not fit to be called Your children. You could just make us Your hired servants, but You don't want us to be Your servants. You want us to be Your son and daughter, to have the privileges of home, to go to the icebox when we know that we're home, when we're hungry, go eat; when we're tired...?...

64-0411 - "Spiritual Amnesia" Rev. William Marrion Branham

Notice, a French soldier. They got a bunch of soldiers in from the army, and they had this <u>amnesia</u>. <u>It's from shock</u>, <u>on the</u> <u>battle</u>. And they had a program, and they—they called up and let people who had missing loved ones to call and see if they could identify these boys. No hope for them, maybe one or two, out of it, caught it. And then they took the rest of them, they <u>was going</u> <u>to put them in a sanitarium</u>, <u>where they'd have to stay the rest of their life</u>.

163 They was going up the hillside, train pulling; and they stopped at a station, let the boys get out and stretch their legs. And the guards got out on the hill, to watch them, because with amnesia, why, they—they had to watch them.

164 So they watched one young fellow there, he got out and begin to look around at that water tank, looked all around over the hill. *He rubbed his face, and he studied.* And he looked again, and he seen that water tank. He looked all around at the station, and he started walking. Instead of the guard stopping him, he followed him.

165 He went up over the hill, down a little path, turned to the right and went up over another little hill, and come to a little log cabin. He looked. Coming out on the porch, an old man with a cane in his hand, come out and throwed his arms around him. Said, "My son, I knowed you would return. They told me you were dead, but I knowed you would return." And the boy come to himself. His amnesia left him. He could identify who he was. He knowed that was his father.

166 Oh, soldier of the Cross, that's been shocked with so much training, so many shocks of denomination and creed, and things of the world, why don't you just step off for a few minutes and go to looking around at the Bible? Might wander around, and you might might find your identification in the Words of God.

Psalm 40:2-3 KJV

- 2] He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.
- 3] And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord.

. . .

Psalm 103:2-5 KJV

- [2] Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:
- 3] Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;
- 4] Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;
- 5] Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's. ...

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For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." Unless we suffer with Him we cannot reign with Him. You have to suffer to reign. The reason for this is that character simply is never made without suffering. Character is a VICTORY, not a gift. A man without character can't reign because power apart from character is Satanic. But power with character is fit to rule.

65-1031A - "Leadership" Rev. William Marrion Branham

116 So now look, he did, and that—and that—that bush attracted him, on fire, and he said, "I will turn aside and see what it is."

117 And God said to Moses, "Take off your shoes, the ground you're standing on is holy. *I have chosen you to go down and deliver My people. I'm giving you power*; you can smite the earth with plagues, you can turn the water into blood, you can bring fleas and lice. Nothing is going to harm you. I'll choose you." Why? Because he chose Christ. See? You choose Christ, and He chooses you. See? Now He said, "You chose Me, and I have chose you to go down there in Egypt."

Joshua 10:8-13 KJV

- 8] And the Lord said unto Joshua, <u>Fear them not: for I have</u> <u>delivered them into thine hand; there shall not a man of them stand before thee</u>.
- 9] Joshua therefore came unto them suddenly, and went up from Gilgal all night.
- 10] And the Lord discomfited them before Israel, and slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth up to Beth-horon, and smote them to Azekah, and unto Makkedah.

- 11] And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, and were in the going down to Beth-horon, that the Lord cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: they were more which died with hailstones than they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword.
- 12] Then <u>spake Joshua to the Lord in the day when the Lord delivere</u>d up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and <u>he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon</u>.
- 13] And the <u>sun stood still, and the moon stayed</u>, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day. ...

65-1127E - "I Have Heard But Now I See" Rev. William Marrion Branham

126 <u>Joshua was in a hour of crisis</u>, <u>when the armies was</u>

<u>routed</u>, <u>and the sun was going down</u>. Joshua was a prophet, and he knew that if them <u>armies ever had a chance to unite again</u>

<u>and come against him</u>, <u>he would lose more man</u>, <u>so in that</u>

<u>hour of crisis when something had to be done</u>...There's only one thing, if he could keep them running, he'd route them, every one, down. But there wasn't enough light to do it, so Joshua stood, raised his hands, he said, "Sun, stand still! And moon, hang over Ajalon till I get through with this battle." And the sun stood still. <u>They heard Joshua speak</u>, <u>and then they seen God</u>, <u>with their own eyes</u>, <u>in action</u>. True!

127 See, of course, it was a paradox to see something that seems to be impossible, yet it's true. But, "The sun stood still," says the Bible. I don't know what you people think, that thinks the world was run, now; but, anyhow, "the sun stood still." Perhaps

Joshua never had tried to figure out how he was going to—to do it, how God was going to do it, the only thing that he said was, "Sun stand still!" He said it, perhaps not knowing what he was saying, because it was God that give it to him, and He worked.

128 Same thing in Mark 11:23, "If you say to this mountain 'be moved,' and don't doubt in your heart, but believe that what you said will come to pass, you can have what you said." <u>But you can't stand there fumble in your mind and say it, you've got to be inspired to say it. Amen!</u>

60-0417m - "Go, Tell" Rev. William Marrion Branham

128 Easter means much to us, because we have joined in and enjoined the fellowship of His resurrection. For we are once dead in sin and trespasses, like the <u>prodigal son, but now we have found grace, and God has forgiven us of our sins. He has also give us the Seal, like He did Father Abraham, to confirm that He has accepted us. Father Abraham said he believed God,</u>

but He give him the seal of circumcision, as a confirmation that he did believe Him. And now, <u>Father, today we are</u> <u>circumcised by the Holy Ghost, all the things of the world has passed away. We have one objective: serve You. We have one desire: love You, be Your disciple.</u>

Judges 16:1-5 KJV

- 1] ... Then went Samson to Gaza, and saw there an harlot, and went in unto her.
- 2] And it was told the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And they compassed him in, and <u>laid wait for him all night in</u> the gate of the city, and were quiet all the night, saying, In the morning, when it is day, we shall kill him.
- 3] And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and took the doors of the gate of the city, and the two posts, and went away with them, bar and all, and put them upon his shoulders, and carried them up to the top of an hill that is before Hebron.
- 4] And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah.
- 5] And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by what means we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to afflict him: and we will give thee every one of us eleven hundred pieces of silver. ...

- Judges 16:7-21 KJV
- 7] And Samson said unto her, If <u>they bind me with seven green</u> withs that were never dried, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.
- 8] Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green withs which had not been dried, and she bound him with them.
- 9] Now there were men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he *brake the withs, as a thread of tow is broken when it toucheth the fire. So his strength was not known*.
- 10] And <u>Delilah said unto Samson</u>, <u>Behold</u>, <u>thou hast mocked</u> <u>me</u>, <u>and told me lies: now tell me</u>, <u>I pray thee</u>, <u>wherewith thou mightest be bound</u>.
- 11] And he said unto her, If they bind me fast with new ropes that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.
- 12] Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And there were liers in wait abiding in the chamber. <u>And he brake</u> them from off his arms like a thread.
- 13] And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web.
- 14] And she fastened it with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web.
- 15] And she said unto him, <u>How canst thou say, I love thee,</u> when thine heart is not with me? thou hast mocked me these

three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength lieth.

- 16] And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death;
 17] That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man.
- 18] And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand.
- 19] And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and <u>she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.</u>
- 20] And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, *I will go out as at other times* before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the Lord was departed from him.
- 21] But the Philistines took him, and <u>put out his eyes, and</u> <u>brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house</u>....

63-1117 - "Once More" Rev. William Marrion Branham 116 There <u>ought to be a holy Power surrounding, and in the church, that will make demons flee. Instead of that, it's become a laughingstock. What is it? The mechanics instead of the dynamics.</u>

Now he is doing tricks.

117 What caused it, what was the cause of Samson's fall? <u>He let a woman lure him away from the promise of God.</u> That's exactly. We all know that. He had seven locks. And he was born, his birth path, was to be a Nazarite, a odd fellow, to the Lord. But, you see, he let this woman lure him until she shaved his oddness off.

118 And that's the <u>same thing that's happened to the church.</u>

You are borned a peculiar people, a holy nation, a royal priesthood. But what happened? You've let the world shave off your peculiarness until you have become one of them. You had to have a denomination just like they had. You had to outshine the Baptists or the Methodists, one. And now the Assemblies is trying to outshine the United, and the United outshine the Assemblies, the church of God out this, and, oh, my, on and on, thirty or forty different organizations. See, like the dog returning to its vomit, the same thing.

Judges 16

21] But the Philistines took him, and <u>put out his eyes, and</u> <u>brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house</u>. ...

Romans 8:14-19 KJV

- 14] For as many as are <u>led by the Spirit of God, they are the</u> sons of God.
- 15] For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have <u>received the Spirit of adoption</u>, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. 16] The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:
- 17] And if *children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ*; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.
- 18] For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.
- 19] For the <u>earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the</u> <u>manifestation of the sons of God.</u> ...

- 2 Timothy 3:1-5 KJV
- 1] ... This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
- 2] For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
- 3] Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

- 4] Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
- 5] *Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof*: from such turn away. ...

Romans 10:17-18 KJV

17] So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

18] But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. ...

65-1125 - "The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ" Rev. William Marrion Branham

204 <u>But, to the Elected, God is calling to the Elected. They know it: calling the virtuous Bride, the Word, the last-day Church, the elected Lady of our Lord Jesus Christ, Word.</u>

<u>If...Jesus is the Word.</u> How many believe that? [Congregation says, "Amen."—Ed.] All right. Then, the <u>Bride is always part of the Bridegroom, so the Bride will not be a denomination. It'll have to be the Word, manifested, to be the Bride of Christ. He promised to do it. He said how He did. Never uses...loses His</u>

pattern. He always did it by the pattern. He done it, every time, by the pattern. He does it again, *calling out His virtuous Bride in the last day*,

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He will speak out, and those who receive that prophet in his own name will receive the beneficent effect of that prophet's ministry. And they that hear him will be blessed and become part of that bride of the last day who are mentioned in Revelation 22:17, "The Spirit and the bride say, Come." The corn of wheat (the Bride Wheat) that fell into the ground at Nicaea has come back to original Word Grain again. Praise God forever. Yes, listen to the authenticated prophet of God who appears in this last age. What he says from God, the bride will say. The Spirit and the prophet and the bride will be saying the same thing. And what they will say will have already been said in the Word. They are saying it now, "Come out from among her now, and be ye separate." The cry has gone out. The cry is going out. How long will the voice cry? We do not know, but one thing we do know, it won't be long, for this is the last age.

Revelation 22:10-20 KJV

10] And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

- 11] He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.
- 12] And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.
- 13] I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.
- 14] Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.
- 15] For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.
- 16] I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.
- 17] And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.
- 18] For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:
- 19] And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.
- 20] He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. ...