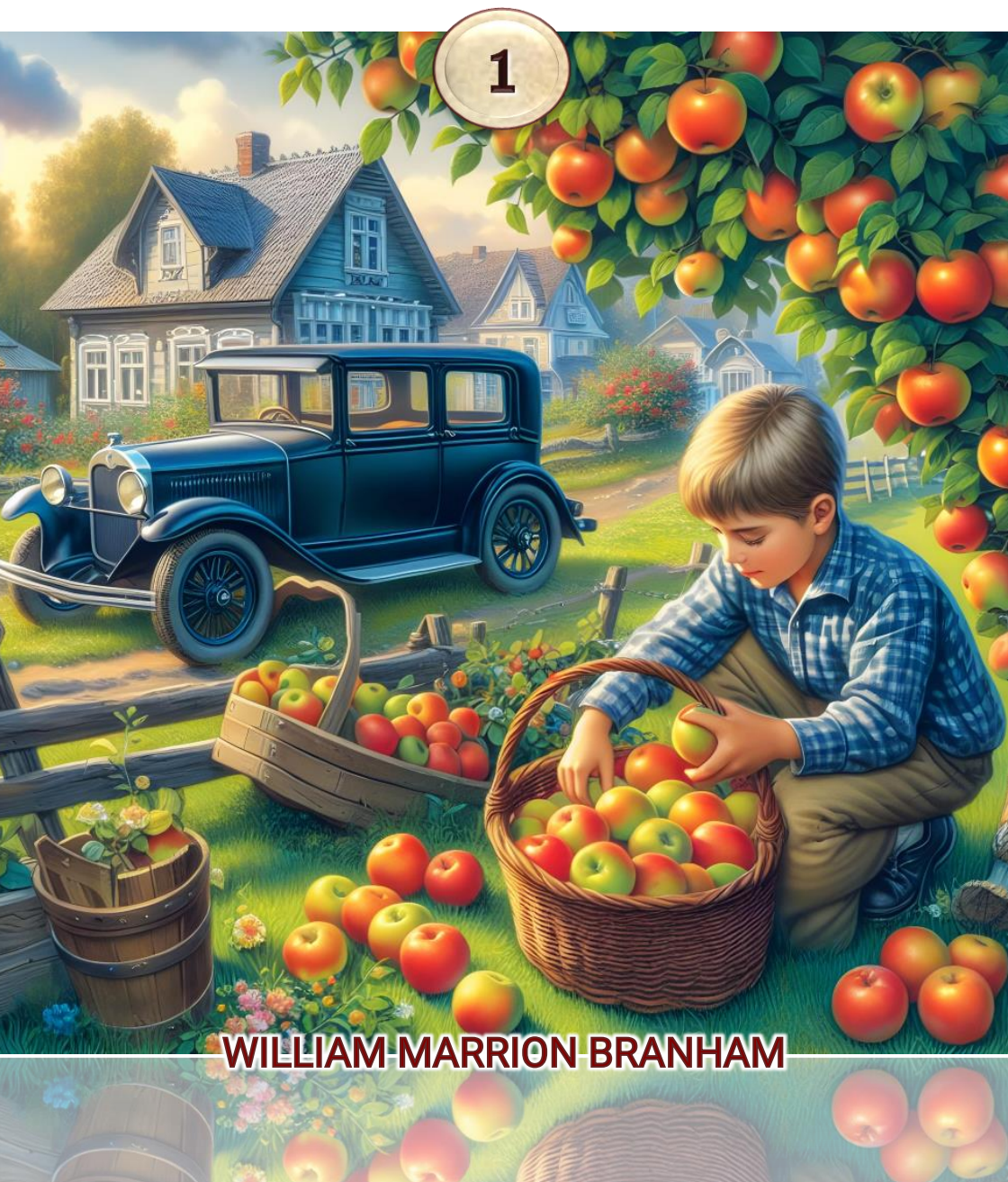


Desperations

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42 Now quickly, I want you to turn in the Bible to the Book of Jeremiah and the 29th chapter, if you like to read. Or, if you don't, just mark it down. Jeremiah, the 29th chapter. And we're going to begin with the 10th verse of Jeremiah, the 10th verse of the 29th chapter. Also, we're going to read from Luke, the 16th

chapter, beginning with the 14th verse.

43 Now I'm going to give you my text, while you're—you're—you're turning. My text tonight is *Desperations*. And I...Desperation, and, now, you know what desperations is.

And now we're going to read from Jeremiah the 29th chapter, the 10th verse.

For thus saith the Lord, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will

visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to turn to this place.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you...(Isn't that sweet?)...saith the Lord, though thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you the accepted end.

Then shall you call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you.

And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

And I will be found of you, saith the Lord: and I will turn away your captivity, and I will gather you from all...nations, and from all the places where I have drove you, saith the Lord; and...will bring you again unto—unto the place which I caused you to be carried away captive.
Back to pentecost!

I put that in, myself. It doesn't say that. That's what I was meaning to the Church.

Luke 16, begin at the 15th verse, or the 16th verse.

The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presses into it.

“Every man presses into It.” Not just simply walks into It, easily, but It's got to be pressed into. See? Now, “When you seek

Me with all your heart, then I'll be found."

44 And He promised that He would return and bring the people, from scattered all over the earth, after those seventy years, back into Jerusalem where they left from; and He did it just that way. That's right.

45 Now we're going to talk on—on *Desperations* for a few minutes now. Usually, it takes a state of emergency, to throw us into desperation. See? It's too

bad it has to do that, but human beings are so slothful in their mind, that it takes an emergency. Something arises, and when they do, then it—it throws them into that desperation. And really, in doing that in desperation, it brings out that real thing that you are. It shows what you're made out of, in the time of desperation. It usually pulls out all the good things that's in you.

46 In time of death, I've heard people when they knowed they

were dying, the things that they kept secret all their life, they, in desperation, they were trying to confess it. See? And trying, “Take *this* and make it right; go, please; go, do,” see, in desperation. They ought to have done that beforehand, see, not wait till the time of emergency. “Will you do *so-and-so* for me?” The emergency causes desperation. When, we ought to do it without the emergency.

47 Now we notice, tonight, that we're taking the symbols of the Passover. And the Passover was taken in emergency, in times of desperation. You notice in—in Exodus the 12th chapter, and the 11th verse of the 12th chapter, I believe it is, it says, “Eat this Passover with the shoes on your feet, with your loins girded up, and with the staff in your hand,” see, you're eating it in desperation.

48 They had seen the great hand of God. They had saw all of His miracles, and then they had come under the sign of the Token. And while they were under the sign of the Token, they've taken the communion in—in desperation, for they knew at that time God was fixing to strike with judgment.

49 And it was a shaking time. It was a time where every man was examining himself, because the Word of the prophet had not

failed one time. It had been proven to be true. Whatever he said, it happened just exactly the way he said it. The Pillar of Fire was still there. And, then, the prophet had announced that God would only pass over when He saw the token at the door. And it was a desperation.

50 I would imagine the children were...when they saw those big, black wings drop down from the sky like a smoke settling over the city, the

screams coming from every house, the children might have went to their daddy and said, “Daddy, are you sure that we’re under that token?”

And he could go to the door, look upon the post, the lintel, said, “Son, that’s according to His Word.”

“Remember, I’m your oldest child. Daddy, are you positive?”

51 “I am positive! That’s according to what the prophet told us, and he has the Word of

the Lord. Said, ‘When I see the blood, I’ll pass over you. Take a lamb for the house.’ I’ve brought all you children in. You’re my oldest, but my firstborn. That’s the one that’s dying all out in there; but *there* is the blood. That’s what THUS SAITH THE LORD was. So rest, my son, rest at ease, because God made the promise. See?”

“Well, Daddy, why you got your shoes on? Why you got the staff in your hand? Why have you

got a piece of bread in one hand
and a lamb in the other hand?
Why is them bitter herbs and
things? What are you eating it?
What's the sweat running off
your face about?"

"Son, death is fixing to strike."
See, it was in a time of
desperation.

52 Now, I believe that we're
living in the days that we're...Or,
otherwise, the days that we're
living in should cause the Church
to go completely into

desperation. I believe, since the message this morning from God, not me, I believe it ought to throw this entire congregation into desperation, that we have played long enough. We've went to church long enough. We got to do something.

53 How is it that we can see other great signs and wonders done on others, and what about us? It should cause an estate of desperation, that we are determined, before God. The

signs of His Coming should bring this entire congregation, when we've read it from the Word...The Holy Spirit has told us, "Go at a certain place, *such-and-such* a thing will happen," not tell us what it was, but it would happen. We go there, it happens that way. The newspapers pack it, the magazines pack it, show the picture of it. Come back here and see those great mysteries, hidden in the Bible, opened up to us, on a new field that we never

knowned before, and perfectly blends in to the Coming of the Lord Jesus.

54 Then, at the end of the Messages, see the action of the great Holy Spirit, see Him come down visible before people, even take pictures of It. See It working and showing that it's not a man, it's not just a preacher, it's not a certain congregation. It's the Holy Spirit showing the same thing It did when It was embodied in the body of Jesus

Christ. Now It's embodied in the Body of His Bride. It should throw us into desperation.

55 Those people had seen the hand of God. And that night of the communion, they took it with...in desperation, because they knowed that something was fixing to happen. And we know something is fixing to happen. And remember, the Coming of the Lord will be a sudden, secret going away. He'll come and take Her like a thief in the night. And

to think that if somebody, all of a sudden, there is members of our family gone, and you're left behind! It should throw us into desperation, that, by the grace of God, we'll not be left back behind. "If there's anything I don't want...Don't, don't leave me, Lord."

56 A few days ago I was hearing Mel Johnson sing that song:

Remember me when tears are falling down, yes

Remember me when friends
are not around

And when I cross over this
river of Jordan

When You're calling the roll,
remember me.

57 And on the Lamb's Book of
Life, I want my name wrote. I
want Him to remember me when
the roll call. And it throws me into
desperation, that is, like Paul
said, "After I have preached the
Gospel shall I be a—a stowaway,
shall I be a—a castoff?" It could

happen. So it throws me into a desperate stage, desperation, to think of, after all these years of preaching, would I—could I...a place come where I could fail Him? What's the next move? What must I do next? And it throws me into a nervous stage. And what can I do? It throws me to the mountains and to the valleys. And it's hard, because, when I'm with the people, I've got to be all things to all men, that I might win some to Christ,

yet with that Token always before me. See?

58 And I see things that's coming up, and you can't tell the people. You see different things, and you are forbidden. Them visions that they call on, and sometimes they'd be sorry if you did tell them, and you know better than to do it. And then you go so far in visions till everything becomes a vision, and it throws you into a nervous stage. You—you look and say, "Now am I in a

vision?” Like setting right here, “Is this a vision? Where am I really standing at?” See, you—you overwork yourself, you overtax yourself. And you find out things about people that you wish you didn’t know. The people that desires these things, to know these things, they don’t realize what that type of ministry cost. You don’t know what goes with it. Then it throws into desperation, “Lord God, I know I’m going to have to answer.”

59 Jack Moore said to me one time, “I’d hate to have to answer like you will have to, at the Day of the Judgment.” Said, “God has put these people into your hands, and you’re going to give an account for every one of them. You’re going to answer for your ministry.” That’s been about fifteen years ago, or maybe eighteen. And since then, I’ve been in desperation. What will I do?

“Let me say only what You say, Lord. Let me tell them what’s the Truth, or don’t say nothing.” It throws me in desperation.

60 Then seeing these signs coming, seeing the Holy Spirit take us out there, and bring these Seals, and lay them in like that. Bring the Church Ages and lay them in, then come down in a great big Pillar of Fire back there, and—and revealed Himself. Then come down on the next thing, on

the Seven Seals, and revealed it. Even put it in the papers and magazines. Then come in and take the angels of God, them seven angels with seven Messages, and confirmed it exactly what the Bible said. Then, during that time, come up and bring in those Seals...those signs, flashes of the end time, and bring it up to the people and tell them what it is, and all about it, and the Lord working right there showing Himself present. And then, right down like this

morning, come up and require that Token on every person. Then, you're my people. You're the ones that I love, these and them is listening to the tapes, and so forth. Then you see what desperation it puts me in.

61 Desperation. Signs of His Coming should throw every member of Christ into desperation now, about our souls, about our—our—our welfare for hereafter. Well, what are we going to amount to if we

gain the whole world? What are we, what are we living for? What do you work for? What are you eating for? What are you struggling for? To live. What are you living for? To die. And you're not fit to live until you're fit to die. It's true.

62 And we see so many miracles of healing, it should put us into desperation.

63 If that little boy...Am I looking at Mrs. Peckinpaugh now? Is this Mrs. Peckinpaugh?

Are you the one that had the boy here, something or another? Why, here is the woman setting right here I was talking about. I just happened to look over and see her.

64 Now if God can do that for that little boy, it ought to throw you into desperation.

65 A man from New Albany, he may be here tonight. He's a friend to my Brother Roberson. Had a little boy here. I think his wife had cancer once and was

healed. And—and now, the little boy has got asthma so bad till he's just in bad shape. Little fellow, almost cancered throat, himself. See? And then he brought the little boy, yeah, I see his hand up in the back, back there, was prayed for this morning, you see.

66 Desperation! When the wife was about to die with cancer, he knowed that God could heal her. And if God could heal the wife, God can heal the

boy. And it throws it into a state of desperation. See? You must come; and when you're desperate, then God is going to listen to you. But if you're just slothful, you don't care whether He does or not, well, then that's different. You say you do, but it takes desperation to do it.

67 I believe that the reason we don't have desperation is because it's a lack of love, God, the love of God. I think that the love of God causes desperation.

If God is in you, the Token inside of you, and you see the conditions of times, and people wading in sin the way they are, it'll throw you into desperation. I believe it will.

68 Now the Word plainly states, if you want to put this down, in Galatians 5:6, that, "Faith worketh by love." See? "Faith worketh by love." And the only way that you can have faith, is have love first. Because, after all, faith is love's incentive.

Incentive, that's exactly what—what faith is. It's an incentive to love. Now, you, if you don't have love, you can't have faith. See?

69 How can you have faith in your wife if you don't love her? That's in *phileo*. Now how about in *agapao*, to God? How can it be if you don't love God?

If you said you loved your wife, and never tell her about it, and never set down and make love to her, expressed it to her, kiss her, hug her, and tell her

she's the best cook in the country, all the things that you know, and how pretty she is, and how much you love her; if you don't do that, she'll never know it. That's the way. If you do love her, you express it.

70 That's the way we do to God. When we love Him, we tell Him about it. We set down and we adore Him, and worship Him. And, see, love drives us to that.

71 Now what if something has got to be done for your wife?

Why, it'd throw you into desperation to get it done. What if somebody says your wife's got cancer? What if somebody says your—your wife's got TB, and she is fixing to die? Yet, you, you'll—you'll do anything. See, it'll throw you into desperation.

72 And that's the same thing that it is. We must have love before we can have faith. And faith...When we have genuine love, what does it do? It pushes our faith out on the battlefield for

God. See? Genuine godly love for God and for His Word and for His people, will push faith out there. Love just takes a hold of faith, and just, “Come on, let’s go!” And out it goes, ’cause that’s what love does.

73 John 14:23, Jesus said, “If a man loves Me, he’ll keep My Words.” Now you can’t keep His Words without having faith in what He said. So, you see, if he loves God, then he keeps God’s Word. If He said, “I’m the Lord

that healed thee,” he believes that. Love makes him believe it, because love dominates all. “Though I speak with tongue of man and Angels, have not love, it’s nothing, see. Though I have faith to move mountains, and have not love, it’s nothing.” Love dominates all, ’cause God is love, a God of love. Now, yes, sir! If Jesus said, “If a man loves Me, he will keep My Words.”

74 We know it is true that God will meet a desperate soul. Now,

we all know that. But it usually takes something to drive us into that, to that despair, to the desperation. It takes something to do it.

75 We find out, in James 5:15, that the Bible said, that, “The effectual fervent,” that’s desperation, “effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. When a righteous man, a good man, gets in travail,” or soul travel, or travail, either one. I—I think “travel” is a better

word. Travail, or travel, either which one you want to call it. But when a—a—a soul gets in—in desperation, in travailing, an effectual fervent prayer of a man that can show the Token, it does something. See?

76 Notice what the Bible said here also, in James 16, 5:16, said, if...“Confessing our faults,” getting right, making ready for it, “confess our faults one to another.” Having no—no faults...Ask people to pray for

you, confessing our faults one to another, and praying one for the other. There you are. With love, love, that I got confidence I can confess to you my wrong; and you can confess to me your wrong. And I love you well enough that I'll pray for you, and you pray for me; and we'll stay with it, with effectual fervent prayer, until it's answered. That's, that's desperation. That's what we should have all the time.

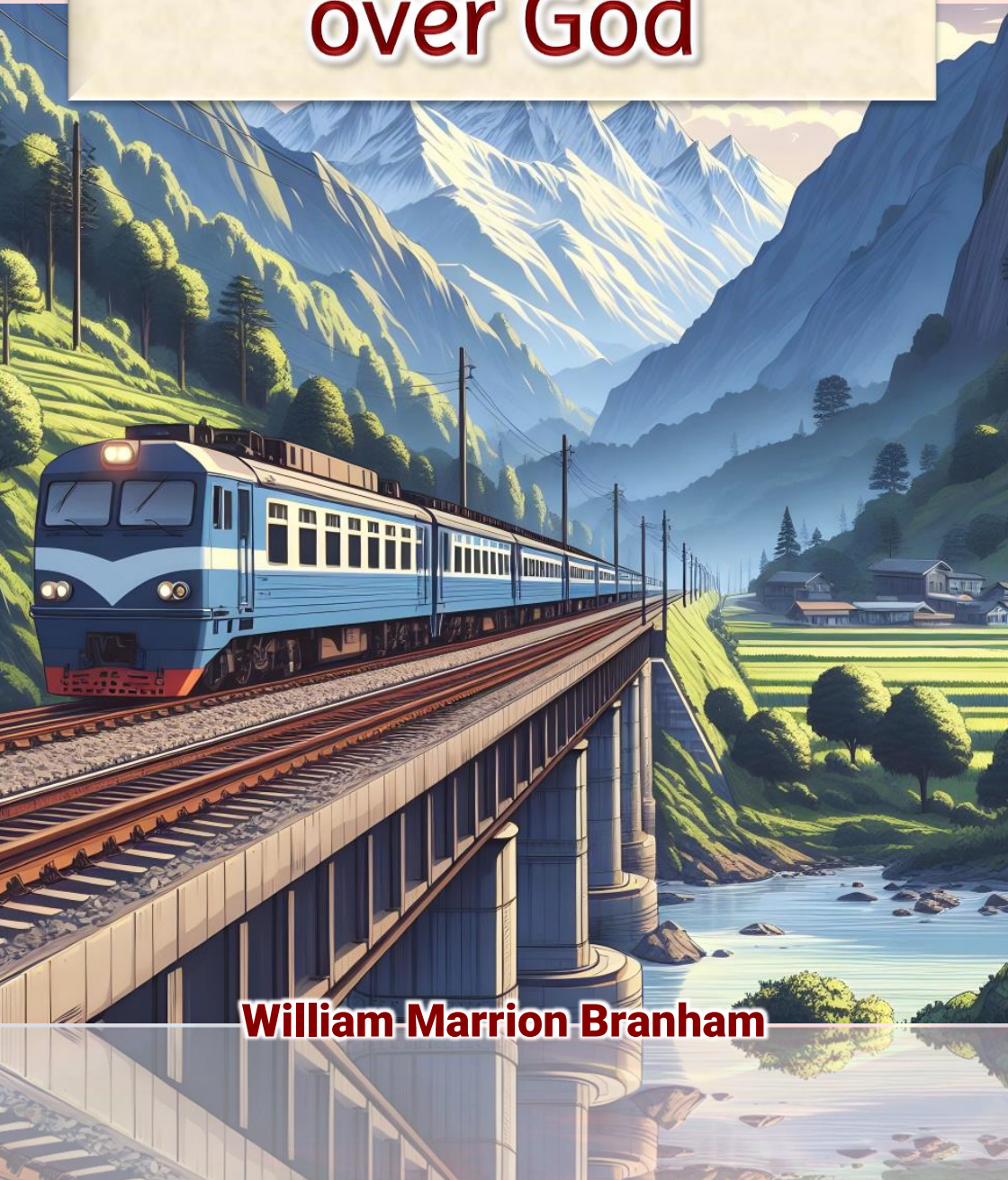
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A man can prevail over God



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77 Let's take some Scriptural examples of that, what happened, now, for another, about fifteen minutes, the Lord willing.

78 Jacob, he was a man, he was first a little...kind of a carefree boy. He thought in his own mind that he knew that the birthright meant everything to him, and he didn't care how he

had to get it, just so he got it. And after he got it, he thought everything was all right, because he had the birthright. He thought the thing was settled. He come up to his brother when he was hungry, coming in from the field, from working with the cattle and hunting the deer. And his brother, he—he needed a big pot of pottage, wild peas and—and things together. Might have been very tempting when a man is hungry, after walking all day. And his brother said, “I’m just about

ready to faint. Give me some of this.”

And he said, “Well, I...if you’ll swear to me I get the birthright.” See? He didn’t care how he done it, just so he got it. And he thought, when he got the birthright, that settled it.

79 Pentecost, there is where you failed! You thought because you were born of the Spirit, born of the Spirit of God, the Birthright, that settled it. But it only starts it. You remember in

the message of—of *Hear Ye Him*, how that the child, after it was born in the family, become a son. It had rights to the birthright, but it had to be proven, child-trained. And then if it did not prove out to be a—an obedient child to the father's will, then it must be, well, it did not get the—the...was not the...become heir. It heired nothing, yet it was a son, but he heired nothing if he wasn't interested in the father's work.

80 And so when the Holy Ghost fell upon the Pentecostal people and they begin to restore back the gifts and things that was in the church; they thought, because they were born of the Spirit, that settled it. But, you see, there is a placing of a son. And after this son proved to be a real son, then he was taken in a public place, and then was set up, and changed robes, and set up there; and then there was a placing of the son, that he had heir of everything the father had.

81 God did the same thing by His Son on Mount Transfiguration. He was overshadowed by the...or a cloud, and was transfigured, and His raiment shined like the sun, and a voice said, “This is My Beloved Son in Whom I’m well pleased.” Moses and the law had failed. And this is Him, “Hear ye Him.” He was placed. See?

82 Now Jacob thought, because that he had the

birthright, that everything was made.

So did the Pentecostal people, and they begin to organize, the—the oneness, threeness, and trinitarians, and all kinds of organizations, and fussing and pulling at one another, proved that the Token wasn't showing. Malice, envy, strife, see, but that's where it got to.

83 Now, see, Jacob thought the same thing. But in fear, one

night, of his own life, desperation took a hold of him, when he thought that, “Just across that river yonder, my brother is waiting to kill me. He is going to.” See, the birthright that he had gotten, was the thing that was going to cause his death.

And sometimes that very thing that you receive, as the Holy Spirit, It is, and are born again of the Spirit, if you don't watch, that same thing will condemn you at the end. That's right. The very

waters that saved Noah, condemned the world. The thing that—that you would call fanaticism might be the very thing that condemns you at the end of the road.

84 Now Jacob knew that his life was close at the end. He had a messenger come told him that his brother, with four hundred armed men, was coming to meet him, knowed he was—he was on his road. Fear took a hold of him. He sent man on ahead with ox,

and cattle, and sheep to make a peace offering with Esau. Then, after that, he started another group with another load of stuff. Then he started another group with another load of stuff, trying to meet him first, to try to turn his wrath. Then he got to thinking, “That won’t stop him, because he’s probably richer than I am. He doesn’t need it.” Then he took his wives and his little children, and sent them across, that Esau would see them little children and his wives. And

surely on his own little nieces and nephews, he would not slay them. Then, he, still he couldn't do it. God knows how to get a man. Jacob crossed the brook. There he got down on his knees.

You know, he had kind of been kind of a little shyster, before that. Excuse the expression, but kind of a little...He was a Jacob. *Jacob* means "a deceiver," and that's what he was. But there's something had to happen to him.

There in desperation, there when death laid before him...

85 There may be men and women setting here tonight, that's, death lays right before you. And the only way that you'll ever be able to achieve the thing that you're wanting, is to desperately come. "I must have it, tonight. I get it now, or I'm finished. Tomorrow is too late. I must have it now!"

When you pray for the baptism of the Holy Spirit, the

Token, don't say, "Well, now I'll go up and try. Lord, I, I'm a little tired." Oh, mercy, stay in your seat! Don't even—don't even make an attempt. If you come, say, "I'll pass through the prayer line; put the oil on my head, I'll see if it does me any good," might as well set where you're at. Until you get to that place, until the whole church gets to a place, that it's between death and life, you've got to have it now or perish, then God will move on

the scene. It takes desperation to bring God on the scene.

86 Jacob cried like never before. Desperately he called until he got a hold of God. And when he did, he wrestled; not for fifteen minutes. He wrestled to keep Him, in his soul, all night long; and still he knew he didn't have the blessing, and he was able to hold on until the blessing come. He wrestled desperately until the blessing come. Then, and when he seen...until God

came on the scene. And then, in despair, “I’ll not let You go,” when he begin to feel the blessing coming down on him.

A lot of people say, “Glory to God, I got it now.” There you’re deceived. Yeah! Somebody say, “Oh, I just feel so good, Brother Branham, I went down there and prayed. Oh, shivers run over me.” And that might have been God. “I saw a great light before me.” That still might have been

God, but that ain't what I'm talking about.

87 The Bible said, in Hebrews the 6th chapter, "The rain falleth on the just and the unjust, just the same." Now, you take wheat, and take weeds, and put them in the field. And the rain is actually sent for the wheat, but the rain falls on the weeds the same as it does the wheat. And, the rain, and the weeds is just as happy about the rain as the wheat is, and it's the very same rain. The

very Holy Ghost can fall upon an unbeliever and make him act just exactly the same way a believer acts. But by their fruits they are known; that's what I'm speaking, that's the Token. And Da-...

88 And Jacob, rather, in desperation, he said, "I know I feeled You, You're here with me, but I'm not going to let You go."

Somebody sees it fine, the first little sensation, they get up and jump up-and-down, run up

the aisle, say, “I got It, I got It, I got It.” Oh, no. Huh-uh. No.

Jacob stayed there until something happened, that made him walk different, made him a different person, because that he stayed until that happened. And he was able...The Bible said, “He held until he prevailed.” How can a man prevail over God? But you can do it. You can do it. A man can prevail over God.

89 One time there was a man named Hezekiah, had been told

by the prophet, “THUS SAITH THE LORD, you’re going to die.” Hezekiah turned his face to the wall, and in desperation he wept out, “Lord, consider me. I’ve walked before You with a perfect heart, and I need fifteen more years,” after God had told him that something was going to happen, he was going to die. And, in desperation, he changed the program of God. Desperation, though, he wept bitterly in desperation.

90 Jacob stayed there until the blessing came, and changed his name from “a deceiver” to “a prince with God.” Even the nation was called by his name. Yes, sir! What was it? The results was because he got desperate about the thing. And the next day when he met Esau, he didn’t need any guards. He walked right out and met him. See? Why? He had got in desperation till he got the assurance.

And you get desperate until you get the assurance. If you don't, don't even come to be prayed for. Don't even come to go at the altar. Wait till it's between life and death, to you, then something will happen. Certainly, desperation!

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**When you get
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91 Ruth got desperate, one time, when she was standing by Naomi. Would she have to go back to her people, to all that she loved, and all that she—she worshipped, her gods and her people, or would she cleave to Naomi? What must she do? And she got in desperation, and she cried out, “Where you go, I’ll go. Where you live, I’ll live. Where

you die, I'll die. Where you are buried, I'll bury...or I'll be buried. And your God shall be my God.” There you are, desperate! God blessed her, gave her a son, Obed. Obed begot Jesse. Jesse begot, through Jesse, come Jesus. Because, desperation!

92 Like the little harlot, Rahab, she was desperate. She knowed that death laid before her. She was under judgment. And she got desperate, said, “I'll hide you spies. I'll do anything. Only,

swear to your God, and my house will stand.” There you are.

He said, “I’ll...If you’ll take this token, it will.”

93 Eliezer got desperate when the responsibility was placed upon him to hunt a bride for Isaac. Eliezer of Damascus was a great man. He was favored by Abraham, and he was trusted by Abraham to go out and hunt a bride, a right type of a bride, for his son, Isaac. Through that would bring forth Christ.

94 Now, Eliezer, being a spiritual man, knowed what it meant. The right kind of a woman had to be that—that man's wife. And how would he choose it? In the hour of his desperation, when he arrived at the city, he prayed and said, "Lord God!" That's the thing. When you get desperate, go to praying. "Lord God, let the first maid that comes forth and waters the camel, and gives me a drink, be that." He prayed in the hour of his desperation.

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.

97 Jonah, throwed overboard in the time of a storm, in the bottom of the sea, in the belly of the whale. All hopes of survival was gone. But it happened to come on his mind that Solomon,

in dedicating the temple, said, “Lord, if the people be in trouble anywhere, and they’ll turn towards this temple and pray, then hear.” And turning over in the belly of the whale, managed to get somewhere to his knees, I imagine, with the vomit of the whale all over him.

There he prayed in desperation. And in that, desperate; just a few breaths of oxygen is all he had in the whale’s belly. And in them few

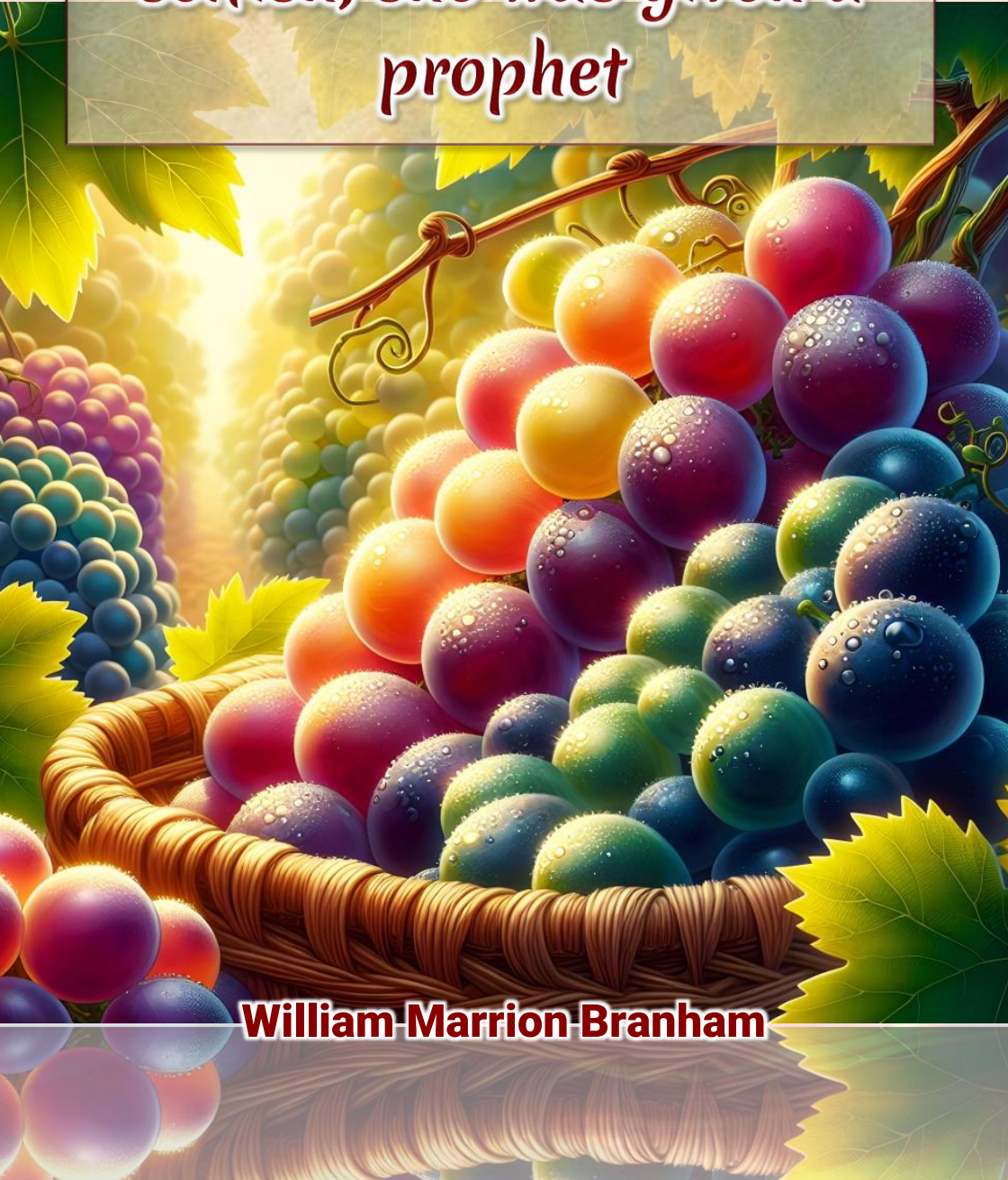
breaths that he was drawing, maybe he didn't know which way he was, and said, "Lord, I believe I'm looking upward towards Your temple." And with just a few breaths to go, in desperation, prayed, under those circumstances. Never been done before, but he was desperate. He prayed, and God kept him alive for three days and nights, and delivered him at the place to deliver his message. Desperation!

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98 Hannah, a barren woman in the Bible, she wanted a son, and she got to fasting for him. And she fasted and prayed until even the priest at the temple thought she was drunk. She was in such desperation! With the rest of the women watching what kind of a bonnet the other one had wore; and you know how it goes; and the other one seeing

what kind of clothes they had on, and talking about the things going on on the farm. But not Hannah; she stepped right through the whole crowd and went to the altar. She had been fasting. She wanted her reproach taken away.

What a difference it is today. It's almost a reproach to have a child. Then it was—it was a reproach not to have one.

And she got on her knees. And she never noticed the dignity of the temple. She never noticed the dignified priest as he walked out. She was in such distress till her tears was rolling down her cheeks, and she was crying, in desperation, “O Lord God, give me a son. Give me a son!”

99 And, notice, she wasn't selfish. When God heard her, and answered her prayer and

gave her a son, she gave him back to God. And because that she was willing not to be selfish after God had answered her prayer, He gave her a prophet. Oh, that was a extra blessing. Oh, He's just full of them, those little extra things that He gives. Not only a son, but a prophet. And there had been no open vision for many, many years, in Israel. Samuel, the first prophet, for many, many years, because a mother got desperate; that she

could have no children, and she was past the age of bearing, probably sixty, seventy years old. And she prayed with desperation, she must have this child! What was it? God had spoke to her, no doubt.

100 You can't be desperate till God speaks to you. Oh, Church, rise and shake yourself! Pinch your conscience, wake yourself up, in this hour! We must be desperate, or perish! There is

coming forth something from the Lord! I know it as THUS SAITH THE LORD. There is coming forth something, and we better get desperate. It's between Life and death. It'll pass through us and we won't see it.

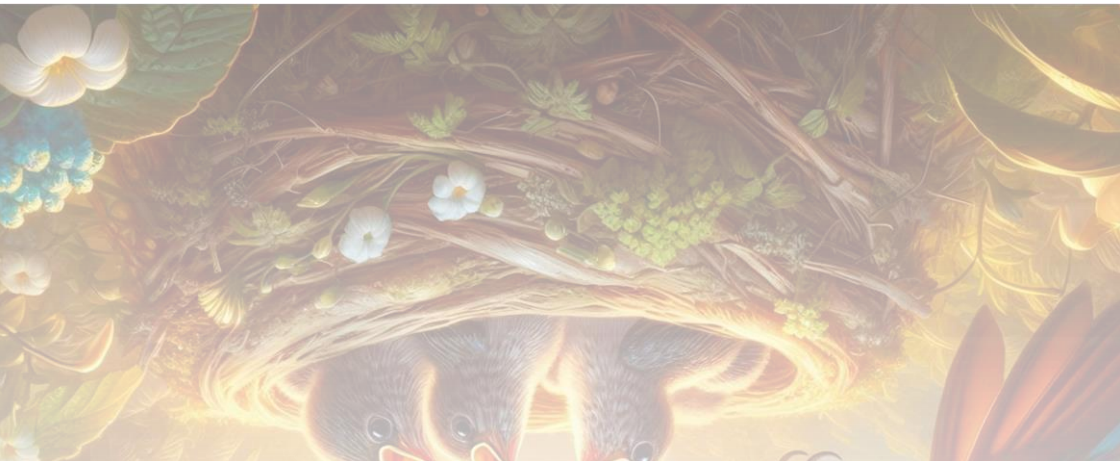
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