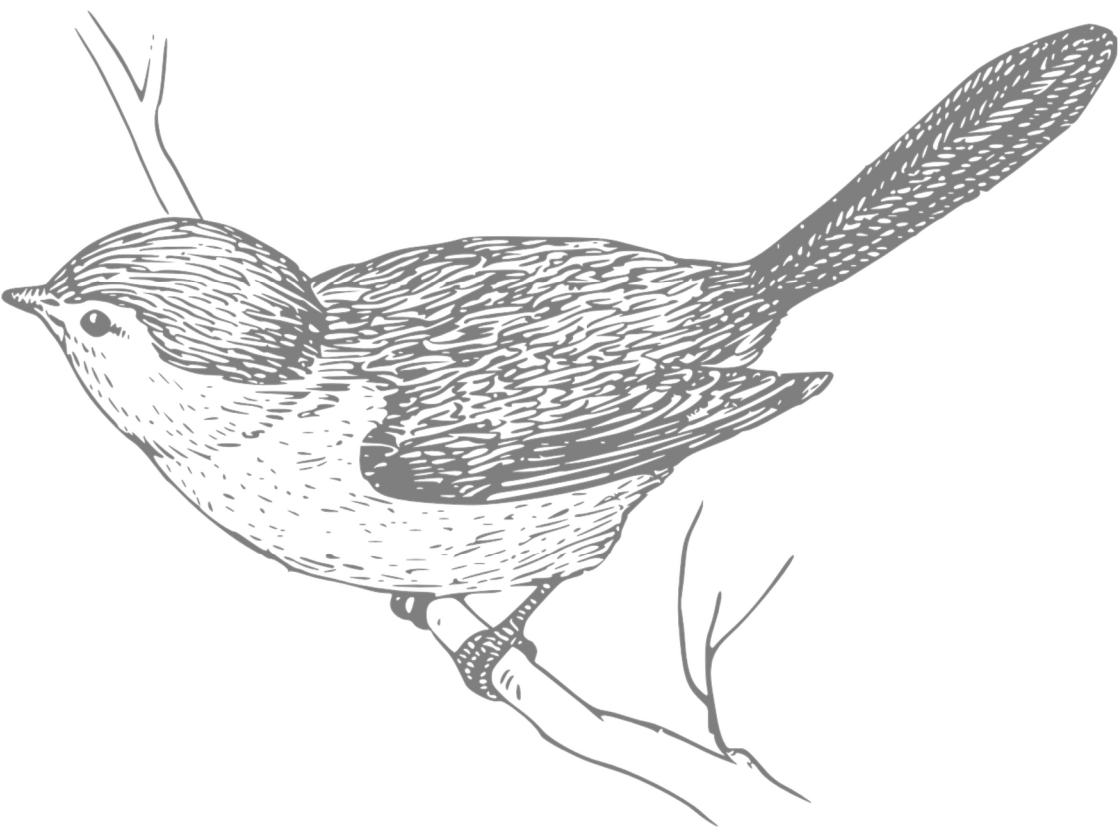


Greatness Is Humility



From The Sermons Of
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*If You Want Power,
See How Humble You
Can Get*

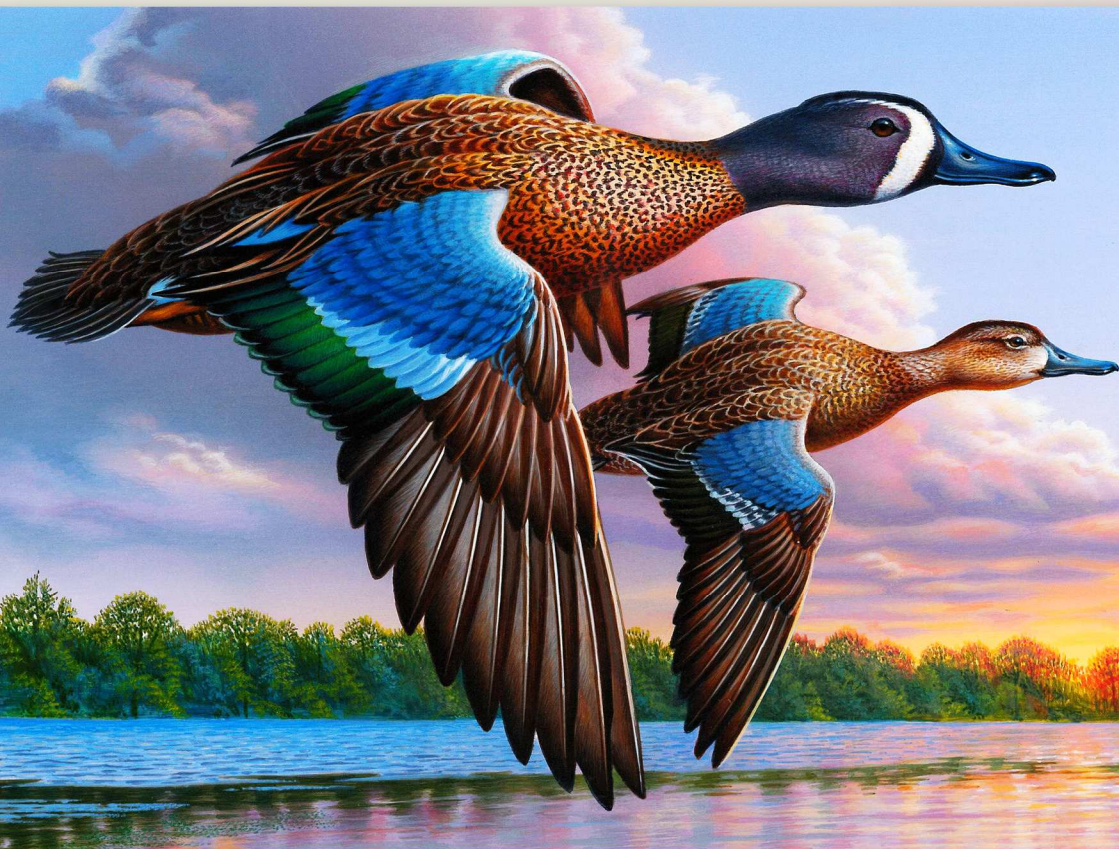


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77 You know, people want power, and really they don't know what power is. See, they—they don't really know what—what—what goes with it. The—the way up is down, always. If you want power, see how humble you can get. Just get away from all your worldly thinking, and humble yourself before God, and then you've got more power than the man that runs all over the building and makes a big lot of noise; see,

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because you have been able to conquer yourself, and commit yourself to Christ, you see, to humble yourself before Him. That's really power.



78 You show me a church that's humble, real humble, not a—a arrogancy; a church, just a sweet, humble church, I'll show you a church that has the favor and power of God in it. That's right. That's the thing it takes, humility, humbling ourselves before God, letting God just work through us. Don't have to make a lot of noise.

79 Sometimes, as the farmer said, he went out to the field with his wagon, and,

every time he hit a bump, it just rattled and went on. But when he come back, he hit the same bump and didn't make no noise at all, because it was loaded with good things.



80 So I think that's just about right, see, that we get filled up with the good things

of God, that the fruit of the Spirit might be known through us. As he referred so much to First Corinthians 13 there, and how, that, “Though I give my body to be burnt, and have all these things, and have not charity; it’s nothing, profiteth me nothing.” See, we want to do that.

81 Above all things, it’s our individual souls that we’re responsible before God. See, it—it’s *you* going to Heaven. It isn’t whether *I* go, or *he* goes.

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It's *you* going, see, and you first. And you've got to look this out and come sweet before the Lord.



82 And I've always found out that the man that humbles himself is the man that God exalts. When you take a person with his chest out and knows everything, and you can't tell him nothing, and he is arrogant, and—and, well, that—that's the person that never gets anywhere. But you take that person that humbles themselves and walks sweetly.

63-0714E - Humble Thyself
Rev. William Marrion Branham

***A humble heart, God loves.
Now, no matter if you don't
know your ABC's, that don't
make any difference. Just a
humble heart!***



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115 No matter how much teaching you got, you can drum that into you. God is not in big words. God is in an honest heart. You might stand here, speak big words, like I don't know what, that doesn't bring you closer to God. You can stand and practice how to repeat your sermon and say these things, that don't get you closer to God. You can learn dictionary till you sleep with one, and it still wouldn't get you closer to God. A

humble, submitted heart, in the simplicity, is what brings you to God. And that's true. Amen! A humble heart, God loves. Now, no matter if you don't know your ABC's, that don't make any difference. Just a humble heart! God dwells in a humble heart; not in education, it's not in schools, not in theology, seminaries, not in all these other different places; not in big words, or not in classical places. God dwells in human

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heart. And the lower you can break yourself down, the more simple, you can become greater in the sight of God.



116 Let me give you something. I see your fields are full of wheat out here. A full head of wheat always bows. A little old sprig sticks up there, and flopping around like it knows everything, it ain't got it in the head. That's the way with a lot of these guys that think they got a whole lot in their head, and nothing in their heart, though. A holy head will bow to the Power, recognize Jesus Christ as the

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Son of God, and believe His
works.

*53-0609A - Demonology, Religious
Realm*

Rev. William Marrion Branham



Don't try to be a big something; try to be a little something, but be what you are. See? Be little in the sight of God, be little in your own sight, everybody else is above you. "Let's him's the greatest among you be minister to all."



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279 Why, here not long ago, a woman went to get the *Life of Saint Martin* in a English book store. And when...She said, "Saint Martin."

280 And the person took the rack out, said, "He isn't known very much in history, he wasn't canonized." See? Till yet this day; but God has his name, God knows who he is.

281 See, that's the difference.

Somebody wants their name in some big something, but God's people wants to shun that kind of stuff.

They don't want great big things, and great big something; they want to be humble, that humility.

The way—the way up is down.

“He that humbles himself shall be exalted; he that exalts himself shall be abased.”
Humbled himself.

Don't try to be a big something; try to be a little something, but be what you are. See? Be little in the sight of God, be little in your own sight, everybody else is above you.

“Let's him's the greatest among you be minister to all.”

282 Who could be greater than Jesus Christ who girded Himself and washed the disciples' feet?

A foot-washing Flunky, He become.

The God of Heaven, the Creator of heavens and earth, washing dirty feet for fishermen (Oh!) with manure and stuff, and dust off the roads, where their garments had swept it up, and washing it off; a foot-washing Flunky, what He was.

And then we think, “We’re somebody. We got to be Doctor, Ph.D., *So-and-so*.” Oh, my! That ain’t Christ. That don’t display the love...lovely

Jesus Christ. He become
Servant to all. That's right.

Taught us an example that
we should do to one another
as He's did unto us.

Oh, that's—that's my Lord.

What makes Him big,
because He made Hissself
little. See, that's what made
Him big.

283 I've had the privilege of
meeting some great men in
my life, and I've had some
privilege of meeting men that
thought they were great.

A real great man tries to make you think you're great and he's nothing. See?

Meeting kings, and so forth, and men who are really are great men. And you meet real staunch Christians, patched clothes, and things like that. And some of them come to the pulpit like a bandbox and then...See? Oh, my! Well, it's so far...All right.

60-1207 - The Pergamean Church Age
Rev. William Marrion Branham

***He is the Shepherd. It ain't the
sheep's business to keep the
wolf away. It's the shepherd's
business. But the sheep must
stay with the shepherd, in
order to stay safe***



WILLIAM MARRION BRANHAM

The devil is a real smart, shrewd bird. He knows how to hit the thing before it gets started. He knows it. See?

214 And the only thing that you can ever do, to beat him, is rely on Christ, and humble yourself and let Him lead you. See? You'll never do it any other way. Your intellectual powers will never do it. You've got to believe it. Just rely on Him. He is the Shepherd. It ain't the sheep's business to keep the wolf away. It's the

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shepherd's business. But the sheep must stay with the shepherd, in order to stay safe. That's my safety zone, is in Christ; and Christ is the Word. That's the safety zone.

63-0630M - The Third Exodus
Rev. William Marrion Branham



***And She Come Reverently,
Peacefully, Reverently, Humbly.
You Got To Be Humble. The Way
Up Is Down, Always***



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194 Now, this woman, this Syrophenician woman, she believed also, this Greek. She said, "Lord." First she said, "Thou Son of David." A Gentile has no hold on Christ by the Son of David; that was through King David, the race of Jews. He never paid any attention to her. But when she turned and said, "Lord, help me!" Amen, that got Him. He was her Lord; not a Son of David, but He was her Lord. "Lord, help me!" That caught

Him. And she...He turned around. Said, "It's true the dogs eat the scraps from the masters' table. That is true." Look what, that woman had the right approach to God's gift. What did she say? He said she approached it right.

195 He disgraced her, He said, "You're...I'm not sent to you. You're dogs in your generation. Your races are nothing but dogs. I'm not sent to you."



196 And she said, “It’s truth, Lord.” There’s the Word. Amen. Stay with the Word. Faith will always recognize the Word. “But the dogs eat the crumbs under their masters’ table.” That got Him. “Lord, help me!”

197 He turned and He said, “For this saying, O woman, great is your faith. And, for this saying, the devil’s left your daughter.” What, she got what? She approached God’s gift in the right way. You’ve

got to approach the...And, remember, that was the first Gentile that ever had a miracle performed on them by the Son of David. Remember, that was the first miracle performed to a Gentile, that's right, this healing of the Syrophenician woman. That's right. She had the right approach to God's gift. Faith admits the Word is right. Reverant, humble. See?

198 You're not going around saying, "Huh! I—I

won't believe that stuff. If our catechism doesn't say it, uh-huh, I don't see." No matter what your catechism says, you put the catechism or anything else above the Word of God? The Word of God is right. Everything else is a lie. See?

199 And she come reverently, peacefully, reverently, humbly. You got to be humble. The way up is down, always. "He that humbles himself shall be

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exalted, but he that exalts himself shall be abased.”

62-0218 - Perseverance

Rev. William Marrion Branham



***That's what the Church
needs tonight, is, first, be
reverent; next thing, be
humble; then get yourself in
action. Yes, sir***



WILLIAM MARRION BRANHAM

120 Yes, sir. Moses humbled himself in the Presence, when he heard that Voice of God come forth like that. Said, "Take off your shoes." And Moses reached right down and jerked his shoes off. See? That's right.

121 Paul, when that Light smote him to the ground. He said, "Saul, Saul, why persecuteth thou Me?"

Said, "Lord, Who are You?"
Right down to the ground.
"Who is It?"

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Said, "I'm Jesus." That
Pillar of Fire, "I'm Jesus. Hard
for you to kick against the
pricks."

Said, "Lord, what must I
do?" He was ready.



122 John the Baptist saw Him coming. One of the greatest men! Jesus said there never had been a man, born of a woman, as great as John. And when John saw Him, he recognized he was so little. He said, "I'm not worthy to take His shoes off." Amen.

123 Always notice, a big man humbles himself. The way up is down, always. Make yourself little, and God will bring you up. "He that exalts himself shall be abased, but

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he that humbles himself shall
be exalted.” Oh, my! I like
that.



124 Make yourself little. Always be little. Don't be the big shot. Be the little fellow. See? God is the only One, among us, that's big, anyhow. That's right.

125 You always say, "It's a holy church. The holy people." Oh, no. It's the holy God, that's right, and an unholy church and unholy people. Right. Ain't no such thing as a holy church; it's a holy God in the church. Not a holy people; it's the Holy Ghost in the

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people. Then, you're talking not of the people; they're talking, the Holy Ghost that's in the people.



Amen. Yes, sir. That's the right word. Amen. That struck home. I felt that one. Yes, sir. He liked that. I know that. Glory. Yes, sir. All right.

126 Make yourself little. He covered His face with two, reverence. He humbled Himself, by covering His feet.

Now, thirdly, with two He did fly. He put himself in action with two of them. He was reverent before God. He was humble before God. Not only that, He just didn't set there,

but He put Himself in action.
Talk about a Church! Amen.
Put Hissself in action!
Whatever He had, He was
ready to go with it. Yes, sir.
Only thing He could say was,
“Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord
God Almighty,” but He put
Hissself in action with that.
That’s right. He got in action.

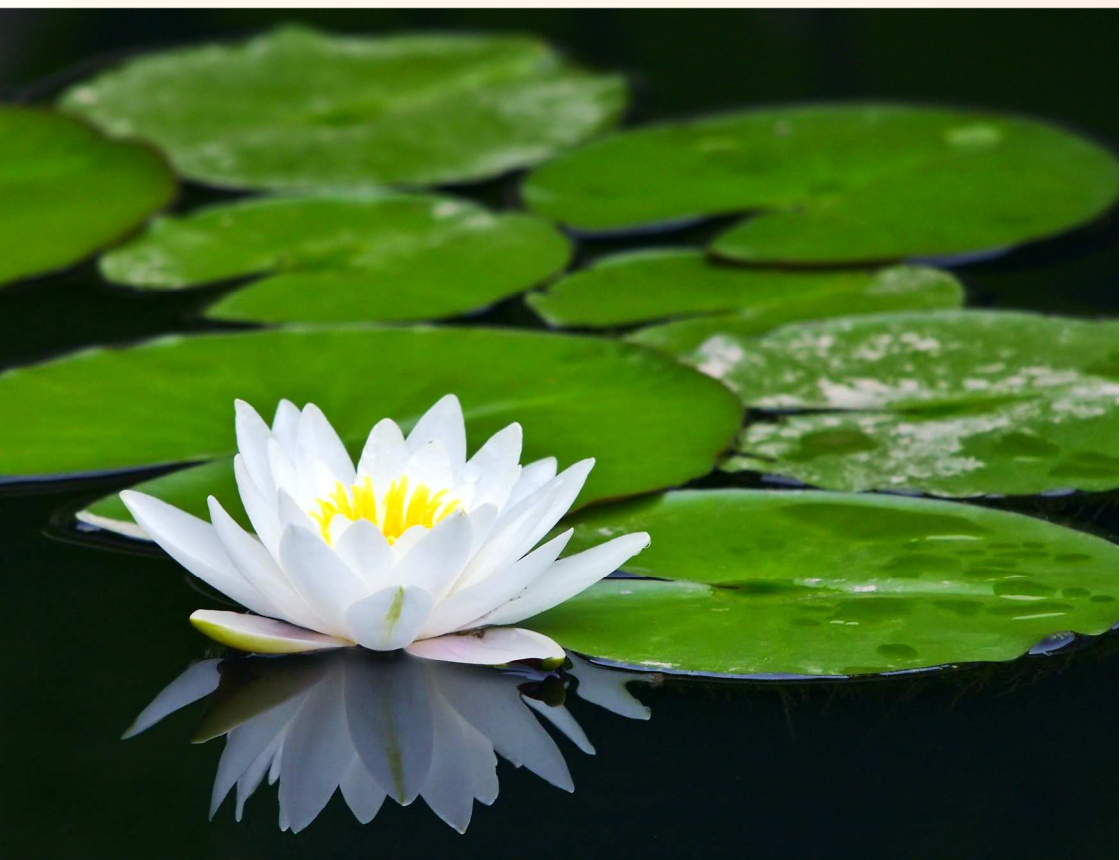
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*62-1013 - The Influence Of Another
Rev. William Marrion Branham*



Greatness is humility. Don't forget that, Church. Greatness is expressed in humility, not how fine you can be



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92 See, as I said at the beginning, you are born defeated. And that birth can never bring you to—to Life, because you're born defeated. And you're in a defeated world, amongst defeated people, amongst defeated creeds, defeated denominations. You've got to come to victory some way.

93 It's just like a lily. Where is...A lily, I think, is one of the most prettiest flowers that there is. I'm very fond of those

great calla lilies and pond lily. I think there's nothing hardly as pretty as a great big pond lily, call it water lily. How it's radiance! Now, where does it come from? It's a little seed, down in the bottom of a muddy, mucky pond. And that little seed, yet, all the radiance that'll ever shine in it, is in it right then, when it's in that mud. But it has to strive, daily, knowing that there is something. It's black. It's dirty. It's mucky. It's slimy. In that

slime that it's living in, yet it presses its way through the mud, the muck, and the waters, and the stagnant places, until it sticks its head above, in the light, and expresses what's been hid in it all the time.

94 I think that's an overcomer, that, once in sin, once did things that was wrong, don't worry about it now. Once did things that was wrong, then, now why look

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back into the pond again?
See? Look, you have...



95 God, by His predestination, see, has brought this seed to life, and it's pressing itself, see, coming to light. And now, on top of all of that, it has overcome. See? It doesn't express itself down *there*. It's getting up, to express itself.

Neither did you, in your—your sin, and adultery, and everything that you lived in. You didn't express nothing. But there was a seed in there, and it got a chance to

press itself into Light. And now you're in the Presence of Jesus Christ, with the Son Light. It brought out what you really was in the beginning. You see what I mean? You saw the Light. You bloomed out. You laid your heart open, and now you're a lily.

96 You remember my sermon on the lily? Reverend Lily, how he toils. "And, yet, does he not spin. And yet, Solomon, in all of his glory, is

not arrayed like one of these.” He—he—he—he—he...Look at him. He’s ready to gi-....He takes nothing for himself. The lily don’t care nothing about himself. What does he do? He—he throws his beauty out, his life, that others might see. His life is expressed out, that others might see the glory, what’s in him, that was in him in that mud. Now he’s on top.

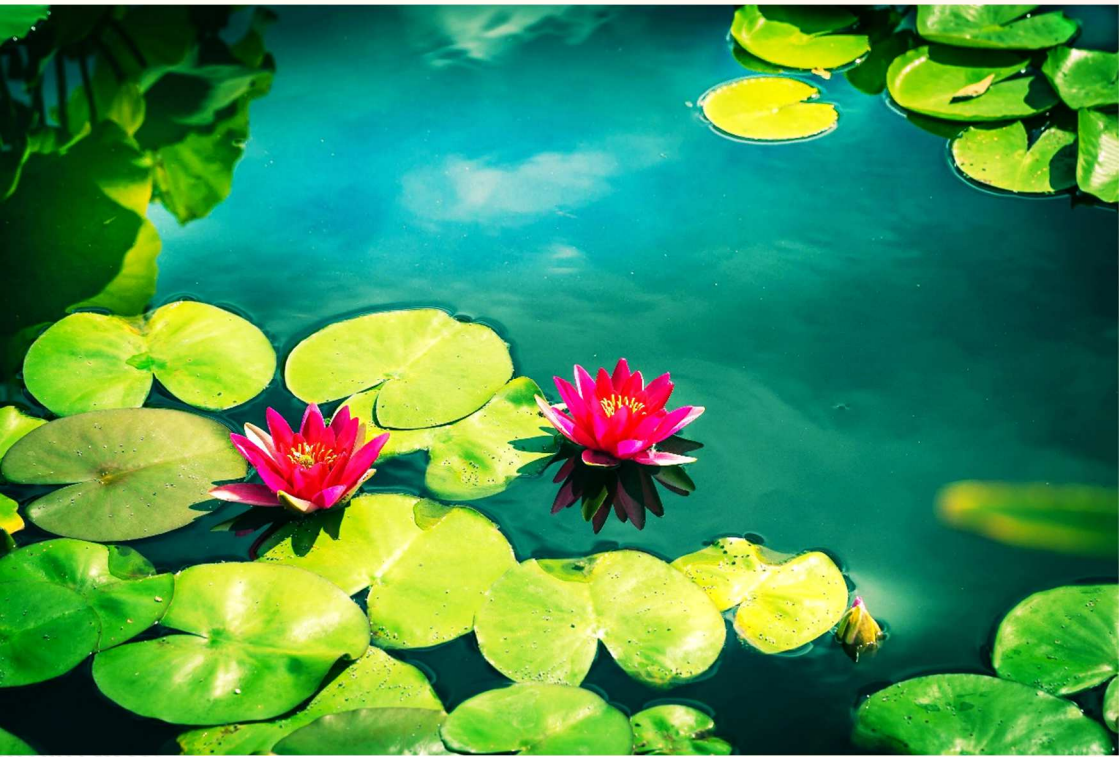
That’s the overcomer. He overcome the mud. He

overcome the things of the world. And now he freely gives himself out. Everybody can look at him. His life, you can't put a finger on it. See? He's a real overcomer. You can't say nothing about him now. Say, "He come out of the mud." But he's not in the mud now. He's on top of it. Amen. You can't now point back what he was. What is he now? He's on top.

97 Then the bee comes by and say, "That's wonderful

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perfume. I believe I'll go and get my part."



98 He just opens up his heart, "Come on now. All right." Everything takes from him. See? He, he's a real

pastor. He expresses the Glory of God. And look where he come from. He had to overcome, to do that.

99 One time, he or she was young and fair, beautiful. They had a lot of temptations to go through, but they overcome that. See? They overcome. Now they're expressing the real beauty of Christ in their life. Notice, expressing, through the mud.

100 Jesus gave us the example, how to do it. Now

we want to know how to overcome. Jesus told us how to do it. See? Humility! Girded Himself, took a towel, and washed the disciples' feet and wiped them. The very God of Heaven humiliated Himself.

101 We don't want to be humiliated. That's the reason women don't want their hair to grow out (See?); the reason they don't want to dress like ladies should dress. Like, men don't want to, see, it's the

same thing. They don't. They, they get humiliated.

But, Jesus, constantly!
Look Who He was.
Greatness! I'm going to say
something. Greatness
humiliates
itself. *Great* humbles itself.
Greatness!

102 I've had the privilege of getting, meeting some great men. And it's these guys that got a change of clothes, and fifty cents in their pocket, and to rattle, that's the guy that

thinks he's something when he's nothing. But I stood by great men, I mean great men with ragged sleeves, cuffs. They make you think you're the great person. See?

Greatness is humility. Don't forget that, Church. Greatness is expressed in humility, not how fine you can be.

I don't mean dirty, now. I—I mean humble in spirit. See? I don't mean just get—get out and don't ever wash and

clean up. That, you should do that. You know that. See?

But I'm talking about humility, genuine humility, not something is put-on. Something that is, that's real humility.

63-0825M - How Can I Overcome?
Rev. William Marrion Branham

***They have seen It vindicated,
and so simply before the
people, but it seems like it's so
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themselves to the Word of God***



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247 And these theologians see this Bible, they read It, but they don't want to do It. See? It shows the serpent's seed. They have seen It vindicated, and so simply before the people, but it seems like it's so hard for people to humble themselves to the Word of God.

248 Don't you all find, when you're talking, you women, to girls, about wearing long hair, and they say, "Why you got your hair long?" See?

“Why do you wear your skirts down, long?” You go to talking to them, they kind of give you the shoulder. Isn’t that right? See, they know that’s right, if there—if there is any lady in them. See? They know that’s right. But, you see, they can’t humble themselves to That. See, that’s what.

249 See how Cain did? He couldn’t humble himself to the vindicated Word of God. He couldn’t do it.

250 Oh, even the Pentecostal say, “Glory to God! Hallelujah! I cut my hair, and speak in tongues!” Huh! That shows right there there is something wrong, see, the seed is bringing forth something different.

251 A Seed cannot. A Seed of God cannot bring forth a bob-haired woman. It cannot do it. Just can't do it, 'cause the Bible said so. See, It can't do it. No, sir.

Now it seems so hard to humble to God's Word.

252 Notice it in Genesis 4:6 and 7, just reading off some Scripture here. "Do as Abel did." He said, "If you—you see what your brother..." Said, "Go ahead and do what Abel did, do the same kind of a service that he did, and—and I will bless you. If you don't, sin layeth at the door." Now, *sin* is "unbelief." "If you don't do as Abel did! You seen I've vindicated him,

and made him right. Now if you don't do that, then it shows that—that sin, unbelief, lays at the door.” See?

253 And today they see what God vindicates. They see what God is a-doing. They see all these things happening. They know about it. God is showing His signs in the heaven above and on earth below, and all these things like that, and they see what is taking place. But they won't do it. See, Satan,

serpent's seed; smart, come out of seminaries, educated to the spot, every word, every everything, stand in the pulpit just as correct, and every word has to be exactly, the grammar has to be right, and everything right. See? Sure, they can't humble themselves down, a guy like that. See, they just can't do it. They don't. They just can't do it.

254 Now, "If not, sin lies at the door; unbelief lays," then he become wilfully

disobedient. “And when you know to do good, and do it not, to you it’s sin,” if you know what’s right and you don’t do it. See? Then he become wilfully disobedient after the Word had been vindicated, then he crossed the separating line, then he was ousted from Eden when he crossed. There is a line to where you just go so far, and, if you would go any further over on the other side, you’re out. You know that, don’t you?

There is a line. If you don't believe it, you read Hebrews 10:26. That's the Scripture I was referring to there, see.

For if we sin wilfully after...we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sin,

255 That's the New Testament. Is that right? "If we sin wilfully after we receive the Knowledge that's been preached to you, read to you, proved to you; after we see

the knowledge of the Truth, and you go ahead and unbelieve, wilfully, there is no more sacrifice for sin.”

But a...fearful looking...to the fiery indignation, who shall devour the adversary.

256 Is that right? You can cross that line. Like the children of Israel did in their journey, coming through the wilderness, Israel did the same. After they heard Moses' message and seen it vindicated; listened to a false

prophet that said, “Oh, now look, children, we’re all the same. We should marry one among another, and we should do *this*.” And Moses had told them different, and seen God vindicate it. Because, Balaam seemed to be a more instructive man than Moses was, see. He had come from a great nation where there was great people, and was all organized together, the land of Moab, great armies, and great things

that the people in them days would have feared. And here come a prophet down, a prophet, anointed one, false anointed one, see, come down to an anointed one (look how close), and taught the people, and many of them went after that. Don't you never forget that. See, went after the thing that wasn't the Word, the vindicated proven Word!

257 Don't let someone come in here and tell you

something different. Watch what God is vindicating and proving.

258 Now if them people looked back, and say, “Moses! God appeared in the skies. And the man spoke into existence, fleas, flies, frogs; took out of existence, boils and diseases. Opened up the Red Sea, and we come...And fed us manna out of heaven. Oh, that’s our prophet!”

259 But here come another prophet down, “Glory to God!

I'm a prophet, too." Say, "Now, you all, I'll tell you. Now, now you understand, I use better grammar than Moses. And I am *this* way and *that* way, see," and so forth.

260 And the first thing you know, they fell for it. And every one of them perished right in the wilderness. Not a one of them lived. They never did. They won't be in Heaven, not one of them. Jesus said.

261 They said, “Our fathers eat manna in the wilderness!” See, Pentecostal, is right, see, they had really come through all the experiences. They, “Our fathers eat manna in the wilderness!”

262 He said, “And they are, every one, dead.” *Death* is “Eternal separation.” They’ll never rise again, although they had been through all these experiences. Figurative speaking, they had spoke in

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tongues, and danced in the Spirit, and everything.

65-1031M - Power Of Transformation
Rev. William Marrion Branham



***If you want to get
somewhere with God, make
yourself real little***



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111 Oh, be conscious! Here is only one thing to be conscious of, your littleness. If you want to get somewhere with God, make yourself real little.

Don't make yourself big like Uzziah. He got in there, and he said, "I'll do this, anyhow. Whether I...You ain't got no business telling me." See?

He should have made himself humble. "Yes, servants of Christ, pardon me." He'd have never took

leprosy. No. “I know that’s your job. God called you. That’s your office. You go ahead and do it, sirs. I’m very sorry.” Backed off, there’d have been a different writing in this Book.

But when he was corrected, he got angry.

112 You correct people about something, or tell them about their wrong doing, they’ll leave the church. They won’t...Go to somebody, tell women they shouldn’t wear

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short hair. “Well, I’ll go somewhere where they can wear it.”

*62-1013 - The Influence Of Another
Rev. William Marrion Branham*



But be good to those who are not good to you, do something for those that would not do nothing for you. Speak a good word for the man that would speak evil against you, and that way you keep all the bitterness out of your heart; and you're always in love with everybody then, as long as you stay in love.



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14 So I certainly thank God for Brother Neville being the pastor of this flock here at the tabernacle. And seeing that man, Methodist of background, slow to...Why, just like want to eat in the wrong stall. So...but finding out through the—the great Holy Spirit, and now coming into those gifts; and how fluently the Holy Spirit using him when he don't use his own mind. Watch the interpretation with the same

rhythm, and the same ups and downs, like nouns and pronouns, and so forth, and answering it right back again.

15 And this little brother, I don't think he's...Junior Jackson. Well, I'll keep still, Junie. I thank God for Junie Jackson, the brother certainly has a great gift from the Lord.

16 And just always keep humble. Now, every one in the church has something to do; but don't never pull it aside for something else, let it blend in

with the rest of the church. It's for God, all things. See? See? Don't everybody want to speak with tongues, everybody interpret.

17 Try to do something good and just keep being good; hold no malice, no grudges, don't let any bitterness. No matter how bad the person is and how bad they talk about you, don't you never think evil in your heart against them; 'cause right there the devil will set right in,

work up something right there. Just keep it all covered up with godly love, confession, and making right, and do good to those who do evil to you. “If you only do good to those who do good to you, why,” Jesus said, “don’t the publicans the same?” See? The sinners, anybody can be good to those that’s good to them. But be good to those who are not good to you, do something for those that would not do nothing for you.

Speak a good word for the man that would speak evil against you, and that way you keep all the bitterness out of your heart; and you're always in love with everybody then, as long as you stay in love.

18 Now you say, "Well, they did..." We're not the judge, God is the Judge. And you won't want that poor fellow to be cast away, would you? Certainly not, no matter who they are. You wouldn't want that, so try to be kind to

them. “And love hides a multitude of sin.” Uh-huh. Yes, sir. Love, just that good, Christian, godly Love.

19 If a man comes up and calls you a “holy-roller” and all kinds of name, now—now just don’t act like it, see, if you can’t act like it, just walk away. But in your heart, you should be to a place you say, “Well, it...now, perhaps, brother, if you understood, in the way I do, you’d feel like I do about it.” See? And just be

real sweet to him, and let go ahead like that. And even though we might differ as far as the east is from the west, that don't make any difference.

20 As I said the other night, I got a brother that's a...he's a man-size man, Melvin; he's tall, blond-headed. Now, we don't look no more alike than if we wasn't any relation at all. And our—our appetites are different, and our desires are different; but yet his mother is

my mother, his father is my father, he's my brother. See? Because we were born in the same family.

21 Now, we differen. Melvin's not a Christian, and he likes baseball, horse races, and things like that. And I—I think he likes chocolate pie, so I'm sure we differ there. So I—I don't like horse races or baseball, I like fishing and hunting. See? And he wouldn't turn his hand over for that, and I wouldn't turn my

hand over for the other. So then, see, but he likes chocolate pie and I like cherry. So then...

22 Now, I'm not hinting, see. But I said that one time in a meeting somewhere, that I liked chocolate pie, and the next night I had about five chocolate...or cherry pie, and I had four or five cherry pies the sisters had baked and brought to me. My! Did we have a jubilee up in my room!

But, I—I don't mean it that way. See?

23 So I mean just to show you the difference, you see. But no matter what he is, I love him, he's my brother. And so he's not a Christian 'cause he sees things in another light, I see things in the Light of Christ; but yet I can't say he's not my brother, because we're brothers born in the same family.

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Amazing Grace, How Sweet The Sound!



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57 So in the Deity of Jesus Christ, if the Lord God could come there and confirm that that is the Truth, not only that, but by His Word He confirms it's the Truth, and by signs and wonders He confirms it's the Truth, then, also, grace is the Truth. Then why could anyone criticize and say that grace is wrong, that "we're saved by works"? We are saved by grace, that through faith, not by works. Works shows that you have been

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saved. But what saves you is the grace of God. Grace saves you. Grace is what God does for you. Works is what you do for God, to show appreciation of what God did for you. But by grace are you saved!



58 Some people thinks, “Because I go join church, put my name on the book, that’s all I have to do.” Some people thinks, “Because I shout, that’s all I have to do.” Others think, “Cause I speak with tongues, that’s all I have to do.” Some thinks, “Because I got power to heal the sick, that’s all I have to do.” It’s not! It’s the grace of God that saves you, God’s amazing grace. I cannot trust in any merits. Some said, “Well,

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there's a great man. That man, I've heard him stand up and do *this*, I've heard him stand up and do *that*."



59 Paul said, in First Corinthians 13, “Though I speak with tongue of men and Angels, though I have discernment, though I have gifts, to feed, I’ll take all my goods to feed the poor, though I can move mountains with faith, though I have knowledge to understand all things, I am nothing till love comes in, which is grace.” God has to do it. You can do all these things and still be lost. It’s grace that

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saves you, God's grace to the human race.



60 To think of Him! I was thinking of that grace immediately after that appeared Friday morning, just

at the break of day, up there in that field when I set on a log, later, and tears come down in my eyes. "O, God, Your grace has stooped to save me. Why did You ever have such pity upon a poor, illiterate wretch like myself? How did You ever come down to our humble little tabernacle, where peace, and people of low walk of life, poor, have nothing in this world, and still Your grace is spread abroad in our hearts,

by the Holy Spirit, that You
heal our sickness and save
our sins, save us from our
sins, rather, and make us
Your people, deal with us?"



61 Then I thought of David, how that when he took a notion to build a house unto the Lord, said, "It's not right for me to live in a house of cedar, and the Ark of the covenant of my God under sheepskins and a tabernacle."

62 God told the prophet, "Go tell My servant, David, I took him from the sheepcote, from feeding them few sheep out there of his daddy's, and 'made you a

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great name like great men in
the earth.”



63 I thought of the grace of
God, how that He could do
that, save to the

uttermost! And then would take a poor wretch like myself, and give me the opportunity to preach the Gospel and to see others saved, see them healed; see homes that's been broke up, straightened up again; see lives that's been ruined, made right again. And to give me grace! I thought, "Oh, it's amazing grace!" Then come to a degraded, low squirrel hunter out into the woods, and form Himself in the form of

the *rainbow*, which means a “covenant,” with a Message that He give me to preach, and form it there in a covenant, that He’s behind It! And He’ll be behind It, because the Message is of Jesus Christ and His glory.



64 How He's let me go all over the world, around the world, to the nations, to the millions of people, seen millions coming to the Lord and accept Him as personal Saviour, seen them filled with His goodness and sanctified by His power, see them healed by His great omnipotent power. Then I can cry like the prophet, and said, "It's not by power, nor by might, but it's by the Spirit of God." Not by education, not

by theology, but by the Spirit of God He saves the people. By the Spirit of God He heals the people. It's the Spirit of God that gives the Message to the people. It's the Spirit of God that confirms the Word.

65 We've got theologians today, we've got Doctors of Divinity, we've got great men all over the world, that's smart, intelligent and educated. But it takes the simplicity of believing God, to

make His Word speak out, to show that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Takes a humble heart dedicated to God, to bring Jesus Christ unto present tense. Amen! If it taken theology, what would the Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, Catholic, and so forth; we wouldn't have a chance, us poor unlearned people. But it doesn't take knowledge. "Not by power or by might, but by My Spirit,"

saith God, "I'll unfold this mystery." And, "He will cry to it, Grace, grace, with shoutings and cryings." That's what it is today, God's amazing grace to His people. How He takes the illiterate, the unlearned, shows that Jesus is the same.

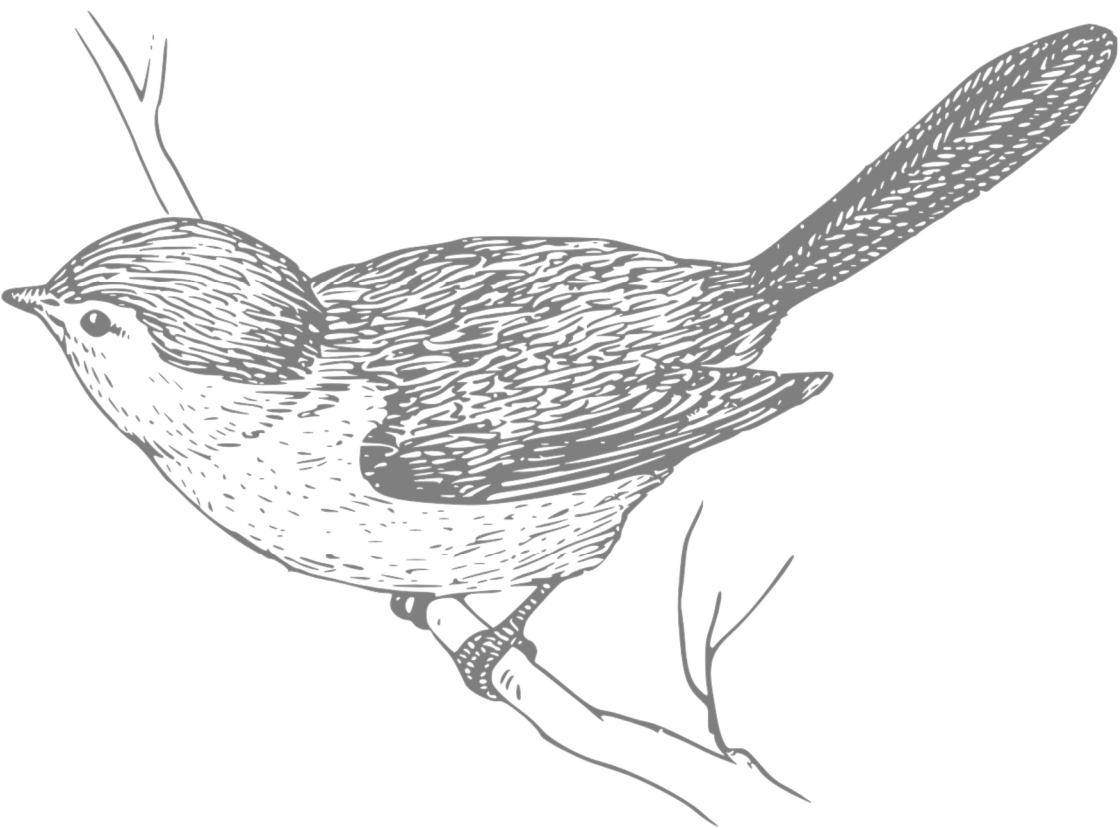
66 When He came, He never come to the great theologians. Neither did He go to Caiaphas, the high priest; only to be condemned by him.



67 But He took fishermen, men who were poor and walked the common life. And to there He revealed Himself, and said, "Follow Me, and I'll make you fishers of men," show that His grace still reached down even from the Jews to the Gentiles, to call a people for His Name in this last days, as we have just been through it. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound!

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