

FROM THE SERMONS OF WILLIAM MARRION BRANHAM

Hannah



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1 Samuel 1:1-28

- 1. Now there was a certain man of Ramathaimzophim, of mount Ephraim, and his name was Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephrathite:
- 2. And he had two wives; the name of the one was Hannah, and the name of the other Peninnah: and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.



3. And this man went up out of his city yearly to worship and to sacrifice unto the LORD of hosts in Shiloh. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, the

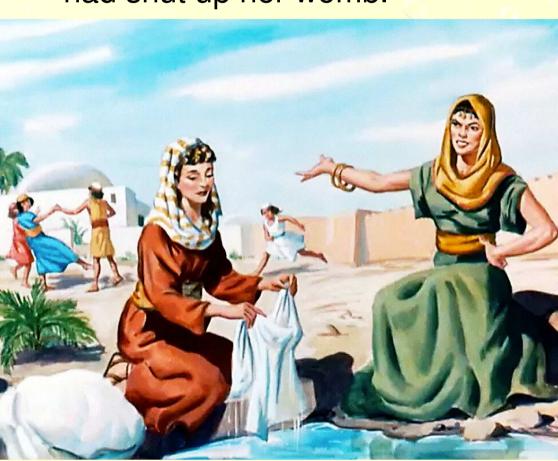
priests of the LORD, were there.



4. And when the time was that Elkanah offered, he gave to Peninnah his wife, and to

all her sons and her daughters, portions:

5. But unto Hannah he gave a worthy portion; for he loved Hannah: but the LORD had shut up her womb.



6. And her adversary also provoked her sore, for to make her fret, because the LORD had shut up her womb.

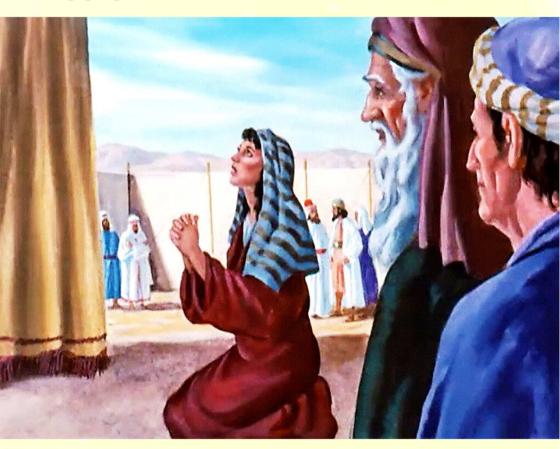


7. And as he did so year by year, when she went up to the house of the LORD, so she provoked her; therefore she wept, and did not eat.



- 8. Then said Elkanah her husband to her, Hannah, why weepest thou? and why eatest thou not? and why is thy heart grieved? am not I better to thee than ten sons?
- 9. So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest sat upon a seat by a post of the temple of the LORD.
- 10. And she was in bitterness of soul, and prayed

unto the LORD, and wept sore.



11. And she vowed a vow, and said, O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the

affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the LORD all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head.

- 12. And it came to pass, as she continued praying before the LORD, that Eli marked her mouth.
- 13. Now Hannah, she spake in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was

not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunken.

- 14. And Eli said unto her, How long wilt thou be drunken? put away thy wine from thee.
- 15. And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I am a woman of a sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my soul before the LORD.
- 16. Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of

Belial: for out of the abundance of my complaint and grief have I spoken hitherto.

- 17. Then Eli answered and said, Go in peace: and the God of Israel grant thee thy petition that thou hast asked of him.
- 18. And she said, Let thine handmaid find grace in thy sight. So the woman went her way, and did eat, and her countenance was no more sad.

- 19. And they rose up in the morning early, and worshipped before the LORD, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and the LORD remembered her.
- 20. Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name Samuel, saying, Because I have asked him of the LORD.



- 21. And the man Elkanah, and all his house, went up to offer unto the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and his vow.
- 22. But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband, I will not go up until

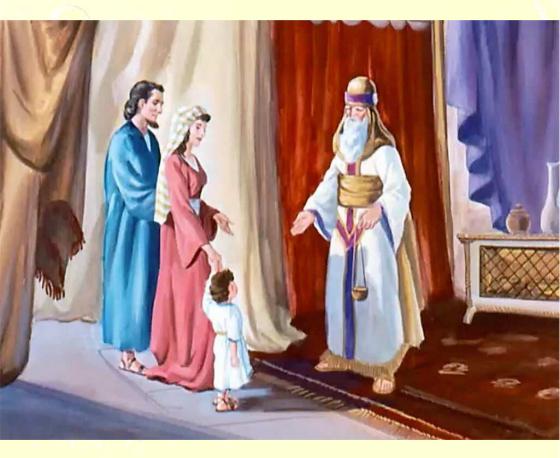
I will bring him, that he may appear before the LORD, and there abide for ever.

- 23. And Elkanah her husband said unto her, Do what seemeth thee good; tarry until thou have weaned him; only the LORD establish his word. So the woman abode, and gave her son suck until she weaned him.
- 24. And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bullocks,

and one ephah of flour, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of the LORD in Shiloh: and the child was young.



25. And they slew a bullock, and brought the child to Eli.



26. And she said, Oh my lord, as thy soul liveth, my

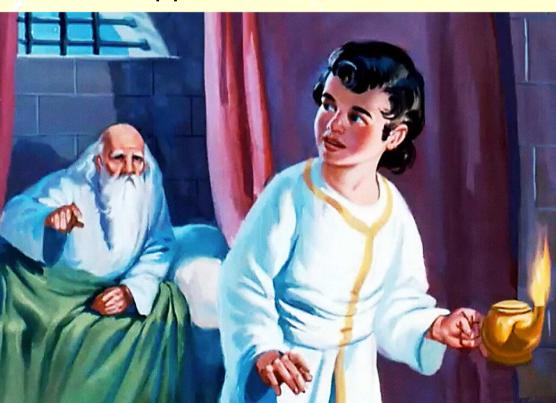
lord, I am the woman that stood by thee here, praying unto the LORD.



27. For this child I prayed; and the LORD hath given me

my petition which I asked of him:

28. Therefore also I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the LORD. And he worshipped the LORD there.



Listen what the Prophet of God said about it:

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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.

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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

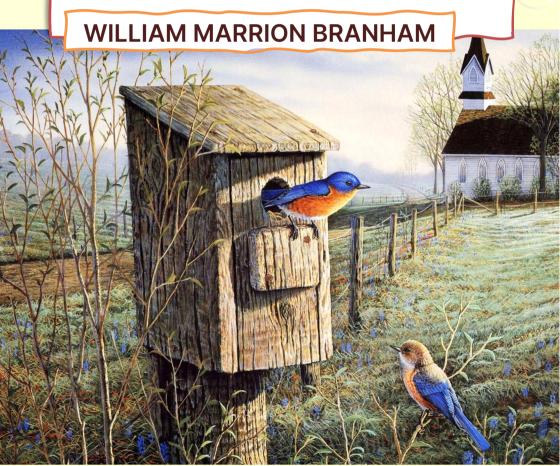
pass through us and we won't see it.

101 Because that she wasn't selfish, she was given a prophet.

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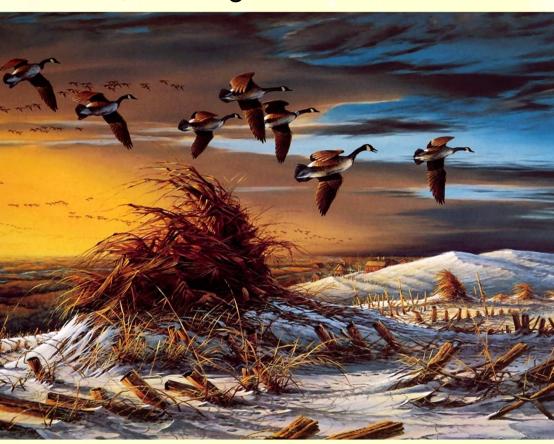
And brother, we ain't got time all through schools, and around through this way, and teach this way, and that way. The time's at hand. Rise, take what is given to you. Let's go. Men and women are dying everywhere.



Message: 53-0508 - God Commissioning Moses

30 I seen in the day of judges, a little old fellow named Shamgar. It's found over in the Book of Judges. And the Philistines would come in and take off everything that they had. Every time they'd raise a crop, then the Philistines would come in and get what they

had and take it off. Oh, what a time, robbing them.



Just like it is today. About every time you get your church built up, first thing you

know, somebody comes along and says, "Oh, the day of miracles is passed." About time that body begins, you begin to feel the moving of the spirit, and you're getting a little better, somebody said, "Now, that's just... See? That's just psychology. You're not any better." That's the old devil that's coming in to rob you. When you got your faith placed in God, leave it there. That's right.



31 And these Philistines, about time the Israelites didn't have any king then. And just

about the time that they'd get their crops all raised and harvest, all the hard work done, in would come the Philistines, take what they had, and go back. They'd starve to death.



So one day, this little old fellow by the name of Shamgar stood out there. I just like that little guy. He was standing there in his barn. He said, "Well, I suppose maybe we'll have enough grain to feed the family this year." He happened to listen. Trump, trump, trump, up the road come about six hundred Philistines, all in armor, big spears, trump, trump, trump, coming to get his crop. My, after all the harvest, after all the trying, after all the effort, and here come six hundred armed Philistines to take away what he had.



32 I see him look down at his little old wife, her ragged

sleeve, about naked. He looked at his little children; their faces were pale, starved to death. Now these big old, husky Philistines come in and take what they have got, they'll sure starve through the winter.



It's about like the little church today, brother, pale, anemia. What we need is the courage and the Word of God. Stand out there, let them old robbers come up, run them away.



Now, Shamgar said, "Now looky here, I know I'm not a warrior, I can't fight, and there's six hundred men. What am I going to do?" I can see him pace back and forth. He didn't know what to do. Coming closer, tromp tromp, tromp... A few minutes all of his oats would be gone; all the wheat and corn would be gone, everything he had laid up. His family would be starved. Everything he had done would been taken off over into that big enemy country there, given away to the enemy.



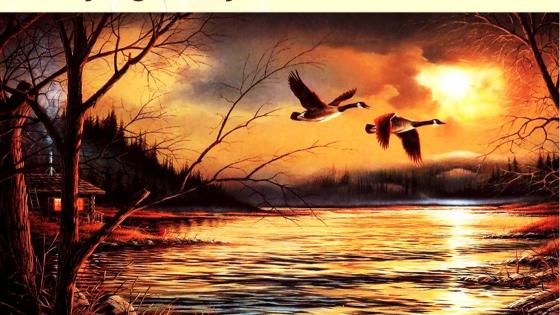
33 Then the first thing you know, God begin to move on him. I like that. He begin to get

angry. My, he looked around, he thought, "Oh, my. I'm an Israelite. I'm circumcised, and an uncircumcised that's Philistine coming up there. I'm not a soldier. I ain't got time to go out here and take some lessons and learn how to duel, and how to fight. But I tell you, God's my god. So he just reached up there and got an old ox-goad. You know what an ox-goad is? A little old thing had a brass knob on the end of it, you beat the cattle

through the corral with. He reached up there and got that ox-goad. He didn't have time to train to be some kind of a fighter. The emergency was at hand; he had to do it then.



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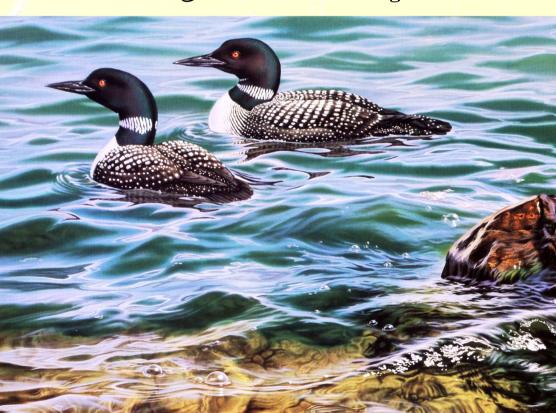
He grabbed that ox-goad, and jumped out there, and slew six hundred Philistines. Hallelujah. Why? He had the courage to trust God and step out there. "Not till I learn go off and learn how to do it." Oh, my. God is your teacher. Hallelujah. The Holy Ghost will back up God's Word every time. Right.

I ain't got time to learn about it. He just jumped out there and knocked down six

hundred Philistines. His kids stayed fat that year. Amen.

If there ever was a time that we ought to stand and defy the devil, it's now my brother. That's right.

53-0508 - God Commissioning Moses



I see the Holy Spirit say, "Simeon, stand up." You believe in being led by the Spirit?

I can see Simeon stand up and say, "Yes, Lord."

"All right, start walking."
Here he goes. "Obedience is better than sacrifice."

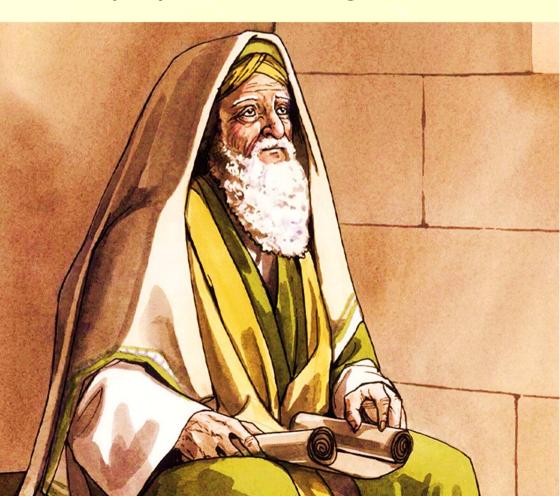
Starts walking out, he don't know where he's going, just the way the Holy Spirit leads him.

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Message: **53-0607E - A Testimony**

9 I think of Simeon, back there in the temple: old man, an old sage, had been told by the Holy Spirit that he wasn't going to see death until he seen the Lord's Christ, Luke the 2nd chapter, you read the article. And he wasn't afraid to go around, tell the people that he was going to see the Christ, because the Holy Spirit told him so. So there's no two Holy Spirits; there's only one. So the same Holy Spirit that was with Simeon, is the same Holy Spirit here tonight.



So now watch, an old man eighty or better years old, old sage, long white hair and beard, very renowned among the people, a teacher, a master in Israel, had to be blameless as touching the law... And the Holy Spirit told him that he wasn't going to see death until he seen the Lord's Christ, so he went around testifying to everybody that he wasn't going to die before he saw Christ. Could you imagine what the church

people of that day thought about him? Why, they thought the old fellow was a little mentally obsessed. But he had a good reason to testify that, because the Holy Ghost said he was so. What the Holy Spirit says, it's the truth.

So he kept on testifying. God has always had a little remnant of people somewhere who would believe Him. Sometime it's got down to one man: the days of Noah. And sometimes real low, but He's

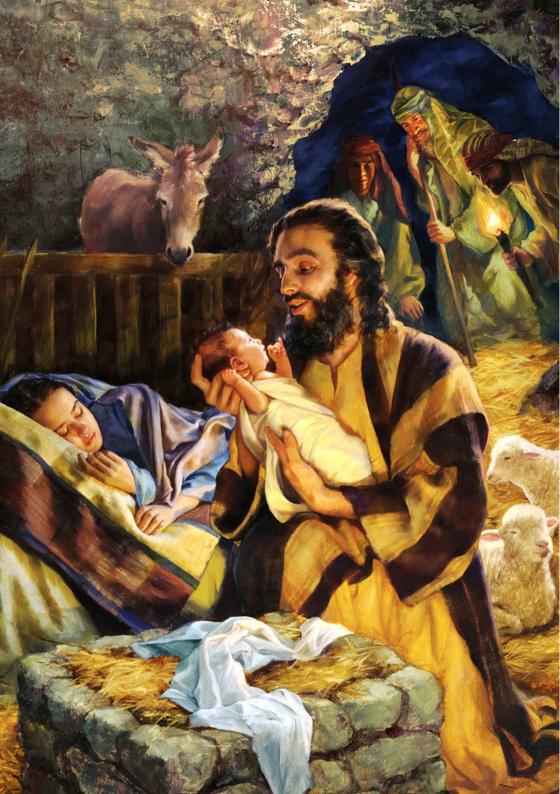
always had somebody who would believe Him, who He could trust and put His hand on, say, "This is My man." See? Always had a remnant on the earth. And then He had a few at that time.

Jesus was born, they didn't have press, and so forth, like we have today, and radio, and television. News just come merely from lip to ear. And when Jesus was born, some magis was watching for the Star of Jacob to rise, so they

followed it over from the Orients and worshipped Him out on the hillside—or in the Bethlehem manger, rather, as a young child. Not a little infant like Christian tradition has it, it was a young Child: baby's two years old. Herod went to immediately killing children from two years old down. Why'd he kill them from two years old if it's just a little new suckling baby a few hours old? See? Strange how people can get things mixed up, isn't it? See?



He was a young Child. A young child's not an infant: a young child. He was two years old. So the magis come from the Orients, following a star that led them to the Child. The shepherds was on the hill, a bunch of peasants out there, herding the sheep, not on the 25th day of December. That's Catholicism. Along in April, 25th day of December, it's as cold as it is in Indiana on Judaea. So they wasn't laying out there on a hill in that snow watching sheep.



So that's just something they set up so they taken on that way. But He wasn't born on December the 25th. You ought to go to over there one time and see how they laugh at that.

11 Now. But however, when the shepherds heard the voice of the angel and the singing, they went into Jerusalem and told what—or down into Bethlehem and told the sights they'd seen and they met the Christ. Well now,

of a Jewish law, every eight days the mother of the child has to come and offer a sacrifice for the, her cleansing, purification, and for the circumcision of the child.

Now, let's give just a little drama here before we get ready for the line. Let's set up the picture now. Something's been noised about, way down in Judaea there, about a star, some fellows coming in, about a star appearing. I hear them talking on the street, saying,

"You know that bunch of fanatics that believe in that?" See? But it was so.

12 And then here's an old man. Let's see-let's say it's Monday morning. And here's the people all standing in this for worship. building Thousands of Jews in the land in those days, many of them was up in there for taxation. And there's probably two or three million Jews in the land that day, so there'd probably be as many as fifty or a hundred babies born every day from the Jews. Well, that meant every day standing in the line for purification and circumcision of the child, would be at least fifty mothers standing with their sacrifices for the purification of child.

Let's say it's Monday morning. Here stands a long string of people, many thousands swarming in and out the temple. And along the row, here's a woman holding a little chain; she's got a lamb on it; she's a rich woman; she's dressed in fine laces and silks, holding her little baby here, all wrapped up real nice. And the neighbor woman who goes to the same church she does, they're talking about the baby and how lovely it is, and exchanging remarks.

13 Let's look along the line. But way down there I see a little girl standing, about eighteen, nineteen years old with a veil over her face,

holding two turtledoves: a peasant's offering, poor man.



And she's got a baby in her arm. And some of them says, "Say, that's that Mary; that—

that's that illegitimate child there. See? She says... She's not even married to that Joseph there and she's got this baby before he was born. Don't stand near her. Get in back."

Just reminds me of the chaste church, today. "Stand back, get away from them." See? "Standing back, give them room."

But look in that mother's arms. That Baby's not wrapped in fine linen. The

Baby's wrapped in swaddling's cloth. You know what swaddling's cloth is? What they told me there was what the—a ox plows with, and the-the yoke rubs him on the neck. They just wrap that cloth around there; that's called swaddling cloth. And in the manger, they didn't have nothing to wrap the Baby in, so they just unwrapped this old swaddling's cloth (It was hanging on a peg

something.) and wrapped the Child in it.

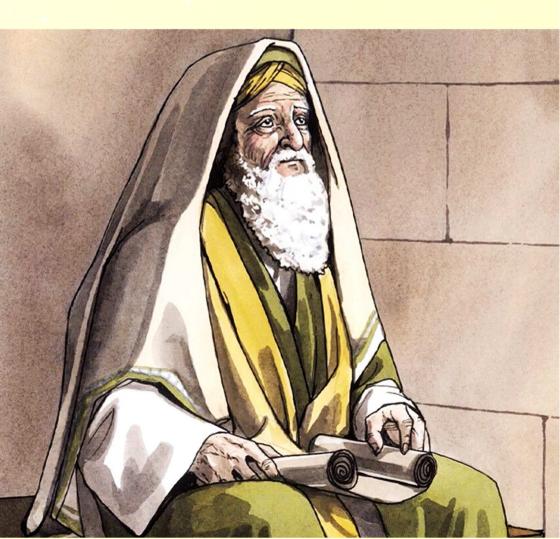
Think of it: some of we people, the way we dress and act and carry on, and the very Saviour of Heaven with a rag wrapped around Him.

14 She was holding her Baby. In her little innocent heart she knew Who that Baby belonged to, no matter what anybody else said, she knew Whose it was. And every man tonight hold's that Baby in his heart, they know

what they are, no matter what the rest of the world said.

The people stayed back. And there she's holding the little Baby, wrapped in swaddling's cloth: the Redeemer of the world, the very God of Heaven made flesh among us, wrapped in swaddling's cloth. She was rocking the little Fellow in her arms and playing with Him. She knew in her heart that God gave her that Baby by the Holy Spirit.

They moved up a little farther and the priest called another one. They moved up, like standing in a prayer line.

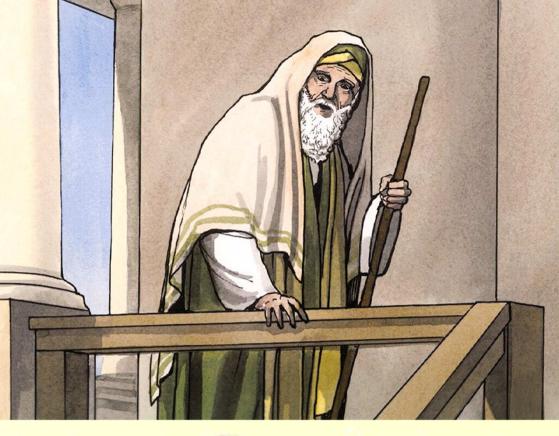


15 Let's look over there in a prayer room, about a half a block away. I see an old preacher by the name of Simeon, setting there reading the Scriptures, "All we like sheep have gone astray. The Lord has laid upon Him the iniquity of us all." And about that time, if God had give Him the promise by the Holy Ghost that he wasn't going to die until he seen the Christ, when the Christ appeared, was time for God to call him. I see the

Holy Spirit say, "Simeon, stand up." You believe in being led by the Spirit?

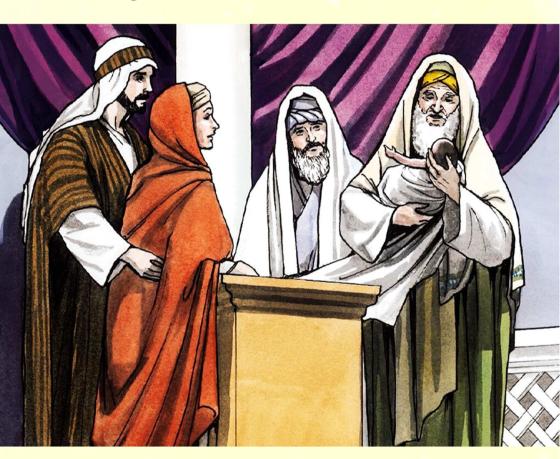
I can see Simeon stand up and say, "Yes, Lord."

"All right, start walking."
Here he goes. "Obedience is better than sacrifice."
Starts walking out, he don't know where he's going, just the way the Holy Spirit leads him. Here he comes out through the temple, down around the mobs of people.



First thing you know he comes to that long line of them babies. Here he comes walking, led by the Holy Spirit. My, come right on down and stopped before this little woman that had this little

disgraced Baby, as they thought.



Picked the little Fellow up in his arms, the tears running

down his white beard, he said, "Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace according to Thy Word, for my eyes have seen Your Salvation." What was the matter? He was expecting to see Christ, 'cause the Holy Spirit told him he'd see Christ.

16 You usually get just what you're expecting. You come to the meeting to criticize, the devil will show you plenty to criticize. If you come to a meeting to be

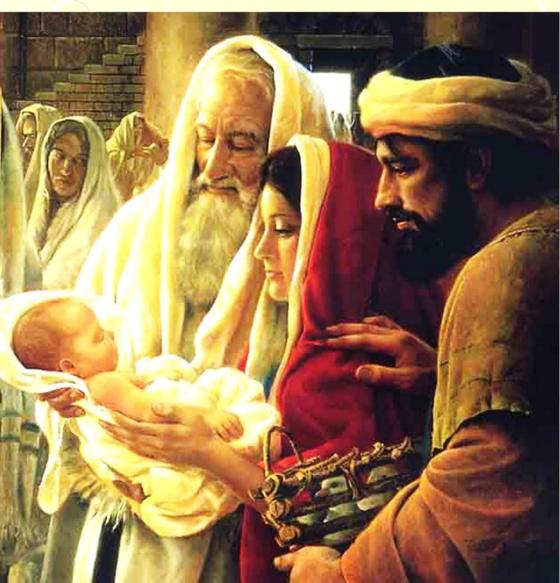
blessed, God will give you a blessing. Whatever you expect, that's what you're going to find. Simeon was expecting to see the Lord. And God led him right to it, just at the same time.

Listen. When the deep calls to the deep, there's got to be a deep to respond to it. That's right. If there's something in here, a creation in here, before that creation can be there, a Creator has to create that creation.



As I've said many times, before a fin was on a fish's back, there had to be a water for him to swim in or he wouldn't have no fin. And if there's something in here

calling out for more of God, there's got to be more of God out yonder to respond to it.



How many of you here believe in Divine healing? Why, brother, if it wasn't even written in the Bible, it'd have to be something to it. If there's something in here calling out for Divine healing, there's a fountain open somewhere.



17 Look. Let's take another picture. Oh, I don't want to get started here. I see another picture. Just a moment. Look way over there in a corner, an old blind prophetess by the name of Ann. She didn't leave the temple day and night, but she set there serving the Lord, praying. She was looking for the deliverance of Israel. All right. Watch. Amen. Oh, I love this.

The Holy Spirit said, "Stand up, Ann."



She was blind, we're told. Here comes that old blind prophetess, down through that building, weaving amongst the people. Blind, led by the Holy Spirit, came right straight to where Christ was in her arms

of the mother, and raised up her hands, and blessed God. She was expecting to see Him. Yet blind, the Holy Spirit led her.



The same Holy Spirit that led Simeon and Ann, is the same Holy Spirit that's led you here tonight, for you believe the Bible teaches Divine healing. You believe the Bible teaches Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever. And that same Jesus that led them, the same Spirit, is the Spirit that's led you here tonight. And I know that He's here. Believe Him.

Now, if you're here, God led you here. The Holy Spirit

that led Simeon, led you here. And if you're here sick tonight, believe Him. He's brought you to the fountain. He promised Divine healing. The Bible teaches that: "Whosoever will, let him come." Now, you're here. Reminds me just... I've got about eight minutes.

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Let that soak real deep. No matter what the trouble is, God will make a way



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Now, when Moses was born, Moses, God's instrument, chosen, provided, foreordained, elected, predestined by God for Histo be His tool to work with in that age, Satan was doing everything he could to catch him, but God pulled it over on him.

30 Why? We find out here that a daughter of Levi, or a son of Levi went and married a daughter of Levi. And this children—child was born, and

when it was born, they seen that it was a right kind of a child. Amen. I hope you get this.

She looked at that baby and there was something taking place. She knew that the time was nigh that they should be delivered, and the Holy Spirit, to my opinion, revealed to her, "This is him." And she wasn't afraid of the king's commandment and his threats.

There you are. When faith takes a hold, fear drops away. Faith's got big muscles and a hairy chest. When it speaks, everything else keeps quiet. Cancer has to shut up and get out of the way. Tumor, TB, the rest of them moves out when faith raise up, say, "Set down." That settles it.

31 Oh, my. Let it be king Pharaoh, ever who it was, when that little old house woman raised up and looked at that child, she wasn't afraid

what the king said. That's the second power we're going to talk on. The power of the devil, sure, he has the power and reign of death, but the second power was given, was faith. And faith puts Satan to shame. Certainly it does.

And that little housewife held that little baby in her arms, and she wasn't afraid of the king's commandment. She didn't care what the king said; she knowed God was able, and God would keep His Word.

Oh, if we could only accumulate that kind of faith tonight, get that kind of faith living among us, mainly moving in our beings, moving through the Church, not just the emotional faith, but a real solid faith that won't take no for an answer, know that God said so and that settles it. I love it.

32 Look at it now. What did she do? She didn't try to have

her baby to escape the death penalty that was passed upon all the children, but by faith she made an ark, and slimed it within and without, and put pitch in it for an atonement to carry him through the waters of death.

What a beautiful picture of Christ. Never shunning or, "not My will, but Thine be done," not shunning death, but willing to take death in order to make an atonement for us to ride over the river of

death on. What a beautiful picture here we have.

Look at the mother, weaving these little bulrushes together, and taking some slime, and putting all on the inside of it so it would be nice and soft, and pitch on the outside.

33 Now, over in Leviticus, if you'll read, you'll find that word "pitch" and "slime" is also translated "atonement." Read it, and find out if that isn't true. It's an atonement. It

was also made—called atonement in the days of Noah. When Noah, a hundred and twenty years of preaching, yet saved no souls but his own household, and was warned of God, and knowed that judgment was coming... And he knowed he could not escape it, but God provided an atonement for him. I love that. God will make a way.

Let that soak real deep. No matter what the trouble is, God will make a way.

He's called in the Bible Jehovah-jireh. Jehovah-jireh means, "the Lord will provide." Amen. I'm so glad tonight to know that He's still Jehovah-jireh. No matter what the circumstances is, God will make a way, make a way of escape.

34 The... Satan may pin you in a corner with a cancer, God will make a way of

escape. Satan may pin you down under a car, God will make a way of escape. Satan may taken your family away from you, but God will make a way of escape. God has a way.

Notice. And now, Noah...
Let's look at that ark just a moment, how he provided it.
Now, he just couldn't go out and cut down any kind of a tree. Because any kind of thing won't stand the judgments of God. The water

was Divine judgment that was going to destroy all the world, and it had to be something that would face the Divine judgment.

And friend of mine, I want you to know tonight, that there is coming a Divine judgment on all the world. Remember, Satan's having his domain now. You think you're having a big time, but wait. His dominion will end pretty soon. Then the Kingdom of God will

be established. I want to be in that Kingdom.

35 Standing persecutions in present day time now, looking forward to the coming of the great King on Whose Kingdom and dominion I am trying to uphold before the people, to say that He's not dead like other gods is supposed to be, but He's risen from the dead and is alive forever more...

Look at him. Oh, I love this. It makes me feel real religious

when I think of that. To think of it.

Now, God specified the kind of wood that Noah was to build that ark out of. And it was called gopher wood.

One day, I happened to look up and thought, "Well, what kind of a wood would that be?" So I begin to look back into the word—dictionaries and so forth to find out what gopher wood meant. And then I—I got the... Find out what it was, and it

was a real soft wood, real soft and tender wood. Well, I thought, "Say, where could that apply to the believer?" The ark is built as the Church. The ark was the Church, And I said, "Oh, I see it, God." It's built out of believers, not cold and indifferent, hard, but soft and a pliable to the hands of God. That's what the ark was built out of. Oh, I said, "Praise the Lord." That's good.

36 Tender-hearted, willing to admit you're wrong, say,

"God, be merciful to me, a sinner." Then God can take that and move and place it in the ark.

Then Satan come along, said, "But, you better read a little more, and find out what that was." The wood had... Soft wood has open pores. And there's... It's just real soft, and that kind of a gopher wood, if you'd put it in the water, in a few minutes it would be water-logged, the ship would. If you made an

ark out of gopher wood, and pitched it out there in the water, it's so open, the pores so open, making the wood soft, till the waters would soak right into it, and the ship would sink just in a little bit.

37 But I noticed then, that God told Noah to pitch this ark. Put pitch in it, on the inside, and on the outside: both sides. Well then, I seen what pitch was made out of. It was a pine tree, hard tree, that was cut down, a

evergreen tree, ever alive tree. And it was cut down, and they beat the tree with a beating iron until they beat the rosin out of it. And then they put the rosin in a pot, and boiled it until it got real, real hot, and this hot rosin was poured upon this gopher wood, and it opened, just soaked it in. And when it become full of this rosin then when it... Once full of that rosin, it settled, and set up. It was harder than steel.

38 And I thought, "That's it, Lord. Get a good open hearted person and pour in the pitch, which was the Holy Ghost, into the believer with the Holy Ghost and fire, until they're so soaked full, they're not theirself any more." Then she can blunt the waves. Bump against the logs, and knock them out of the way, keep going on. Hallelujah. The only thing that can stand the judgments today is a borned again Christian, filled with the

Holy Ghost. God het the Spirit of God, and poured it out upon them, and soaked his whole being full. Amen. I like that.

Then he begins to... he can really shove out into the devil's territory without looking right or left. Amen. That's what the believer is. He's actually poured... He's softhearted and God just pours him full of Divine love, that he can brace the Divine

judgments that's sent of God. And it carried Noah through.

39 How I like to see this little mother with her little ark there all pitched inside and outside, slime and pitch on it. And now, she comes down to the river. She's—she's not willing; she's not ready to make her little boy... have to hide him out somewhere... But by eyes of faith, she seen what God was going to do. She took him right down to the river in this little ark. And no

doubt, we couldn't think that was a natural act, friends. It's got to be a supernatural act.

There she was standing there with a crystal tears in her eyes, as she placed her little baby, as it was, in the casket of death, that was going to pitch it out on the water there. And 'course, she knew that by faith she believed that behind all the clouds of darkness, there was a living God Who would take that baby to its destination, for she seen it was a proper child. Amen.

40 That's the way I think tonight about the little old Holy Ghost Church. It may be kicked around this way, or that way, and called everything, but I know that God has poured the pitch into that Church, and someday... I don't know how. I can't tell you, but God will take it to its eternal destination. I don't know how. Because I see It moving by the Holy Spirit. It's

all supernatural to me. I don't understand It. I just believe It, and accept It, move on with It, as the tides move on.

How she pitched this little ark, and set it out on the ocean... Remember, in that ocean was crocodiles and everything. But not one bit of fear was in the mother's heart. For she was... When she placed that baby in there, she was walking in the same footsteps of her father Abraham, years ago, who

walked by faith, and called those things which were not as though they were, for he endured seeing Him Who is invisible.

41 And the same is tonight with any man or any woman, who is the children of Abraham. By faith, you pitch out not knowing, and can't show by any supernatural, or any sign, rather, what It is, but you believe It, because God has said so; and you take Him

at His Word. Amen. Watch Him now, as it goes on.

My, these nights are just not long enough. Notice, just when you get to a point, you have to stop. Just go just a little farther. Let's follow this baby for a few moments.

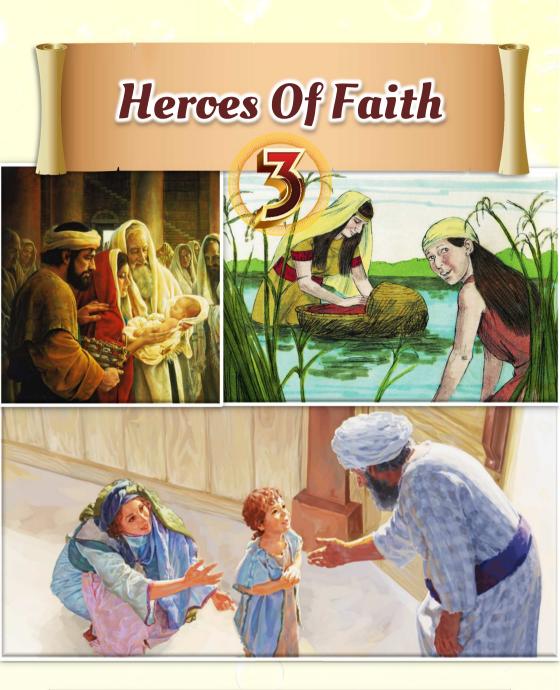
There she puts him out into the ocean with faith believing. You know, sometimes when we come to our loved ones, right down to the very bitter tears of laying them away and so forth, like she was there, in a type putting him in the sea, or in the Nile, the waters of death... While the gloomy clouds was all around, her eyes could look through that and know that behind that cloud was a living God of the resurrection. She couldn't see it with her eyes, but faith was standing there with her. That man with strong muscles and a hairy chest could look beyond the clouds yonder and see God behind the clouds.

42 And tonight, maybe a cancer has conquered you; maybe something else has taken a hold of you, some disease, even the disease of sin, or whatever it is. It may look dark and gloomy to you now; may look like you'll never recover, maybe look like you can't get over that TB, that prostate trouble, or that lung trouble, whatever it is, that tumor, that crippled condition. The doctor may say every hope is gone. But standing

right by your side tonight, ready to take you in possession, stands the eyes of faith who sees the victory yonder through the Lord Jesus Christ. Hallelujah.

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