

## Desperation no 34

*Scriptural examples of Desperation no. 5 - Blind Bartimaeus*

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**Mark 10:46** *And they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people, blind Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, sat by the highway side begging. 47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, thou Son of David, have mercy on me. 48 And many charged him that he should hold his peace: but he cried the more a great deal, Thou Son of David, have mercy on me. 49 And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee. 50 And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus. 51 And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight. 52 And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.*

Let us pray, Dear Father we see this simple story fo desperation and faith put into action, and we thank you because we know that you are the same and you change not. And since you can not change, we ask you to help us to place our own selves into this Sxripture tonight as we see the need to see what he could not see, and his desperation caused him to cry out to Your son Jesus to help him. we thank you for this because we too are a needy people, and we are not where we should be in our growth into Christ, so we cry out tonight "Lord help me" for we ask it in Jesus Christ' name.

Now, I would like to take this story to br. Branham's sermon "**Desperation**", and we will read from paragraph **80** *Blind Bartimaeus thought Jesus was going to pass him by, setting out there at the gate, blind, beggar for alms. The first thing you know, he heard a noise; Jesus was passing by. He said, "Who passes by?" Somebody shoved him down. He said, "Please, somebody, Who's passing by?" One of them, maybe a kind little disciple woman, said to him, said, "Sir, don't you know Who that is passing by?" "No" I hear some of them say, 'There's a whole graveyard full of dead people up here. If you raise the dead, go raise them.' Is it a blasphemer or somebody?" "No. Have you ever heard of that Prophet of Galilee, that young Prophet called Jesus of Nazareth?" "No." "Well, you know, in the Bible it said in our scrolls that the Son of David will be raised up to set on it. That's Him." "Is that Him? Is that Him? And He's passing by." **Desperation drove him to scream,** "Oh, Jesus Thou Son of David, have mercy upon me!"*

Then brother Branham sings that song we know so well, so let's all sing it together.

**"Pass me not, O gentle Saviour, Hear my humble cry; While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by."** **Refrain:** Savior, Savior, Hear my humble cry, While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.

*Let me at Thy throne of mercy Find a sweet relief; Kneeling there in deep contrition,  
Help my unbelief. Refrain: Savior, Savior, Hear my humble cry, While on others  
Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.*

*Trusting only in Thy merit, Would I seek Thy face; Heal my wounded, broken spirit,  
Save me by Thy grace. Refrain: Savior, Savior, Hear my humble cry, While on others  
Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.*

*Thou the spring of all my comfort, More than life to me, Whom have I on earth beside  
Thee, Whom in Heav'n but Thee. Refrain: Savior, Savior, Hear my humble cry, While  
on others Thou art calling,  
Do not pass me by.*

**81** "Oh, Jesus." Some of them said, "Shut up, you make too much noise." But **he was desperate.**

Now, listen, when you are desperate you do not listen to what others say that try to deter you from what you are desperate over. As I have told you the dream where I was talking to brother Branham back in 2011. It was so real and the atmosphere was so real, and when I asked brother Branham what the time of the resurrection would be like, he said "**it will be like suicide**" and I knew immediately what he meant by that. He was letting me know that it will be a time of desperation, and there will be no turning back, and no matter what anyone tries to tell you, you have your mind made up and there is no looking back.

**"Desperation".** We are now entering into the most desperate times on earth for man.

**2 Timothy 3: 1 AMPLIFIED:** *"But understand this, that in the last days there will set in perilous times of great stress and trouble - hard to deal with and hard to bear.*

Now we know that Brother Branham told us "*it is the hybrid foods and the tensions that are rotting the bodies and the minds of the people*". And when you look at the insanity of the world, and see it has to come according to **Deuteronomy 28** because the nations have turned down the Voice of God to this generation.

**15** *But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God,* (and the voice of the Lord God has come down with a Shout which is a Message, so if they do not hearken then that means they do not pay attention to it. I do not care if you claim to believe God sent a prophet, if you do not pay attention to what he said you will be cursed with a curse.)

**15** *But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee:*

This means that you will not even see them coming until they have come upon you and before you know it they will overtake you. Now, let's review these curses,

*GOD's curse will be in the city, and GOD's curse will be in the country; GOD's curse on your basket (your ability to store) and bread bowl; (the food which is on your table). Could this be the GMO poisoned food?*

*GOD's curse will be upon your children, and upon the crops of your land, and upon the young of your livestock, and upon the calves of your herds, and upon the lambs of your flocks.* In other words, their entire source of income, will be cursed.

*GOD's curse will be upon your coming in, and your going out.* In other words, everywhere you turn there will be no way to escape the curse because you have turned down the only way of escape which is the Voice of the Lord your God. The curse of God will be upon every nation, every city, everywhere in the country because you won't be able to flee anywhere to escape the curse which is coming upon the entire earth. Why? Because the next verse tells us that the very Creator of all things will send the curse.

**20 GOD will send The Curse, and Confusion,** (which is defined as *disorder; upheaval; tumult; chaos*: because it is everywhere, people won't know which way to turn. There are no governments which are looking out for their people. The Elites who run all governments have sold out to Satan, and are causing the confusion by their economic *policies, and immigration policies, and their policies which have turned aside borders, until the people have no way to turn.*)

Brother Branham said in his sermon, **World's Falling Apart 63-0412M P:90** *Every government in the world's controlled by the devil, every system, every... Jesus said so. Satan admitted, "These are all mine. I do with them whatever I want to." Where are we at then today? Look where we're standing.*

And again he said in **God's gifts always find place 63-1222 P:39** *See, the whole creation was lost, everything was gone. It all belonged to Satan. He fell heir to it, and he still owns it. He certainly does. That's the reason we're fighting and having all of this trouble. He controls every kingdom; Satan does. Every government, every king, every kingdom, controlled by Satan. The whole world is controlled and run by Satan. That's the reason we have the troubles that we have. Any Bible student, or anything, can tell you that, Satan... Well, the Bible Itself says he did (See?), that **he controls the world.** But Christ will fall heir to it, for now He is our Redeemer. And He come to redeem the whole creation, and nothing could do it but God Himself.*

**Five identifications 60-0911E P:15** *But as I travel around the world, I find every nation has its own spirit. And all nations are controlled by the Devil. All governments are ruled by the Devil. **The Bible said so.** They fight, they war, and they will till Jesus comes, and then He'll set up a Kingdom that there'll be no war. But **Satan said that all the kingdoms of the world was his, and he'd do with them whatever he wanted to,** right in the face of Jesus Christ. And **they're all Satan's instruments, Satan's kingdoms.** Satan told Jesus, "*I'll give them to you if you'll fall down and worship me.*" Jesus knowed He'd fall Heir to them in the millennium, so He*

said, "Get thee hence, Satan." He knew that God would give Him all of the kingdoms, and they would be His, and they'll all be one Kingdom.

**Questions and answers COD 59-0628E P:44** How many people here understand that **the devil controls every nation under heaven?** **The devil controls the United States.** The devil is government of the United States. **The devil is the government of Germany.** **He's the government of every nation under heaven.** **The devil controls every nation.** The Bible says he does. Read **Matthew the 4th chapter**, when Satan took Jesus up to the top of the mountain, and showed Him the kingdoms of the world, and claimed them to be his, and said, "I'll give them to you if you'll worship me." Jesus never said, "You lied, Satan." **He knew they belonged to him.** But over in the Book of Revelation, said, "Rejoice, you heavens and you earth, for the kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ. And He shall reign on earth." **Jesus knew that in the millennium that all the governments and kingdoms will be broke down, and He'll be God and Ruler over all of them.** He knew He fell heir to all of it; so therefore, He told Satan, "**Get thee behind Me, Satan,**" for He knew what He had to do.

Notice, the Scripture teaches us in verse **20 GOD will send The Curse, and the Confusion** (*disorder; upheaval; tumult; chaos*) **and Contrariness** (*opposite in nature or character; diametrically or mutually opposed*): That's all this LGBT, and sodomite-rights, and everything that is good is considered evil by the governments, and everything that is evil is considered good by the governments, because satan runs all governments and so all this contrariness is prophesied by God as part of the curse because the entire world has sold out to satan. It is now his kingdom on earth.)

**20 GOD will send The Curse, and the Confusion and Contrariness will come down on everything you try to do** until you've been destroyed and there's nothing left of you, all because of your evil pursuits that led you to abandon me.

**21 GOD will infect you with The Disease, wiping you right off the land that you're going in to possess.**

In other words the "**land to possess**" in our day will be the millennium, and before God brings forth the millennium, all the peoples of the earth will be wiped out because only those who "**hearkened and paid attention to the voice of the Lord will be allowed to enter it.**"

Now, let's skip forward to verse 28.

**28 The LORD shall smite thee with insanity, and blindness, and astonishment of heart:**

Now, this astonishment means "**consternation**" which is defined as: *a sudden, alarming amazement or dread that results in utter confusion;* And that confusion is due to the total insanity that is coming upon the earth.

No wonder he warns us in **2 Timothy 3: 1 AMPLIFIED:** "But understand this, that in the last days there will set in perilous times of great stress and trouble - hard to deal with and hard to bear.

Now, those are the conditions of the curse in the body and within society itself. But added to them there will be conditions of the curse that will be atmospheric in nature.

**23 The sky over your head will become like brass,** (The Hebrew word used here for brass is **nchosheth** which figuratively means **brazen** or **filthiness** - which sounds like air pollution and **chem trails** which use heavy metals like **barium**, (**Barium is often used in barium-nickel alloys for spark-plug electrodes an in vacuum tubes as drying and oxygen-removing agent**) it is released into the atmosphere by oil drilling, **Because of the extensive use of barium in the industries human activities add greatly to the release of barium in the environment. As a result barium concentrations in air, water and soil may be higher than naturally occurring concentrations on many locations.** Barium enters the air during mining processes, refining processes, and during the production of barium compounds. It can also enter the air during coal and oil combustion..

Notice that barium is used to eliminate oxygen, interesting, because that might explain the reduction in oxygen levels in our atmosphere.

From "the Centre for Global Research" website Globalresearch.org We are told,



"For more than a decade, first the United States and then Canada's citizens have been subjected to a 24/7/365 day aerosol assault over our heads made of a toxic brew of poisonous heavy metals, chemicals, and other dangerous ingredients. None of this was reported by any

mainstream media. The US Department of Defense [DOD] and military have been systematically blanketing all our skies with what are known as Chemtrails (also known as **Stratospheric Aerosol Geo-engineering**).<sup>(2)</sup> These differ vastly from the usual plane contrails that evaporate rather quickly in the sky. Chemtrails do not dissipate. Rather, planes (fitted with special nozzles) release aerosols "lines" in the sky that do not evaporate. Multiple planes are deployed, flying parallel (or often "checkerboard" patterns) overhead; and soon the sky is blanketed with many grayish-white lines [miles and miles long, although this is changing]. At first, these lines are thin; but soon they expand and, in a short time, merge together. Our once-blue sky has vanished and has been replaced by a grayish-white toxic haze that blots out and greatly diminishes our usual sunshine."

"Over the past decade, independent testing of Chemtrails around the country has shown a dangerous, extremely poisonous brew that includes: **barium**, (which we have already discussed) nano aluminum-coated fiberglass [known as CHAFF].

**radioactive thorium**, (Thorium and uranium do not belong in the human body, and cause cancer if they are breathed in or ingested. When mining, processing and dealing with nuclear waste, dust and gases are generated, as well as liquid wastes. There is very little difference between heavy metals when it comes to being poisonous. Now add on the hazards of internal radiation.) **cadmium, chromium, nickel, desiccated blood, mold spores, yellow fungal mycotoxins, ethylene dibromide, and polymer fibers**. This is from samplings taken of the chem trails themselves.) **cadmium, chromium, nickel, desiccated blood, mold spores, yellow fungal mycotoxins, ethylene dibromide, and polymer fibers**. **Barium can be compared to the toxicity of arsenic.** (4) Barium is known to adversely affect **the heart**. Aluminum has a history of **damaging brain function**. Independent researchers and labs continue to show off-the-scale levels of these poisons. A few "anonymous" officials have acknowledged this on-going aerosol spraying.(5)"

So Satan's Eden is controlled by the governments of the world and as a result the very air we breathe and the water we drink is so filled with contaminants that Jesus warned,

**Mark 13: 20 And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved: but for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, he hath shortened the days.**

And I heard a couple scientists talking the other day about all this aluminum and metals in the atmosphere that the frequencies that we live by are being changed until people will not know whether they are dreaming or actually living what they see. And they also said as the magnetic fields of the solar system that will be passing through our own solar system comes closer, the insanity will be 100%. As one CIA analyst said, "You would need a lead helmet over your head to keep from going insane."

But we see brother Branham warn us of the end time insanity, and we only have to look around us at what is taking place in this world to know that mankind can not continue another generation with the mental degeneracy that is happening as fast as it is now.

And if we add to the daily poisoning of our bodies and our brains by the air and water conditions, and GMO foods we eat, all it will take to set off the insanity is tension and stress and we see the undoing of the human race. right before us.

And you will notice that the *Amplified Translation* of 2 Tim 3:1 tells us "*these times of great tension and stress will be hard to deal with and hard to bear.*"

Therefore we are moving into a time when desperation is becoming the norm. When we see what is happening in the economy, and in the political chaos, and the government spying, and the loss of civil liberties, then we ask ourselves, what have we got to look forward to except for God to extricate us from what is coming down the pike.

God warned us this would happen in **Isaiah 24:1**. *Behold, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.* 2. *And it shall be, as with the people, so with the priest; as with the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender, so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to him.* 3. *The land shall be utterly emptied,* (that means depopulated) *and utterly spoiled:* (that means polluted) *for the LORD hath spoken this word.* 4. *The earth mourneth and fadeth away, the world languisheth and fadeth away, the haughty people of the earth do languish.* 5. *The earth also is defiled* (polluted) *under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant.* 6. *Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.*

Again we see in **Malachi 4:5** "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: 6. And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

So we see that God promised that he would have to come and destroy the earth with a curse, but he also said, before I do, I will send mercy, and I will send the spirit of Elijah back to earth with a Message of mercy, to get my chosen people out before the destruction comes.

**Matthew 24:22** *And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.*

So we see there came a Message and it was to make ready a prepared people for the Lord, as he promised in His Word. Now, back to br. Branham's sermon **Desperation** and we'll pick up where we left off at paragraph 81. *"If He got by, he might never have another opportunity. We might not either. This might be the last night.* **Desperation**, he screamed out, "Oh, Jesus!" No matter who told him to stop, he cried just the same that much more louder. When they told him to shut up, it made him get louder. **He was desperate**. Nobody could stop him. **"Thou Son of David, have mercy on me."** And he screamed in desperation.

**82** *And the Son of God with the sins of the world upon His shoulders, going to Jerusalem to be offered up right then for a sacrifice for the world, stopped in His tracks.* **Desperation, a despairing cry stopped the Son of God.** Said, "**What would you have Me do for you?**" Oh. Said, "**Lord, that I might receive my sight.**" Said, "**Go you way; your faith saves you.**" That was enough. **Desperation.** **When desperation is to receive something, the faintest little touch, faith grabs it.** See? He didn't say, "Now, wait a minute, wait a minute, hold that there just a minute; let me see if I can see now. I never did see my hands for many years. Let's see if I can see it. I don't see nothing yet." When Jesus said, "**Thy faith has saved thee,**" that was enough. That's all he wanted.

83 Desperation calls for a subject, and when the subject, no matter how faint it is, is received, it's believed right then, because faith catches when desperation's pushing it. See? Love in there mixes with it and brings it to it. Desperation does it. Blind Bartimaeus caught the vision quickly.

Peter, he was all steamed up one night on the sea when he got in desperation, and he began to cry out, "There's something wrong. I see a spirit come walking to me." The ship was about to go down. He said, "If it be You, Lord, bid me to come to You on the water." And he stepped down out of the ship and started; and he got scared when he got started, and he started to sink and **desperation**--though a mistake in trying to follow the commandments of God... I hope the church gets that. The man was doing what God told him to do.

84 Now, you Christians tonight, you're in the line of duty, trying to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit; and a cancer grabs you, or a death grabs you, the cancer, tubercular, whatever it is, in the line of duty, you have the same right that Peter had. "Lord, save me or I'll perish." **In desperation he called out**, and a hand reached and picked him up...?... You have the same thing. But he screamed out, "Save me, Lord." He heard my despairing cry, **From the waters lifted me, now safe am I.** (See?) That's it, when you cry out.

85 Maybe this woman, mother, whatever it was to her little son or grandson, or nephew, whatever it was, cried out in despair; God heard. Then we find out that in the sinking, God heard him. In the line of duty he started to sink. He failed. No matter if you fail, that don't have nothing to do with it. We all fail. We're a failure to begin with, but we got Somebody standing now with a strong hand who can reach us and take us above the water. If you've made a mistake. Some woman made a mistake, some man made a mistake, some boy, girl made a mistake, don't sink. Scream out in despair, "Lord, save me or I'll perish." **Get desperate about it. God will hear you.** He always hears a desperate soul. That's what I'm trying to tell you about.

Let us pray