

## #190 Patience and the Promise of God

**1** 2 Peter 1: 6 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, 3According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: 4Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. 5And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; 6And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

**2** James 5: 7 Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

**3** James 5: 10 Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience. 11 Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.

**4** Hebrews 12: 1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

**5** Hebrews 6: 10For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister. 11And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end: 12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

**6** Let us pray, Dear Father we read in your word this morning that we are to run with patience the race that is set before us and that through faith and patience we shall inherit the promises. Help us dear Father as children of your kingdom, run this race that has been set before us with patience, that through Faith in Thy Great Revelation of Thyself, knowing Who you are and having knowledge of the relationship that you had with your son Jesus and being aware of his great obedience to You Father, may we also come into that image for we ask it in Jesus Christ's name. Amen.

**7** Now, we are going to deal with the subject of patiently waiting this morning because you will find in our reading from brother Branham's sermon, The spoken Word is the original Seed and the after noon sermon, paragraph 50 that brother Branham deals quite strongly about the church like Eve was not willing to wait and that is where she gets in trouble all the time. YOu see the ability to wait is also the ability to be able to trust, and that is Faith. If something has truly been revealed to you, then you have patience to wait for it. Now, that does not mean that you just sit there and do nothing, for Faith without works is dead.

**8** When God revealed to Abraham that there was a land of promise, he began walking and in his walking he completely encircled the entire land, never really finding rest for his weary bones. But he also was given a promise of a seed from his own loins, and that of Sarai his wife. And just as Eve couldn't wait for the promise of God for her and Adam to produce a child God had promised by the Spoken Word, Sarah Couldn't wait either, and in not waiting we have all the problems with the sons of Ishmael that we have in this hour.

**9** And what did Eve's not waiting produce? Seed of the serpent. Seed of the beast. Men who do not know God but are religious any way. And what did Sarai's impatience produce? More of the same, and we see it daily in the news today. Men who fight brother with brother, unruly, savage, but boy are they religious. And what did the church produce when she couldn't wait for the promised son. More of the same. Men who would kill you thinking they are doing God a service without it being His will. So if you have your booklets of br. Branham's sermon, let's turn to paragraph 50 in the second half and begin our reading.

**10** 50 All right, what's she trying to do? Oh, she manufactures a little jumping on the platform, not making fun of it; it's all right. She manufactures something else. Why? To get members in the church. What's the matter? She just can't wait. See? She can't wait for God to do it. They got to get members in there somewhere. So they tell them, "You have to do that," and away they go. See, there's the seed coming right up. You have to do it.

**11** 51 I'm a missionary. I've seen the Africans take blood of an animal and pour it over themselves like this (stark naked, men and women), put paint on their face, that's where it come from; paint come from a heathen trait, not for us human beings, Christians, believers: never was. Wasn't only one woman in all the Bible that ever painted herself, that was Jezebel, a devil. So then they put paint on their face, big long things in their ears like blocks of wood (the Zulus)--it is a block of wood, make the flesh of the ear hang way down there, sometimes split their lips and put them way out (think it looks beautiful), put over their breast and down around their legs and things, blood, and then take and make stripes like a zebra, and shout, dance in the spirit, and speak in tongues, and worship devils: evidence of the Holy Ghost?

**12** 52 Now, I've been right there in India when they had the fire walkers and everything else and know it's the truth. A great big idol there with rubies in the ears for earrings and things like that, and they've put torments, and sticking things through their flesh, and beat themselves, and sew their lips up if they've lied, and doing penitence, and run a saber through their lips here or through their chin up through their nose and stick it out like that; take big fish hooks, with a--like Christmas tree balls, went and filled it full of water and hook thousands of them over their body, right through the flesh, and go over there and dance around this idol like that, and kill a goat, and do worship like this, and walk right through red hot fire without a scorch. Some of you Pentecostals try it.

**13** 53 But it was done, the Hebrew children! But they never tempt the Lord Thy God; they was just threw into it . They didn't try to manufacture something. That's what's the matter with Pentecostals today. They're manufacturing something. They can't wait. Oh, God, they just can't wait, so they commit adultery. Amen. Tries to manufacture something, and what does it bring forth? Like it did the first time, the first bride. They couldn't wait. She brought death through a bastard born child, which we all are children of. But God came in the flesh to give us another birth to bring us back to original sons and daughters of God. See? There you are. The life sperm of Eve never happened. It never did. Why? She mingled it, kept it away. Instead of Adam coming to her for a bride when the time appointed would be, just like Christ would've come to the group... Christ would've to come to His church; He promised to do it. God promised to multiply, but they had to wait until God's time.

**14** 54 That's what's the matter today. They don't want to wait God's time. They want to get something else, and so the devil's got the wisdom right there to give it to them: "Make an organization; be bigger than the rest of them ." Now, do you see why I'm against it? Sure, I'm against it with everything that's in me. As long as the Word's in there, It'll always be against it. God's against it. God said He was. That's right. Just couldn't wait...

**15** So we see that the fruit of impatience is organization. It is an organizational spirit that will build upon its own merits and not the Word of God.

**16** Shalom 64-0112 P:63 Patience, patience, some of us gets in such a hurry. I think a many a good man has done that. You get in too much of a hurry. You want to see; you want to do it yourself. And minister brethren, you

know from the way I'm talking, you that's listening to this tape. I'm talking to you, not only to the little congregation here, but men around the world. Many men go out, impatient; but believing that the time is near, you try to do something within yourself. Wait upon the Lord. Patience is virtue. If you can have patience, it's virtue. It's virtue if you... "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." Not they that try to get ahead of the Lord, they that try to tell the Lord, "Lord, I know You want me to do this, and glory to God I..." Don't do that. Wait upon the Lord. The Bible said, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

**17** David couldn't wait to have Bathsheba and what did it produce? He committed murder to get her and his unholy union with her before her husband had died in battle produced a bastard born child that died because God would not allow his servant to bring forth a child by a woman who was married to another man and call that the offspring of David. Eventually after rightfully marrying her, after the death of her first husband she brought forth Solomon which became the heir to the throne of David.

**18** Moses couldn't wait and what did it produce? Just one stinking dead Egyptian.

**19** Aaron wouldn't wait for Moses to return from the mountain and what did it produce? Death for many of the children of Israel,

**20** Dathan and Korah couldn't wait for children to reach the promised land, so what did it produce? Death for the both of them and all their followers.

**21** Paul couldn't wait and what did he produce? He thought he was doing God a service without it being his will, and all it produces is that he was found fighting God.

**22** The man who ran without a message began running before he was given a message to bring, and what was the result? He ran all that way in vain...

**23** Israel wanted a King, and they had God for their King. They could not wait for the Messiah to come, and so they chose them out a king, and what did it bring? Death, hell and destruction.

**24** Stature of a perfect man 62-1014M P:108 And we should have patience with one another too. See? One time, we get so much impatient with one another. We think we got to be like Moses. Moses had patience with the people. Look at, that's what caused them not to go over. See, if you're trying to do something... Like I've tried to get this message over to the Tabernacle, to see that each member of the Tabernacle becomes this. It's hard to do. I've tried to have patience; this is thirty-three years (See?), have patience. Women still bob their hair still just the same. But just have patience; just have patience, wait. Have to. If you ain't got it, don't try to build on to this down here. Have patience. 109 Even one time when that rebellious bunch of people had such impatience they caused Moses to do something that was wrong... But yet when it come to a show down, God got sick of their action. He said, "Separate yourself, Moses. I'll kill the whole bunch of them and start anew." He threw himself in the breach and said, "God, don't do it." What? Patience with the people that was rebelling against him. I wonder if we could do that? If you can't, don't try to build on this, because it don't change, you know. That's the way the first one is vulcanized into this, and that's the way everyone of them has to be vulcanized. If you don't, you don't come to that statue of the dwelling place of the living God. You haven't got patience, patience with one another.

**25** Ephesians 4:10He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) 11And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; 12For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: 13Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, (Unto a man that is fully mature), unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ: 14That we henceforth be no

more children, (you see there is a purpose that God has placed a five fold ministry in the church, not to preach sermons, not to dominate the people, not to make a living by the sweat of the people, but to bring them to maturity through the teaching of the cross, by the Revelation of Christ that brings the people into The Unity of The Faith. And since there is only one Lord and One Faith, it is the Revelation of Jesus Christ we are talking about. But not just that, but this maturity can not come without them bringing the people to an understanding of the Son of God. For without understanding the relationship he had with His Father, how could the other sons of God ever know how to conduct themselves in this wicked and perverse generation we live in. That is why he said,) 14That we henceforth (that means that we no longer) be children no more, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; 15But speaking the truth in love,(you see, that is what does it. Speaking the Truth in Love, helps us so that we) may grow up into him in all things, (not unto as if we are coming to Him, but into Him in all things. We are to grow up into Him, into, like we are to be so much like Him that when people see us they will think we are Him. Just like William Branham was so much Like the eldest born son in this vast family of brothers, that many people thought he was the first born son. But this son is the head, Paul says that...) which is the head, even Christ : 16From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. (Oh, how beautiful those Words are. The effectual working of every part. So you're a part, I'm a part, and all working together edify one another in Love.)

**26** That is how the body of Christ is to come together, working together in Love with one another for if we can not love our brothers who we can see how can we love our Father whom we can not see?

**27** 17This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, 18Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: 19Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. 20But ye have not so learned Christ; 21If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: 22That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; 23And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; 24And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. 25Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. 26Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: 27Neither give place to the devil. 28Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. 29Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. 30And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. 31Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: 32And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

**28** Taking sides with Jesus COD 62-0601 P:16 And I believe that all these things has a time of lingering, waiting; but it's waiting for a time for the Scripture to be fulfilled, till everything gets right, everything in order, waiting. Many times we get impatient. Like a child, we get great anticipations and many times jump way ahead, and that just hinders the work, until the work gets caught up. See? We must just move reverently, have a purpose in heart that God, if He would desire to use us in such-and-such... but wait till He makes the opening, 'cause He has to go ahead of us. You remember David going to battle that night? He was weary about that fight, and he laid under those mulberry trees until he heard the Lord in the rumbling of the leaves going before him; then he went with courage, because he knew that God had gone before him. And if we only do that, brethren, knowing the battle must come, but we must wait till we see the hand of God going before us to make a way.

**29** James 1: 3 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. 4 But let patience have her perfect

work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. So what is that perfect work? It is that you are focused so completely on him that you want nothing else.

**30** Stature of a perfect man 62-1014M P:112 Daniel, the same way, Daniel had patience. Sure. He wasn't going to give up. No, sir. What did he do? He opened them windows and prayed anyhow; it was a requirement of God. He had patience. He waited on God, knowing God was able to keep His Word. They threw him in the lions' den; said, "We'll let the lions eat you up." He said, "That's all right." He had patience. Why? "Well, I've waited all this time on God. If I have to wait a few more thousand years, I'll raise up again in the last days, so got patience; just wait." Paul had patience. Certainly did. Look what Paul had to do.

**31** Ephesian church age 60-1205 P:61 Now, the 3rd verse now... All right, 2nd and 3rd verse... Now, the 3rd verse... And hast borne, and had patience, and for my name's sake has labored, and has not fainted." For My Name." Did you notice they had patience? Labored for what? His Name. See that Name holding in that church? Now, watch it, when we get down through the week how that fades out and goes into another name. See? "Has had patience, labored, and so forth, and for My Name's sake." He... They labored for His Name. To keep the Name of Jesus Christ above any church, above anything else, let it be first, and... "Whatever..." The Bible said, "Whatever you do in word or in deed, do it all in the Name of Jesus Christ." Is that right? "Whatever you do in word or in deed..." If you marry, marry a person. If you can't, if they're all scrupled up in their marriage, don't marry them at all. See? If you can't freely say, "I pronounce you husband and wife in the Name of Jesus Christ," let them go. All right. If you want to baptize them, baptize them in Jesus' Name.

**32** Titus 2: 2 That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.

**33** 2 Timothy 3: 10 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,

**34** 1 Timothy 6: 11 But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

**35** 2 Thessalonians 1: 4 So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:

**36** Jubilee year 54-1003E P:15 "And knowing this, that tribulation worketh patience; patience worketh hope; hope maketh not ashamed." There you are. See? "Tribulations worketh patience." Be patient. "And hope maketh not a shame." And we're got the hope tonight. In all of our tribulations, yet, it works. Tribulations makes us patient, waiting to the coming of the Lord." When He will be revealed from heaven the second time in glory and majesty, the sea will give up its dead. The corruptible bodies of those asleep in Him, will be changed and made like unto His Own glorious body, whereby He's able to subdue all things unto Himself." And what are we tonight but to be a happy, rejoicing Christians, looking for that great day of the coming of the Lord. Jesus, here, speaking again on the Word.

**37** 1 Thessalonians 1: 3 Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;

**38** Colossians 1: 11 Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

**39** Revelation 14: 12 Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

**40** Revelation 13: 10 He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

**41** Shalom 64-0119 P:52 Some people says, "But, Brother Branham, I have tried and I have tried. "But wait a minute. Patience is virtue. Patience is Holy Spirit virtue. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength ." You say, "How can I wait any longer?" Just keep on waiting. When you've done all you can do to stand, then stand (See?); just stand. "How am I going to do it?" Stand. He said it's the Truth, and it's the Truth. He said it'll happen. How, I don't know; but it'll happen. He said so. He promised it. If He promised it, it's going to happen. That's all. It can't wait. So now just remember, God took thousands of years to fulfill His promise of a coming Saviour. Four thousand years God took to fulfill that promise. But He knew from the beginning just when it was going to happen. He knew; no one else did. He just said it would happen. And when it happened, the people was in such a delusion, till they didn't know how to accept it. If that same thing hasn't repeated again. It always does, never fails, both sides always.

**42** Stature of a perfect man 62-1014M P:113 Talk about patience; how about the Pentecostal people? As long as they've got the commission, "Wait until. (See?) Wait until you're endued with power." "How long?" "It ain't no question how long it will be." They just got the answer: "Wait until." They went up there and said, "All right, boys, maybe in fifteen minutes now the Holy Spirit's going to be on us, and we're going to have our ministry." Fifteen minutes passed: nobody. One day passed, no... Two, three, four, five, six, seven... Some of them might've said, "Hey, don't you think we already got it?" "No, no, no, no." That's right." You better come on out, boys." Devil said, "You--you--you know you've already got what you want. Go on and start your ministry." "No, no, we ain't got it yet, because He said, 'There will come a--what would take place in the last days. With stammering lips and other tongues will I speak to this people, and this is the rest, that I said,'" See? Isaiah 28:19 said... This is--this is it. You--you'll get it when... "Why, we'll know when it comes. We'll know when it comes. We'll know it. It's promised of the Father." There they waited nine days, and then on the tenth day... Now, you're there. They had patience to wait.

**43** Revelation 3: 10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

**44** Revelation 2: 19 I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first.

**45** Revelation 2 : 2 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars: 3 And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.

**46** Revelation 1: 9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

**47** Shalom 64-0119 P:52 Some people says, "But, Brother Branham, I have tried and I have tried." But wait a minute. Patience is virtue. Patience is Holy Spirit virtue. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. "You say, "How can I wait any longer?" Just keep on waiting. When you've done all you can do to stand, then stand (See?); just stand. "How am I going to do it?" Stand. He said it's the Truth, and it's the Truth. He said it'll happen. How, I don't know; but it'll happen. He said so. He promised it. If He promised it, it's going to happen. That's all. It can't wait. So now just remember, God took thousands of years to fulfill His promise of a coming Saviour. Four thousand years God took to fulfill that promise. But He knew from the beginning just when it was going to happen. He knew; no one else did. He just said it would happen. And when it happened, the people was

in such a delusion, till they didn't know how to accept it. If that same thing hasn't repeated again. It always does, never fails, both sides always.

**48** Hebrews 10: 36 For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

**49** Look at the patience of Noah, he waited 120 years for the rains to come, but they did not come until he and his family were ready to enter that ark, and then they had to wait another 7 days for the fireworks to begin.

**50** Stature of a perfect man 62-1014M P:96 Noah had patience. Yeah. Noah had real godly patience. God said, "I'm going to destroy this world with rain," and Noah preached a hundred and twenty years at it: plenty patience, not even a dew fell from heaven. Wasn't nothing. Just as dusty as it ever was for a hundred and twenty years, but he was patient. Then God tries your patience. That's right. God tries them. After He told Noah... Now, He said, "Noah, I want you to go ahead and get in the ark. I'm going to run the animals in there. And I--I want you to get in, climb way upstairs now, so you can look out the top window. Now, I want you to get in there. I want you to tell these people: 'Tomorrow, what I've been preaching for a hundred and twenty years is going to take place.' All right, you go down there and tell them." What was the first sign? Noah got in the ark: wasn't no rain.

**51** 2 Corinthians 12 12 Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds.

**52** 2 Corinthians 6: 4 But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,

**53** Romans 15: 5 Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus:

**54** Romans 15: 4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

**55** Romans 8: 25 But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

**56** Matthew 18: 29 And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

**57** Matthew 18: 26 The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

**58** Luke 21: 19 In your patience possess ye your souls.

**59** Luke 8: 15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

**60** Modern events made clear by prophecy 65-1206 P:27 Now, and with patience we have to wait for this, for the prophecies that's promised, every one of them must be fulfilled in its age. For It foretells us, the Author has before done this, and we wait to see Him do it again. What a time it is that we're living in, something like a--a calendar; you look at the calendar to find out what day of the year you're living in, and you look at God's Bible to see what age we're living in. We're not living in the Methodist age, the Baptist age. We're living in the Bride age, the calling, bringing back to God through a channel that He promised to bring it back in. He promised to do it. But

as it's been in every age, people let men put their own interpretation to It by theology, and will not believe God's Divine vindication of It. That's God's interpretation; not what I say, what somebody else says. But what God has promised and what God does, proves that it's God doing His own interpreting of His Word.

**61** Romans 5: 3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; 4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

**62** Modern events made clear by prophecy 65-1206 P:27 Now, and with patience we have to wait for this, for the prophecies that's promised, every one of them must be fulfilled in its age. For It foretells us, the Author has before done this, and we wait to see Him do it again. What a time it is that we're living in, something like a calendar; you look at the calendar to find out what day of the year you're living in, and you look at God's Bible to see what age we're living in. We're not living in the Methodist age, the Baptist age. We're living in the Bride age, the calling, bringing back to God through a channel that He promised to bring it back in. He promised to do it. But as it's been in every age, people let men put their own interpretation to It by theology, and will not believe God's Divine vindication of It. That's God's interpretation; not what I say, what somebody else says. But what God has promised and what God does, proves that it's God doing His own interpreting of His Word.

**63** Stature of a perfect man 62-1014M P:114 Now, if you've got that kind of patience after God gives you a promise, and you see it in the Bible, "It's mine," then wait. Then if you've got that kind of patience, add it to your faith. You see how high you're getting now? You're getting way up here now. All right. (The clock hand's getting way around too, isn't it?)

**64** Stature of a perfect man 62-1014M P:95 Patience with what? What kind of patience? First thing is have patience with God. If you've got real genuine faith, you'll have real genuine patience, because faith worketh patience. When God says anything, you believe it. That's all. You got patience. Say, "Well, I asked Him last night to heal me, and I'm just as sick this morning." Oh, my. What patience. God told Abraham, and twenty-five years later there wasn't even one sign; he still believed it. He was patient with God. Put Him always before you. Let Him be the next crossing thing. You can't cross Him, so just keep Him before you. "He said so, and I'm... It's going to happen." See? Keep Him before you. That's right.

**65** Notice he is saying we must like Abraham have patience with God. we hardly have any patience with each other much less having patience with God. But if God said it, it must come to pass, that's all.

**66** Stature of a perfect man 62-1014M P:110 All right, the Hebrew children had patience. Sure they did. God had promised them, told them, "Don't you bow down to any image." But they had patience, said, "Our God is able. But nevertheless, we're not going to bow to your image." See? Patience, knowing this, that God would raise him up in the last days. This life don't mean so much after all. See? "God will raise it up again in the last days. But when it comes to bowing to an image, we won't do it." "Now, we'll give Caesar's what's Caesar's, but when it comes to Caesar interfering with God, God's first. God said, 'Don't you bow to that image,' and I won't do it. Our God's able to deliver us, and if He don't, I'll not bow to the image." Said, "All right, there's the furnace." "Well," he said, "Oh, I guess, rain hard tonight and put it all out," but didn't do it. Still patient.

**67** Stature of a perfect man 62-1014M P:94 Then after that, fourthly, you want to add patience to your faith. "If you got faith, it worketh patience," the Bible said. See? So this is patience. Now, that's the next thing that's going to build this statue. You know, God's got real material in His building. See how short we are, brethren? See, see? See why, where we're at? Yes, sir. See, we have glory; you have shouts, and things, because we got faith; but when we come down to these things here, God can't build us into that statue. See? He can't make us up to that kind of a place. We got all these other things we fall and slide off with it. See? He can't build His church.

**68** Ephesian church age 60-1205 P:61 Now, the 3rd verse now... All right, 2nd and 3rd verse... Now, the 3rd verse...And hast borne, and had patience, and for my name's sake has labored, and has not fainted." For My Name." Did you notice they had patience? Labored for what? His Name. See that Name holding in that church? Now, watch it, when we get down through the week how that fades out and goes into another name. See? "Has had patience, labored, and so forth, and for My Name's sake." He... They labored for His Name. To keep the Name of Jesus Christ above any church, above anything else, let it be first, and... "Whatever..." The Bible said, "Whatever you do in word or in deed, do it all in the Name of Jesus Christ." Is that right? "Whatever you do in word or in deed..." If you marry, marry a person. If you can't, if they're all scrupled up in their marriage, don't marry them at all. See? If you can't freely say, "I pronounce you husband and wife in the Name of Jesus Christ," let them go. All right. If you want to baptize them, baptize them in Jesus' Name.

**69** Jubilee year 54-1003E P:15 "And knowing this, that tribulation worketh patience; patience worketh hope; hope maketh not ashamed." There you are. See? "Tribulations worketh patience." Be patient. "And hope maketh not a shame." And we're got the hope tonight. In all of our tribulations, yet, it works. Tribulations makes us patient, waiting to the coming of the Lord." When He will be revealed from heaven the second time in glory and majesty, the sea will give up its dead. The corruptible bodies of those asleep in Him, will be changed and made like unto His Own glorious body, whereby He's able to subdue all things unto Himself." And what are we tonight but to be a happy, rejoicing Christians, looking for that great day of the coming of the Lord. Jesus, here, speaking again on the Word.