

THE CHURCH 139
KENOSIS 16

RECONCILIATION THROUGH

II CORINTHIANS 12:9

9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: **for my strength is made perfect in weakness.** Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

II CORINTHIANS 12:10

10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

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56.....There's one thing that we've got to master if we expect to fulfill God's desire in our life; that is, **we have to master the thought of human ability.** If we ever get to a spot where we think that we can do it with our own intelligence and our own abilities, **we've got to master that in such a way that we can get rid of the thing and lay it aside so that God can use us.** That's right.

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57 **And make a complete surrender.** We cannot use one ability. We've got to make a complete surrender. And to come to God, you've got to surrender to Him both soul, body, and spirit. **Everything that you are has to be surrendered to God in order that He can work His will in you and in me.** Now, that's hard; I know; 'cause we're always wanting to **put our part in**, something that we know, you know, that we want to do it. We say, "Well, I--I just know it should be done this way." **But as long as you're doing it that way it's going to be wrong, and God will never use that effort.....**

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99 I've often said, "The greatest enemy I got is William Branham." He's the one that gets in God's way. He's the one that gets lazy. He's the one that gets to a place sometimes where he thinks he can do something about it, and when he does, that shoves God right out of the picture. But when I can get rid of that guy, when I can get to a place that he's out of the way, then God can come over and do things that William Branham knows nothing about.

That's when God can use you. That's when He can use any of you. He can use anybody when we get out of the way. But as long as we got ourselves in the way, then we cannot. All right.

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110.....**God passes those who thinks they're something to take somebody that don't know nothing to order to work His purpose in their life.** That's what we get.

God said to Paul, "My strength is perfect in your weakness. **My-- My strength becomes more perfect as you become more weaker. More you can yield to Me the better I can use you.**

The more you can forget about your education, the more you can forget about your denomination, the more you can forget about your stuff and yield yourself to Me, the more I can use you.

'Cause you become weak, I'll--I'll make My own purpose strong."

God can make strength out of weakness. That's the reason He always does it.....

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121.....When we take, for instance, like in Abel, from Abel come Seth; Seth's lineage come right down, on down to Noah's time, all of them were just humble farmers. But Cain's children become smart, shrewd, educated, great men, builders, professional men.

But God's side was weak and humble. That's how God used

them. That's God's opportunity. That's God's way of getting to us, is when we're weak. We get something then.

This encourages, of course, **'cause God's whole Kingdom is built out of these kind of people.** Then when you get to that kind of a way then you--you can--you're in His Kingdom.

The case is, with us, that, not that we are too weak, the case is we're too strong. We're--we're--we're just too strong. That's all. The thing of it is **we're too strong-headed.** That's right. We're too strong in our head. **We know too much. God wants to get that out of us.** That's right. We're too strong; we're too strong to yield to Him.....

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161 Moses realized it, and he knowed enough then... God took him back in the back in the wilderness **to learn him some human weaknesses.** He took him back to learn him what it was all about. So well did he learn. Oh, my, did he ever get a lesson. God must've had a time with him back there. **You know, Moses had a temper; and God give him the wife by name of Zipporah; she had one too.** So I imagine everything wasn't so pleasing back on the backside of the desert for a while when both of their tempers got out of control at the same time.

I suppose his intellectual conception of how psychology ought to control a person didn't do much good, because when he was on his road down to Egypt, I see Zipporah still had a temper. She cut the foreskin of her son off and throwed it before Moses, said, "You're a bloody husband to me."

God was so angry with him He looked for him in the end, if He could've found him He'd have slayed him. I guess there was a little things God had to teach him back there (See?) that he was a human. All of his wisdom of Egypt, all of his powers of intellectual, God could not use a one of them.

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164.....Whenever you get licked and realize you're licked, and then come on back and humble yourself. **Get weak, find out**

you're human. And there's none of your intellectuals can do to... Human weaknesses will never be used of God; **God by the human weaknesses pours Himself into you, then He uses Himself.** You just become an instrument. Certainly. You've got to get yourself out of the way.

II CORINTHIANS 13:4

4 For though he was crucified **through weakness**, yet he liveth by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you.

HEBREWS 5:1

1 ¶ For every high priest taken from among men is ordained for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins:

HEBREWS 5:2

2 Who can have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way; for that he himself also is ***COMPASSED** with infirmity.

COMPASSED: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 3356
metriopatheo {met-ree-op-ath-eh'-o}
to be affected moderately or in due measure; to preserve moderation in the passions, esp. anger or grief; hence of one who is not unduly disturbed by the errors, faults, sins of others, but bears them gently.

HEBREWS 5:3

3 And by reason hereof he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins.

HEBREWS 5:4

4 And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron.

HEBREWS 5:5

5 So also Christ **glorified not himself** to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee.

HEBREWS 5:6

6 As he saith also in another place, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

HEBREWS 5:7

7 Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared;

LUKE 22:41

41 And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed,

LUKE 22:42

42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.

LUKE 22:43

43 And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, **strengthening him.**

LUKE 22:44

44 And being in an agony **he prayed more earnestly:** and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

HEBREWS 5:8

8 Though he were a Son, yet ***LEARNED** he obedience by the things which he suffered;

LEARNED: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 3129
manthano {man-than'-o}

understand, to learn, to increase one's knowledge, be informed, to learn by use and practice;

HEBREWS 6:19

19 Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;

HEBREWS 6:20

20 Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

HEBREWS 7:23

23 And they truly were **many priests**, because they were not suffered to continue by reason of death:

HEBREWS 7:24

24 But this man, **because he continueth ever**, hath an unchangeable priesthood.

HEBREWS 7:25

25 Wherefore he is able also to save them **to the uttermost** that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

HEBREWS 7:26

26 For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens;

HEBREWS 7:27

27 Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this he did once, when he offered up himself.