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ROMANS 8:28

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

ROMANS 8:29

For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

EPHESIANS 1:9

9 Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

EPHESIANS 1:11

11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

II TIMOTHY 1:9

9 Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

WHAT. IT. TAKES. TO. OVERCOME. ALL. UNBELIEF. OUR. FAITH_YAKIMA. WA FRIDAY_ 60-0729

E-60 Now, there is a time that a man can come to a place where he can have a purpose. It's something that will change him. And that is, when a man meets God. A man can never be the same if he ever meets God face to face......

.... Noah had no certain purpose in life. He was a common farmer, out in the field. And one day God met him, and He spoke to him, and told him something that was impossible to ever happen would take place.

Then from that hour on, while Noah purposed in his heart that he'd build that ark regardless of what all fanatics said. . . Why, it never rained from the heavens. They never had any moisture upon the earth. It was irrigated from springs. There'd never been in a cloud in the sky.

How was he going to do it? Well, God said it was going to happen, and Noah purposed in his heart to achieve this something for God, and he did it. No matter how much they laughed at him, or how much they said, this, that, or the other. "How's it going to rain?

Where's it going to rain at, Noah?"

"I don't know."

"Well, show me where the rain is."

"I can't show you, but when the time comes, the rain will be there." That's right. He met God.

WHAT. IT. TAKES. TO. OVERCOME. ALL. UNBELIEF. OUR. FAITH_YAKIMA. WA FRIDAY_ 60-0729

E-73 When God speaks to a man, he has faith, and he has ambition, and he has a purpose. When God speaks to a man, He gives him a purpose. When God speaks to a man, He gives him ambition.

When God speaks to a man, He gives him faith to do it, to accomplish, or achieve what his purpose in life is, what God called him to do. He's called us to be in the church of God. Amen.

ISAIAH 14:24

The LORD of hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand:

ISAIAH 14:27

27 For the LORD of hosts hath purposed, and who shall disannul it? and his hand is stretched out, and who shall turn it back?

WHAT. DOES. IT. TAKE. TO. MAKE. A. CHRISTIAN. LIFE_CHICAGO. IL SUNDAY_ 57-0113

E-40....... May you take me to record this morning, friend. There isn't enough power in all hell can ever defeat the purpose of God. God will do it anyhow.

- I. KNOW. MY. REDEEMER. LIVETH_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 58-0406S
- E-10 Now we want to draw this first into our mind, that there is not one thing that can destroy us until the purpose of He Who created us has been fulfilled. There could be nothing. We are made for a purpose......
- I. KNOW. MY. REDEEMER. LIVETH_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 58-0406S
- E-12 No matter how little you are, how big you are, how important you are, or how unimportant you are, you are here to serve a purpose, just as my finger is here for a purpose. My nail on my finger is for a purpose.

My eye and every part of our bodies is to serve a purpose. And it was not put here just to see what it would look like when it was put here; but it was put here to serve its purpose. It was God's Divine plan to do so. And if we were put here for a purpose, then there is nothing can destroy us until God's purpose is fulfilled. Nothing can harm us until that purpose that God has put us here for has been made manifest.

No matter how much trouble we have, how much heartaches or sorrows that we go through, all of these are reasons, and there's a reason for it.

I. KNOW. MY. REDEEMER. LIVETH_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 58-0406S

E-13....... God's purpose can never be defeated. There is nothing can defeat it. So how happy ought we to be today, resting upon that beautiful revelation of the Word of the living God, that there is neither things present nor things that can come;

there's no sickness, no sorrow, no death, no perils, nor nothing can separate us from the purpose of the living God. What God has imagined in His mind, what God has purposed in His heart to bring to pass, there is no demon, there's no power, there is nothing can ever separate God's great immortal intereternal plan. It must be as God has said.

I. KNOW. MY. REDEEMER. LIVETH_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 58-0406S

E-15 All powers of hell might wager against it, but it will prevail. We have God's eternal promise. There may be teachers; there may be isms rise; there may be great programs rise;

there may be things that look like that it would be destroyed; but it can never be destroyed. It is the purpose of God to see that it will prevail.

Then it's not up to me, and it's not up to you whether it will be destroyed or not. It's up to God. And we can rest assured on it, that God will never let our heritage be destroyed; for it's His purpose to give it to us.

I. KNOW. MY. REDEEMER. LIVETH_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 58-0406S

E-16 HEBREW CHILDREN

.... . But God wanted to display His power. And all Babylon and all hell could not defeat that purpose. No, sir. No matter if they could've heated that furnace a million times hotter, it would've never destroyed the purpose of God.

God wanted to show that He was a God of deliverance. And He'd bring deliverance to whomever He desired to bring it, and nothing would interfere with His program.

I. KNOW. MY. REDEEMER. LIVETH_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 58-0406S

E-22...... And there is no power that can take me until God's purpose is fulfilled." There is nothing that can hurt me, not a thing, until God's purpose is fulfilled. And when that is fulfilled, I want to go with His purpose.

When He's finished, then I am also. When He's finished with me, I'm finished with life. When He's finished with you, you are finished also. So what difference does it make? God holds it all in His hand.

- I. KNOW. MY. REDEEMER. LIVETH_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 58-0406S
- E-23 Whether we are young or old, we do not know when God's purpose will be fulfilled and finished. God takes little babies sometimes to show that He can guide their little soul. Everything He does is for a purpose.......
- I. KNOW. MY. REDEEMER. LIVETH_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 58-0406S
- E-28 It just goes to show that nothing can defeat His purpose. Not even death can defeat His purpose. Abraham was as good as dead, and Sarah's womb had been dead for forty or fifty years.

But nothing can defeat God's purpose.

Her body was old; it was wrinkled. The milk veins was dried up. Her heart was so weak, it could not have went through labor. But God let us know there that His purpose will not be defeated.

He changed Sarah and made her a young woman again, and took a man a hundred years old and turned him back to his youth. No matter how unreasonable it may seem, God gave the promise......

- I. KNOW_ JEFF. IN EASTER. MESSAGE. BOOK SUNDAY_ 60-0417S
- 38.... . HEBREW CHILDREN

But Satan could not destroy them, for God's purpose wasn't yet fulfilled. They could go in there with this hope, "I know my Redeemer liveth."

They could go in there with this hope here, "We are assured that God is able to deliver us from this fiery furnace, but nevertheless, we will not bow to the image."

- I. KNOW_ JEFF. IN EASTER. MESSAGE. BOOK SUNDAY_ 60-0417S
- 41 Satan could not take them. He could not drown NOAH in the flood, until the purpose of God had been finished. He could not burn up THE HEBREW CHILDREN until the purpose of God had been finished.

He could not kill JOB with boils and troubles until the purpose of God had been finished. Neither could the lions eat DANIEL until God's purpose had been finished.

Neither could death and old age take ABRAHAM until the purpose of God had been finished. And neither can it take you, or can it take me until the purpose of God of our life is finished. So we gather from their consolation.

- I. KNOW_ JEFF. IN EASTER. MESSAGE. BOOK SUNDAY_ 60-0417S
- 43 And why does God let troubles come? God harnesses trouble, puts bits in its mouth, and makes it obey Him, and those troubles bring us into a closer fellowship with God. There had been no rainbow until the flood came.

But after Noah was pressed into that condition that he was in, to float forty days and nights in a storm and the little ark pitching up and down in the water, it was after the flood was over that he saw the rainbow for its first time, the covenant of hope, the covenant of promise.

After he'd went through the tribulation, then he saw the promise. That's the way you see the promise, after you've gone through the tribulation......

...... We ask for comfort and peace; God gives us the best He could give us: trials and tribulations. That's better than comfort and peace. Our comforts is just beyond the river.

- I. KNOW_ JEFF. IN EASTER. MESSAGE. BOOK SUNDAY_ 60-0417S
- 47 It wasn't until the Hebrew children was forced into the fiery furnace, on one of their most outstanding trials, that they seen One like the Son of God stand among them.

Their troubles produced the Son of God standing among them in the breezes to wave away the heat wave. But not until they went into the fire did that Comforter appear.

It was Daniel who had purposed in his heart that he'd not defile himself with the things of the world, and was forced through a trial, whether he'd pray to God or go to a lions' den.

But it was after the heat was put on, and he was throwed into a lions' den, that after that, he saw the Angel of the Lord standing in the midst of him, keeping away, that great Pillar of Fire standing between him and the lions. And the lions could not get him, because he'd went through the trials and temptations and troubles....

- I. KNOW_ JEFF. IN EASTER. MESSAGE. BOOK SUNDAY_ 60-0417S
- 49 It was Abraham, after he'd seen the ground get barren, and the drought come, and Lot separate himself and go down to live deliciously into the world;

it was after he had heard the whines and cries of--of his herdsmen, with no grass for his cattle, but he maintained in the land that God gave him and told him to sojourn in. And as on that day, after he'd been tried till his--his patience was at the end;

it was on that day that when after the trial was over, he spoke face to face with Elohim under the oak that day. It was after he'd suffered his trials, after he'd went through the troubles that he'd been through, that God appeared to him in the form of a Man,

and set there and told him he was married and his wife's name was Sarah, and said she laughed at Him in the tent behind. It was there that Abraham called Him Elohim. It was after the trial and tribulation.

- I. KNOW_ JEFF. IN EASTER. MESSAGE. BOOK SUNDAY_ 60-0417S
- Oh, if the Church could only wake to Itself today, to find that after the troubles, and trials, and laughs, and made fun of, the things the church has been through, the Pentecostal church, that we see God in our midst, doing great signs and wonders.
- I. KNOW_ JEFF. IN EASTER. MESSAGE. BOOK SUNDAY_ 60-0417S
- 94 There was too much of you in you, till God had to squeeze it out through trials. And while that squeezing was coming on, it's hard. But after while the skies clear back and you see the purpose of God.

Then you cry, "I know my Redeemer liveth, and at the last days He'll stand on the earth. Though the skin worms destroys this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God."

These little trials and things are just for a moment, and they fade and pass away. But they're only done for your good; let us remember that, that God would get glory.

I. KNOW. MY. REDEEMER. LIVETH_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 58-0406S

E-11....... He made us for a purpose. Therefore, there is a purpose of us all being here. You're not here just to be another human being. You are here because that God made you for some purpose.

You're not here just to eat the food that God growed. You're not here just to live in the house that--that man made, or to wear the clothing that someone fashioned. You are here for a specific purpose.

ADOPTION. 1_ JEFF. IN AD. 1 SUNDAY_ 60-0515E 20 Well now, many of these little pretty-faced mothers setting here, some of them sixty or seventy years old, would say, "Well, what have I done, Brother Branham?" You've raised your children.

You've done what you were supposed to do.
Maybe some old Dad setting here say, "Well, I've harrowed the fields; I've done this. I never preached." But you did just what God sent for you to do. There's a place for you.

THREE. KINDS. OF. BELIEVERS_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-6 SUNDAY_ 63-1124E

107 Nobody can take your place, no matter how little. You say, "I'm just a housewife." Nobody can take your place. God, in His great economy, has so set so, the Body of Christ, in order, till there is no one can take your place.

How I would like to take Billy Graham's place, any of us ministers, but we can't do it; but, just remember, Billy can't take our place. See, we all have a place, some of us are evangelists, some prophets, some teachers, some pastors, whatever we are; some housewives, some mechanics, some farmers, whatever it is, God has set you in your place. See?

WHAT. IS. THE. WORKS. OF. GOD_ LA. CA SATURDAY_ 59-0404

E-14...... each man is called and placed into the Church for a purpose. And if you'll find out what God can use him best at, and yield hisself to that place, he will be a success......

My finger could never take the place of my ear, no matter how much it tried. Neither could my mouth take the place of my eye. But each member knows what it can do, and all of them coordinating together makes the body move.

If this church can only see that. If you can only see that it takes coordination. It takes cooperation with all the body of Christ......

ROMANS 12:5

5 So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

I CORINTHIANS 12:14

14 For the body is not one member, but many.

I CORINTHIANS 12:15

15 If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

ADOPTION. 4_ JEFF. IN AD. PT. 4 SUNDAY_ 60-0522E 212 And if each one of you in here now has not been positionally placed. . . You might not be nothing but a housewife. Well, you say, "Brother Branham, I never done a thing in my life. I'm not a preacher." Well, maybe God brought you here to raise a family of children; out of that family of children may come another family of children, that'll be a preacher that'll send a million souls to Christ. You had to be here. You're here for a purpose. Did you know that?

Well, you say, "All I ever done was harrow across these old clods. And I'd take out early a evening, didn't know how to make my kids a living. I looked at the poor little fellows with no shoes on. I've set and cried. I got an old buggy, and me and maw went to church."

Don't you worry, brother. You just keep loving Him; He's got a purpose for you. You just stay right the way you are; just go right on. See? You might not never preach a sermon, but you might be the great-grandfather of one that'll do it.

GOD'S. GIFTS. ALWAYS. FIND. THEIR. PLACES_ JEFF. IN V-6 N-13 SUNDAY_ 63-1222

77...... We wasn't put here just by chance, we were put here for a purpose and we must serve that purpose.....

THE. FUTURE. HOME. OF. THE. HEAVENLY. BRIDEGROOM. AND. THE. EARTHLY. BRIDE_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-5 SUNDAY_ 64-0802 238 See, you were made for an Eternal purpose, because you was the--the manifestation of an attribute that was in God, that thought of you and expressed you;

and He made a earth to take you out of, and to make you a human being. And sin come along and perverted His way. You come, anyhow, but you was lost with the world. So He come and redeemed you, the expressed attribute, and also redeems this earth by the same way.

Then, His purpose rolls on. See? Oh! Hallelujah! Oh, that does me so much good, think of just what lays ahead!

THE. FUTURE. HOME. OF. THE. HEAVENLY. BRIDEGROOM. AND. THE. EARTHLY. BRIDE_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-5 SUNDAY_ 64-0802 251 And when it's all over, then it's pulled right back, and God's purpose is fulfilled. There is the Eternal King again with His Eternal subjects, expressed in human flesh, exactly the way He had it; sin is took away; the devil is gone; it's all done now.

THE. IDENTIFIED. MASTERPIECE. OF. GOD_ YUMA. AZ SATURDAY_ 64-1205

60 He has a purpose in your life, each individual, that no one else on the face of the earth can take your place. God has got something for you. You're made like that. You was did that way for a purpose......

DOORS. IN. DOOR_ FLAGSTAFF. AZ V-17 N-3 SATURDAY_ 65-0206

64 You're an individual, in God. God made you the way you are, for some purpose. If we would just find our place, and then abide there. If we try to do something different, then, see, we're--we're in somebody else's territory, which we just gaum up the picture of God.......

I CORINTHIANS 12:16

And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

I CORINTHIANS 12:17

17 If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling?

I CORINTHIANS 12:18

18 But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him.

I CORINTHIANS 12:19

19 And if they were all one member, where were the body?

I CORINTHIANS 12:20

20 But now are they many members, yet but one body.

I CORINTHIANS 12:21

21 And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.

I CORINTHIANS 12:22

Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary:

I CORINTHIANS 12:23

23 And those members of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely parts have more abundant comeliness.

I CORINTHIANS 12:24

24 For our comely parts have no need: but God hath *TEMPERED the body together, having given more abundant honour to that part which lacked:

TEMPERED: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 4786 sugkerannumi {soong-ker-an'-noo-mee} temper together, to mix together, commingle; to unite: caused the several parts to combine into an organic structure, which is the body, to unite one thing to another

I CORINTHIANS 12:25

25 That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same *CARE one for another.

CARE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 3309 merimnao {mer-im-nah'-o} take thought, be careful, have care, to be anxious; look out for (a thing); to seek to promote one's interests; caring or providing for

I CORINTHIANS 12:26

And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it.

I CORINTHIANS 12:27

Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

I CORINTHIANS 12:28

And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.