THE ABSOLUTE

II TIMOTHY 1:12

12 For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: **for I know whom I have believed**, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

II TIMOTHY 4:18

18 And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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ABSOLUTE_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-18 SUNDAY_ 62-1230M 17-1.....Those who treat creeds and traditions has tried to--with doctrine of men to disqualify God's Word to being the same yesterday, today, and forever. **They need an absolute, an experience of meeting on a Damascus road**, the living God Who can heal the sick, and raise the dead, and cast out devils: a genuine absolute.

Paul knew that something happened; there was no one could take it away from him. Nothing else mattered; he was tied, and that was it. **No matter what come, he knowed he was tied.** <u>Christ-centered life...</u>

ABSOLUTE_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-18 SUNDAY_ 62-1230M 18-3 No matter what your experience is then; **if something in you tells you** that that Bible isn't true, that power of God, apostles, prophets, and teachers, and pastors, and the gifts of the Spirit just isn't the same as It was when It flowed through them apostles at Pentecost, **there's something wrong with your absolute**;.....

ABSOLUTE_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-18 SUNDAY_ 62-1230M 18-5 Oh, now, when you become like Paul, have the same absolute that he had... **A Christ-centered life** is a different life than what you once had; and it might be a very religious life that you live......

ABSOLUTE_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-18 SUNDAY_ 62-1230M 20-1......And when you get this Christ-centered life, it makes you do things you ordinarily wouldn't do. It makes you act different than ordinarily you would act. I don't mean act silly; I mean act in the Spirit, something that's real, something that's genuine. And when you see somebody acting silly, you know they're only putting on something......

ABSOLUTE_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-18 SUNDAY_ 62-1230M 22-2.....The absolute to the Christian is like the--it's--it's like the anchor in the ship. Yes, you--you got to have a absolute. **And if Christ is your Absolute,** it's like the anchor that when you... The sea is very rough, and the ship is about ready to sink, and you--only one hope you have is cast anchor. And then, if the ship is tossing (See?) if... **The anchor will hold the ship.**

ABSOLUTE_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-18 SUNDAY_ 62-1230M 23-2.....When the storms get heavy and they're pitching about, I'm glad I got a Anchor that holds **within the veil yonder**, somewhere; even death itself cannot pluck you away from it. **You are tied to your Absolute. Christ is our Anchor.** What is He? He is the Word......

ABSOLUTE_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-18 SUNDAY_ 62-1230M 28-8 And if your absolute is in some organization, or some sensation, or something else **besides the Person of Jesus Christ**, you'll come to the same portion of shame, only worse. See? **If your absolute is not Christ**, **that's the only Centerpost of the human life; and Christ is the Word**, not your church, your word--the Word. See? "Upon this absolute I'll build My Church," upon Christ, the Word.

ABSOLUTE_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-18 SUNDAY_ 62-1230M 45-3.....You Protestants, don't take this, that, or the other; **go to that absolute until you're anchored there by the new** **birth**, being borned again, and filled with the Holy Ghost, and you see the Bible being manifested in humility and love through your life. **Oh, then that's your absolute. Yes, sir.**

ABSOLUTE_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-18 SUNDAY_ 62-1230M 53-6 That's why I know the Holy Spirit is my Compass that guides me. **He is the One that makes me know this Word is true; He is my Absolute; He is my Sunshine; He's my Life; He's my Anchor.** When troubles are on, He's my North Star. When I'm lost, the Holy Spirit is my Compass that guides me back to the place......

II CORINTHIANS 11:24

24 Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one.

II CORINTHIANS 11:25

25 Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep;

II CORINTHIANS 11:26

26 In journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren;

II CORINTHIANS 11:27

27 In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness.

II CORINTHIANS 11:28

28 Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches.

AN.ABSOLUTE_ SHREVEPORT.LA V-17 N-10 SUNDAY_ 63-1201M

150.....Paul's conversion was a paradox, **and become his absolute.**

AN.ABSOLUTE_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_ 63-0127 83 Now, Paul had <u>a Christ-centered life</u>. He... That was, Christ, was Paul's absolute.

AN.ABSOLUTE_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_ 63-0127

88 The reason he had this Christ-centered life is because he, personally, now laying aside his teaching, **he personally met Christ.....**

A.ABSOLUTE_ HOUSTON.TX MONDAY_ 63-0304

22 Now, Paul here, as we see, he had an absolute that he held to, all his life, after his conversion, that was: <u>a Christcentered life!</u> And what a place to have an absolute: a Christ-centered life! It was a different life than what he had lived at one time, for he said, "The life that I now live," which was a different from what he had lived.

AN.ABSOLUTE_ SHREVEPORT.LA V-17 N-10 SUNDAY_ 63-1201M

55 And Paul had **a--a Christ-centered life**. It was a different life than he once had. He once had an educational conception; but now he has got **a Christ-centered life, an absolute.** No matter how much Agrippa could say, "You, you've gone crazy, Paul. You lost your mind. You, you studied too much."

He said, "I am not mad."

56 And then he got onto Agrippa, to such a way till he said, "Thou almost persuadest me to be a Christian?".....

A.ABSOLUTE_ HOUSTON.TX MONDAY_ 63-0304

Now, if you, if in your life you have an **<u>absolute</u>**, you do things ordinarily you would not do, **especially if you have a God-centered life.** The God-centered life makes a person do things that ordinarily they would not do; very odd, peculiar. Why is a Christian life so odd and peculiar? Is because that they are looking to God's Word, which is almost foreign to the world today.

A.ABSOLUTE_ HOUSTON.TX MONDAY_ 63-0304

35 And why carry this excess weight of this great mighty anchor? But, you see, when the storms come, the--the raging storms that rips up the sea, and could throw the vessel into the bank somewhere, and crash it, or turn it over in the shallow waters; it gets out into the deep water, and lets down this great, huge anchor, that's so fixed that it'll drag on the bottom of the sea until it hooks into the top of some unseen mountain. Then let those storms rage if they want to; it's got an absolute. The anchor holds somewhere yonder, but it's--it's tight. And as the ship and the waves whip around the ship, it's got an absolute, because it's tied.

36 And that's the way that a man is when he's tied to Christ and to His Word, and believes It. **There's an absolute there**, **something that holds him.**

AN.ABSOLUTE_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_ 63-0127

99 And if Christ is your Absolute, you are tied to Him in that manner, no matter what anybody says, how hard the persecution gets, how bad the storm seems to be, how--how it looks impossible for it to happen. If something has happened in you, that, Christ becomes your Absolute, or any promise in the Bible becomes your absolute......

AN.ABSOLUTE_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_ 63-0127 101......But if you just take the real Absolute, Christ, anchor yourself in That. Don't make any difference what comes or goes, you're still anchored.

AN.ABSOLUTE_ SHREVEPORT.LA V-17 N-10 SUNDAY_ 63-1201M

67.....if Christ is your absolute, you are tied to Him. In time of trouble, the ship, if you let it rock, it'll break against the--the-the--the rocks. But what they do, they drop the anchor. The anchor drags until it snags into the rock foundation. And the ship is tied to the anchor. It's the absolute for the ship.

AN.ABSOLUTE_ SHREVEPORT.LA V-17 N-10 SUNDAY_ 63-1201M

68 And a born-again Christian is tied to Christ, and the Bible is the anchor. It's the thing we're tied to.....

VICTORY.DAY_ SIERRA.VISTA.AZ SUNDAY_ 63-0421 139 It seems like, the Christian life, if the fellow is not absolutely centered on Christ, the Christian life, seems like, holds so many disappointments. But those disappointments are--are God's Divine will happening for us. Now, it don't seem like it would be that, but it's God's way of doing things. He lets us hit the river, to see what we'll do......

CHRIST.IS.REVEALED.IN.HIS.OWN.WORD_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-10 SUNDAY_ 65-0822M

156 Now the stabilizers has been put on the ship. Great fearful waves are out here before us; but we know, just beyond that wave yonder, we're nearing the shore. See? We're nearing the shore. Just stay stabled. Just stay in the Word. Stay with God. No matter how you feel, what anything else; stay right with the Word. Let--let-let it stay stable, when you see all these great big old clouds around us, and storms a coming, and atomic bombs, and everything else they're talking about. But our stabilizer is right straight in the Word. God said it would be here; we'll crest every one of them. Yeah, we'll go right over the top of them. Yes, indeed! They, they can't sink us. They can't drown us. You put us in the grave; we'll come out again. That's just all there is to it. There ain't no way in the world to keep it down there. We'll crest every one of them, 'cause our great Chief Captain is calling at the other side.....

CHRIST.IS.REVEALED.IN.HIS.OWN.WORD_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-10 SUNDAY_ 65-0822M

157 Whatever it might be, let it come. What may, what will, doesn't make any difference. We're anchored right there in Jesus. **If I live, I'll live to the glory of God. If I die, I die to the glory of God.** I--I--I just want to just... It's to the glory of God, is what I want to do. When that's all over, I don't want to stay any longer. I want to go to where... **to my reward that He**

bought for me; not what I earned, but what He bought for me, what He give to me by His grace.

ABSOLUTE_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-18 SUNDAY_ 62-1230M 25-3 Now, you take a grain of wheat, a pretty grain of wheat, but it can no--do nothing; it's dead until the germ comes into it, then it produces many grains of wheat. **And Christ is that Life, that Absolute.** If the wheat doesn't have that absolute in it, it'll never rise. **If that wheat don't have that absolute, may be ever so pretty on the outside, but it cannot live**, because there's nothing in it to live by. But when it gets that absolute, it can look in the face of all critics and say, "I'll rise again." Why? Because it's got the absolute; It's in it; it's got to rise again.