

Overwhelmed

PSALM 55:1-7 [NB note: Bro. Branham's text for "On The Wings Of A Snow White Dove".]

1. Give ear to my prayer, O God; and hide not thyself from my supplication.
2. Attend unto me, and hear me: I mourn in my complaint, and make a noise;
3. Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked: for they cast iniquity upon me, and in wrath they hate me.
4. My heart is sore pained within me: and the terrors of death are fallen upon me.
5. Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath **overwhelmed** me.
6. And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! for then would I fly away, and be at rest.
7. Lo, then would I wander far off, and remain in the wilderness. Selah.

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1. overcome by force or numbers
2. completely overcome or overpowered by thought or feeling

PSALM 61:1-2

1. Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.
2. From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, **when my heart is overwhelmed**: lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

PSALM 102:1-2

[A Prayer of the afflicted, when he is overwhelmed, and poureth out his complaint before the LORD.]

1. Hear my prayer, O LORD, and let my cry come unto thee.
2. Hide not thy face from me in the day when I am in trouble; incline thine ear unto me: in the day when I call answer me speedily.

PSALM 102:17-20

17. He will regard **the prayer of the destitute**, and not despise their prayer.
18. This shall be written for the generation to come: and the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.
19. For he hath looked down from the height of his sanctuary; from heaven did the LORD behold the earth;
20. To hear the groaning of the prisoner; to loose those that are appointed to death;

PSALM 142:1-7 [Maschil of David; A Prayer when he was in the cave.]

1. I cried unto the LORD with my voice; with my voice unto the LORD did I make my supplication.
2. I poured out my complaint before him; I shewed before him my trouble.

3. When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, then thou knewest my path. In the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me. 4. I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul. 5. I cried unto thee, O LORD: I said, Thou art my refuge and my portion in the land of the living. 6. Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low: deliver me from my persecutors; for they are stronger than I. 7. Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name: the righteous shall compass me about; for thou shalt deal bountifully with me.

GETTING IN THE SPIRIT [61-0428]

You know, **everybody wants a hilltop experience, and they never want to take the valley**. Everybody, the Pentecostal church too. Every night, if you're not shouting, dancing, jumping up-and-down, speaking in tongues, and running around over the floor or something another, you didn't have any kind of a meeting.

Well, you know it's all right to be on the mountain top, that's good. But let me tell you; you, **your fruits will freeze up there** at night. And when the cold spell comes, you'll lose all your fruit. That's what's happened now. We put too much on mountain-top experiences of dancing, and shaking, and jumping around, instead of all night prayer meetings, **down in the valley of decision**. Where you have to come down there and meet God and really pour out your life until something takes place.

We have let the--we've growed fruits up there, but the freeze kills it. That's right. Every time it comes a little cool spell, **you've got nothing to rest upon**. When the emotion or the--dies down, then the shout's all gone, the noises cease, then they're--where you at? The temptation comes along, then you can't take it.

What we need is get down to that grinding place, down there in that valley, dig out. That's exactly right. It's where the Church needs to be tonight.

WILL THE CHURCH GO BEFORE THE TRIBULATION? [58-0309E]

You're bothered with nervous trouble aren't you, lady? That's a mental nervousness. You get real weak, suffer with spells, especially late in the afternoon. Even Satan's told you you was going to lose your mind. That's right. But it's a lie. You're going to be well. It's nothing but just the time of life that you're coming into; it's menopause. Every woman has to come to that, but you're going to be all right, now. You believe my word? Then go thank God, and sing songs, and rejoice and be made well.

TESTIMONY [63-1128M]

So then she was real nervous, and she said something to me, snappy, that she oughtn't to have said it. See? She said, "Then, Bill, you're always gone, and I have to take care of these children myself."

LOOK AWAY TO JESUS [63-1229E]

And she said, "Yes, if you had to put up with it," and she slammed the door right in my face.

TESTIMONY [63-1128M]

And she said, "Well, Bill, I--I get so tore up." And I just turned and walked back, 'cause I knowed she wasn't in any mood to receive it, so I went back out.

A TOTAL DELIVERANCE [59-0712]

The attorneys had me so tore up over this investigation, till I hardly knew where I was at. I'd just went home from the office to eat dinner, and the private phone number rang, and Meda went to answer the phone. She put her hand over it, said, "It's them attorneys again."

I said, "I couldn't stand another evening. My head feels like it's going off. I'm losing my mind, just pulling me this way and that way and this way." I said, "I can't stand it." And I jumped up, and I said, "Tell them I'm not in here," and run around behind the house.

A TOTAL DELIVERANCE [59-0712]

That afternoon I went to pray for a sick baby. And before I left the house, the phone rang again and little Joseph run over and took a hold of the phone and said, "Daddy, you want me to tell them you're not here?" You see how sin corrupts, what a family that would finally be?

A TOTAL DELIVERANCE [59-0712]

Then I started to pray for this baby. And when I started to lay my hands on it, the Lord rebuked me and said, "You told a lie, and you ain't fit to pray for that baby."

I turned away from the man; I said, "Sir, you just wait here. I've got something to make right."

I called up the attorney and went down to the office, called him in, and I said, "Look, sir, I told a lie. I had my wife to lie; she said I wasn't in there. And I run out behind the house." And I confessed it and told him about it.

Walked up, put his hands on my shoulder, he said, "Brother Branham, I've always had confidence in you, but I got more than ever now. A man," he said, "that's willing to make right his wrongs..."

ISAIAH 59:19b

19b. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.