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fill your pail, your bucket from the well and carry it in and sometimes take it to a neighbor, whose well had run dry. And I found that if I took a pail that had f 40 pounds of water in it, and I tried to carry that pail in one hand it $\psi \phi \lambda I d$ was very difficult. But I \$\$\$1.4 could take two pails each of which had 30 pounds in it, and put one in each hand and they balanced. And I could carry much more effectively with carrying the two that balanced on the two sides than by putting a lat on the one side and nothing on the other. I think that it is something that is very vital in so many many aspects of life. None of us can understand the relationship between the sovereignty of God and human responsibility. We don't understand it but both facts are true. Both are stressed in the Scripture, and if we deny either we miss something important. Even more important than that is the balance between the diety deity of Christ and His humanity. We cannot overstress the fact that Jesus is God. He is very God of very God, the second person of the Trinity. You cannot overstress that. Jesus is not half man and half God. He is 100% God. He is the Second Person of the Trinity. But Jesus is also a man. He took on full humanity, body, soul, and spirit. He is a complete man, in every way except of course that He had not sin I That is not essential to true humanity He was tempted in all points like as we . He is our brother. He is not a half=man and half God. There is no inbetween point, and the early church argued about this and debated about it, and some would stress the deity of Christ to the point where they missed the personality of Christ altogether. And that would be declared a heresy. And then others would stress the humanity of Christ to the point where they neglected the deity. And eventually at the Council of Chalcedon that wonderful \$14 balanced statement was made that He is very God of very God but that He is fully God and He is fully man. He has a divine will. He has a human will. He has a divine nature. He has a human nature. These natures are not mixed. They are not separated. They are not confused. He is one Person, but with two natures. We can't understand it. It's absolutely impossible to understand how it can be. And you don't get the answer to it by trying to get a midway point that makes Him part one and part the When other. He is entirely God. He entirely man. But He was an infant lying in the crib