



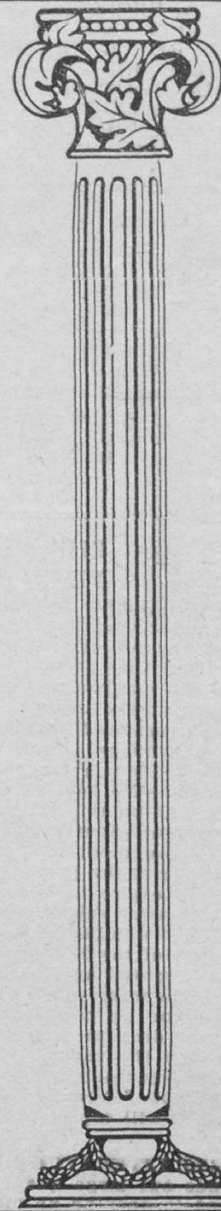
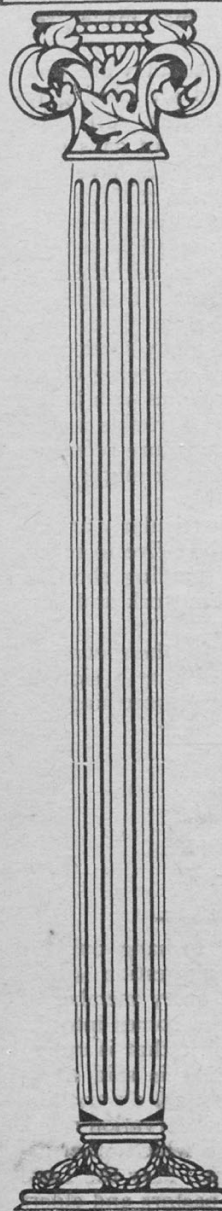
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LITTLE TALKS WITH THE OFFICE EDITOR

The Evangel stands for the sovereignty of local assemblies. The local assembly has certain rights under God which should

not be violated by any man or set of men. The General Council has certain men who are appointed to certain work, but these men, no matter how favorably they may be regarded by the saints as men of God, have no authority to lord it over God's heritage—go into an Assembly in their district, or any other place, and rule or teach contrary to the desires of the pastor or of his people. If he comes into that assembly, our custom is for him to confer with those who are in authority, and if his advice is not received, for him to go quietly on his way without disturbing the peace of that assembly by raising any issue which might cause disruption or discord. Brethren who do not obey these rules, have not the vision of co-operative fellowship, though they may make great boasting of their spiritual attainments.

The Assemblies of God all over the country are waking up to their privileges in Christ, and are coming together in council for their mutual protection, edification and advancement in the cause of Christ. In days gone by, it is a deplorable fact that our assemblies have been open for any worker that might drop in. But those days are passing by, there has been too much trouble caused by ungodly men, posing as children of light but in reality wolves in sheep clothing, taking advantage of the open door to inject themselves into the assembly and propagate their seditious teachings, which often times have caused serious strife and divisions. In many sections of the country the doors of our assemblies are being closed to all strangers who cannot and do not come with letters of commendation from the brethren, and a trouble maker, when once found out, is noted down for future reference for the benefit of the assemblies to whom he might come in the future.

The work in Southern Missouri is particularly arising to this need with the result that from sixty-five to seventy preaching brothers and sisters are standing shoulder to shoulder co-operating to safeguard the work and keep out all unnecessary strife and division.

One brother, who stands steadfastly for the sovereignty of the local assembly, has suggested that a sign be hung out in front of every church house something like this:

NOTICE.

If you come riding a hobby,
please hitch it on the outside.
(Signed) The Pastor.

Of course it will not be necessary to hang out any sign like this, but if the spirit of this suggestion is held dear in the breast of every pastor and every member of the assemblies of God, any stranger who comes into the assembly will quickly recognize the spirit that is ruling and will be controlled, whether anything is said about the matter or not. It has been our personal observation of some assemblies where the spirit of conservation ruled, that they were saved from many things which other assemblies have been compelled to endure. May the Lord safeguard our assemblies and give our pastors and elders wisdom to shepherd the flock and save the sheep from the attacks of the enemy, no matter in what form they may come. Amen!

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EDITORIAL

AN IMPORTANT THOUGHT.

“WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE.” Matt. 19:26.

This is one of the wonders of the truth; a high-light in the picture of divine revelation. It speaks of Almightyness; it removes all limitation. How wonderful is God. How **past finding out** are His ways. Our hearts are made to rejoice, while our minds are overcome with the thought of His greatness and power. How careful we should be in our thinking about God. How humble our hearts should be before Him. Probably one of the greater and more subtle sins which creep into the life of one who intends to be righteous, is the sin of presumption toward God. Our attitude toward Him is of first importance. The position we take in relation to God is very apt to determine our understanding of Him and His ways.

GOD'S DESIRE.

It seems very clear that God's desire is to reveal Himself to us. From the beginning, so far as we can see, He has worked to that end. There is, however, that which makes it hard for us to grasp the truth about God in some respects. The limitations of the natural mind, the associations of the natural realm, the prescribed conditions of our finite beings, all tend to make it difficult to comprehend God. It would be wholly wrong to take the ground that God was unable to do that which He had planned; or that we were not to know Him even as we are known. We shall know Him—we do know Him—but there is a difference between our knowledge and appreciation of Him under the present conditions and those that will prevail in the great future. “Now we know in part; then shall we know, even as we are known.” God's desire—to reveal Himself to us—will be satisfied. His purpose in that respect will be carried out, if we humbly await His time and His way.

THE PRESENT POSSIBILITIES.

The present possibilities in the case are wonderful. There is much for us under the present conditions. We have a very broad field of investigation open to us. There is a way in which we may know God in a satisfying measure. Heartily consent to the fact that we are to accept His own word in the matter, without trying to put upon it a **natural** construction, will help.

An important thought just here is the thought that we are not to bring God down, in our thought, to the plane of natural understanding. That is, we are not to compare God with anything found in the natural realm. A very unwise thing to do is to begin to compare God, or make comparisons in which God is referred to, without an understanding that there can be no true comparison between Him and any other. There is none with whom to compare Him. If this is not so, then God is a being who may be seen in the light of what others are.

TO PROCEED THEN.

With this thought in mind we may proceed to consider the possibilities before us in the matter of understanding God. We shall be called again and again to come back to this point, as we endeavor to comprehend Him. It is so natural to us to drift away from the path of true light in relation to God. We are so accustomed to a way in which there is lacking the element of revelation, as a consequence of our dealing with things natural; the things we call practical. We need not be surprised to find opposition to our progress in these things, nor the need of often waiting before God to be sure we are not being led by an untrustworthy guide.

THE NATURE OF GOD.

The true point of beginning is with the nature of God. Here we have some light, but of course we can expect to soon reach the border-line of our field of knowledge. With our hearts bowed in awe and fear inspired by a glimpse of the nature of God, we may turn to consider His character, His purposes, His plans, His methods, and see in the divine objective the wonders of His wisdom, love, and power. This is truly a broad plain out upon which we have entered. With the aid of **His own spirit** promised us, we may look for divine help so long as we keep a right attitude toward God and all others. Space does not permit us to go farther with this line of thought, here and now, but if God permits us we hope to continue to enlarge upon these things as we have opportunity. May God help us; and give us light and appreciation of our privileges, with grace to be true to what we may see regarding His plans so far as they concern us.

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A POSTOLIC FAITH RESTORED

**A History of
the Present
Latter Rain
Outpouring of
the Holy Spirit
known as
the Apostolic
or Pentecostal
Movement.**

**By
B. F. Lawrence**

ARTICLE XIII—Pastor Barrett and the Work in Europe.

We have the privilege here of presenting something of the personal testimony of Pastor Barratt and a letter from him dealing with the work in Europe. Also, a letter from Miss Yunna G. Malick, now in this country, but who was born, saved and baptized in the Spirit in Palestine.

Bro. Barratt was born in Albaston, Cornwall, England, on the 22nd of July, 1862. His parents were both English and belonged to the Wesleyan Methodist Church. When he was five years old, his parents removed to Norway; he has made his home there ever since.

He was converted when twelve years old, and was, in his sixteenth year, stirred to a deeper consecration and a larger life for God. He soon entered the ministry and presently had great success in winning souls for his Master.

In 1905 he visited America to raise funds for the erection of a large hall in Christiania, intended for the center of a great mission work in that city. He was at this time a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

His mission here, though supported by appeals from several bishops and other leading men, was not successful. This grieved his heart and really began a work in his heart which made room for the blessed light and truth of "Pentecost."

We here append an account of his experience in his own words. This extract is taken from "When the Fire Fell," a pamphlet containing a detailed narrative of the Lord's dealings with him.

PASTOR BARRATT'S OWN TESTIMONY.

All this time I remained 'neath the *cleansing and protecting Blood of the Atonement*, knowing that Christ alone could impart the blessing I sought. Acts 2:33; John 7:37-39.

I had not mentioned to anybody, except by correspondence, that I was seeking the full Pentecost. But at last I felt I must. A sudden tremor passed through my body when I did it. Oh, how precious those days are to me still!

Taking a nap in the afternoon, I awoke, feeling my jaws working on their own account. The physical sign of the coming blessing had therefore commenced, before anybody had prayed with me or laid their hands on my head. Calling on Mrs. L—, the wife of a physician, who had received her Pentecost, I conversed with her about the subject and requested her prayers. The devil taunted me by saying: "The idea of a minister going to ask a woman to pray for him!" I bade him begone. She prayed with me and sent me to a meeting, conducted by

a friend of hers. But it was at the meeting the next evening I first felt at liberty to tell those present what I was seeking. This was on the 15th of Nov., 1906. About fifteen persons were present. Some seeking sanctification, others the baptism of fire.

We could not close the meeting and I determined, God helping me, to stay till the victory was won.

I requested the leader a little before 12 o'clock to pray for me with the laying on of hands. After that I had no more strength in me, I lay on the floor by the platform in a reclining position. At about half-past twelve I asked a Norwegian brother there and Mrs. L. to lay their hands on my head and pray for me once more.

My jaws and tongue began to work, but there was no voice. The brother said, "Try to speak!" But I would not force matters myself. *There was to be no humbug in this.* The Holy Spirit was to do the speaking Himself, or rather, *make me speak.*

THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES.

Just then both of them saw a supernatural light, over my head, and in this, Mrs. L. says, she saw a crown of fire and a cloven tongue, the length of her hand.

Immediately I was filled with light and power and began to speak clearly and distinctly with a great volume of voice, in a foreign tongue. The power came so suddenly and powerfully that I lay on the floor speaking in tongues incessantly for some time. In fact I kept on, mostly speaking in tongues, singing and praying, with very little intermission, until 4 o'clock in the morning. Nine persons remained until three o'clock, and are witnesses of the whole scene. I must have spoken about eight different languages during that time. Some present believed the number was greater. All were spoken with great distinctness.

It seemed as if an iron band lay over my jaws. Both jaws and tongue were worked by this unseen power. I could very easily detect the various sounds and forms of speech, and the different position of the tongue, and at times also the vocal chords. One of the languages had a deep guttural sound, and came slowly, in one the nasal sound predominated, another rushed forth like a cataract, others came more regularly and smoothly. Once the twisting of the organs of speech, in order to produce the sounds, made the muscles of the throat ache. They were of course not used to it.

I knelt, stood or sat in a chair while this was going on. I stood erect sometimes, speaking so forcibly that several thousand persons could easily have heard all I said. I felt such strength throughout my body that I now understand, by personal experience, where David and Samson obtained their strength.

But the most wonderful moment, the most rapturous of all, was when I suddenly commenced to sing a beautiful baritone solo, using one of the most pure and delightful languages I have ever heard. The tune and words were entirely new to me, and the rhythm and cadence of the verses and chorus seemed to be perfect.

I was perfectly conscious of all that was going on, but was led by the Spirit of God, filling my whole being with His presence. I felt at times as if on fire inside. But there was no pain. It was a mighty sense of the holy purity and gracious love of God within.

Now and then I had seasons of prayer. But it was the Holy Spirit praying within me. I received an illustration of Romans 8:26, 27. I don't remember having prayed in that way before. New York and the United

States, Norway and all Scandinavia and Europe, my loved ones and friends, lay like an intense burden on my soul. What power was given in prayer! Oh, the blessing of those wonderful hours! That night will never be forgotten by anyone present.

God's presence overwhelmed me completely. I then threw myself on the floor with the cry, "At last! At last!" It seemed as if the heavens would open above us and the glory of God appear before us.

LETTER FROM PASTOR BARRATT.

In answer to a letter asking him about the rise and progress of the work in Europe, he sent us the following:

"After receiving the baptism of fire in New York, I returned back to Norway and commenced meetings in Christiania; immediately the fire fell there and the revival commenced. From this center it spread all over Europe. Brother Johnson commenced shortly afterward in Schofde, Sweden, while numbers carried the fire from Christiania to other parts of Norway.

"About three months after the outbreak of the revival in Christiania I commenced to travel. Visited Stockholm and other towns in Sweden. I then went to Copenhagen and the revival began there. From there I went to Sunderland, England, and the revival commenced there.

"Two sisters, Miss Thille and Miss Dagmar Gregerson, (both are now married and are missionaries in India) took the fire to Germany and Switzerland. I did not have time to go there then, nor had I time to visit Holland. But later on I visited India (by invitation), and the Holy Land and stopped some time in Switzerland, making the work more secure there. I also visited Germany and some years after, Holland.

"The revival spread from Sunderland, England, to Holland. That is, Brother Pollman received his baptism in Sunderland and the revival, which had entered Holland from Switzerland, was brought into a purer line of influence.

"In Germany, God raised up great workers; among the foremost might be mentioned Pastor Paul.

"Later on, I visited Finland and Russia. A great revival broke out in Finland, especially after Pastor Smidt's work there. I have visited Finland several times since and crowds have attended and remarkable revival scenes have taken place.

"But in no country have I seen a deeper work than in Norway. The revival has spread all over the country, more or less, and God is constantly glorifying his holy name in our midst."

How much of labor, groaning prayers, mighty preaching, fastings, trials, victories is covered by this brief letter, only the day will declare. We hope in time, to present fuller details of the work abroad. This, however, will take time, and we can only do the best we can.

That much of interest may be developed is evident from the following letter from Miss Malick. Bro. Barratt covers the time spent in the Holy Land with a half dozen words; I wish that we had side lights on all his trips as we have this little one upon this visit to Palestine.

MISS MALICK'S LETTER.

"A friend placed in my hand a copy of the Weekly Evangel of Jan. 22, 1916, in which I read of your desire to acquire as much information as possible about this Pentecostal Movement. So I thought to send you a brief account of my experience along this line, hoping that it will add a little to the interest in the subject, and bring

honor and glory to God for His wonderful works among the children of men.

"Away in the Holy Land, in the lower slopes of Mt. Lebanon, there is a small town, Shwifat by name, about six or seven miles from the Mediterranean coast. In this town I was born, brought up, and there I taught school for several years.

"I was saved as a child and my heart's desire was and always has been to reach every creature with the Gospel news. I tried to do so, as much as I had a chance. At one time I worked in Hebron, South of Jerusalem, for six years among the Mohammedans. I was there with Mrs. Murray, a blind lady, who died a few years ago in India. All this time there was in my heart a craving for more of the Holy Spirit and power in service.

"In the year 1909 this desire became more intense. I was at home then in Shwifat. Talking to a friend about it one day, she said, 'Let us pray definitely about it.' This suggestion settled deep in my heart and I started to wait on God for an outpouring of His Holy Spirit. I made this a regular thing at an appointed time in my room. This went on for several weeks. One day I received a Latter Rain paper from across the ocean, do not know who sent it to me. It was the first of the kind I had ever seen, and contained the first news which I had received of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as on the day of Pentecost. I cried unto the Lord, saying, 'If this thing is going on in the world, I must have it too, for thou art no respecter of persons; it is the thing I have been praying for all this time.'

"A week after this, Pastor Barratt of Norway, on his way home, stopped in our town to spend a few days with some friends. He had been in the United States and while there had received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and spake in other tongues.

"We arranged to have prayer meetings for a week. What was supposed to be the last day of the meeting came, and no one had received their baptism as yet. That morning my younger sister and I were the only ones in the upper chamber besides the pastor and the household members. The rest of the seekers had perhaps given up, and perhaps some were busy. But, praise the Lord, he never gives up, not even the ones and the twos, for as soon as we knelt down to pray the power of God fell on my sister and she began to speak in tongues. In a few minutes, I too, lost control of my tongue and the Spirit was interceding through me with utterances unknown to me. When this was known outside, the afternoon and evening meetings were crowded with people. Some came out of curiosity, others were in earnest. The meetings were extended another week; a few received the baptism. You may be sure the devil caused no small stir over it, but the Lord held steady the faithful ones, those who were willing to suffer loss for His name's sake."

Five years later Miss Malick came to this country and spent some time in the Rochester Bible Training School. She expects, ultimately, to return to Palestine.

What hath God wrought! My soul delights in the telling of it.

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NOTHING CAN HINDER A REVIVAL

By F. F. Bosworth, Dallas, Texas.

It is being said by some that the day for bringing sinners to the cross for salvation is past; that God is now calling the saints to prepare for the coming of the heavenly Bridegroom, and that we are not to expect great revivals in which thousands of the lost will turn away from sin unto the living God. This premise is utterly false and serves as an excellent sleep producer in the hands of Satan to not only prevent the saving of precious souls for whom Christ died, but also to pave the way for a failure to be ready for the coming of the Lord. May God's children not fall into this grievous error. There are souls to be saved on every hand, and nothing can prevent a revival if God's people are faithful in intercessory prayer for the salvation of the lost.

Brother Bosworth has struck a vital cord in this interesting article and we sincerely trust that it shall bear much fruit in the lives of our readers.

This article was originally published in the *Latter Rain Evangel* for December, 1915, and we republish it by request.

Jesus taught "that men ought always to pray, and not to faint." Two things remember: first, "Always to pray," and second, "Not to faint," or as Weymouth translates it, "Never to lose heart." This means that Christians should never be without a definite petition before the throne of God, with their minds fully made up to get the answer. The chief ingredient in real prayer is the *purpose* to get the answer. Jesus said, "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father which is in heaven." The main thing that we are to agree on, is that we will not stop praying until we *know* we have the answer. The mere asking without importunity, without a purpose to get the answer, is not what the Bible constitutes prayer. Some people do not believe God will hear prayer at all; others think once in a great while He will, but let me say, friends, He *always* answers real prayer, for Jesus said, "*everyone that asketh receiveth.*"

When men and women are yielded to God so that they can pray acceptably, they always receive the answer unless they "*faint*" or "*lose heart.*" There is only one thing that hinders anyone from praying acceptably to God and that is his own stubborn will; so I repeat, everyone who *really* asks receives. There are comparatively few in our day who have learned to pray "through." Nearly everyone goes through a daily routine of prayer, but there is just a straggler here and there who asks with his mind made up to prevail with God for the answer, and it is not real prayer until he is thus determined. If it is right to pray for a revival, then it is wrong to stop praying until we know we are heard. If we undertake to pray for a thing then we ought either to follow it up until we get the answer or withdraw the petition. There are thousands of God's children who have had their sins forgiven, their hearts have been purified through the blood of Christ, and they would not do wrong for anything, but out of this multitude there is only one here and there that is definitely by prayer undertaking any project for God and the salvation of souls. They hope for it; they want it; they go through the form of asking for it in family prayer, but do not "stir themselves up to take hold of God" and see the thing brought to pass. Elijah did, Jacob did, Daniel did, the one hundred and twenty did, some today do, and we *all* should. Among the one hundred and twenty in the upper room there wasn't even one

but what was absolutely a unit in importunity. Without a single exception they prayed until they were perfectly adjusted and in tune with God, and when that is done the devil has to take a back seat. When God's people unite in prayer with perfect hearts it matters not how strongly the devil may entrench himself, his strongholds can be pulled down. We are living in a day when to us the manifestations of God's power seem wonderful, but the revivals and the power of God we see are small compared to what God wants us to see.

He wants us as a church to unite in prayer until God is able so to display His power as to make every one know that He is with us. Even away back in Egypt when God had men of faith, He showed Himself, His power and His strength until there wasn't a boy or girl in all Egypt but knew that God was on hand.

I met a minister and his wife in Oakland, California, the other day who said: "We prayed for a revival, but of course you know we never receive as much as we ask for." I said to them: "No, I don't know any such thing, but I *do* know that the very opposite of what you say is true, and that the answer is always far beyond our petition *provided* the power of God is sufficiently working in us while we pray." I have proven this to be true. By reading Ephesians 3:20 we see that Paul had discovered this wonderful fact. He wrote: "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, *according to the power that worketh in us, etc.*" Because of the lack of this power working within most Christians today, they are not getting anywhere near as much as they ask for in their daily routine of prayer. But where the condition of this text is met, the very opposite of this will be true and the answer will always exceed the petition, and will surprise the one who made it.

What is this power working within us? I answer, it is the Holy Spirit making intercessions through the saints with groanings that cannot be uttered—far beyond our knowledge of what to pray for, asking for a thousand details of which we are not even capable of thinking. And God who "knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit" answers *according to the power that worketh in us.* And when we, as individuals, or as a church, see the answer we will say in astonishment, "My, this is exceeding abundantly *above* all that we asked or even thought of!" God is abundantly able, and just as willing, to do this. But how? "*According to the power that worketh in us.*" Never beyond it. God's activity among the unsaved in convicting them of sin and bringing them to salvation will never exceed "the power that worketh in us."

In the process of praying through for a revival, and praying down the atmosphere that makes a *real* revival possible, where there is a purpose of heart in the matter, the Holy Spirit will energize and empower us to prevail and He Himself will make intercessions with groanings we cannot utter in words; and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit will be in exact proportion to the power of the Holy Spirit praying through us.

This is simply God's law for revivals and this law is just as workable and as dependable as the law of gravitation. Any church can take advantage of this wonderful law and have a continuous revival the year around. We absolutely know what will happen when God's people really unite in asking for a revival. If the one hundred and twenty *before* they received the Holy Ghost, could "All continue with one accord in prayer" until they all prayed through, surely we can *after* we have received the

baptism. And if we *don't* or *won't*, what kind of a baptism have we? The early Christians prayed down an answer from God that has been an object lesson to all future generations, and they were consecrated enough to undertake this before they received the Holy Ghost. The entire assembly absolutely uniting in prayer with unbending purpose of heart, was the secret of the wonderful power and success of the first church in Jerusalem. Even the three thousand added to the church on the day of Pentecost "continued steadfastly . . . in prayer," and "great grace was upon them all." When God can find a church in these last days, that will return to the methods of the first church and all draw close enough to God to receive the spirit of prayer, He will send an outpouring of the Spirit the like of which has not been seen in our day, and the report of which will inspire the faith of the saints the world over to prevail for a similar outpouring. This is easy, and simple and all can do it if they will. What an opportunity any church has to be a blessing to the world by stepping out and taking the lead in this! Are you all willing to stir yourselves up to take hold of God?

Why did God give us the Holy Spirit? It was that we should remain at His disposal, adjusting ourselves to all His efforts, so that He can work in and through us continually, carrying out His plans and purposes for our lives, and especially that the Holy Spirit might make intercession through us, that God may be able to do more than *we* (without the energy of the Spirit) are capable of asking or thinking.

Let me illustrate the teaching of this text by an instance or two from the report of the Irish revival in 1859. These people in the north of Ireland had never seen a revival, and hardly knew how to pray, but they were tired of the hard labor of trying to save souls without an outpouring of the Spirit. They longed for a *Divine influence to be sent down from heaven, a breathing upon the slain that they might live*. Some of them wanted this so badly, that they agreed to pray for it. Never having seen anything of the kind many were tempted to doubt and give up, so that at one time the meeting for prayer was so far reduced in numbers that only two came together to call upon the name of the Lord. Still they continued to pray on, and by degrees the little company increased until it became "two bands." They wrestled on, until they prevailed with God. And then the power of God came down like a mighty tornado, and swept one town after another in a way almost unparalleled in history. Those who knew nothing of the prayer that preceded it, supposed that it was the sovereign power of God working without human instrumentality, but the instrumentality was the prevailing prayer I have just mentioned. Here is the statement of a country minister, rehearsing the wonders wrought among his people:

"Our corner of Christ's vineyard appeared to be very dry and barren until the beginning of June, 1859. A few weeks previous to that period I was stating publicly to the congregation that I felt greatly discouraged because I could discover scarcely any conversions as the fruit of my labors, although I often sowed in tears. But lo! in a short time I was made glad in discovering the fulfillment of that sweet promise in the 126th Psalm, 'They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.' On the third of June the Lord visited us with a copious shower, and watered all the district round about with the effusion of the Holy Spirit. At a meeting in the burying-ground adjoining our church about two thousand people were assembled—and oh what a solemn assembly. About two hundred were stricken down in the space of a few hours; and so far as I could learn afterward, every case terminated in real conversion. For many days subsequent-

ly some were similarly affected. Some time after, I was addressing a little Sabbath school when the entire number were seized more or less, although only eight were stricken down."

A Methodist minister tells the following narrative:

"In a large school belonging to the corporation of London, a boy was observed under deep impressions. The master seeing that the little fellow was not fit to work, called him to his side and advised him to go home and call upon the Lord in private. With him he sent an older boy who had found peace the day before. On their way they saw an empty house, and went in there to pray together. The two schoolfellows continued in prayer in the empty house till he who was weary and heavy laden felt his soul blessed with sacred peace. Rejoicing in this new and strange blessedness the little fellow said, 'I must go back and tell Mr. _____.' The boy who, a little while ago had been too sorrowful to do his work, soon entered the school with a beaming face, and going up to the master said in his simple way, 'O Mr. _____, I am so happy; I have the Lord Jesus in my heart.' Strange words in cold times! Natural words, when upon the simple and upon the young the Spirit is poured out, and they feel what is meant by 'Christ in you the hope of glory,' and utter it in the first terms that come! The attention of the whole school was attracted. Boy after boy silently slipped out of the room. After a while the master stood upon something which enabled him to look over the wall of the playground. There he saw a number of his boys ranged round the wall on their knees in earnest prayer, every one apart. The scene overcame him. Presently he turned to the pupil who had already been a comforter to one schoolfellow, and said, 'Do you think you can go and pray with these boys?' He went out and kneeling down among them, began to implore the Lord to forgive their sins, for the sake of Him who had borne them all upon the cross. Their silent grief soon broke into a bitter cry. As this reached the ears of the boys in the room, it seemed to pierce their hearts, as by one consent they cast themselves upon their knees, and began to cry for mercy.

The girls' school was above, and the cry no sooner penetrated to their room than, apparently well knowing what mourning it was, and hearing it a call to themselves, they too, fell upon their knees and wept. Strange disorder for schoolmaster and mistress to have to control! The united cry reached the adjoining streets. Every ear, prepared by the prevailing Spirit, at once interpreted it as the voice of those who look upon Him whom they have pierced, and mourn for Him. One and another of the neighbors came in, and at once cast themselves upon their knees and joined in the cry for mercy. These increased and continued to increase, till first one room, then another, then a public office on the premises, in fact every available spot was filled with sinners seeking God. Clergymen of different denominations, and men of prayer, were sought, and they spent the day in pleading for the mourners; sweetest of all the toils that this earth doth witness, when men, themselves enjoying heavenly peace, labor in intercession for those who are now, as they were once, broken-hearted by sight of their sins, and striving to enter in at the straight gate in order to walk in the narrow way! Thus passed hour after hour of that memorable day. Dinner was forgotten, tea was forgotten, and it was not till eleven o'clock at night that the school premises were freed from their unexpected guests."

Mind you, this was in a new place. No one had asked or thought of these details, but they had prevailed for an outpouring of the Spirit, and when that comes it always includes a thousand details that could not be thought of beforehand. The answer was abundantly above what was asked for or thought of, but it was according to the power that had worked in the intercessors while they importuned. In this atmosphere, instead of it being hard for sinners to yield to God, it is hard for them to resist. Jesus said to Paul, "It is hard for thee to kick." We can have this power today in any church.

This was the result of the outpouring of the Spirit. Without this we may almost work ourselves to death and yet accomplish little. About this same time or perhaps

earlier, similar outpourings were given in New England as a result of the teachings on "Prayer" by Charles Finney. The spirit of prayer was poured out so powerfully that many of the intercessors were obliged to stay away from the public services, being unable to restrain their feelings during the preaching. Largely as a result of this general spirit of prayer, it was estimated that for quite a season there was an average of fifty thousand conversions a week in the revival belt. As the work proceeded, in some places it gathered in nearly the whole population. In one community every adult person on both sides of a street three miles long was saved but one, and then they united in prayer until God saved that remaining one.

Finney records a day of prayer and agony of soul while he was on a sea voyage for rest, which lasted for many hours. This, a writer on the "Life of Finney," says has since resulted in the salvation of hundreds of thousands of souls. Afterwards, Finney himself said, "I have been many years witnessing the wonderful results of that day of wrestling with God." "In answer to that day's agony He has continued to give me the spirit of prayer." He said he wouldn't give this spirit of prayer for the intellectual endowments of an archangel. Out of this day of wrestling with God, was born "Finney's Lectures on Revivals," which has been published and republished in a number of languages down to our day, and is acknowledged today as the incomparable classic on the subject of Revivals. This book has been republished during the last year by The Fleming H. Revell Co. and can now be purchased from The Gospel Publishing House for 60 cts., postpaid. I wish everybody would read it.

These and many other accounts that could be mentioned, strikingly illustrate the great fact that God is able to do "exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us." I believe that it is possible for one Christian to accomplish more by persistent prayer than whole assemblies are doing in most places. This I can prove by facts. In Finney's day, just an ordinary painter got saved, and after reading the prayer promises in the Bible, resolved to pray revivals down upon certain communities. He would pray for an outpouring of the Spirit upon a place and hold on continually until he heard from heaven, and *knew* that he had prevailed with God. Then he would write in his memorandum book, "Today I was enabled to pray the prayer of faith for a revival at _____," and put down the date. He would continue this until he had recorded the dates upon which he was able to prevail for thirty different localities. He knew he had prayed through before he saw any of the results, and in answer to this one man's prayer down came the thirty revivals as he had them recorded in his memorandum book.

Every boy and girl can so abide in Jesus, and have His Word so abide in them, that they can ask what they will, and Jesus says, "It shall be done." A little boy in the state of Iowa was lying on his death-bed and had only a short time to live. Revival services were in progress in the city in which he lived, and as members of the family returned from the meeting at night, he would ask them, "Was Charlie converted tonight?" "Yes," they would say, "he was converted." The next night he would ask, "Was Bob converted tonight?" and again they said, "Yes." He continued doing this until he died, and then they found a crumpled piece of paper under his pillow with the names of thirty-seven boys who had been saved during the revival through his prayers.

In a three weeks' meeting at Bridgeport, Texas, a few months ago, I spoke to the saints in the day meetings on the subject of prayer for twenty days in succession, and it seemed as though they nearly all received the spirit of prayer. Some told me that they woke themselves up praying on their knees in bed, weeping for souls in the middle of the night. In this meeting I saw sinners so convicted that they would blush clear to the roots of their hair.

Oh friends, God is not only able, but just as willing to do great things when we make it possible by the prayer of faith. His willingness is as infinite as His power. He is *able* to save the worst sinners and He is just as willing. He is *able* to send a mighty outpouring of the Spirit upon any community, and thank God, His willingness is just as great as His power, and He sends us the word, "Ask and ye shall receive." For the sake of precious souls, let us not consent to anything short of God's will for us in this. The greatest achievement in the world is to win a man from eternal night to a life of eternal happiness. This looms up before me bigger every day. That great soul-winner, Jonathan Edwards, said, "I am bold to say, that the work of God in the conversion of one soul, considered together with the source, foundation and purchase of it, and the eternal issues coming from it, is a more glorious work of God than the creation of the whole material universe. It is spoken of in Scripture as that which shows the exceeding greatness of His power."

If the cause of God for souls is great enough to secure the combined attention of God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit and all the angels for the past six thousand years, must it not be the greatest object of pursuit, and are we not wise in making it the supreme end of our lives during our short stay in this world? All awakened men are doing this. It is the mainspring that moves all heaven. Let us all be one with heaven in this great cause. Intercession is the mightiest force exercised in making this cause to prosper. Will we rise to our great privilege? After we have been in heaven a million years, how happy we will be to meet those who are there as a result of our faithfulness in praying for the outpouring of the Spirit during our brief sojourn in this world.

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THE CONVENTION AT BETHEL CHAPEL

The Pentecostal Message has been preached in St. Louis, Mo., for eight or nine years. In spite of this long ministry, the work here is still in the infantile stage. Missions have been opened and closed; some souls have been saved and some have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, but the Message of Pentecost has made practically no impression upon the minds of the people of St. Louis as a whole. Chicago, Cleveland, Indianapolis, Memphis, Dallas, and practically every other large city in the country have been visited with mighty outpourings of the Spirit, and the saints found in these cities are numbered by the thousands. But such is not the case in St. Louis. With the exception of the first outpouring here in the beginning of the work under Brother Kinne, and a revival meeting held by the late Wm. H. Durham, there have been no meetings of any consequence held in St. Louis, no important conventions or conferences until the General Council held last October. This meeting had the largest attendance of any Pentecostal meeting held in St. Louis, and demonstrated that if the message was brought in the right way that there were a host of hungry hearts who would gather out to hear the Word of God preached, and to meet the Lord for their own needs.

A number of souls have been lying on their faces for months and years importuning God to send a mighty outpouring of His Spirit to St. Louis. In answer to this heart cry, the Lord definitely led us to move the Publishing House to this sinful city, and from the very beginning we have seen the possibilities of service, as we are faithful unto Him. In answer to prayer, a church building was opened to us, and we felt led to call a convention to begin April 1st. A number of workers gathered in, and all testify that these days spent together before the Lord have been exceedingly precious on account of the marvelous unity and singleness of purpose of each one of the workers. Without any prearrangement, not one of the workers sought to inject any doctrinal issues into the meeting, but all united in preaching Christ Jesus and Him crucified and God set His seal to the meetings by touching hearts.

We have not great things to report as yet. The work in St. Louis is still in the formative stage. This is the seed sowing time. We are not opposed to any other work in the city, nor are we seeking to draw from the constituency of the other missions, but are branching out and seeking new game—to awaken the people of St. Louis who have never heard the message that Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today and forever.

The development of the work since coming to St. Louis a little over a year ago has been marvelous. First the Publishing House was established and systematized. This took a full year, and there is still room for great improvement. However, to our knowledge, it is the largest and best equipped publishing plant in the Pentecostal Movement at this time. During this first year, very little was done in a spiritual way, but we did pray definitely that God would open up a place for worship. As the old year drew to a close, we definitely asked God to give us a place of worship by January first, and believed that He would do it. The first week in January a man came to the plant and told us he was leaving a church at 2929 Montgomery St., and if we wanted it we could rent it on the same terms that he had been renting it. It was an answer from God and we could not fail to go forward. Since then, in the same miraculous manner, a home was opened to us, which we call "The Evangel Home and School." This is a large sixteen room house near the Publishing Plant. Hope to tell you more about this in the near future.

As the work at the church could not receive our undivided attention on account of our duties at the Publishing House, we were led to ask God to send us someone to take up this work and develop it in the fear of the Lord. When the announcement of the Spring Convention appeared in the Weekly Evangel, Bro. Rape, formerly assistant pastor of the Stone Church, Chicago, Ill., asked God that if he wanted him in St. Louis, to send him his fare by Saturday evening. Saturday evening a sister came to him and asked him if he would like to go to St. Louis, handing him his fare. He came and God mightily blessed his ministry among us. He has now returned to Chicago and feels a call to return again to St. Louis and take up the spiritual side of the work here. We feel that the hand of the Lord is in this matter and we look forward to a glorious time of service when Brother Rape returns to us. In the meantime, the special meetings are still going on, with Geo. W. Lawson as evangelist.

DAILY PORTION FROM THE KING'S BOUNTY

MRS. A. R. FLOWER

April 15. "Provide things honest in the sight of all men." Rom. 12:17.

There is no end in God's work which justifies the use of any questionable means. But do Pentecostal people need any such admonition? Answer this by letting God search your own heart. He will do it faithfully, and if you are willing to let Him, will make your life transparently pure and open to the view alike of saint and sinner.

April 16. "Awake, O north wind; and come thou south; blow upon my garden that the spices thereof may flow out." Cant. 4:16.

But the calm is so much more pleasant, and the quiet zephyr that gently fans your cheek so much more restful. Listen beloved, when you speak thus your motive is selfish. God wants the spices to flow out that others may enjoy the fragrance of His love and presence within your being; and for this it takes the strong, searching winds—veritable gales sometimes that would almost sweep you off your feet were you not anchored to the Rock of Ages. Welcome then whatever God may send in your life and trust Him to make you a sweet savor of Christ in every hour of trial.

April 17. "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." Jno. 4:35.

Christ well knew the besetting difficulty of His followers, then as well as now, in having a missionary outlook. It is the lifting up of the eyes. Stop looking down at yourself, your blessings, your interests, your feelings, your concerns—both temporal and spiritual. Look up,—look out, and let God speak to your heart as to how you may help in the great need of this last missionary hour.

April 18. "There is no restraint to the Lord to save by many or by few." 1 Sam. 14:6.

Glory to His name! Gideon and his three hundred, David and his outcast band, Jonathan and his faithful arm-bearer—all forceful instances of how God works His deliverances. "There is no king saved by the multitude of an host; a mighty man is not delivered by much strength," but "whoso putteth his trust in the Lord shall be safe."

April 19. "We were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children." 1 Thess. 2:7.

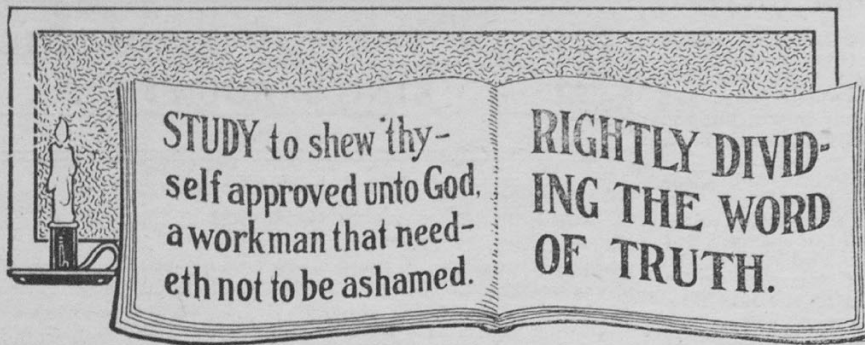
Wonderful love of the Spirit manifest in the mighty man of God, Paul. So many would-be teachers, but what a scarcity today of real fathers—nursing fathers—who are so "affectionately desirous" of the welfare of the weaker ones that they lose all sight of personal ambition, or recognition. Lord take the unconscious spiritual selfishness out of some of our dear Pentecostal brethren and make them true fathers in the Lord.

April 20. "Then the devil leaveth him, and behold, angels came and ministered unto him." Matt. 4:11.

Were we less dependant on human comfort in the hour of testing we would know the indescribable succor and sweetness of the angel ministry. God richly rewards those who look to Him for their support and strength.

April 21. "And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." Phil. 2:8.

Behold Him, your Redeemer, nailed to the cross, bearing the penalty of your sins and mine, pouring out His soul even unto death that we might know the joy of salvation and eternal life. The crown of thorns is on His brow; the stream of blood and water flows from His pierced side. Darkness covers the earth; lo, now He speaks. "It is finished"—the cup is past—He bows His head; gives up the ghost. The sacrifice is complete. This is the earthly picture. No words adequately can portray the divine significance; that is to be realized throughout all the ages of eternity. Happy the soul that has already begun the realization of its power and blessing.



SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

April 23, 1916.

THE RISEN CHRIST—Easter Lesson.

Lesson Text.—1 Cor. 15:1-28.

Golden Text.—“Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept.” 1 Cor. 15:20.

Leading Thought.—The certainty of the resurrection. “Because I live, ye shall live also.”

1. **The Preaching of the Resurrection.** Vs. 1-11. We are commemorating the day on which our Lord Jesus Christ rose from the dead. So it is we have this lesson on the Risen Christ. Then as we look back we find that the message of the disciples since the first lesson of the quarter—the Day of Pentecost—has been continually re-echoing the certainty of the resurrection. They realized that therein lay the whole power of the Gospel. All the suffering, all the agony of Christ's death, would have been unavailing had He not arisen. See how often they drove home this truth when addressing the people wherever they went. And now Paul, who had received the Gospel by a special dispensation of God's grace, found it necessary to strengthen the faith of the Corinthian church in this great primal truth. Paul had founded the church at Corinth. Naturally he felt keenly every weakness and hastened to re-inforce the place, particularly one of such great importance as their belief in the resurrection. It vitally concerned their own future as well as a right understanding of the accomplished redemption of their Lord and Saviour. So we have this wonderful fifteenth

chapter, whose words and thought are alike so deep and beautiful that we know it to be inspired of God. Paul briefly declares unto them the Gospel in Vs. 1-4. Thank God the Gospel message is still the same. Gal. 1:6-9. I fear there is somewhat of a danger that we lose the simple ground-work of the Gospel in our dealing with souls. I have been amazed recently to find how ignorant certain young people, who had been baptized with the Holy Ghost, were of the simple plan of salvation—the vicarious, propitiatory death of Christ and the certainty of His resurrection, a fact witnessed to by every soul that is born again. They had been blessed and anointed at some altar, but through their ignorance of Christ's work for them in its entirety, the enemy had swept in; and once robbed of the “good feelings” they knew not how to resist him—“steadfast in the faith.” God grant that we may proclaim the Gospel in its simple efficacy and that the Holy Spirit may illuminate hearts to see and comprehend the “good tidings” of the Gospel. Particularly in these days of higher criticism, unbelief, and infidelity, we stand uncompromisingly for the supernatural. It marked the beginning as well as the end of our Lord's earthly career—manifested in His incarnation and His resurrection. Paul proceeds to cite six of the eleven appearances of Christ after His resurrection as conclusive evidence of the fact. Read the account of the resurrection in the four gospels. Paul particularly emphasizes Christ's appearance to himself. Naturally he knew the most about that. Nor could he doubt the certainty of the fact after that wonderful visitation on the road to Damascus. His whole manner of life since had been transformed thereby. To have known Paul several years before and to see him today was a rather certain proof of the reality of the resurrection. “The best answer any one of us can make when questioned for proof of the resurrection of the Lord is the humble, but irrefu-

table one: ‘Christ liveth in me.’” Ah verily, beloved, this is the mystery of godliness even “Christ in you the hope of glory.” Not only your words but your daily walk and life will be thereby continually preaching the certainty of the resurrection.

2. **Its Importance to the Believer.** Vs. 12-28. Paul has already spoken of the truth of the resurrection as the great essential of the Gospel. Now he declares to the Corinthian church its great importance to the individual believer. Christ's resurrection is a pledge to the believer of his resurrection to share the fellowship and glory of the heavenly kingdom of his Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Paul's reasoning is very logical. He says that if certain ones among them declare that there is no resurrection of the dead then Christ could not have been raised. Vs. 12,13. And if Christ has not been raised not only is their faith vain, but they are yet in their sins, and all these witnesses to the certainty of the resurrection are false witnesses. Vs. 13-17. These Corinthian Christians had accepted and believed the Gospel; its power had already affected their hearts and lives. But if they began to doubt the fact of the resurrection, as certain false teachers were attempting to make them do, they no longer would have ground to believe in a present salvation nor to hope for another and higher life beyond this one. To deny this doctrine was essentially to deny the Gospel. What strength and plainness Paul uses in defending the truth. He proceeds with that sure declaration, “Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept.” V. 20. Its effect was twofold: a transformed life now, and a glorious triumph beyond this present life. All this Paul realized until the truth and hope of the resurrection was the inspiration of all his ministry. Run through his epistles and see how they are colored by it. He prayed that beside knowing the truth he might know “the power of His resurrection.” “That like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.” Rom. 6:4. Is it real to you, beloved child of God this blessed “Resurrection-time” of the year? This spring-time when all nature is gladly bursting forth in new life and vigor, are you stolidly plodding along in your own way, or rut I might better call it. Listen then, God has a little message for thee from away back in that divine love-song of Canticles. And this is it:

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GREETINGS FROM WINNIPEG.

In Jesus Name.

I met a humble Church of England pastor on the street yesterday, and in the course of our conversation he said he did not go as far as we did in some things. In reply I said I valued the fellowship of God's children above our individual views concerning matters that merely outwardly expressed an inward experience. He was so glad to hear me say that and said so, adding that "until Jesus comes we are sure to differ about some things—but a saving apprehension of the Gospel was most needed." The sweet, quiet, restful spirit of the man, in the midst of sorrow (for today is to occur his son's funeral) gripped me, and my heart went out to this dear humble man of God, and, thinking to offer him special words of comfort, I said: "God's grace is sufficient for you brother," and he replied: "I realize that," and so we parted.

I so rejoice that God has many dear children scattered over the earth, and Jesus knows them all by name, and takes a special interest in each one, and has a special design for each one's life. As laborers they do not all lay out their work alike, but they are building for eternity, and by God's grace, believe they will share the joys of that heavenly mansion Jesus went to prepare.

The Divine nature is, among many other things, tolerant. Think of the differences in God's children that He perpetually endures. It is a good thing that God looks on the heart, for if the progress of Christianity depended on seeing eye to eye on every line, the future would indeed be hopeless. As we become more like Jesus we shall be more tolerant; and we do not have to compromise in principle to be tolerant. But this is true: the more holy a man is the more easily is he approached. This was true of Jesus when He lived among men; and it will be true of us as we become more like Him. If we have the wisdom that cometh from above we will be easily entreated. God gives heavenly wisdom that is characteristic, and it is true, first, because He says so; and second, it is true as a matter of experience with those unto whom Christ is made wisdom.

God forbid the servant of the Lord to strive. The altar is a good place for a man when he is possessed with a driving, striving spirit. It is a good thing to pray: "Lord have Thy way," even if your toes are tramped on and your doctrinal idol is smashed. So many take on them more than the God-apportioned share. It is not God's

Word that needs fixing up; it's us. Centuries ago Ecclesiasties thought the only way to fix the Bible was to destroy it; but the Word is still with us, while the men who would destroy it are gone; for folks will die in spite of all you can do or say.

What we consider to be truth must be held and spoken in love. When the truth is not spoken in love, a man's usefulness is greatly impaired, and he has hurt his influence for good. It is true that Paul would have Christ preached "whether in pretence or in truth," but in the same letter he urges that nothing be done through strife or vain glory, and actually to esteem the other brother better than yourself, and he insists on God's children having the mind of Christ.

With perfect love there is no fear. We just rest in the Lord and realize that the battle is His, and that He "worketh all things after the council of His own will." Verily, "except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it." The issues of Israel's battles were all settled before they went to war. With perfect love in our heart, there is not only no fear as touching the battle, but no fear of the brethren either. Even if we do differ, we can't, in some respects, honestly do that, and love one another. This looking with suspicion on the brethren will never do. Many who do not outwardly fight doctrines do so inwardly, with the result that they dry up spiritually, and of course blame it on the other fellow; how quick we are to justify ourselves. The liberty we take for ourselves we must grant the other fellow. Whatever we feel we must say in defense of what we believe to be the Gospel, must be said in love and in a spirit of humility, else because of showing a wrong spirit we defeat our own purpose to do good.

We need some more rain. Rain in the time of the Latter Rain." We need more prayer workers. We need more of the glory that makes us one. (Jn. 17:22.) We need more of Jesus, bless His precious name.

May God help us to rest in Him. If we rest we do not worry, and if we worry we do not rest. Like two buckets in the well; when one is up, the other is down. "Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication; with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God, and the God of peace which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

Yours in Him.

Edw. Armstrong.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

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"For lo, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone; The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land; The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away." Cant. 2:11-13.

Fresh life for body and soul, fresh victory, fresh hope, fresh inspiration—all these and much more will come through a fuller recognition of the Risen Christ dwelling within your heart. Hallelujah, He is risen!—Alice Reynolds Flower.

Next Week's Lesson.

April 30, 1916.

PETER DELIVERED FROM PRISON.

Lesson Text.—Acts 12:1-19.

Golden Text.—Psa. 34:7.

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feet, and He is encouraging us much. We hope to have a second native helper come to us in a few days; this is just what is needed. This worker is already experienced, and now desires to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Pray for him, and that his support may be forthcoming.

During our convention we held our first open air meeting in the principal park of the city; there was a large crowd. The other services were all fairly well attended in the large hall when the weather permitted. The day meetings for Bible study and tarrying were held here in the Mission Home, where we were more quiet. We are believing to see Him work mightily here soon. "Why are thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? Hope thou in God; for I shall yet praise Him for the help of His countenance."

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Alice C. Wood.

THE ASSIOUT ORPHANAGE, EGYPT.

We have a letter from the orphanage teacher, Shaker Gadallah, who is assisting Sister Lillian Trasher in the orphanage work in Assiout. He writes as follows:

"Our orphanage was opened in 1911 and the number of orphans was five. Then it came up to ten, then twenty, and in 1913 the number increased to thirty, but in the last two years it has so greatly advanced that the number has become over fifty boys and girls. I wish to say with all gladness that the comfort of the orphans is well provided for and that the hearts and tongues of the children are praising God for our dear Sister Lillian Trasher, who is serving them with such a service. There are also two native women who are helping in the orphanage.

"I believe that this work is not less in value than preaching, but as she said, on coming to Egypt and finding so many preachers, she felt pressed and so encouraged by the Spirit to open this orphanage.

"The children are studying the Word of God and attend prayer-meetings every morning and evening and also Sunday-school. There is a school in the orphanage in which the children study the English and Arabic language, geography and arithmetic, etc. They have been learning model work such as carpets, dantells, etc., but this has stopped for the present. Sister Lillian is going to put up a new building for the children as the rents at present are a little too much. The new

building will be on the eastern bank of the Nile and will be healthy because of its situation. We ask all who are interested in such a good work to help as much as they can by prayer and means. Sister Lillian is the only missionary left here to stand by the work, and her heart is truly in the work. May the dear Lord make this orphanage a blessing to Egypt, especially for Assiout and the neighboring villages. Pray for us that the Lord may keep us under His precious blood until the day of His appearance."—Shaker Gadallah.

McCLURE, ILL.

In our two weeks meeting, just closed at McClure, Ill., nine received the baptism and eight or ten were saved. Had to close the meeting because of the sickness of my wife. There was a great deal of conviction upon the people and much grace upon the saints. One sad thing happened. One night when I first went down I asked those who wanted to be saved to raise their hands. Several did so. I gave an altar call but could get no one to the altar, so I went to the people and talked with them personally and could not get anyone to make a move. So we closed the meeting. Within fifteen minutes one of the women to whom I had spoken (fifty-four years of age) was struck by the train at a crossing and hurled into eternity. Her little boy was hurt but is recovering. She was unconscious when she died.—E. B. McCalla.

ETTER MEETING POSTPONED.

Meeting will not be held as announced.

On account of the indisposition of Sister Etter, who has just completed many months of continuous meetings in many parts of the country, the meeting in St. Louis, Mo., will be postponed until further notice. It is not known at this time just where the meeting will be held. Announcement later.—August Felck, Secy.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT. COUNCIL.

Camp Meetings.

Southwestern Section Camp to be held at Springfield, Mo., Aug. 4th to 13th, 1916.

Southeastern Section Camp, August 25th to September 3rd.

Watch papers for further and more definite announcement as to location and workers to be present.

PENTECOSTAL ENCAMPMENT AT MOUNTAIN LAKE PARK, MD.

June 9th to 25th, 1916.

A great corps of Ministers will be present, including D. W. Kerr, C. A. McKinney, Andrew L. Fraser, D. H. McDowell, F. O. Price, etc. The Tabernacle seats 5,000 and there is room for you. Special reduced railroad fare. For detailed information address J. R. Reckley, 134 Elder St., Cumberland, Md.

PENTECOSTAL CONVENTION.

At Tulsa, Okla., May 9th to 14th inc.

This convention is called for preachers and workers in Oklahoma and near by states, and a cordial invitation is extended to all ministering brethren everywhere who desire unity and co-operation on like lines. Let us come and seek the Lord, and search the Scriptures together, to the end that we may be able to reach some agreement as touching the fundamentals of the "doctrine of Christ." Read the 13th chapter of 1 Cor. several times prayerfully, and come to Tulsa, May 9th, and we will endeavor to practice it together. Free entertainment will be provided for preachers and workers, but you will be expected to pay your own traveling expenses. A number of the leading preachers of the southwest are expected. Arrange to come.—Pastor W. T. Gaston.

CAMP-MEETING, CONROE, TEXAS, IN JUNE.

A Camp-meeting will be held at Conroe, Texas, about June 10th, 1916, the Lord willing. Everybody is invited to come. Bring bedding and toilet articles. The meeting will be conducted on faith lines and we desire all to come praying for we shall expect great things from God. For information, address Deacons T. J. Weaver and Harry Orr of this place.—Jannie Hewitt.

PENTECOSTAL AND MISSIONARY CONVOCATION.

Cincinnati, Ohio, April 14-23, 1916.

Will be held with the Assembly of God at 633 West Eighth St. We extend an invitation to faithful returned missionaries that may be in these parts to be with us at this date. Evangelist C. A. McKinney of Akron, Ohio.

SPECIAL FEATURES.

Bible Studies each morning. Praying and anointing the sick following the afternoon services.

Special effort to promote greater Missionary interest and efficiency to meet the present need.

Promote the Prayer Life so much needed in these days.

For further information write, enclosing self-addressed envelope, to O. E. McCleary, Pastor, 633 W. 8th St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have **Fellowship** with us, and truly our **FELLOWSHIP** is with the Father and His Son Jesus Christ.—1st John 1:13.

"MY EXPERIENCE."

When first I heard of Pentecost,
I said it would not do;
It did not suit my notion,
I said 'tis something new.
I heard the people shouting,
And testifying, too,
I thought they were so cranky,
Peculiar things they'd do.

I did not think I'd join them,
They shouted most too loud,
Saying, "glory, hallelujah,"
O what a happy crowd.
I knew the world despised them,
And many preachers, too;
They said, "now be careful,
Be sure they don't get you."

As I went among them,
And heard them sing and pray,
The Holy Ghost convinced me,
This was the Bible way.
Of course I went to seeking—
I wanted what God had;
The Holy Ghost now fills me,
And makes my heart so glad.

And now I stay among them,
The Pentecostal Band;
They're found in every nation,
Kept by the Father's hand.
The Holy Ghost speaks through them
In other tongues today,
As they live pure and holy,
And walk the narrow way.
—George H. Hicks, Hurley, Miss.

ECHOES OF THE CHAFFEE COUNCIL.

Sister Zola Taylor Tells of Her Visit and Return from the District Council.

I have always been in favor of what the council stood for, but I had a misconception of it and its work. After going to Chaffee, Mo., and seeing the unity and fellowship of all the brethren, I can heartily endorse both the council and its work. I would advise that all assemblies and pastors give to the council their hearty co-operation that we may all come into that harmony and unity ordained of God for

His people. Doctrinal points and opinions of people have grieved the Holy Ghost and broken the unity of the Spirit, and this was a thing which seemed absent from this council. Such things were laid aside and Jesus only was preached, and Him crucified. God set His seal on almost everything that was done and said. They were blessed days to me. The Holy Spirit seemed to witness more by the mighty travail of soul with the ministers themselves, slain under the mighty intercessory prayer, according to Romans 8:26. In these days of perilous times the church must suffer for souls to be born. Let all the saints go down that the Holy Ghost might have His way.

On our return we had a street meeting in Sikeston and the Lord did bless Saturday night and Sunday in Essex, meeting us in a wonderful way. Some prayed through to the baptism with the Holy Ghost and some were wonderfully healed. A woman who had been deaf and dumb for twenty-nine years, was healed and the deaf both spoke and heard. We could hardly pull ourselves away from these people. One man came to the station and wept and said, "Can't you all stay here for my own benefit."

Monday night we came to Poplar Bluff, Mo., and had the privilege of staying in the home of Mr. David Hill, a noted lawyer of Poplar Bluff and a candidate for Congress. We trust the Lord will get glory out of our visit. Tuesday night we were in Birch Tree, Mo. The Lord gave us a good meeting. We trust God will lay this place on the hearts of people, and that some of the ministers may be led to go and help them in a meeting. They have a good little church and good homes for the workers.

Arrived in West Plains Wednesday evening and found the meeting still going on but through great opposition. Pray that the Lord will send a mighty breaking through, and that the Lord may establish His work in West Plains.

Because of the tenderness and unity of the Spirit, I anxiously look forward to the meeting of another council.—Zola Taylor.

WILL ENTER EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Bro. Thos. J. O'Neal desires to announce that he has been engaged in pastoral work for nearly three years, and now feels that the Lord is calling him into evangelistic work. He has had thirteen years experience in the latter, and can furnish good references. He preaches the full Gospel and believes in a thorough work. Another young man who preaches, sings, and plays the trombone will work with him. Those wishing meetings write to Thos. J. O'Neal, Osborn, Kans., Box 402.

TRACTS ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

If you desire some tracts on Christian Science, write to Walter Jensen, 6909 S. Robey St., Chicago, Ill., who will send them to you.

A new tract is just off the press on this important subject, entitled "The Key to the Scriptures." Order as many as you can use at the rate of 35 cts. per 100 from the Gospel Publishing House, 2838 Easton Ave., St. Louis, Missouri.

HEALED OBEYING GOD IN SERVICE

Some months ago I was afflicted in my left lung with a soreness, caused by preaching in the open air. I began to feel the pain and suffered very much. This began in May and the suffering increased until in September. I could hardly preach, so decided to return to my home for a rest. After being there a month and finding that I was worse instead of better, although I had been prayed for very often, I promised the Lord that if He would heal me, I would publish the fact to His glory. Immediately, God began to bless, and on the second night, while in prayer, the power of God came upon me, and a warm wave came over my side. I was instantly healed. Praise God. The power began to fall upon the sinners and God has saved quite a number and thirteen have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost.—Evangelist Burt McCafferty, Quinlan, Texas.

OPEN FOR SERVICES.

Brother and Sister R. E. Harvey, R. F. D. 3, Luray, Kansas, are open to hold services in April and May and would like to correspond with any Pentecostal people who would like to have them come to hold meetings. They just closed services which they held in a school house and immersed two converts. Praise God for souls for His kingdom.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER.

A brother in Marion, Ohio, desires prayer for victory in his body.

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An afflicted brother in Puxico, Mo., desires prayer for God to heal.

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Pray that God will send the truth to the town of Parma, Idaho.

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Pray for the healing of a sister in Pipe Creek, Texas, who has been sick for several months.

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Pray that a certain brother in Blytheville, Ark., may receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

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Pray for a sister in Battle Hill Sanitarium, who is in the last stages of tuberculosis. Pray for her healing.

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A brother in Pampa, Texas, desires healing from chills and fever from which he has suffered since last August. Pray for him.

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Pray for God's work in Douglas, Arizona, a town of fifteen thousand inhabitants. Very few have heard the full Gospel.

NEIGHBORHOOD STIRRED.**Waynesville, Mo.**

We have just recently come in here and the truth had not been taught until we came. God is wonderfully stirring the people in this neighborhood. The enemy is stirred, but there is a large field open if any one is led by the Spirit to come. Homes are open to those who will come. Address me: John W. Palmer, Waynesville, Mo. Moab Route.

WORK OPENED IN ST. ELMO, ILL.

Brother Ben Blunt writes that they have opened a hall in St. Elmo and have begun meetings. God is blessing and the place is stirred.

MEETING AT ALTON CLOSED.

The meeting at Alton, Ill., closed March 19th. We have surely had a blessed time in the Lord. Twelve or fourteen were saved and seven received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Quite a number of boys and girls were seeking the Lord, and God blessed.—W. F. Kirkpatrick, Alton, Ill.

I assure you the Evangel is appreciated in every town and home, and most people would be glad to see it come larger. God bless you.—Evang. F. E., Dallas, Texas.

RESULT OF A FIVE NIGHTS' MEETING.

Brother J. A. Starr held a five nights' meeting a few miles north of Squaw Mountain. Many were wonderfully saved, and eight received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Others are seeking God. Praise His name.

AN ABUNDANCE OF RAIN.

At Masery, Okla., God has been blessing in pouring out abundance of rain. Five were baptized in the Holy Ghost and eight were baptized in water. The sound of praying could be heard in many homes and on the mountain side. Am now at Kinta, Okla.—Jno. Appelberry.

VICTORY AT SPIRO, OKLA.

Brother J. W. Hudson writes that he has just returned from Spiro, Okla., where they had a wonderful service on Sunday. The power of God was mightily manifested. There was singing in the Spirit and dancing under the power of the Holy Ghost. Conviction fell upon sinners who asked for prayer, also there were present a number of Indians who were also under mighty conviction and asked for prayer.

We held another meeting about 8 miles from Spiro, where there were several Baptists who asked us to pray that they might receive all that the Lord has for them.—J. W., Lonaca, Arkansas.

HUNGRY SEEKERS AT ESKDALE, W. VA.

The light of God's Word has just begun to shine in Eskdale, and His promise has been wrought in the salvation of eight precious souls and there are many hungry seekers. We earnestly request the prayers of all the saints.—Jno. H., Eskdale, W. Va.

NEED OF PASTOR IN BREWER, ARKANSAS.

Bro. L. P. Tyler writes in behalf the work of the Lord at Brewer, Ark. They are in great need of a pastor as they have no preaching; only prayer meeting twice a week and Sunday-school. Will the Assemblies please pray that a deeply spiritual man of God be sent to fill this need. Anyone feeling led of God to go to Brewer, or who desires further information, write to Bro. L. P. Tyler, Brewer, Cleburne County, Ark.

I am more than pleased with the Evangel and hereby send you one dollar for same.—A. C. D., Kevil, Ky.

SAYLOR, OKLA.

I have charge of the work here and will be here for some time if the Lord wills. The work is in good shape with a union Sunday-school and most everybody seems to be in sympathy with the Gospel. We would be glad to have any brother passing through here to stop for a few days. Address me at the above address. You will need to leave the train at Keota. Pray that God will give us a revival.—C. E. Shields and wife.

FOUR SAVED IN ONE FAMILY.

We are praising God for what He has done in our family. Four have been saved and baptized in the Holy Ghost. He healed my little boy and me of fever and the baby of dropsy, also three of our children had chills, and God manifested His healing power to us all. Praise His name. We are trusting Him for still greater blessings.—Mrs. J., Gypsy, Mo.

**RECEIVED THE BAPTISM
MARCH 5th.**

The Lord wonderfully saved me February 17th, and March 5th baptized me in the Holy Ghost, and I spoke in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Glory to His precious name. The Lord is all in all to me. How I do praise Him as I realize that the second coming of our blessed Lord is drawing near. Husband and I are ready for His coming, filled with the Holy Ghost. I praise God for the sweet peace and love that He has manifested in our home. He is precious to my soul.—Mrs. E. D., Cottdale, Florida.

HEALED MANY TIMES.

It is truly wonderful what the Lord has done for me. He has healed me so many times, bless His dear name. I was taken with black jaundice, and they told me that I had only a few hours to live. Two doctors were called, and when the last one left, the Lord made it plain that He wanted to heal me and manifest His power. The devil opposed, but I asked mother to send for the saints to pray for me. God gave me the evidence that I was going to be healed, and when the saints arrived, they began to sing, "The very same Jesus." Oh, that great healing power of God cast out that dreadful disease, and I jumped all around the room and shouted, "Glory to God." People are wondering at the miracle. Bless the Lord, O my soul. He is so precious.—S. A. T., Mabank, Texas.

VICTORY AT GREENFOREST, ARK.

Glad to report victory at the Varner Assembly. The power of the Spirit is being manifested in a wonderful way. The dear saints are being refreshed and drawn together in a wonderful way. The services seem more like the old-time services when Pentecost was first preached. The people are coming to the regular meetings for a distance of three and four miles and there has not been sufficient seating room. Some are praying through. Sinners are seeking the Lord. One very wicked man was deeply convicted and came to the altar. He had some one go back into the congregation and bring his girl of about ten or twelve years to him as he wanted her to seek the Lord. His wife came to the altar and got through to God and gives a blessed testimony. He is still coming to the altar. There is quite a change in him, but he is not yet satisfied. One backslider, who did not seem able to get back to the Lord one night when the power of God prevailed in the service, came boldly to the front, walked up on the rostrum, saying, "I am going to take this place and stand for God." Bless God! He has been in the service twice since and gives a blessed testimony and encourages others to praise God. He is a brand snatched from the burning. One sister was in doubt, although God had blessed her many times. She was hungry and two sisters went to her house and prayed with her. God wonderfully baptized her in the Holy Spirit. She, with nine others, followed the Lord in baptism. The power of God was so manifest in such a wonderful way that those who looked on were amazed as the praises of God went up from the saints. The power of God fell and the interpretation to a message given in tongues was "Be not afraid. It is I."—Elder Daniel Lynn.

GOD'S HEALING HAND**Stretched Forth in Dublin, Texas.**

The Lord is wonderfully working in this country yet. He is stretching forth His hand in healing. One very old lady came to the altar and said she had been given up to die, racked and broken up with rheumatic pain, but when we told her Jesus would heal her of pain and anointed her with oil, rebuking the pain in Jesus' name, she rejoiced and praised God for healing. That was three months ago, and she is still healed although some said the rheumatism would return in a little while or after the excitement was over. Praise God.

One lady was prayed for who was paralyzed in one side. Had not been

able to do her work for some time. She came to the meeting that night and raised her hand over her head and praised God for healing. She is still healed. One child was dying of diphtheria. A cousin of the child had died a few hours before and was then lying a corpse, they both having taken the disease at the same time. Physicians had treated the one that died and used anti-toxine, but when prayer was offered for the other one and death rebuked in the name of Jesus, the child began to breathe easily. Some doubted and were heard praying God to give him grace to shout while his child was entering Glory, but we said "No, Lord, let him shout while you heal." After a while the child was laid on the bed and it rested until daylight without being moved, and when the saints left it had eaten its breakfast and was on the floor playing and is still fat and well. Hallelujah! Jesus did it.

God's doings in our midst are too numerous to be published, but we do know that the prayers of the righteous prevail much. The saints are feeling their need of God for they believe Christ is coming soon.—Henry Smith.

GREETINGS FROM MARBLE FALLS, TEX.

Greetings in Jesus' name to all the saints! We take the Weekly Evangel and it is food to our souls and brings many glad tidings to our home. There are a few baptized saints at this place but no preacher, only as one drops in now and then. I pray that God will send them to us oftener if not one to stay permanently.

I was wonderfully saved about a year and a half ago and just received my baptism about the 17th of last month, and oh, what a blessed consolation it was to me to know that I had received the blessed gift with the Bible evidence. Please pray for me that I will keep pressing on.—Seward Ricketson.

We just love the Evangel in our home. It always has something cheering in it when we are needing comfort.—W. J. W., Warmly, Sask., Canada.

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We are sending \$4.00 to help on the paper. May the Lord bless your every effort to send out the Evangel weekly. The paper has been such a blessing to us. We enjoy every inch of it. We are the only people here who stand for Pentecostal truths.—R. L. D., wife and daughter, Platt City, Mo.

THIS WONDERFUL SALVATION.

I am glad to give my testimony of this wonderful salvation from sin. I praise God that He so loved the world that He gave Jesus, His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life, and I was one of the whosoever. Oh, glory to God, how my heart thrills and beats with gratitude to the precious slain Lamb, but who is risen and sits at the right hand of the Father, interceding for me. Why would I not praise Him, after giving His life for me and baptizing me in His spirit. My husband and I were among the many that received the Holy Ghost in Houston, Texas, 1906, which is the sweetest memory of my life. The workers were so happy and filled with God. We loved them at first sight and God's mighty, convicting power got hold of me and I cried days and days till the victory came, then shortly after He baptized me in the Holy Ghost.

We have been in California nearly two years, and the blessed Holy Ghost still abides. We have been from state to state telling the wonderful story of God's love to save and power to keep, heal and baptize. We have seen scores of people saved and filled with the Spirit in the nine and one-half years of our work for the Lord, and not one has ever said they were sorry.

We are having blessed cottage meetings here. God meets with us in a wonderful way. Oh, I thank God for the Latter Rain.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, let us press on, and as the tests and trials get harder, let us not waver, for He is surely burning out every defect. He knows the desires of our heart, and when the trials come, we must say, "Amen," burn me out (or let me die). Why sometimes our best friends will find fault, and it hurts like everything; then this is my reminder, "Great peace have they which love thy law and nothing shall offend them." I want to say with the Psalmist David, "As for me I will behold Thy face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied when I awake with Thy likeness. For the Lord is my Rock; my Fortress and my Deliverer; my God, my strength and my high tower. Amen."

We are also having meetings in an adjoining town and eight have received the Holy Ghost since the first of the year. With a heart full of love for all, I am yours in Him.—Mrs. P. M. Stokely, 670 King St., Santa Rosa, Calif.