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"That Blessed Receipt"

A True Story from China by A. O. Stott

WHEN tomorrow's sun awakes, my son, I must pass over the gate-threshold to go to the town of Silverstreams to collect a debt. Wouldst thou hotly desire to accompany me?"

The Chinese boy thus addressed by his father was all bristling with excitement as he replied:

"In very truth I am ten parts glad to go with thee, O Honorable One, for I love well to travel abroad."

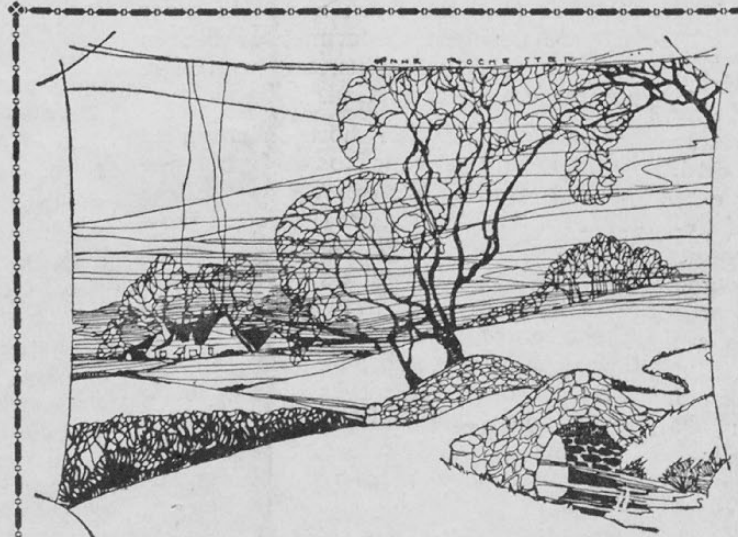
"So be it," said his father.

"Then call our servant Cong-Sing (Faithful Heart) and tell him to catch number-one-good-fast-carrying men. Plague that we have not yet got the iron way and fire-eating steam-engine in Yun-Nan! Now if they would stop their bitter wars and build a railway it would be much better for our Flowery Republic!"

Ah-fu (whose name means Rich-one) did not worry himself about what they did; he had only one idea in his small, bullet-shaped head—and that was that tomorrow he was going on a trip with his father!

Next morning before sunrise they were away, for the roads were very unsafe with robbers, and it was necessary to get to Silverstreams next day, stopping one night at an inn half way.

Ah-fu was a junior pupil at a local Government school. He was a smart, clever lad for



A Solitary Way

*"There is a mystery in human hearts,
And though we be encircled by a host
Of those who love us well, and are beloved,
To every one of us, from time to time,
There comes a sense of utter loneliness,
Our dearest friend is 'stranger' to our pain,
And cannot realize our bitterness.
'There is not one who really understands,
Not one to enter into all I feel!
Such is the cry of each of us in turn.
We wander in 'a solitary way,'
No matter what or where our lot may be;
Each heart, mysterious even to itself,
Must live its inner life in solitude.*

*"And would you know the reason why this is?
It is because the Lord desires our love;
In every heart he wishes to be first.
He therefore keeps the secret-key himself,
To open all its chambers, and to bless,
With perfect sympathy and holy peace,
Each solitary soul that comes to him.
So when we feel this loneliness, it is
The voice of Jesus saying, 'Come to me!
And every time we are 'not understood,'
It is another call to us to come;
For Christ alone can satisfy the soul,
And those who walk with him from day to day
Can never have 'a solitary way.'"*

his twelve years, and meant to go to America when he was grown up, like the big brother of his class-mate Ah-Lee, who read him wonderful letters written from that country of marvels.

The road led Ah-fu and his father through several large towns, and in one of these there was a big crowd gathered outside a temple. The little boy loved crowds, so he pushed his way through to see the show.

To his disgust it was only a foreign man talking to the people, and all Ah-fu heard was:

"The only Physician and Saviour who can heal the disease of the heart——"

Ah-fu darted away—he had heard enough.

Some western medicine-man selling his horrid, evil-smelling drugs and deceiving the ignorant folk by his flowery speech. What fools they were to listen to him!

When he overtook his father's carrying chair he told him about the "western quack."

"Bad! Bad!" said his father; "never have anything to do with their poisonous doctrine and ways, my Sprig-of-hope. They are here only to eat up our good land and get fat whilst we starve."

"My ears hear thy wisdom-words, Honourable One," said Ah-fu. "Have not I joined the 'Love China Move- (Continued on Page Nine)

The Open Vision

W. E. Moody

I AM LED to write today on what I might call the need of the "Open Vision." I will do it under seven heads.

1. We need the *Open Vision* in order that we may see the deliverance that is within our reach.

In Genesis 21:17-19 we read that "the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? (Read the context) fear not: for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is. Arise, lift up the lad and hold him in thine hand: for I will make him a great nation. And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water and gave the lad drink." If God had not opened the eyes of Hagar to the well of water that was by her side and yet unseen Ishmael would have died.

And if God had not opened our eyes to see Christ the well or fountain of living water right by us, and yet unseen, we should have perished spiritually and eternally. How we revel in the words of John 4:13, 14, "Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again. But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst: but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water, springing up into everlasting life." In the 10th verse of that wonderful chapter, Jesus said to the woman of Samaria, "If thou *knewest* the gift of God, and who it is that saith unto thee, Give me to drink, thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water." It is by the Spirit alone that we can "*know* the things that are freely given to us of God." 1 Cor. 2:12.

2. We need the *Open Vision* in order that we may see the danger into which we are bringing ourselves through our wilfulness and disobedience.

God's *direct* will regarding Balaam was that he should *not* go with the princes of Moab and Midian to curse Israel. But when the Lord saw that Balaam had it in his heart to go, and that he was but a *hireling* prophet, and that he had a keener desire to get the proffered cash than to obey God the Lord said *Go*. But that was God's *permissive* will. Sometimes God grants us our requests, but sends leanness into our souls. See Psalm 106:15.

Numbers 22:22 tells us that God's anger was kindled against Balaam be-

cause he went, "and the angel of the Lord stood in the way for an adversary against him."

Then in verse 13 we find that it was only because the Lord opened the eyes of Balaam that he saw the angel of the Lord standing in the way with his sword drawn in his hand. Had Balaam gone on in his wilfulness he would have fallen dead before the angel.

It is only by open, God-given vision that we can see and escape from the danger that lies in our paths, and particularly if that path is a self-chosen one.

3. We need the *Open Vision* in order that we may see the armies of heaven that are surrounding us, and to realize our perfect safety in God.

When the Syrian hosts surrounded Dothan with a view to capturing the prophet Elisha, the servant of Elisha said to him, "Alas, my master! how shall we do? And Elisha answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them. And Elisha prayed and said, Lord, I pray thee open his eyes that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man: and he saw, and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha." 2 Kings 6:15-17.

And it is when our eyes are opened that we see the great reinforcements from heaven that continually surround us; for it is the angel of the Lord—and with him numbers of the angelic host—that encampeth round about them that fear him and delivereth them. Psalm 34:7.

4. It is only by the *Open Vision* that we can see and know Jesus our Lord, and thus be able to understand and take in the gracious words which proceed out of His mouth.

In the touching and inspiring story of the two disciples who were walking toward Emmaus as recorded in Luke 24, we read (v. 15) that "while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were holden that they should not know him." Then later, when the two disciples urged Jesus to go in and abide with them, we read (verses 30-32), "And it came to pass as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake and gave to them. And their eyes were *opened* and they knew him: and he vanished out of their

sight. And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the Scriptures?"

Truly it is only by the *Open Vision* that we can have face to face communion with our Lord; and it is only as He opens up to us the Scriptures that we can have a clear understanding of His Word.

To many of God's children the Word of God is largely a sealed book, and as to any real and vital touch with Himself, to this they are almost a total stranger.

"At that day," Jesus said, "ye shall know that I am in my Father; and ye in me, and I in you." John 14:20. *What day?* The day of Pentecost—the day in which the Holy Ghost takes full possession. *Be* filled, and *keep* filled with the Spirit, and you will have the *Open Vision*.

5. It is only as we have the *Open Vision* that we can see things as they really are.

In the account of the healing of the blind man outside Bethsaida (Mark 8:22-26) we read that Jesus took the blind man by the hand and led him out of the town.

Scofield reminds us that "our Lord's action here is most significant. Having abandoned Bethsaida to judgment (Matt. 11:21-22), He would neither heal in that village nor permit further testimony to be borne."

After leading the blind man out of the town Jesus "spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, and asked him if he saw ought. The blind man looked up and said, I see men as trees walking. After that the put his hands again upon his eyes and made him look up: and he was restored and saw every man clearly."

It would seem that many of us need "a second touch." We do not see things *clearly*. We are mystified and perplexed about many things, when God would have us see *clearly*. We need the *Open Vision* of the Word of God, the Providence of God, the Facts of Redemption, the great heritage we have in Christ, and the fact of His soon coming, and of our reign with Him.

We need to see our *great need*, and that our need is all met in Christ. It was He who said, "I am the Light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." We may indeed be called upon to pass through providential, circumstantial darkness; but that is no *sin*, but rather a mark of God's peculiar love and regard. To such God says, "Who is among you that feareth the Lord, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name

of the Lord, and stay upon his God." Isa. 50:10.

6. The *Open Vision* is given to the faithful, believing soul.

Listen to the Spirit-inspired prayer of the Apostle Paul as he prayed for the Ephesian church, and for us as for them. "Wherefore I also after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints, cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers; that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him; the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places."

This is one of those marvelous prayers offered by Paul on behalf of the church, and expresses the mind and will of God for every believer. But the eyes of our heart (R. V.) have to be *enlightened* that we may *know*. O that God would give us an *Open Vision* of the riches that are ours in Christ Jesus, a vision that takes in both life and service. And having received the vision, may it be ours to say with Paul (Acts 26:19); "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision."

7. Let me close with the familiar words of Proverbs 29:18, "Where there is no vision the people perish." (R. V. cast off restraint). Or, as the Newberry Bible Margin has it, "will become unruly." Because the modern prophets and preachers have failed to get the vision of Christ and the truth, and consequently have failed to give out the truth in the power of the Spirit, the people are perishing, are casting off restraint, and are being filled with their own devices, thus bringing about a condition of spiritual lawlessness and anarchy.

We need prophets (seers) today who have the *vision*, who have Christ revealed in them (See Gal. 1:16), so that they are able to preach Christ among Jews and Gentiles with convincing and penetrating power.

God has said (Ezek. 13:3) "Woe unto the foolish prophets that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing." Concerning such, God says through Jeremiah (Jer. 23:21, 22), "I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied. But if they had stood in *my counsel*, and had caused my people to hear *my words*,

then they should have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings."

Let us in these last days cry mightily unto God that He may give us the *Open Vision*, and so illuminate our hearts and so touch our lips with hallowed fire, that ere Jesus comes we may see the thunders and lightnings of His power throughout the earth, and that multitudes of every tongue and people and tribe and nation may bow at His feet, and own Him as Lord and King.

Our need is great. God alone can meet the need. Let us then stir up ourselves to take hold on God. Earnest persevering prayer, coupled with Scriptural fasting will bring to pass the impossible, and will bring defeat to the serried ranks of demon forces that are massed against us.

Let us put God to the test and see what He will do.

The Fruit of the Vine

What is the fruit which the believer should bear? May it not be expressed by one word—Christliness? It is interesting to notice that the Scripture does not speak of the *fruits* of the Spirit, in the plural, as though we might take our choice among the graces named, but of the *fruit*, in the singular, which is a rich cluster.—J. Hudson Taylor.

Willing to Wait

When George Whitefield was being maliciously maligned he quietly said, "I am content to wait till the Judgment Day for the vindication of my character."

Men can approve the conduct of Christians, even while they hate it for the reproof it conveys.—Prof. M. B. Riddle.

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Seed Thoughts

Gathered by Alice E. Luce

Every modern discovery and invention consists in finding out something more about the laws of nature, which are *God's ways of working*. How senseless then for puny man to exalt himself and his cleverness and neglect the God who put all those laws into working from the very creation of the world.

It seemed a great marvel when the phonograph was invented, to catch the human voice, store it up, and reproduce it at pleasure. But see what God said through Joshua nearly 3,500 years ago: "Behold this stone shall be a witness unto us; for it hath heard all the words, etc." Josh. 24:26, 27.

In the day of judgment no witnesses will be needed, for God will only have to command the stones, the walls, the hills, or the trees to reproduce the scenes they witnessed. Then "the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber shall answer it." Hab. 2:11. This depicts whole conversations being re-enacted by the inanimate objects in whose presence the long-past events took place.

The prophets of old saw in vision the events, customs, inventions, and manner of life of the "last days." Habakkuk's words, "It will surely come, it will not tarry" are in Heb. 10:37 applied to the Second Coming of Jesus, to exhort us to be patient in waiting for it, while we do the will of God.

Note then in Hab. 2:5 the graphic description of the sinners around, those who are not waiting for the Lord's coming. They are *transgressing* through wine (breaking laws of prohibition), filled with pride, traveling to the ends of the earth, grasping, covetous, greedy, avaricious, even to taking land which belongs to other nations.

In verse 6 there is a "Woe" pronounced against those who do these things, and also the solemn words, "How long?" The graft and oppression of the poor, the unemployed and abject poverty on the one hand, exist all the time that the rich oppressors are lading themselves with thick clay, covering their faces with fatness, making collops of fat on their flanks (Job 15:27), fattening themselves like turkeys for the slaughter. Jas. 5:5, 6.

Habakkuk pronounces four more "Woes" in this chapter, as he denounces the sins of the rich in the same scathing way that James does. But all this will be brought to an end when Jesus reigns (Hab. 2:14; Jas. 5:7, 8); therefore the lesson is for His people to be *patient* until then.

The Editor's Notebook



God's Vocabulary

A number of notable people have recently been selecting what they consider the ten most beautiful words in the language. In the lists published I did not see any words such as: "God, Father, Jesus, Saviour, Calvary, Comforter, mercy, grace, peace, love." We cannot confine ourselves however to ten beautiful words; we are instructed to "live by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God"—and God has a large vocabulary. In the Scriptures there is repeated mention of God's "wrath, anger, fury, punishment, destruction, tribulation, judgment, vengeance, hell, fire," but men have been so busy endeavoring to make nice soft pads to put on the hammer of God's Word, that they have wilfully overlooked these last ten words just quoted.

"Vengeance Is Mine"

In Isa. 48:16 we have the Lord Jesus speaking through the prophet telling us, "The Lord God and his Spirit hath sent me." For what purpose? In the 53rd chapter of this prophecy we see He came to "bear the sins of many," to be the Lamb of God, to bear away the sin of the world. He tells us concerning His ministry, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God." Isa. 61:1,2. Luke informs us that this was the very passage that Christ read in the synagogue at Nazareth when He commenced His ministry. He said to them, "This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears." He ended His text however with the words, "The acceptable year of the Lord," and for three years this was His constant message. But before He finished His earthly ministry He fulfilled this prophecy completely by proclaiming the day of vengeance of our God. Luke 21:22; Matt. 24:51; 25:46. There are no stronger words spoken concerning future retribution than those that fell from His sacred lips.

The Wrath of the Lamb

In the 63rd of Isaiah, the Lord, mighty to save, is seen coming from Edom with blood-stained garments. The prophet asked Him, "Wherefore art

thou red in thine apparel and thy garments like him that treadeth in the wine?" Our Lord replies, "I have trodden the winepress alone; . . . for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury . . . for the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come." He who is slow to anger and plenteous in mercy proclaims a year of loving acceptance; then a day of vengeance, followed by a year of redemption. How mercy outweighed judgment! The Lord further says, "I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth." Surely this is the time pictured in the Revelation when the great men of the earth, the kings, the rich men, the chief captains, and the mighty men, will hide themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains and say to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb."

"It Happened for the Best"

Some years ago I stood in the Royal Exchange in London admiring some of the marvelous frescoes on the walls. One of these depicts the fire of London, a vivid picture of the whole city in flames. In the forefront of the picture you see some making a hurried escape by means of boats. Someone said to me: "That was the best thing that ever happened to the city of London. Just before that fire came London was menaced with the greatest plague in history, a plague that brought death to thousands of its inhabitants, but that fire burned up all the disease-infected hovels, the breeding place of countless germs that might have spread that awful plague throughout the whole world. Upon the site of that plague-ridden city was built a better, a more beautiful, a more sanitary London."

Burning Up the Scum

The whole earth these days has become a plague spot, but it is written, "Behold, the Lord will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire. For by fire and by his sword will the Lord plead with all flesh." Isa. 66:15,16. Ezekiel was given a vision of a boiling pot with much scum on it. He was told to heap wood and kindle a fire and then empty the contents of the pot upon the fire, that the scum might be consumed. The

scum of the world's wickedness will be consumed in the heat of God's great judgment fire. When His judgments have passed over the world, the Lord will make "the wilderness like Eden and her deserts like a garden of the Lord." Isa. 51:3.

In Which Class Do You Belong?

There are just two classes of people on the earth. In Isa. 66:14 we read of "His servants," and "His enemies." Not everyone who says, "Lord, Lord," is going to inherit the kingdom, but only those who do His will—those who can be classed as Paul delighted to class himself, as "His servant." The Lord weighs the spirits of those who approach Him, and will dwell alone with those who have a humble and a poor and a contrite spirit. Isa. 57:15; 66:2. This is the class we read of in Revelation, "His servants shall serve Him and they shall see his face." But contrast the other class, His enemies. They may bring a sacrifice, yea the very sacrifice of Abel, but they bring it in the spirit of Cain and this is not acceptable to God. Isa. 66:3,4. Let us ask ourselves this question, "What manner of spirit am I of?" Is my spirit contrite and poor and broken, or am I yet one of the proud, independent ones described here who are "choosing their own ways," that way which "seemeth right" unto a man but which is the way that leads to death and destruction?

The Right Dress

A preacher was passing a gang of convicts and noticed they were wearing suits with broad stripes. "What ugly suits they have selected," he commented. "But they don't select their own," replied his companion, "the government selects it for them, does it not?" "No," answered the preacher, "they select their own. These fellows knew the penalty of violating the law before they committed their acts. They made their own choice, and so today they are wearing the suits of their own selection." The Lord gave us a parable about a man who went to a wedding feast without the right kind of garment, and so dire judgment resulted. He was bound hand and foot and cast into outer darkness—the place of weeping and gnashing of teeth. If you are going to be presented at the court of St. James in London, you will be instructed as to what kind of clothes to wear at your presentation to the English king; and Peter gives us a word as to how we should be clothed to be presented at the court of the King of kings and the Lord of lords. He says to us, "Be clothed with humility," and there is no contradiction in the words of the Apostle Paul when he says, "Put

ye on the Lord Jesus Christ." He is the personification of humility. Is He the suit of your choice? I have before me one of the last words of that apostle to Africa, Charlie Studd, who said, "Well, now we are on the last lap and have di-

vested ourselves of *all save the uniform of the Lord Jesus Christ.*" Let us pray the prayer of Moses, "Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us." That beauty is Christ! Let us divest ourselves of all save Him.

The Passing and the Permanent

A Review of Current Life and Thought in the Light of Scripture

Palestine and Self-Government

According to the *Palestine Bulletin* there has been a discussion in English parliament concerning the granting of self-government to Palestine. But we are convinced the Holy Land has had enough self-government. They need God's government through Christ. Isa. 11:1-4; 32:1.

Arabs and Prophecy

According to the *Courier*, a missionary in Palestine writes that the Arabs dislike to buy the Bible because they say it promises to give their land to the Jew, and they say that the promise to Abraham still holds good. They are right concerning the promise, but their refusal to buy and read the Bible will not prevent the fulfillment of its prophecies.

Who's the Landlord of Palestine?

According to the *Palestine Bulletin* a new Arab organization has been formed for the purpose of releasing and preserving Palestine for the Arabs, and for fighting the sale of land to non-Arabs. They forget, however, that Jehovah is the Landlord of Palestine. Although He has ejected Israel for a while, He will eventually restore the land to them. Ezek. 37:20-28; Psalm 24:1.

Broadcasting from the Holy Land

Writes the editor of the *Palestine Bulletin*: "There is much talent in Palestine going to waste. A satisfactory Palestine Broadcasting Corporation could utilize the best of this ability. I know there are difficulties in the way, but they should not prove insuperable. This is a growing country. It is gradually absorbing all the modern gadgets of twentieth-century civilization. What country that has not broadcasting stations can consider itself civilized?"

The prophet Isaiah has predicted a world-wide "hook-up" with Jerusalem: "For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem." Isa. 2:3. We just wonder whether this prophecy justifies the belief that the world's greatest spiritual broadcast shall come from the Holy City.

Will Anti-Christ Rise in Rome?

Mussolini is reported in the *London News Chronicle* as stating that within ten years Europe will become Fascist or Fascitized, that the twentieth century will be a century of Fascism, and that Italy will guide the destinies of the world. He is further reported as saying, "In this dark world, tormented and already vacillating, salvation cannot but come through the truth of Rome; and from Rome it shall come." The eyes of many may be Romeward for their deliverer, and the Antichrist may come from Rome; but the eyes of the saints will be heavenward, for we are looking for our Lord Jesus Christ to descend from heaven. 1 Thess. 4:15.

Blasphemous Match Boxes

An English paper prints a picture of match boxes that are being sent out from Russia. On the cover of the box is printed in large type the name of the matches—JESUS CHRIST SAFETY MATCHES. There is also a crude picture of our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross. This is a blasphemous attempt to bring the name of the Son of God into derision. Isaiah's prophecy of Him is still true, "He is despised and rejected of men." But God has highly exalted this rejected Man, and a day will come when all His rejectors will be abased.

A New Papal Bull

The Pope has issued a bull "setting aside the twelve months following April 2d as a holy year for prayer, penance and pilgrimage to Rome and Palestine." Mr. Arthur Brisbane says, "This bull includes 'plenary indulgence for punishment of sins,' under certain conditions, which include visiting four times each three churches in Rome."

Thank God, we don't have to go to Rome for the remission of our sins. Christ Himself gives us this remission, cleansing us with His all-blotting-out blood, without which there is no remission. He shows us in the 4th chapter of John that the place in which we worship does not matter at all. The all-important thing is to worship the Father in Spirit and in truth; and we can do this right where we are just as well as in Rome or Palestine.

National Repentance

It is a firm principle of the Bible that national repentance will avert national calamity and national judgment. Israel's history is replete with examples. That there is no reason why this principle should not work today was recognized by an English bishop who appealed to the government to "urge parliament to appoint a national day of humiliation and prayer, to be followed by a campaign of moral reform in the widest sense, taken up by the same sort of people and urged forward with same energy as the present campaign to alleviate unemployment by private initiative and sacrifice." We fear that no nation will respond. After the nations have learned their lesson through awful judgments, and have seen Christ coming in power, then "all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him." Rev. 1:7.

Civilization Crashing

Writes H. G. Wells, the famous English historian and author, "Destruction is happening before our very eyes. The ship of civilization is not going to sink in five years, nor fifty years time. It is sinking now." For years Bible students have been teaching this. Dr. Chalmers once said at the conclusion of a lecture on dispensations: "Young gentlemen, think as you will about these matters, one thing is absolutely certain—the dispensation of the Spirit will end with a smash." But the wise of this world, until recently, have refused to pay any serious attention to these "fanatics." The Lord Jesus taught that the world shall be judged by the words He has spoken. We are seeing the beginning of that judgment now.

Supernatural Religion Demanded

In the Yearbook of the American Churches, prepared by some of the outstanding leaders of this country, the following conclusions are presented: Official Protestantism (or nominal Christianity, as we would say) is on the decline; liberal theology, with its "big man and little God" is being subjected to devastating criticism; and *there is a rising interest in supernaturalism.*

"Our reason for this increasing interest in supernatural religion (as opposed to the natural religion of modernism, or humanism) is," says Professor Van Dusen, "that we are living in an altered world which no longer professes human self-sufficiency but cries out for a pro-founder appreciation of reality and a more ultimate anchorage for life's struggles."

This will encourage those of us who are praying for a revival in these dark times, to make ready a people for the coming King.

✻ The Unpardonable Sin ✻

Chas. E. Robinson

Seemingly, in these last days, Satan is making a special drive to discourage Christians who have sinned by making them believe that they have committed the unpardonable sin. Pitiful cries reach us from all parts of the country, indicating the increased activity of Satan on this line. It is time therefore that plain words should be spoken, and an easy test provided by which people thus lied to by Satan can avoid being deceived by him.

Seven scriptures only, speak of a sin that is without forgiveness. They are, Matt. 12:31, 32; Mark 3:28-30; Luke 12:10; Heb. 6:4-6; 10:26-29; 12:15-17; and 1 John 5:16.

In 1 John we read, "There is a sin unto death." John speaks with accuracy, but there is but one sin that has no forgiveness. Jesus in speaking of this sin prefaced His statement by saying, "All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men." Having stated this universal rule He mentions the solitary exception, saying, "But blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men."

As there is but one sin that may not be forgiven, we see that all of the seven texts which speak of such a sin refer to the same sin. This being the case we shall from the seven texts be able to get a very definite idea of its nature.

The Lord Jesus defines it as being blasphemy against the Holy Ghost. This, He explains, means speaking against the Holy Ghost. Matt. 12:31, 32. The particular form of speaking against the Holy Ghost that He had in mind is specified by Him in Mark 3:30, in the words, "Because he said, He hath an unclean spirit."

When Saul of Tarsus shut up the saints in prison and gave his voice against them when they were put to death, compelling those who would to blaspheme to save their lives (Acts 26:10, 11), had he not himself been deceived, his actions would have been blasphemy against the Holy Ghost, in that he showed by his words and acts that the work of the Spirit in their lives which made them Christians was an evil thing, that is, the work of Satan. He considered and taught that the supernatural manifestations of the Holy Spirit in the Christians were evil, or of Satanic origin. But this was not blasphemy against the Holy Ghost and Saul was forgiven

(1 Tim. 1:13) because he did it ignorantly in unbelief. Therefore nothing that anyone today can do would be blasphemy against the Holy Ghost if done ignorantly in the belief that the condemned work of the Spirit was in truth the work of Satan.

What then is the unpardonable sin? It is the declaration made by one who knows that the work spoken of is the work of the Holy Spirit, stating that it is a work of Satan, whether the work in question be in oneself or another.

This definition harmonizes with the three texts in Matthew, Mark, and Luke, because it is made up by combining the statements of those texts.

The author of Hebrews when he speaks of those who "fall away" (6:6), of those who "sin wilfully" (10:26), and of those who "fail of the grace of God" (12:15), has in mind a certain, specific sin. He is writing to Jews who have become Christians, and is warning them of the tragic results that they may expect if they yield to the terrific pressure then being exerted against them, and return to the synagogue. This is *the* sin of which he is writing and warning. He says this sin will never be forgiven.

A Christian Jew who, through the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit, has tasted of the heavenly gift, been made a partaker of the Holy Ghost, tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, if he had decided to return to the synagogue, would have had to declare that the Jews had been right in putting Jesus to death. Declaring this he would put the Son of God who had saved him, to an open shame and, in effect, crucify Him afresh. This is illustrated in the historical account of one Christian Jew who wanted to be received back into the synagogue, but wished to do so with certain reservations. The Jews would not receive him in that way. They insisted on a complete repudiation of Christ and of Christianity. Indeed they could not consistently have done otherwise concerning Him whom they had put to death as a blasphemer.

With this background of understanding of the texts in Hebrews we see that a Christian Jew who would "fall away" from Christianity back to Judaism would have to say that the manifestations of the Holy Spirit in his life which he had experienced through having received Jesus as his Saviour, had been fraudulent and evil, that is, of the devil. Of

course he would do this knowingly because of having himself had the experience of receiving the Holy Spirit. This shows that Heb. 6:4-6 is speaking of the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost.

Such a Christian Jew would of course tread under foot the Son of God, count the blood of the covenant wherewith he had been sanctified an unholy thing, and do despite to the Spirit of grace. That would be knowingly declaring that the work of God which he had felt in his life, and which he knew had been wrought by the Holy Spirit, was the work of Satan. Thus the words of Heb. 10:26-29 are spoken about one blaspheming the Holy Ghost.

Such a Christian Jew would "fail of the grace of God" by yielding to the pressure of persuasion and persecution and abandoning Christianity to return to the synagogue, would be selling his precious new-birth right for a share of the good things of this life, even as Esau, and in doing so would have to make the same denials of the Holy Spirit as are mentioned above. This shows Heb. 12:15-17 to be also a scripture about the blaspheming against the Holy Ghost.

Such Jews would not backslide, as we use that term; but would do an infinitely more horrible thing. They would apostatize. A backslider falls into sin, as Peter did when he denied the Lord, that is, through inadvertence, over-persuasion, weakness of the flesh, or the like; but he does not become an infidel, denying the Lord Jesus, repudiating and denying the salvation that he had. An apostate does all of this. The things he does are mentioned in the Hebrews passages. Thus we see that those passages in Hebrews have no application to the backslider, but only to the apostate. Peter was a backslider, while Judas was an apostate.

Having thus reduced to a certitude the nature of the sin which hath not forgiveness, it becomes easy for anyone questioning whether he have committed that dreadful sin, to decide the question. Here is the simple test:

When you knew that a certain work or manifestation was a work or manifestation of the Holy Spirit, did you declare that that work or manifestation was the work or manifestation of Satan?

If you can honestly answer that question, No, you have not committed the unpardonable sin.

A Christian who has experienced the operation of the Holy Spirit in his own life, and knows that he has been saved by faith in the Son of God through the operation of the Holy Spirit, if he becomes an atheist and denies the deity of the Lord Jesus, repudiates the efficacy of His Blood, and declares that the

works of the Spirit in his own heart and life were of the devil, commits the unpardonable sin. He would bring himself within the terms of our definition above.

If you are a backslider, tormented with the fear that you have committed the unpardonable sin, make haste to ask yourself the test question printed in italics above. Consider the question carefully and until you have understood it fully, then answer it. If your answer is, No, you have not committed the unpardonable sin. You are a backslider, but not an apostate.



Modern Miracles



A new book on Divine Healing entitled *Healing Rays** has been written by George Jeffreys of England. Our brother makes a most exhaustive study of the subject, and finishes up with a number of most remarkable testimonies of healing. We herewith give some of these testimonies in abbreviated form:

Delivered from Jacket, and Steel Supports

Miss Daisy Noakes of Seven Kings wore a jacket and steel supports for head and chin when suffering from curvature of the spine, caused through a fall when she was thirteen years of age. She says, "I was taken to a hospital and had to wear a jacket nearly all of steel. I had steel supports up the back of my head and also under my chin. I wore these for several years, but had to be sent to another hospital where I remained for a year. I was sent home unable to walk. I had to wear another jacket of plaster which reached from my throat to my hips. I was told by the doctors that I should never walk again. In this condition I was wheeled to a meeting at Barking, England, held by George Jeffreys, and was healed. Today I can walk as well as anyone, have ceased to wear my plaster jacket and am enjoying the best of health."

Baptist Minister's Wife Healed

"For twenty years I had been a great sufferer, and after seeing a specialist in June, 1917, I found that I had a cancer. I had an operation but twelve months later there was a recurrence of the trouble, and the specialist told me I could not live longer than five months. In answer to many earnest prayers my life was spared. I had not been able to lie down for ten years. Dropsy set in, also heart trouble, and my nerves were in such a state that I could not

Having settled that, bend your ears and hear your Lord saying to you, "Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am married unto you." Jer. 3:14. Hear Him say also, "Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be delivered" (Joel 2:32); and again, if "any man will hear my voice, and will open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." The mercy of God is over all, dear Backslider, it is over you, and you may freely accept His invitation and come to Him, assured that no matter how heavy laden you may be, He will give you rest. Matt. 11:28.

bear the least sound. On the afternoon of May 19, 1927, I was prayed for and was instantly met in healing; the evidence being that all pain left my body and I was able to sleep. The terrible disease has never returned."—Mrs. Algeron Coffin, Brighton.

Helpless Cripple Healed

Mr. James Gregson of Leeds was miraculously healed in April, 1927. He was an absolute cripple, whose only power of locomotion was painfully to propel himself along the ground, dragging his twisted legs behind. Through the reading of the healing of a blind woman Mr. Gregson was saved. Later on he was prayed for and instantly healed. He says, "I felt every bone going back into place. I was only skin and bone and my eyes were sunk in my head. Inside of two weeks I had gained 33 pounds, and I continued to put on flesh. I went back to work and have never lost a day's work since through ill-health."

Cancer Rooted Out

For fourteen years Mrs. Paul of Croydon, had been a great sufferer with gastric ulcers and chronic indigestion which ended in cancer. She was in continual pain night and day, the sufferings at times being so intense that she often attempted to take her life. During those years she was continually taking drugs. She went to a healing meeting one afternoon in April, 1928, and was prayed for. Immediately the power of God came upon her, she felt the cords of the cancer being dragged from her, and the large lump completely disappeared.

An Instantaneous Healing

Mr. E. H. Thorpe, Leicester, England, was instantaneously healed in June, 1929, at a tent meeting. He says, "Seventeen years ago I met with an accident on a ship and fractured my kneecap. I had temporary paralysis for three

months. Afterwards I was unable for many years to engage in any form of recreation or walk any distance, and could get up and down stairs only with difficulty, and by the aid of the banisters. Within three minutes after being prayed for I was healed. I found that I could move my leg in all directions, that the ligaments were free, and that I could kneel without pain on the right knee."

Sleeping Sickness, Blindness and Seizure Healed

"For twenty years I suffered from internal paralysis caused through a fright. During these years I suffered terrible agonies of pain and had three operations. After the second one the surgeon told me I could never work again. I had tubercular knee and the surgeon removed a piece of diseased bone, and left me with a stiff joint. I suffered torture in trying to get that joint to bend, and no doctor could do it. I was put in an iron splint and cork boot which I had to wear night and day. When this was taken off I was put into a plaster splint, and eventually into an asbestos one. I was not able to get any rest night or day. Then three years ago I was unconscious for three weeks and I went totally blind. The sight came back to my right eye, but the other one was eaten away. Then I had a seizure which twisted me up. When I got to my feet I discovered I could not straighten myself, and my left leg was twisted right around, while my head almost touched my knees. On September 22, 1927, I was wheeled in my chair to a healing meeting, was prayed for and anointed in the name of the Lord, and was healed. I felt the power of God go through my body. My spine is quite straight now and the sight has come back to my blind eye. I am now able to go to bed and sleep without lying in pain all night."—Miss C. Jardine, Portsmouth, England.

Healed of Insanity

Mrs. E. A. Smith writes, "About three years ago a great trouble came into my life which broke me down completely. I gradually got worse until I became hopelessly insane. Three different doctors prescribed medicine for me, but to no avail. I could not be trusted alone and had to be tied down to my bed at night. My sister came home and told mother of a healing campaign and revival going on at East Ham Town Hall. I was prayed for; the power of God fell upon me and I was completely delivered." Mrs. Smith's mother adds that her daughter tried a number of times to take her own life while in her insane condition.

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Why Not Add a Home Department to Your Sunday School?

Zella Lindsay

Into the prayer department of the Gospel Publishing House a little white messenger in the shape of a letter often comes, bearing this kind of request, "Please pray for my mother who is a 'shut-in.' Also pray for my sister (or some other relative) who is caring for her. She never gets out to church and needs spiritual help."

Put yourself in the place of either of these two. Doubtless it is hard to say which one suffers most, the one held in by the fetters of pain and disease, or the one held by cords of love to care for the sick one and must see the loved one in pain. For both, Sunday school and all church services are an impossibility.

Picture also, if you will, an unsaved mother and father with a little child who is sick or crippled. What despair there is in the home, as day after day they see the little one suffer, and are unable to help. No minister ever calls, for they attend no church and have no children in any Sunday school. Day after day they bear their own burdens, not knowing Him, the Great Burdenbearer, nor having any brother or sister in Christ to help them bear their burdens. Years ago they used to go to Sunday school, but now they have drifted, and no one seems much concerned. They even wonder if God does! Then one day a middle aged, motherly woman calls, and lovingly reminds them of a Saviour who loves them even yet, and who wants to do seemingly impossible things for His children, a Saviour who wants to forgive their sins, heal the little child and be their best friend. Perhaps they do not grasp it all the first time, for it is all so new, but before she leaves the father and mother have become members of the Home Department of the Sunday school. A Pentecostal Sunday school quarterly is given them, along with an *Evangel*, and the promise that she will keep on praying for them and come to see them soon. The little child is delighted with the quarterly written especially for little girls just her age, and she, too, eagerly waits for the "Jesus lady" with another story paper and quarterly. Maybe you have never been discouraged and needed someone to help you, but more likely you have, and if so, you can well appreciate how this father and mother felt toward the Sunday school who was thoughtful enough to have someone take an interest in them, especially in their child.

In every community there are those who cannot, for different reasons, attend Sunday school. We have mentioned the "shut-in" and those who care for them. There are some young mothers who feel that they cannot get out to Sunday school, but would be glad to study the Sunday school lesson in their homes, and oh, so glad to have someone call to visit and pray with them.

For some, employment prevents them from attending Sunday school. They may work at night and have to sleep during the day, or their working hours may make Sunday school impossible for them. Many of these people would be glad to be enrolled in the Home Department of the Sunday school, however.

Jesus said to preach the gospel to *every creature* and these who cannot get to Sunday school are certainly entitled to have it brought to them in the home. It is for these that a Home department is urged. The Home department consists of a leader, or superintendent and a few visitors who will devote so much time to visiting those in the department. The work of the department is to get the names of those who cannot attend Sunday school and try to get them to enroll in the Home department of the Sunday school. Doing this involves a promise from each member that he will study his Sunday school lesson at least thirty minutes each week. The Sunday school furnishes these members Sunday school quarterlies which are to be distributed by the Home department visitors each quarter. The Sunday school quarterly will give them a guide for Bible study and helpful information on the Sunday

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school lesson. Sunday school papers point the way of salvation to them. The daily Bible readings will encourage daily Bible reading and prayer. These visitors call on the members regularly at least once a month to pray with them and to help them in any way possible.

The pastor can very likely furnish a list of names of those who would be eligible for membership in this department. If names cannot be obtained in this way, the members of the church could be asked to hand a list of all they know who are unable to attend Sunday school. In visiting, others will be found whose names can be added to the prospective list.

The Sunday school itself is helped by having such a department. Interest is aroused by the Home department and you may be sure that when the obstacle that keeps these people from Sunday school is removed, they will more than likely go to the Sunday school which had time to care for them when they could not attend. Furthermore, a kindly feeling for the church and Sunday school is fostered. Those in the home who can attend will be more likely to do so in appreciation for its kindness to those in the home who cannot.

God's Bible tells us that "it is more blessed to give than to receive" and none will be more blessed, perhaps, than the ones who take part in this work. There are those who could never speak in public, but can readily talk of the Saviour to people in their homes. There is great opportunity for personal work and soul-winning.

God blesses obedience, and the Sunday school who takes the gospel to those who cannot come to them have the promise that God will be with them all the way. Send for quarterlies, Sunday school papers and *Evangels* and go out to give the gospel to those who would like to have it, but cannot unless you and your Sunday school take it to them.

Out of the Mouths of Babes

Lionel B. Fletcher

I once heard of two little girls conversing together. Mary said to Marjorie, "If you died, how do you know you would be saved?" Marjorie replied instantly, "Because I am holding on to Jesus with both of my hands." Ah! but supposing Satan cut off your hands," was the unexpected reply, "what would you do then?" Marjorie was troubled for a second, and then with a note of triumph she answered, "But Jesus is holding on to me with both of His hands, and the devil cannot cut off Jesus' hands."

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"Walk in the Spirit"

George Bowen

Walk. Go onward to perfection. Be on the move. Make progress. All things are making progress. Everything is hastening to its full and final development. The children of this world are precipitating themselves with intense energy towards their respective goals. We see on every side the powers of men on the full stretch. It ill becomes the Christian of this time to yield to spiritual stupor. The Christian is the only man in the world who has his face set in the right direction; let all other men therefore grow weary and slacken their energies, but never let him do it.

Walk. Make progress. But unless you walk in the Spirit, your energy, your progress will be as vain as those of other men. Use all diligence, but use it all under the guidance of the Spirit. There is much in the spirit of the times impelling to activity, and many a man in the church, under the influence of this spirit, commits himself to Christian enterprises and gives himself to evangelistic labors. But it is in the Spirit of God, not in the spirit of the times, that we are to walk. Day by day go forward under the guidance of the Spirit that dwelt in the holy apostles. Let him choose for you all your enterprises, and give you all the strength to prosecute them. Be not merely in the Spirit in your devotional hours, but in all the commerce of life, in all the engagements of the day. Say not to the Spirit, "Go thy way while I recline under this tree, or walk in this valley, or visit this homestead." Dread nothing so much as separation from Him.

"That Blessed Receipt"

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ment' in our school and sworn to hate and do all I can to banish the last foreign elephant-footed one from our sacred soil?"

"It is well, my son, and I am proud when I remember how thou didst lead the other boys in a procession last week waving a banner announcing, 'Foreigners must learn to fly before us.'"

Then his father begged him to do more than just shout and talk big words; above all, he urged him to persecute any who believed in the foreign Saviour-God.

The city of Silverstreams was duly reached and proved full of pleasures and attractions for Ah-fu, as his home town was much smaller. He was sorry indeed when his father got a certain amount of interest on his debt and they were obliged to return.

They had, however, spent several days in the place, and on the morning of their departure Ah-fu's father bade him call for paper from the landlord to write up their bill.

This all "road guests" must do themselves in China, with the inn-keeper in front of them to jog their memory if any items are forgotten.

The landlord happened to be short of paper, but he found a foreign Christian tract which was printed on double folded rice paper in the old manner approved by the learned men of China.

"See," he said, "some running dog of a foreign-paid book-seller left this here, and it will serve some useful purpose for thine honorable father to write down his account."

Accordingly this was done, and the receipt stamped with the red chop (seal) of the inn was duly drawn up and deposited in the guest's wallet.

The journey home was not so fortunate; indeed, heavy trouble fell on the merchant and his son, for bandits attacked them on a lonely bit of mountain road and everything was taken from Ah-fu's father. The robbers seized every coin they could find, contemptuously tossing out the receipt from the wallet as they appropriated the contents.

Ah-fu was thankful that he had nothing of value, but alas! the robbers seized him for ransom, and he was taken away to their lair in the hills.

His father was distracted as he was left on the lonely road with his four helpless coolies and servant whilst the robbers rode off with his only son secured with ropes on one of their ponies.

Poor man! Mechanically he picked up the receipt on the ground, not knowing what he did, and sadly returned home to try to raise the ransom money. As he nervously fingered the receipt in his long agile fingers certain words caught his eye:

"Call upon Me in the day of trouble and I will deliver thee." "God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

In his distress merchant Wong read and re-read the simple words of the little printed tract until they seemed to be burned into his brain.

The explanatory words were forcible and appealing, and it seemed as if a ray of warm sunlight struck the ice-bound heart of the man, melting away all his hatred and prejudice against the foreigners' God.

"If only He would help me! But He will not hear my cry when I have always done my best to revile and ridicule 'the Outsiders' doctrine!" Wong said to himself with a heavy sigh.

As he neared his home a Christian fellow merchant met him, and soon his great trouble was poured forth.

Yes, this friend would come back to his house with him to pray for the re-

lease of his precious son; and through the kindness and help of this earnest merchant Wong was led to put his trust in God and believe His promises.

Some days later Ah-fu was released as if by a miracle, for a sudden—and as it proved to be—a greatly exaggerated attack on the robbers' retreat caused them to leave the lad unguarded. Ah-fu seized his opportunity and, wrapping himself in an old tiger-skin which lay in one of the temple rooms, he got away on all fours unnoticed when the government soldiers were seen to be approaching. The robbers proved victorious, but they lost one of those held for ransom.

In the hall of merchant Wong's home is a beautifully-framed tract today which he declares his most priceless possession.

"That blessed receipt" not only registers a cash transaction, but, best of all, it was used of God to be the means of the salvation of merchant Wong and his family.

The unknown colporteur who left that Gospel tract with the innkeeper will not be lacking in reward. "Cast thy bread (it may be in the form of a simple tract) upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days." Eccles. 11:1.

UNCTION RICHLY BESTOWED

Joe Fortenberry reports from Lockney, Tex.: "We praise the Lord for His blessings at Cedar Hill. We had been without a pastor for about 10 months when in October the Lord sent W. A. Vanzant and family here, who accepted the pastorate. We had a revival Christmas week. One was saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4, and a man bound by the cigarette habit found deliverance. As our church is in the country the revival was hindered by bad roads and adverse weather conditions. The week following the close of the revival we held prayer meetings from house to house each night and the power of God fell in almost every service. The saints were encouraged and drawn closer to God. The attendance at the meetings is increasing. At the last prayer service there were 54 present. Several of the unsaved raised their hands for prayer. We feel a precious revival spirit in our midst."

BRIEF MENTION

Pastor J. T. Smalling writes from Jefferson City, Mo.: "We came here October 7 and found a few hungry saints bravely pressing forward, though in the face of many obstacles. By faith we can now behold a 'cloud the size of a man's hand.' Our mission is located at 607 W. Dunklin St.; the pastor's address is 806 Jefferson St. Any of the brethren passing this way will find a welcome."

A SUGGESTION

Why not give the PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL to your adult class each week as a Sunday school paper? It will be greatly appreciated. You can get 25 copies for 45 cents.

Your young people will like GOSPEL GLEANERS. It is now enlarged and improved, but only costs 15 cents per quarter. Send for sample copies.

The Gospel in Foreign Lands

Missionary Secretary's Mail

How the mail does pile up when we are absent from the office for a little time! Of course there are competent assistants in the Missions Department who look after all essential matters that cannot wait, but nevertheless there are a lot of things that need the secretary's personal attention.

Missionary Conventions

We have just returned from a very blessed series of meetings in the great State of Texas. Our superintendent of the Texas District, Brother E. L. Newby very kindly gave his assistance in arranging conventions at Dallas, Fort Worth, and Houston. In each place it was felt that God was very manifestly present, and showed His approval of the step that has been taken to enlarge our missionary vision. The teaching and preaching of our general superintendent Brother E. S. Williams was much appreciated in every place, and the number of hungry, seeking souls at the altar were a manifestation of the Spirit's working. In the special missionary rallies held in each place a large attendance gave encouragement to our hearts that the missionary spirit is by no means on the wane, and considering the difficult times many are passing through it was very gratifying to see the generous missionary offerings that were given on missionary day.

It was altogether a very happy and profitable time, and we were more than glad to meet the ministerial brethren from many assemblies, while our hearts were touched by the fine spirit of brotherly love and whole-hearted co-operation that prevailed everywhere. At the close of the meetings we felt watered in our own souls, and believe that large numbers who attended the conventions were similarly blessed.

God is graciously opening up the way for other meetings in Kansas and Missouri, and if any of our brethren from other States are interested let us hear from you and we shall be glad to cor-

respond with you concerning a meeting in your locality if such can be arranged.

Promoted to Glory

We were deeply saddened to find two cables awaiting us on our return to the office, telling of two faithful missionaries who have laid down their lives on the foreign field. One came from South China telling us of the death of our dear Sister Kelley. We are not quite sure of the date of her passing, but believe

we appreciate what God was able to accomplish through her, but let us remember the dear husband and four little lads that are left in this world. We are sure that to them heaven will be just a little more attractive since mother has gone there, and we trust the blessed Comforter may be with them in this dark hour. We know the prayers of God's people will be with them.

The other cable was from the Gold Coast, that new and most encouraging field, opened within the last few years.

The message told of the passing away of our dear young brother Guy Hickok. Brother Hickok's home was in Ogdensburg, New York, but he was located in Ohio when granted appointment by the Missions Department in September, 1931. Our brother seemed particularly well qualified for missionary work in Africa since he was not only an effective Christian worker, but also could do almost any kind of work such as that of an electrician, auto mechanic, carpenter, plumber, farmer, etc.

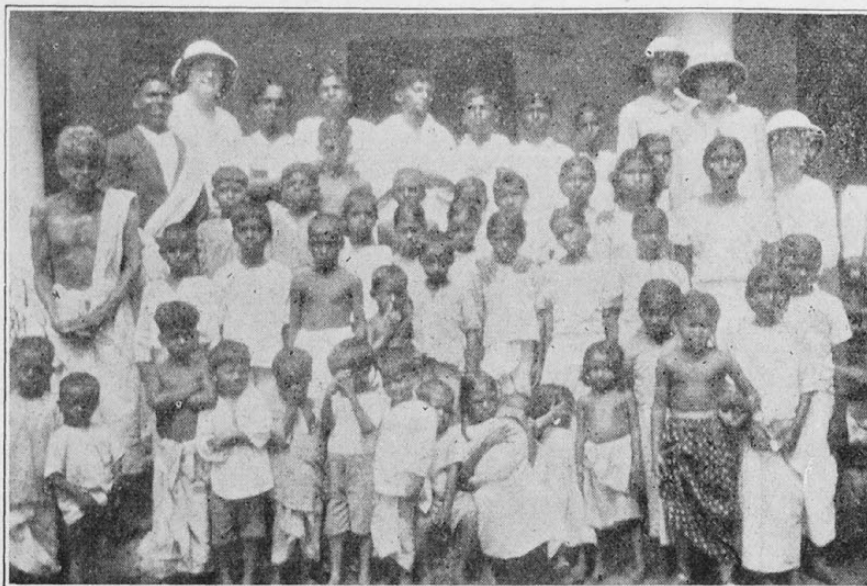
It is difficult to understand just why this young life should have been snapped off just when he seemed so needed, and yet we know God's ways are perfect, and this should

prove a challenge to our young men who are eligible for this kind of work to again consecrate themselves to the Lord as we ask Him to thrust forth more laborers, saying "Here am I, send me."

Brother Hickok was born in Parishville, New York, May 29th, 1903, and passed into the presence of the Lord Jan. 17th, 1933. He is survived by his parents.

Many Appeal for Missionary Appointment

In view of a statement we made in a recent *Evangel* asking for the names of those who had had experience in the work of the Lord and who felt the call to foreign service, a large number have written us. We thank God for everyone of them, and it should serve to cause us to pray still more earnestly that



Mrs. Winne Kneeland's Sunday school at Quilon, South India. Sister Kneeland is standing at the rear to the left of the picture. The sister standing on the ground to the extreme right of the picture is Miss Mildred Ginn. Most of the children are from Hindu parents although there are a few Syrians.

that it must have been around the 9th of January since this was when we received our first advice. There are four small boys who are deprived of a mother's care, and we know that our brother George Kelley will miss his wife's efficient help and loyal companionship more than words can express. Our Sister Kelley's letters have always had a very sweet spirit in them and invariably were filled with expressions of God's goodness and mighty working. Our sister went to China with her husband in 1917 when she was first affiliated with the Assemblies of God, although she had been engaged in missionary work prior to that date in association with another organization. We believe that there are many souls in China who will rise up in the day of the Lord and call her blessed. She has entered into rest and

these workers may be thrust forth into the harvest field of the Lord.

It is true that funds are urgently needed for the work we already have, but we want to be prepared for an advance move just as soon as God opens the way. There are around eight hundred millions who have not heard the message of the gospel, have not even had a chance to accept Christ. Let us do all within our power to seek and to save that which is lost. The night cometh when no man can work.

God Working in Liberia

*Florence N. Marker and
Florence Thompson*

We have just concluded a preaching trip lasting nine weeks. We left Barobo in January and started back into the Pahn country. Kremppahn, the first place we went to is about 250 miles from Cape Palmas. In Barobo they have had the Word of God for years, but in Pahn they had only heard the gospel a few times. During February, March, and April we preached in all the Knobo towns. God honored His word and some souls were saved. On May 16 hammock men came from Twabo to carry us to their tribe, which is just seven hours away from Kremppahn. The following morning we left Knobo and started out on the trail. It was quite late in the evening when we reached the first town.

After spending a few days in the first town where the people listened very attentively, we passed on to the second town. The chief gave us a fine new mud house, and seemed quite pleased to entertain us as his strangers. On Sunday afternoon we saw a very old man, thin and sickly, passing by. After a little while we started out to find his place of abode. We were taken to a tumble-down mud house. It was so dirty we wondered if it could ever be possible that a human being could live in such quarters. As the broken door was pushed open and a ray of light was allowed to peep in, we beheld the poor old worn-out frame lying on a bamboo bed. When we talked with him we found out that it had been about four months since anyone had brought water for him to wash himself, and all that he was having to eat from day to day was a few palm-nuts or some old dry corn such as we feed to pigs in America. That evening he came out to the gospel service. God blessed him and touched his body, and talked to his soul. He had never before heard the gospel preached, and was the most interested one in the whole congregation. Later reports show that he is regaining his strength and is trying to seek God. Will you pray for him?

On our way to the third town, when we reached the place, which in the dry

season is a very small stream, we were compelled to wade in water up to our neck. We reached our destination in safety although we were dripping wet, having walked in water for over two hours. We stayed in this town for over two weeks. We had a very hard struggle, but nevertheless we stayed and preached the gospel.

One afternoon we heard the Queen singing in the bush. The Queen is called the devil, and it is something that the men play just to frighten the women. When the women hear the Queen they must rush into their houses at once and close their doors tight, for if any woman sees the Queen they tell her she will die. That afternoon all the chief people assembled in our house. All the women were in their houses with the doors closed, but we had absolutely refused to close our doors or to bring our girls in the house. The mission girls are saved and do not fear this thing. We had a wonderful opportunity to witness to them about the power of God. Although we did not have such wonderful opportunities in this town to witness to great audiences of people, we did witness to individuals. The devil doctor in the town who was making devil medicine would occasionally come into our house and sit down and ask us to "talk the Word of God to him." When we prayed he prayed with us.

One day while we were sitting at the table praising God for the food, Jesus became very real to us. After an hour of rejoicing we opened our eyes to find the house full of native people standing there in amazement at the power of God.

We passed on from town to town preaching in each place. From the Twabo tribe we passed on into the Glaro tribe. We traveled from 7 in the morning until 4:30 in the afternoon through the high bush. We had several meetings in the first town and God worked and souls sought God. The next town we reached was the Speakers' town. This was a very large place having 194 huts. This tribe had never had a missionary to come into their country and had only heard the Word of God once through a native. The first night of the meeting the house was packed inside and out with people eager to hear the Word of God. God manifested His power and precious souls sought God. As we were out inviting people to come to the meeting the next night we found a woman who had not been able to move herself for six weeks because of a stiffness in her side. We prayed for her after service and God healed her. The next morning she said she had slept all night. The following day we met her standing out in front of her house with a canejar on her head ready to go to the bush for wood. We also prayed for a man whose body was

swelled from head to foot, and all broken out with sores.

In the Kitteabo tribe we found quite a few native Christians really on fire for God. In one town where we only had one service there were fifteen truly born again. We preached in 8 different tribes and 17 different towns. We are trusting God to bring forth fruit from the seed that has been sown. Please pray. This is Liberia's day and she is opening her heart for the Word.—Cape Palmas, Liberia, W. Africa.

Encouraging News from S. India

Carl F. Graves

Greetings in Jesus' Name! It is with a heart full of gratitude that we are able to write of a trip that we have just taken into South India. We were invited by Mrs. Kneeland to go over to Quilon and assist in convention there.

We had a four day convention which was great blessed of the Lord. Mrs. Mary Lindberg and Miss Kucera were with us and assisted in making the meeting a success. There were three services a day and the attendance was fine and the interest intense. Some of the people saw a white man for the first time in their lives. During the last two days of the meeting, due to a Hindu festival in the neighborhood we had a very large attendance. At two of the services we had about a thousand people in each service, ninety-five per cent of whom were heathen. It was the first convention held in that community and we felt that God had spoken to many hearts.

Before leaving South India we visited Brother Burgess' headquarters at Mavelikara and had two splendid services there. The afternoon congregation was about one hundred and twenty-five and the night audience was about three hundred. The blessing of the Lord was there in a marked way and we drove home to Quilon with a song in our hearts because of the Lord's goodness.

The following evening we visited Trivandrum where Miss Kucera's work is. This work, like that which is held by Mrs. Kneeland, is still quite young, but both works give evidence of progress and the blessing of the Lord. Our congregation there at Trivandrum was about one hundred and fifty, ninety per cent of whom were Hindus who are just turning from darkness into light.

As we left Quilon for Colombo, it was with a prayer full of thanksgiving for the good mission stations in South India and for the faithful laborers there.

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In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

WATCH FIRES KINDLED AFRESH

Pastor and Mrs. S. F. Egan, write from Coral Gables, Fla.: "Evangelist and Mrs. I. J. Bolton have just closed a series of meetings with us at the South Side Pentecostal Assembly, at 11th Ave. and 12th St., Miami. Fifteen were saved, 4 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and 11 united with the assembly. Revival fires are still burning in the hearts of the people."

DILIGENT SERVICE REWARDED

Pastor and Mrs. R. A. McClure write from Greeley, Colo.: "We have been laboring here for the Lord for 8 months. He has blessed our efforts and we have had the joy of seeing things accomplished for Him. F. C. Woodworth, District Superintendent, was with us the first of the year, when the church was set in order in the General Council with 30 names on the roster. We have resigned from the pastorate here and have accepted the oversight of the work at Fort Collins."

58 EMBARK FOR GLORY

Ivan Carper reports from Lineville, Ia.: "We praise the Lord for what He is doing in this part of the country. We just closed a 6 weeks' meeting at Woodland, where 58 came to the altar seeking the Lord; 12 received the Holy Ghost; and 18 were buried in the waters of baptism. The entire country was affected by the Spirit of God; some were convicted before they came to church, and some came to the altar on their first night of attendance. On Jan. 15 Roy E. Scott, of Mercer, Mo., set the church in order."

WARSAW SEES VICTORY AHEAD

F. F. Miller writes from Warsaw, Ind.: "God is blessing the work here; in October we purchased a church building 3 blocks south of the courthouse. Our attendance and interest have increased. Since Nov. 17 we have had evangelistic meetings almost continually. J. B. Jones, of Indianapolis, closed a 4 weeks' ministry here Jan. 8. This was followed by 2 weeks of service conducted by Florence Doud. George A. Solomon is giving us 4 services each week, and the pastor 4. A Sunday School has been organized."

EASTERN HOLIDAY REFRESHINGS

Pastor and Mrs. Albert Glunt write from Vandergrift, Pa.: "Christmas night closed a very precious revival at Free Gospel Mission Tabernacle. Evangelist L. T. Stewart, Kitzmiller, Md., was with us two weeks. Notwithstanding the activities of the season and an epidemic of influenza, God gave us the victory, for which we praise Him.

"We were delighted at having the opportunity of laboring with Brother Stewart, who had been converted under our ministry at Clairton, about 15 years ago. The power of God was with us to save and heal and many were the 'slain of the Lord.' The revival is still in our midst."

DRAWN BY TRUSTED CABLE

Evangelist and Mrs. E. Elsworth Krogstad write from Gregory, S. Dak.: "We recently conducted a 4 weeks' revival with Pastor W. J. George at Meckling, S. Dak. God gave us a gracious visitation of His presence. About 30 came to the Saviour and 13 followed the Lord in the waters of baptism. The outstanding feature of the campaign was the number of men, both young and old, who surrendered to the Lord. For many of these, prayers had been offered for years, and it was truly a time when God proved His faithfulness in answering."

NEW REVELATIONS OF THE KING

Pastor E. C. Tobey writes from Duncan, Okla.: "We praise the Lord for the wonderful workings of His Spirit. Carl and George Alcorn have recently closed a 5 weeks' revival here in which about 30 were saved and reclaimed and 17 were filled with the Holy Ghost, receiving the experience of Acts 2:4. The power fell upon the people in the first service and continued to fall until the closing night. I have never before seen God work so wonderfully as in this meeting. His Spirit is working in all departments of the church. On Jan. 8 the Sunday school reached the high mark of 156."

A TEMPLE MEET FOR THE KING

Pastor George M. Patterson reports God's blessings at Broken Arrow, Okla.: "Our dedication service yesterday was a great success. The house was packed to the fullest capacity. Song service began at 2:00 p.m. with the Spirit of the Lord present to bless; and throughout the service His Spirit was in evidence. Quite a number of our ministerial brethren from surrounding assemblies were present. Delegations of laymen from Tulsa, Collinsville, Okmulgee, and Morris, also 2 of our local pastors, the Baptist and Methodist, with good delegations from their congregations, attended. W. T. McMullan gave a rousing Pentecostal message which stirred our hearts to greater work for God. The services closed with God's blessing upon all."

200 VOICE NEW-FOUND JOY

B. W. Graner, Church Secretary, writes: "We of the Full Gospel Tabernacle, sound a note of praise to God from Fresno, Calif., for His wonderful favor. He has been gracious to us during the past year, keeping us in a continuous spirit of revival. Fully 200 have bowed at the altar for salvation, many of whom gave good evidence of having passed from death unto life; over 100 have united with the assembly; 87 have been baptized in water; while several have received the Holy Ghost. Milton Smith of Belleflower, was with us for a very blessed and profitable campaign last fall, the only one of the year. A sweet spirit of unity exists in the assembly of over 500 members. J. R. Elsom was unanimously re-elected to the pastorate for another year on Jan. 10."

THE EVER PRESENT PHYSICIAN

Evangelist and Mrs. J. S. Finley, write from Perry, Ark.: "This finds us still on the firing line for Jesus. In our ministry He is still manifesting His healing power. We closed a 2 weeks' meeting at Cow Lake schoolhouse where 2 were saved and 2 others, a small boy and his grandfather, were healed of pneumonia. A sister who had been walking with crutches was healed of a sore leg. Before we left the town the sore healed and was covered with new skin. We held a few meetings at Oakland and Opalo, near Perry, and we are now in a meeting here where a good interest is being taken."

TOBACCO VICTIMS DELIVERED

Pastor and Mrs. Arthur Ricker report the work at Weiser, Idaho.: "We have just closed a 6 weeks campaign with L. G. Baker, former pastor at Lewiston, in charge. We have marveled at the workings of God in the salvation of souls. Men who had been victims of the tobacco habit for years have been instantly delivered. The campaign closed New Year's eve with a beautiful watch night service, when the Holy Ghost visited us with baptizing power. On Jan. 5 we enjoyed an all day fellowship meeting. Many assemblies were represented and God mightily blessed in the salvation of souls and the baptizing of believers with the Holy Ghost. The revival fire is still burning in the midst of His people here."

GOD OF BATTLES MOVING

Pastor George A. Bullock writes from Correctionville, Ia.: "In May we staked down our tent at Battle Creek, Ia. Here great numbers heard the full gospel. God gave us a good foundation and a body was organized. Several healings were wrought by the Spirit. One lady, an invalid for years with ulcers of the stomach and other complications, was instantly delivered.

From there we moved to Odebolt, where the attendance was large. The Swedish Mission Church of the city, many of the Methodist people, the Baptist church and their pastor at Arthur, also at Kirun, and many from Boyer knelt in fellowship around our altar in worship to the Saviour. Many were saved and some minor healings were wrought. Hannah Mae Steinle, of Dorrance, Kans., and Allie Carns, of Ottumwa, Ia., brought the Word at Odebolt. God made their ministry a great blessing.

"After a few weeks with our own church at Merville, we started at Battle Creek again Dec. 4. A goodly number were at the altar for salvation and many have received the Holy Spirit. One woman who had been deaf for years was enabled through the touch of God to hear and enjoy the song service and the preaching of the Word. Many of the beautiful gifts of the Spirit were established in the body. We have many calls to new fields, and are praying for the opening of the way for His work to be carried forward."

The Sunday School Lesson

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST TEACHING BY PARABLES—FOUR KINDS OF HEARERS

Lesson for Feb. 12: Mark 4:1-10; 13-20

Teaching by Parables. We may briefly define a parable as an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. The Lord taught much in parables because His ministry was mainly to the simple folk, who required preaching that was illuminated by simple illustrations. He was able to meet their need because He possessed the wonderful gift of presenting the most profound truths of time and eternity in the simplest of language. He had the ability to interpret the condition of His own generation and foretell the far-off future by the use of some very simple stories. Today many are perplexed as they consider the religious, political and social cross-currents in our land; they are asking, What is the matter with our country, and where are we headed for? If the Lord came back to earth today, and were preaching in America, He would see through every situation, and with the utterance of a few simple stories would offer the explanation and solution of every difficulty. Such was the wisdom of the Divine Teacher who spoke the language of earth with the accent, authority, and illumination of heaven.

The Parable of the Sower. The Lord held before the minds of His hearers the picture of a typical Palestine farm with its four different kinds of soil: the hard-trodden path running through the field; the rocky places where the soil was shallow and barely covered the rock beneath; the thorny ground containing thorn seeds that sprang up to choke the grain; the good ground, soft and clean. He pictured the farmer sowing the seed, and described the harvest that followed according to the condition of the soil in which it found lodgment.

Impenetrable Soil. "Some fell by the wayside." The seed fell upon the hardened pathway where it found no lodgment. Birds came and gathered it at will. This hard soil is a picture of those who have become self-hardened by allowing pleasures, worldly pastimes, and divers sins to tramp over their souls. They listen to the preacher, but feel no real impression from his words. Thus it is easy for Satan to erase from their minds the memory of the words. There is no hope for them unless God drives a sharp ploughshare of conviction or sorrow or judgment to make furrows for the Word.

Shallow Soil. The seed fell upon shallow earth with a ledge of rock two or three inches below the surface. The seed took root quickly, but lacking the moisture that comes from depth it withered under the rays of the sun. This represents those who make an emotional and enthusiastic response to the message without counting the cost, and then backslide when trouble or persecution comes their way. The fierce heat of adversity always reveals how deep our roots are. See Luke 9:57, 58. The reason why the Lord Jesus clearly mentioned

the hardships involved in becoming His disciple, and exhorted people to count the cost was in order to prepare them for the greatest test of religious experience—the test of adversity.

Impure Soil. Some seed fell, not on ground already covered with thorns, but on land full of weed-seeds. These were not visible at the time of sowing. Then followed a struggle for mastery between two crops—a picture of the struggle that takes place in the life of a person who has not fully surrendered his life to God, but who has permitted the worries of this world, the desire for wealth, and other destructive desires to remain in the soil of his heart. The result of the struggle is that the good seed is choked, and the person lives a defeated, compromising life. To him the Lord would say, "Break up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns."

The good soil. This represents the class that compensates the Christian worker for his disappointment in the other three classes. These permit the soil of their hearts to be ploughed, take the Word in the very depths of their souls, carefully put away every known sin, and then live a consistent cross-bearing and fruit-bearing Christian life.

A Lesson for Christian Workers. This parable has two outstanding lessons: (a) In relation to the Christian worker. The apostles were to go forth to preach the Gospel of the Kingdom to thronging, attentive multitudes. In their inexperience and enthusiasm they would expect the conversion of everyone who heard what they rightly believed to be the most inspiring message ever proclaimed in Israel—the Gospel of the Kingdom. Further, they would innocently conclude that everyone who did accept their message would be an out-and-out believer. In order to spare them bitter disappointment and illusionment, Christ taught them that the harvest depended not merely on the quality of the message, but also on the nature of the soil; not only on their faithful presentation of the message, but also on the attitude of those who heard the Word. In brief, the results of the sowing of the seed of the Word would be according to the nature of the soil of the human heart. We may see in this parable a picture of our Lord's experience with the multitudes who heard His message. Compare Mark 4:1 and John 6:66. (2) In relation to the hearers of the Word.

A Lesson for All Hearers of the Word. "He that hath ears to hear, let him hear." Mark 4:9. Generally the speaker is made responsible for the results of the message; but this parable teaches us that the hearers have a responsibility. Even our Lord's message was hindered by the unreceptive attitude of His listeners. Matt. 13:58. People are quick to blame the sower or the seed, and slow to blame the soil. The victory of the Word of God depends upon the sympathetic connection between a good preacher and a good listener. The same Bible that exhorts the preacher to "preach the word," says to the hearer, "Take heed therefore how ye hear." Luke 8:18.

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UTILIZING SURPLUS MATERIAL

Mrs. Oscar Bland, 1041 T St., Fresno, Calif., writes concerning an unusual department in the church there. She says: "December 18 was the 8th birthday of the U. S. M. (Using Surplus Materials) Department of our church. This department arranges to gather and send off regularly at the end of every quarter all used Sunday school supplies, cards, quarterlies, Sunday school papers, and picture rolls, as well as the *Evangels* that our people receive and which they bring to the church for that purpose. With the literature so sent off last quarter, in the eight years we have sent away more than two tons." Three to whom they have been sending have been receiving their shipments and distributing them regularly for eight years. The reports they receive from the various fields to which the materials are sent show that great and lasting good is done among people who are too poor to buy such supplies new. Thus the materials purchased new by the Fresno church are used twice. She closes by saying, "If anyone would like to know more fully about this work, enclose a stamped and self-addressed envelope for reply, and I will gladly answer."

CLEAR CONCEPTS OF PENTECOST

Pastor Irvin E. Smith writes from San Jon, N. Mex.: "We are praising the Lord for the blessed season of refreshing we received in our 5½ weeks' meeting which closed Jan. 11. About 11 were saved, 5 were baptized with the Holy Ghost, and all the saints were greatly benefited. The entire village was stirred; members of the other churches co-operated in the meeting. Much prejudice was broken down and the people all have a clearer conception of what Pentecost really is. In the first part of the meeting H. M. Fulfer, of Mountainair, assisted by J. L. Wells, of Gran Quivira, ministered the Word. At the end of 2 weeks they were called away on account of a death in the family. Gordon Lindsay, of Portland, Ore., and Brother Parker then conducted the meeting until its close."

Forthcoming Meetings

EATON, O.—Pete and Verna Saleskey, Westernport, Md., will conduct revival beginning Feb. 5.—Mrs. Florence Earhart, Pastor.

COFFEYVILLE, KANS.—Stanley Cooke will hold meetings in Tabernacle, 11th and Beach, Feb. 5-26.—V. G. Greisen, 916 Spring St., Pastor.

FERGUS FALLS, MINN.—The Fox Evangelistic Party will conduct a 3 weeks' revival in Gospel Tabernacle, beginning Feb. 5. Broadcasting over the Fergus Falls Station, KGDE.—Christian Hild, Pastor.

HORNELL, N. Y.—Mary Louise Paige, Uhrichville, O., will conduct a meeting at Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Feb. 5-19. Neighboring assemblies are asked to co-operate.—W. F. Voodre, Pastor.

LEWISTON, PA.—Special revival in Masonic Temple, on Monument Square, Feb. 5-26, H. E. Hardt, Falling Waters, W. Va., Evangelist. Co-operation by neighboring assemblies solicited.—H. A. Christopher, 552 N. Bennett St., Luzerne, Pa.

AKRON, O.—Evangelistic campaign Feb. 5-26, Ruth Cox, of Oklahoma, Evangelist. Meetings every night except Saturdays, 7:30, at corner N. Howard and York Sts.—C. A. McKinney, Pastor, Tel. Walbridge 3831.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Otto J. Klink will begin a month's campaign Feb. 5 in Full Gospel Tabernacle, North Capitol and K Sts. Other strong preachers will follow at intervals in a gospel crusade during the year. Services nightly except Saturdays at 7:45. Sundays at 11:00 and 7:30. Special prayer service for the sick every Thursday at 7:45.—Harry L. Collier, Pastor.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—Mary Louise Paige, Uhrichville, O., will hold services at Bethel Tabernacle, 65 Chatham St., opposite Y. W. C. A., Feb. 21—March 5, every night except Mondays. Neighboring assemblies kindly co-operate.—Joseph Tunmore, Pastor.

TAMPA, FLA.—Thomas Paino, of Covington, Ind., will begin a revival in the North Bay Street Church, E. North Bay at 16th St., Feb. 7. Brother Paino was the principal speaker at the Pleasant Grove Camp in October.—N. A. Bell, Elder.

MERCERSBURG, PA.—Emma B. Taylor, of Oklahoma, City, Okla., will conduct a revival in the First Pentecostal Church, Park Ave., Jan. 25-Feb. 12. Neighboring assemblies invited to co-operate.—E. W. Wisand, Pastor.

LACOCHEE, FLA.—F. B. Worley and Party are conducting an old time Pentecostal tent revival on Route 23. Meetings will continue until Feb. 15. Council ministers passing this way are invited to stop and feast with us.—R. H. Miner.

TOTTENVILLE, S. I., N. Y.—Special meetings at Wells Memorial Pentecostal Church, corner Amboy Road and Lee Avenue, Feb. 5-26, Mrs. Etta Reckley, Hagerstown, Md., Evangelist. Meetings every night except Mondays, 7:45. Sundays, 10:30 and 7:30.—A. Newton Chase, Pastor.

MOOSIC, PA.—Harry E. Bowley, Tulsa, Okla., will conduct evangelistic campaign at Full Gospel Tabernacle, Springbrook Ave., Jan. 26-Feb. 19, every night at 7:30 except Saturdays, Sundays, 11:30 and 7:30. Neighboring assemblies are asked to co-operate.—J. E. Jenkins, 529 Minooka Ave., Pastor.

SPECIAL DISTRICT CONVENTION

ST. JOSEPH, MO.—Feb. 10, 11, 12, at the Pentecostal Church, 27th and Olive Sts. Three meetings daily. Speakers: W. I. Evans, Principal of Central Bible Institute, J. R. Evans, Noel Perkin; and Hettie Steffen of India. Address all inquiries to Pastor A. F. Crouch, 2615 Patee St., St. Joseph, Mo.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Highway Mission Tabernacle, corner 19th and Green Sts., Feb. 26 through March. Harry E. Bowley, Tulsa, Okla., Evangelist. Services each night except Mondays at 8:00; Sundays 10:30 and 7:30. Visitors will find rooms and meals reasonably priced near the church.—Flem Van Meter, Pastor.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT COUNCIL

BIG SPRINGS, NEBR.—The 15th annual meeting Nebraska District Council convenes Feb. 7-9. Rooms free to ministers and delegates; meals may be obtained at cafes at reduced rates. Those desiring recognition by the District should make application to the credentials committee in person.—Write E. W. White, District Superintendent.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Edith Mae Pennington will commence revival at Bethel Temple, 1250 Bellevue Avenue, Jan. 29, continuing as long as the Lord may lead. Pastor L. F. Turnbull, 1108 N. Coronado Terrace. Phone DRexel 5470.

TEXICO DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

In the assembly of God church at each place listed below: In Texas: Levelland, Feb. 9-10; Big Spring, Feb. 14-15; Groom, Feb. 17-18; Paducah, Feb. 21-22. In New Mexico: Albuquerque, Feb. 28-March 1; Hurley, March 8-9; Pleasant Valley Church, Logan, March 15-16; Artesia, March 21-22. All are urged to attend the convention most convenient. At each place services will begin the night before the opening day.—A. C. Bates, District Superintendent.

DENVER, COLO.—The 17th Annual Convention Rocky Mountain District at Pentecostal Assembly of God, 1447 Lawrence St., Feb. 14-17. Three meetings daily. Bed and breakfast free to ministers and delegates. Christ's Ambassadors rally afternoon and night of 17th. H. J. Ketner, 2617 17th St.; Pastor, Floyd C. Woodworth, 838 Leyden St., District Superintendent.

DUNCAN, OKLA.—Bible Conference, Feb. 6-12, in connection with Southwest Sectional meeting and young people's rally. Rooms furnished free as far as possible. Meals on freewill offering plan. Every minister of this section is expected to be present. The full courses of Bible school study will be taught. District Superintendent James Hutsell, Wallace Bragg, Margaret Walker, and others will be in charge.

Sectional meeting Feb. 6, those wanting license or ordination apply in person recommended by an ordained minister.

Young people's rally Feb. 12. Write C. E. Tobey, Pastor, or Oscar Jones, 820 Iowa St., Chickasha, Sectional Presbyterian.

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Mrs. Ruth Lout, 3209 Kentucky Ave., Shreveport, La. "Will consider calls at once. Wish girl who has call to work to travel with me; one who is consecrated and can play piano."

Ivan Carper, Lineville, Ia. "Constantly in the work of soul winning. Free to go to any field. References, Roy Scott, Mercer, Mo.; District Superintendent S. L. Johnson, Dexter, Mo."

Nolon B. Rayborn, Box 41, London, Ark. "Am resigning as pastor here May 1. Can then respond to calls to other fields. Prefer Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana; old or new fields. Eleven years in Pentecost. Play guitar."

Evangelistic or Pastoral

Oscar Wagner, Phillipsburg, Kans. "Have been in the Pentecostal work 2 years in this vicinity. Can furnish references."

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—I have accepted the pastorate at Midway, Tex., address Box 72. We invite Council ministers passing this way to call.—W. L. Hinkle.

WANTED—Old *Evangels* and Pentecostal literature of every kind to distribute in a very needy field. This is a town of 10,000 people without a full gospel assembly, but God is working.—Morris Charles Plotts, University Park, Ia.

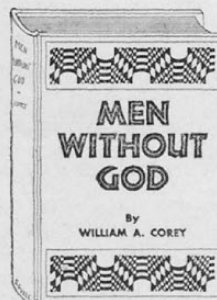
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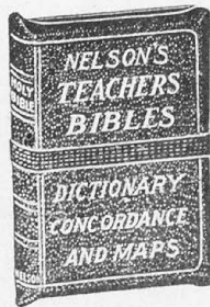
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- 2.12 North Austin Assembly of God Austin Tex
- 2.34 Olney Assembly of God Olney Tex
- 2.50 Assembly of God Church Bayard Nebr
- 2.60 Assembly of God Princeton Mo
- 2.75 Whitt Assembly of God S S Whitt Tex
- 2.85 Pleasant Grove Assembly Hoxie Ark
- 2.93 Heights Full Gospel Center Peoria Ill
- 3.00 Harpersfield Community S S Geneva Ohio
- 3.00 Berean Class Ewing Mo
- 3.00 Assembly of God Uhrichsville Ohio
- 3.00 Hanford Glad Tidings Assembly Lemore Calif
- 3.00 Glad Tidings Junior Church Pueblo Colo
- 3.02 Pentecostal Assembly East Liverpool Ohio
- 3.06 Windber Full Gospel Mission S S Windber Pa
- 3.15 Pentecostal S S Thayer Mo
- 3.15 Assembly of God Van Tex
- 3.24 Church of the Full Gospel Newport Oreg
- 3.25 Sunday School McComb Miss
- 3.32 Glad Tidings Temple The Dalles Oreg
- 3.50 Pentecostal Assembly Avon N C
- 3.50 Old North Church Canfield Ohio
- 3.61 Full Gospel S S Arlington Wash
- 3.84 Bethel Chapel S S Eagle Rock Calif
- 3.84 West Tulsa Assembly and S S West Tulsa Okla
- 4.00 Assembly of God S S Palmyra Mo
- 4.00 Elim Temple Oakland Calif
- 4.00 Blue Lake Pentecostal Mission Blue Lake Calif
- 4.42 Gospel Gleaners Calvary Tabernacle Camden N J
- 4.44 Full Gospel Church Waco Tex
- 4.80 The Full Gospel Tabernacle Bremerton Wash
- 4.85 Montague Full Gospel Mission Montague Calif
- 5.00 Full Gospel Tabernacle Raymond Wash
- 5.00 Glad Tidings Mission Davenport Iowa
- 5.00 Milan Sunday School Deer Park Wash
- 5.00 Full Gospel Mission San Luis Obispo Calif
- 5.00 First Church of the Assemblies of God Fort Worth Tex
- 5.00 Full Gospel Church Hamilton Mont
- 5.00 Pentecostal Church Atco N J
- 5.00 Grace & Truth Tab Kerman Calif
- 5.00 Glad Tidings Tabernacle St Charles Mo
- 5.00 Blvd Assembly of God Ft Worth Texas
- 5.08 North Howell Community Church Salem Ore
- 5.25 Yuba City Marysville Assembly Marysville Calif
- 5.30 Christ's Ambassadors Hannibal Mo
- 5.37 Assembly of God S S Turkey Texas
- 5.40 Full Gospel Assembly Chicago Ill
- 5.74 Full Gospel Assembly & S S Lebanon Ore
- 5.74 Gospel Tabernacle Council Bluffs Iowa
- 6.00 Missionary Society Bunker South Dakota
- 6.00 Gospel Tabernacle Bonesteel, South Dakota
- 6.00 Gospel Tabernacle Fargo North Dakota
- 6.00 First Pentecostal Church Eaton Ohio
- 6.00 St Charles Pentecostal Church St Charles Ill
- 6.00 Glad Tidings Tabernacle St Petersburg Fla
- 6.25 Laurel St Sunday School Indianapolis Ind
- 7.00 Girard Assembly Buffalo Okla
- 7.01 Assembly of God Clay Ind
- 7.36 First Pentecostal Church Beaver Falls Pa
- 7.50 Full Gospel Assembly Kingsburg Calif
- 7.73 Assembly Sunday School Corvallis Oregon
- 7.75 Assembly of God Sunnyside Wash
- 7.83 Full Gospel Assembly Monrovia Calif
- 7.90 Full Gospel Assembly Westbrook Maine
- 7.98 Pentecostal Assembly St Paul Va
- 8.00 Full Gospel Church Delano Calif
- 8.00 Assembly of God Church Bayard Nebr
- 8.00 Christ's Ambassadors Chelsea Mass
- 9.00 Prayer Band Huntington Park Calif
- 9.00 Sunday School Seminole Okla
- 9.08 Pentecostal Mission Roseburg Oregon
- 9.10 Christ's Ambassadors Chickasha Okla
- 10.00 Full Gospel Assembly Maywood Calif
- 10.00 Full Gospel Church Morgan Hill Calif
- 10.00 Pentecostal Assembly St Petersburg Fla
- 10.00 Glad Tidings Sunday School St Louis Mo
- 10.00 Grace Church Sunday School Milwaukee Wis
- 10.35 Assembly of God Church & S S Borger Texas
- 10.50 Pentecostal Assembly Berlin Wis
- 10.87 Assembly of God Pillager Minn
- 11.60 Assembly of God Mission Leavenworth Wash
- 11.65 Pentecostal Assembly Bremerton Wash
- 12.20 Gospel Tabernacle Houston Texas
- 12.43 The Old Fashioned Church Grand Island Nebr
- 12.50 First Pentecostal Church Altoona Pa
- 12.78 Pentecostal Tabernacle Madera Calif
- 13.11 First Pentecostal Tabernacle Savannah Ga
- 13.89 Full Gospel Assembly Sunday School Alexandria Va
- 15.00 Pentecostal Mission Fontana Calif
- 15.91 Pentecostal Full Gospel Assembly Chula Vista Calif
- 16.70 Glad Tidings Assembly Escalon Calif
- 17.00 Bethel Chapel Glendale Calif
- 17.31 First Baptist Church Egg Harbor N J
- 17.71 Pentecostal Full Gospel Tabernacle McCook Nebr

- 17.72 Full Gospel Tabernacle S S Pittsburg Kans
- 18.05 Assembly of God S S Breckenridge Texas
- 18.87 Assembly of God Chico Calif
- 19.63 Pentecostal Assembly Grenora N Dak
- 20.00 First Pentecostal S S Yakima Wash
- 20.00 Pilgrim's Class S Calif Bible School Pasadena Calif
- 20.00 Gospel Tabernacle Sherburn Minn
- 20.00 Gospel Tabernacle Gary Ind
- 20.69 Assembly of God Church & S S Coffeyville Kans
- 21.00 Assembly of God Terre Haute Ind
- 21.50 Highway Mission Tabernacle S S Philadelphia Pa
- 21.56 Glad Tidings Tabernacle Santa Cruz Calif
- 22.00 Calvary Gospel Chapel Newark N J
- 22.46 Pentecostal Church La Crescenta Calif
- 24.00 Pentecostal Church Washington N J
- 25.00 Courier Tabernacle Pasadena Calif
- 26.00 Central Park Assembly Central Park N Y
- 26.80 Calvary Tabernacle Camden N J
- 29.75 Full Gospel Assembly Concord N H
- 30.00 Full Gospel Assembly Wilmington Calif
- 32.00 Pentecostal Church Horseheads N Y
- 33.35 Missionary Convention Rosen Heights Assembly Ft Worth Texas
- 34.51 Full Gospel Assembly Inglewood Calif
- 36.42 Full Gospel Tabernacle Meckling S Dak
- 38.00 Christ's Ambassadors Full Gospel Assembly Vineland N J
- 39.00 Pentecostal Assembly of God Spokane Wash
- 40.00 Faith Tabernacle Binghamton N J

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Reported as given direct to missionaries		105.60
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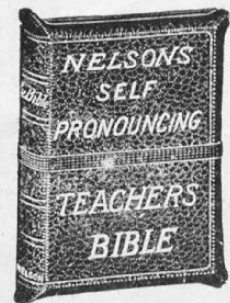
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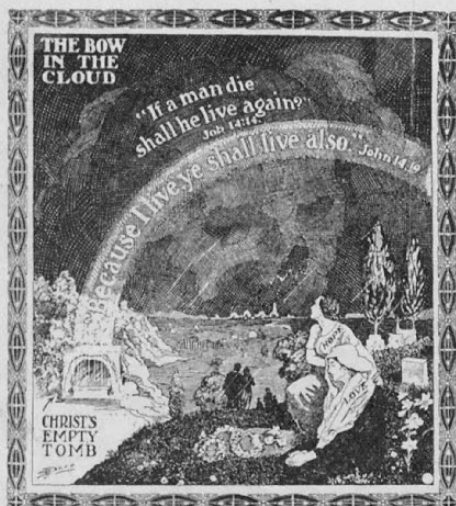
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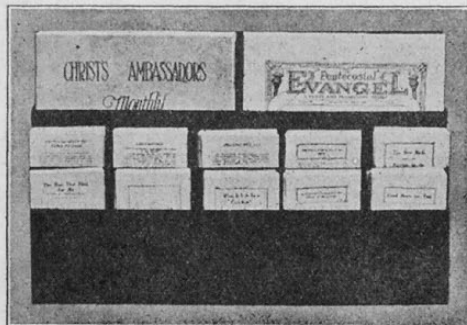
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