

A Faithful Minister of Christ

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E WELCOME all of you who are coming into the ranks of the ministry, and

congratulate you on your high calling, and the great privileges and rewards this ministry will bring to you. At the same time we should call your attention to some wise counsels, admonitions, and warnings which have come down to us from that mighty veteran of the Cross of Christ, Paul the Apostle. Even in the early days of the church there were snares and pitfalls in the path of God's ministers, and the same dangers beset your feet.

I. TAKE HEED UNTO YOUR-SELVES. Acts 28:28; 1 Tim. 4:16.

There is no one that can hinder your progress and success so much, and give

you so much trouble as that indefinable, invisible, obtrusive, irrepressible somebody we call self. Often you will think it is someone else making the trouble, when the source of the trouble is inside your own clothes. What oth-ers do need not worry you so much, for there is only one person for whose acts, words, and life you are wholly responsible. If every breeze tosses you up, it is evident you have not gone deep enough in God. The surface water of the ocean is always in motion, but the water a mile or two down is never disturbed by tempestuous winds. God grant

that we may sink so deep into Him that we may dwell in constant peace and quiet.

No one is so hard to subdue as yourself. Was that what the wise man meant when he wrote: "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city"? Prov. 16:32. If you are to be a leader of God's hosts you must first get yourself well in hand.

You need to get control of your tongue, the most unruly member of the body, as James tells us. "My brethren, be not many masters (the Greek word means 'teachers'), knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation (the severer judgment if found guilty). For in many things we offend all." The lit-

eral translation is-in many things we all stumble. The teacher uses his mouth more than his hands and is in greater danger of erring with his tongue. "If any man offend (stumble) not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body. Behold, we put bits in the horses' mouths, that they may obey us; and we turn about their whole body. Behold also the ships, which though they be so great, and are driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm (rudder), whithersoever the governor (pilot) listeth (wills). Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things." This little member wants to rule and direct all about it. James calls it "untamable" (3:8). Watch your tongue and

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pray the Lord to help you get control of it. When the test comes, be swift to hear and think, but slow to speak and act, for fear you make a bad matter worse.

You need to watch your thoughts, feelings, emotions, desires, ambitions, imaginations, and tempers. One little slip of the tongue, one little exhibition of temper, pride, greed, or lust, and your ministry may be ruined. One indiscreet act and your record may be marred, your standing lowered, and your ministry hindered for years to come. And that (Continued on Page 8)



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The Divinely Appointed Way of Access to God

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ET us look into the Epistle to the Hebrews, the 10th chapter, verses 19 to 25. I want you to see what we are here exhorted to do, and then to take a look at the arguments of the Apostle that are designed to encourage us to do it.

We are exhorted to draw near. To what and to whom? To the throne of grace and to the Occupant of that throne, the God of all grace, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. And we are told how we should draw near.

We should draw near with a true heart, that is with sincerity of purpose and desire, dismissing selfishness and vanity and guile; laying aside hypocrisy, mere pretension; for God cannot be deceived. In Acts 15:8 we read, "God which knoweth the hearts." The Greek so rendered is *ho kardiognostes Theos*, literally *the Heart-Knower*, *God*. We should never forget that God is the *Heart-Knower*. And He is the only one who knows our hearts. Our friends do not know them, our nearest kin do not know them, and we ourselves are in danger of being deceived. But God is the Searcher of the reins and of the hearts: He is the *Heart-Knower*.

We should draw near in "full assurance of faith." We read of "the full assurance of hope" (Heb. 6:11), and of "the full assurance of understanding." Col. 2:2. Each is important, but there can be no "full assurance of hope" or "full assurance of understanding" apart from the "full assurance of faith," for faith is absolutely essential to access to God. "Without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him." The centurian had "full assurance of faith." Matt. 8:5-13. To him Jesus said. "Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee." The woman who had the issue of blood and who was healed had "full assurance of who was healed had full assurance of faith" too. She said, as she approach-ed the Master, "If I may touch but His clothes *I shall be whole*." Is it any wonder that healing virtue flowed immediately from Him to her?

In order that we may have "full assurance of faith" it is essential that we have "our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience." Sin separates people from

God, and if we are conscious that we have sinned and that our sin has not been purged away it is impossible for us to have faith. John says, "Hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before Him. For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask we receive of Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight." 1 John 3:19-22. How, it may be asked, can we keep our hearts, after they have been cleansed, sprinkled from an evil conscience? By walking continuous-ly in the light. "If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." The cleansing process is going on all the time as we walk in the light.

There is an allusion in the text that has been much misunderstood. We are exhorted to "draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water." It has been supposed by some that there is a reference here to baptism in water, but the reference is not to baptism at all. In Ex. 29:4 we read, "And Aaron and his sons thou shalt bring unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and shalt wash them with water." The washing symbolized regeneration, and the water symbolized the water of the Word. John 3:5; 13:10; Eph. 5:26; Titus 3:5.

In Rom. 6:6 we read, "Knowing this that our old man is crucified with Him that the body of sin might be destroyed," for the word rendered "destroyed" means, annulled or made of none effect. By "the body of sin" is meant the human body, this body of flesh and bones and blood, the body in which and with which the sinner sins. Paul exhorts us not to yield our "members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin," but to "yield ourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead," and our "members as instruments of righteouness unto God." Rom. 6:13. Since it is in the body and with the body that the sinner sins it is very fitting that our bodies should be "washed with pure water," the water symbolizing the Word of God which has cleansing properties. "Wherewithal shall

a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to Thy Word."

We are exhorted in the text to "hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering." The Word of God lays a a great deal of emphasis upon the importance of endurance. It is not enough that we begin to live for God and that we live for Him faithfully for a while: it is imperative that we continue unto the end. There is a Greek word that is often translated "patience," but means a great deal more than our word patience means. It is the word hupomone. It carries with it not only the thought of patience but also of hopefulness, cheerfulness, continuance in waiting and endurance. It is the word that is rendered "patience" in Heb. 10:36; 12:1; Jas. 1:3, 4; 2 Peter 1:6; Rev. 2:2. It is rendered "patient continuance" in Rom. 2:7. To patiently continue in well doing is to "hold fast the profession of our faith.'

This holding fast is to be "without wavering." The word here is aklines, and it means, not leaning. God would have us to be trees of righteousness not only well rooted in good soil but standing upright. Trees that grow where there are prevailing winds that blow in a certain direction almost invariably indicate by the way they lean in what direction the prevailing winds blow. But God has provided grace that is sufficient to keep us standing upright even though the prevailing winds of this world are causing the worldly minded to lean. Some people who leaned one way a few years ago are leaning some other way today. There are those who have changed their creed and have told us that truth is progressive. There is a sense in which it is progressive, but not in the sense in which these people so regard it. What was truth in Paul's day was truth in Luther's day, in Wesley's day, and is truth in our day. Truth is not a fashion like a hat; truth is an institution like a head. Truth never contradicts truth, and one phase of truth does not have to be surrendered in order that we may accept some other phase. People are carried about by every wind of doctrine because they are not rooted and grounded in the Word. Any thing that purports to be truth, if it cannot be supported by the Word of God, should be rejected. The Bible is our guidebook, and if we would know what the will of God concerning any matter that is a subject of divine revelation is we should study all the passages of Scripture that relate to that matter, seeking at the same time the illumination of the Holy Spirit. Scripture sheds light upon Scripture, and the Bible is the very best commentary on the Word of God that has been written.

We are exhorted in the text to "consider one another to provoke," or incite, "unto love and to good works." And we are told how we can do this. We can do it by "not forsaking the assembling of

ourselves together, as the manner of some is," and by "exhorting," or encouraging, as the word means, "one another, and so much the more as we see the day approaching." By "the day" is doubtless meant that day in which we shall be called upon to stand before the judgment bar of Christ and render an account of the deeds done in the body. Before that bar every child of God will have to stand. The day in which this judgment will take place is "the day of Christ." Concerning this judgment, which will not be the judgment of unsaved sinners but the judgment of the saints, the redeemed of God, we read in the parable of the pounds. Luke 19:11-27.

Let us look now at the arguments of the Apostle that tend to encourage us to do what he exhorts us to do.

We have been provided with boldness to enter into the Holiest, or, the holy of holies: the divinely appointed place of access to the presence of God. Provision has been made whereby we can boldly enter. In the days of the old dispensation the high priest only was allowed to enter, and he only once a year, but when our Lord died upon the cross the veil of the temple, separating the Holy Place from the Most Holy Place was rent in twain from the top to the bottom, signifying that the way was now open for any who would to enter. But there is only one way by which we can enter. To try in any other way to approach God is to try in vain. It would be as easy to fly from the earth in an airplane to one of the most distant among the fixed stars as to approach God in any way except the appointed way. The appointed way is here pointed out. "By the blood of Jesus," a way which is characterized as "a new and living way," or as one has ren-dered the Greek text, "a recently slain and living Way," the reference being to Christ who said, "I am the way." He had been slain but had risen from the dead, and was alive, the living Christ. Only a living Christ can save from sin. His resurrection was as essential to our salvation as His death. Our Lord lives. and is therefore "able to save unto the uttermost all who come unto God by Him.'

We are told that we have "an High Priest over the house of God." And *we* are the house of God if we are numbered among God's redeemed children and have availed ourselves of the atonement that was made on our behalf. Our Lord not only rose from the dead: He ascended into heaven, and sat down for us at the right hand of God, and He represents us there as our great High Priest. He makes intercession on our behalf. His mediatorial ministry as our High Priest is of paramount importance. It was through the high priest appointed by God that the people of Israel were granted access

to the divine presence within the Holy of Holies, and our Lord has been made "a High Priest forever after the order of Melchisedec."

Another argument the Apostle makes use of to encourage us to draw nigh, is the fact that "He is *faithful* that promised." What has He promised to do? To forgive our sins, to sustain us in temptation, to answer prayer, to give us an inheritance with Himself in the glory and ultimately to fill the whole earth with the glory of the Lord.

The fact that God is faithful, if we can



How to Open the Heavens

There is a wonder in heaven. He "wondered that there was no intercessor." Isa. 59:16. When multitudes are needing blessing, and such vast blessing is to be given, He "wondered that there was no intercessor." Are not the instructions to the saints clear and explicit: "Ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence, and give Him no rest, till He establish, and till He make Jerusalem a praise in the earth"? Isa. 62:6, 7.

People have been quiet when God wanted them to be importunate. The need is so great. Many excuse themselves and say, "Since Jesus Christ is our heavenly intercessor we do not need to intercede so much." Yes, He is our heavenly intercessor, but there must be earthly intercessors too.

Blessing will come when the intercession is complete and in harmony. When the saint has followed the example of the Saviour who spent nights in prayer and who arose a great while before day to pray, then you can look for a new outpouring of the Spirit.

God is searching for intercessors. The heavens are ready to drop blessings. God says, "I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh." Joel 2:28. The promise is for *floods*. Isa. 44:3. The promises seem sealed up. The key can be had.

There is an open door of intercession for every believer. Many talk about entering. Some declare "I will," and do not. Others say, "I will not," and yet do. The church of God is too free in promising and too lax in fulfilling her promises. They fail God, they fail themselves, and they fail those who would reap benefit by their work in the vineyard.

He wondered that there was no intercessor. See how God wonders about you. Do you want to be an intercessor? Come as the disciples came and say, "Teach us to pray." The Master Intercessor wants pupils. Who teacheth like Him? He will teach, He will lead and He will instruct. Amen.

but fully grasp the significance of it, is one of the most encouraging of all facts. A few years ago when I was passing through one of the most trying experiences of my life a dear sister in Cleveland to whom it had been by privilege to minister when I was serving our church in that city wrote me a letter in which she quoted these lines that were to me at that time a source of great blessing and have encouraged my heart many times since:

God is faithful— Not He has been, nor He will be; Both are true:— But today in this hard trial God is faithful now To you.

He has made Let us believe God. adequate provision for the supply of every need of each of His childrenevery need of spirit, soul, and body. In order that this provision might be made, He sent His only begotten Son into the world to suffer for us and to die for us. And Christ not only suffered and died, but, thank God, He rose from the dead, and lived, and lives! He is yonder in the heavens, seated at the right hand of the Father. He is our Kinsman Redeemer, representing us as our great High Priest in the glory. By a recently slain and living Way we are privileged to approach God, and as we approach Him we can approach Him with confidence, for we have "an High Priest over the house of God," and "He is faithful that prom-ised." There is no possibility of our failing to be granted an audience with God if we approach Him in the right way, the divinely appointed way. "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."

War Resisted

In many places human nature is in rebellion at the thought of another war. It is reported that at "A recent convention of public and high school teachers in Kindersley, Saskatchewan, by a vote of 115 to 10 passed the following resolution: 'Resolved, (1) That we, the teachers of the Kindersley Inspectorate, hereby declare our opposition to war and to the policies that lead to war; (2) That we will under no circumstances support the nation in any war; (3) That in our schools we will do our best to prepare the children's minds for peace and for the support of peaceful policies.'"

But despite all protests against war, the day will surely come when the cry will go forth: "Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near," when the warriors of all nations will march to Armageddon. Joel 3:9-16.



A Man Who Knew God

I forget his full name, but we all called him "Brother Tom." He had been an unruly drunkard miner, but during the Welsh revival the lion had been transformed into a lamb. I have never met a more gentle soul than he. I never saw one more ripe for the glory than he was when the Lord took him home. I can see him now, preaching in the open air, telling all the passersby of the lovely Saviour he had found; then, laying his misfitting Derby hat on the curb, kneeling down in the street and praying with great fervor for all those who had heard him, always ending up with this petition, "And dear Lord, bless everybody under the canopy of 'eaven!"

A Revelation of the Cross

Brother Tom used to spend hours of absolute stillness at the footstool of the Throne. He would say, "Father knows what I am there for. Father knows better than I do what I need." In one of these seasons of wating on God he was given a vision of a capital I, and he saw a cross upon it. The Spirit of God said to him, "That is what will happen when the cross of Christ is made a reality to you, the capital I will be *crossed* out; and when that happens, Christ will be all in all to you, and will always be exalted in your life and testimony."

"Yet Not I"

Is not that the experience of the apostle Paul? Three times in his epistles we come across that significant expression, "Yet not I." In 1 Cor. 7:10 he says, "I command, yet not I, but the Lord." In 1 Cor. 15:10, "I labored more abundantly than ye all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me." Again in Gal. 2:20 he says (we quote from the R. V.), "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I that live but Christ liveth in me." The old I had been crossed out, and a new I with a new testimony had been created. That testimony was "For me to live is Christ."

Crucified and Risen

Paul wrote to the Philippians, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who . . . humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." He coveted for these saints the possession of the lowly mind of the Lamb who had set Himself un-

flinchingly to go to Calvary. In the same letter the apostle tells us of his own long-ing, "That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death." And that death was crucifixion. And God gave him his desire-to be a crucified follower of his crucified Lord. Listen to his testimony to the Corinthians, "We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body. For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh." Paul had learned that the more he experienced "the dying of the Lord Jesus," the more he experimentally knew of the power of the resurrected life of his risen and ascended Lord.

The Place of the Empty Skull

A young lumberjack went into a city, attended a revival service, and was gloriously saved. A skeptic met him, and with all the artifices of a clever intellect, attempted to swerve him from the path he had chosen. The lad listened patiently to all the skeptic had to say, and then quietly remarked, "Friend, I am afraid I cannot argue with you. You see I have just been to Golgotha, the place of the empty skull, and it was there I got my own skull emptied out of all my carnal reasonings. I have experienced and I know that Golgotha is a place of great deliverance; and friend, I counsel you to take a journey to Golgotha too."

The "Own"

When Paul sent Timothy to the church at Philippi, he wrote, "I have no man likeminded . . . for all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's." Later on in the epistle to the Philippians the apostle writes, "For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ . . . who mind earthly things." Alas, it is the many and not the few who choose the "own" and the "earthly." The life has become self-centered instead of being Christcentered. Instead of their lives proclaiming Jesus Christ and Him crucified, the cross is obscured behind a bloated and exalted human personality.

The Delivering Cross

As I read this epistle I have been convicted of how much "own" and "earthly' there has been in my life. But, thank God, when the Spirit convicts us of our shortcomings and failures, yea, and of our sins, He always leads us back to a place called Calvary, the place of deliverance. Let us once more traverse the road to that place where Christ died for our sins. Upon that sinless Lamb, Jehovah laid all our iniquities. But more than that! In God's reckoning not only His Son died at Calvary, but we also died there. He declares, "If one died for all, then were all dead." That word *all* includes both you and me. Gazing at that blessed cross we can each say in faith with Paul, "I have been crucified with Christ: and it is no longer I that live, but Christ liveth in me: and that life which I now live in the flesh, I live in faith, the faith which is in the Son of God, who loved me, and who gave Him-self up for me." He died for *all*, He died for *each*, He died for *me*.

A Heart Petition

And faith says, "Yes, Lord, I believe the inspired Word. My 'old man,' my carnal, corrupt nature, was crucified on that cross of Thine. Enable me by Thy Spirit and by a living faith that Thou dost Thyself impart, to reckon it so. That cross of Thine is where Thou hast crossed out the I in me. Make this a glorious reality in my experience from this moment forward. Oh, Thou blessed crucified, risen, and ascended Christ, from this moment be Thou my life, my righteousness, my holiness, my all."

The Walk of Faith

In Romans 6 where the apostle reveals the fact that our old man was crucified at Calvary, he shows us that we must do two things. First, we must enter into a reckoning of faith. "Reckon" he says, "yourselves dead indeed unto sin." Dead indeed! Every time the tempter comes around sound out that truth, "Dead in-deed! I died at Calvary." Further, count on the new creation life He abundantly supplies and reckon yourselves "alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." Do you get that? Not through straining, but through Jesus Christ our Lord. You can safely trust the work of your salvation to Him who has had such long experience in this salvation business. Then, realizing you are no longer your own, for you have been bought at infinite cost, even the lifeblood of the only begotten Son of God, yield yourselves unto God as those who are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

In Christ

That was a wonderful prophecy of our Lord Jesus just before He went to Calvary, when He was telling His disciples of the coming of the Spirit. He said. "In that day (the day of Pentecost) ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in Me, and I in you." If you have been truly born again, say it over and over until you realize it, "I am in Christ, and Christ is in me." What happens when we come into Christ? We become a new creation. The Creator who made everything beautiful at the beginning, making man in His own likeness, is the Creator who undertakes the work of this new creation and He will make us like unto Himself. Don't be afraid of that wonderful word in Rom. 8:29. We accept and often quote Rom. 8:28, but in the same paragraph we read, "For whom he did foreknow he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son."

Daily Crucifixion

There are many chips that have to come off the marble before we come into the glorious image of His Son. Accept every phase of crucifixion that the Lord allows to come to you, with a glad "Amen, Alleluia," for that is the language of the "crucified bride" of the crucified Lamb. Rev. 19:4. Suffering will come. There is no such thing as a painless crucifixion. After saying, "We which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake,' and giving a list of things he suffered, Paul says, "Our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal." 2 Cor. 4:17, 18. Here the cross, yonder the crown.



Jews Destitute

The *Contemporary Review* states that "about a third of the Jewish population in Germany is already faced with destitution. The persecution has given Hitler about half a million jobs with which to reward his followers." We believe that from many hearts in Jewry the cry will go up to the Lord to rend the heavens and come down. Isa. 64:1.

Aiding the Communists

The editor of the *Delano Record* protests that the Fresno District Council of the Methodist Church allowed an avowed Communist a Methodist pulpit at Selma, California, for a 75 minute talk, and suggested that a poolroom would have been a more suitable place. Paul in 2 Tim. 3:4 describes men suffering with a last day malady called ear itch, which will cause them to turn away from the truth. Nevertheless in this connection he exhorts Timothy, "Preach the Word."

The Axe

There is a last day significance in the fact that under Hitler's regime in Germany the axe has been introduced as a means of execution. Some at Cologne and other places have already been subjected to execution by means of the axe. John was given an after-tribulation vision, "I saw the souls of them that were *beheaded* for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years."

Filthy Literature

One who reads popular magazines a good deal said to the editor recently, "These magazines, that two or three years ago were very wholesome, are now filled with stories that are absolutely unclean and horribly suggestive." It would be well for all these filthy magazines to be compelled to have in large letters on their covers a word which the lepers had to cry out in Israel, "Unclean! Unclean!"

Arab Hostility in Palestine

According to *Palestine Post*, an Arab leader in Palestine exhorted his countrymen not to "stop in the middle of the battle." He urges that the Arab people observe a strict boycott of the Jews and engage in strong action against land sale to the Jews.

Driven from Germany, persecuted and unwelcome in other lands, and opposed in their own land, the Jews are facing a sea of difficulties. But when their Messiah comes, He, like Moses, will make a way through those waters.

The World's Disarming?

Senor de Madariaga recently informed the Assembly of the League of Nations that the value of exported arms in all countries between 1930-1932 amounted to \$616,000,000, while one single country in 1932 sold to two countries in conflict with the League four times the amount of munitions it sold to the world in 1930.

Man is multiplying munitions, but, thank God, when the Lord comes He will turn every arsenal into a place for the manufacturing of agricultural instruments. Isa. 2:4.

The Spirit of Antichrist

The situation in Russia gives us an inkling of what Antichrist's rule will mean. According to the *Dawn*: "On Good Friday, 1930, a Crucifix was erected in one of the large squares of Moscow; 300,000 children were assembled in the city, and a march past was begun at 9 a. m. and continued till 3 p. m., the children marching four deep. As each four came in line with the Crucifix they were halted, faced towards the image of Christ, and were compelled to spit at it."

Religious Rags

According to the London Morning Post the "actual" seamless robe of Christ is claimed to be in the possession of two Roman Catholic Churches. One is at Argenteuil, near Paris, and the other at Treves in Germany. Both Churches claim that the miracles associated with their garment are undeniable proofs of their "holy origin."

R. H. Boughton makes this comment: "The true believer is much more concerned with the 'robe of righteousness' which is upon all them that believe, and with which the greatest of all miracles is associated, viz., their own conversion."

The Making of a Saint

A new saint is about to be added to the Roman Catholic calendar. Investigations are being made to determine the fitness of the late Mother Frances X. Cabrini, Chicago nun and foundress of a religious order, to be canonized, that is, to become a saint. Canonization will depend upon holy character, "heroic virtues" and the performance of at least two miracles. The cost of the canonization will amount to about \$70,000.

If this religious worker was born of the Spirit and washed in the blood of Christ, she is a saint already; for the New Testament recognizes no other condition.

The Oldest Manuscript

Premier J. Ramsay MacDonald of Great Britain announced on December 20 in the British House of Commons that the British government had purchased the manuscript of the oldest and best known manuscript of the Bible, that known as the "Codex Sinaiticus." It is being purchased from the Soviet government for the sum of \$500,000, and it is to be placed in the British Museum.

It is a good thing to have that valuable manuscript in a museum, but there is a better place for the Word of God than that. The Psalmist says, "Thy Word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against Thee." As Brother Kerr used to put it, "That is a good thing in a good place for a good purpose."



The Lord Jesus Begins His Ministry

Lesson for Jan. 21: Matt. 4:12-25.

Our Lord entered upon His ministry through two doors—the baptism and the temptation, or, consecration and probation. Through the first He met God and received His approval; through the second He met and defeated Satan who put Him to the test. Emerging from these two doors He began His work of preaching the kingdom.

Light in Darkness. vv. 12-16. Hundreds of years before the time of this lesson Isaiah the prophet had predicted that the Lord Jesus would come into the land of Zabulon and the land of Nepthalim, illuminating them. The way the prophecy was phrased by Isaiah both the near and the far aspect of the coming of the Light of the World is envisaged. Isaiah saw them receiving great light; and Matthew speaks of the coming of Jesus to Capernaum on the boundary line between these two countries, as fulfilling the prophecy. However the part of the prophecy that sees the Lord there battling, overcoming, and destroying, setting up His kingdom in those provinces yet awaits fulfillment. The Messiah was not only to grow up in obscurity, but was to exercise His ministry in a region which among the Jews was proverbial for its spiritual darkness and ignorance of the true religion. Compare John 1:46; 7:49, 52. In the West towards the Mediterranean, in the East, on the other side of the Jordan and in the northern regions inhabited largely by Gentiles, "the people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region of the shadow of death light is sprung up."

The living Christ today brings light to the dark places of life—the dark places of sin, sorrow, sickness and death. At a discussion in London a working man was showing what Christ had done to enlighten the world. An infidel arose and said: "It is all nonsense. Gas has done more to enlighten the world than the Bible." "Well then," replied the Christian, "when you are dying, send for the gas man." The laugh was turned against the scoffer.

The First Proclamation. "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." The doctrine of the coming of God's kingdom is the very heart of the Old Testament. The calling of Israel, their laws and institutions, God's dealings with them, and the message of the prophets-all proclaim this central truth: God is coming to be the ruler of all men, to establish a kingdom that will be world-wide in scope, heavenly in character, and eternal in duration. The oppressions of the Gentiles, and failures of their own rulers had failed to extinguish this hope among the Jews. In fact foreign domination only made them long the more for the appearing of God's King and God's kingdom. This hope, like the fires within a silent volcano, had many times before Christ's coming burst into eruption in the form of a rebellion against Rome.

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If this hope meant so much to the Jews why then did they reject the Lord Jesus? The coming of God's kingdom involved three things: (1) The spiritual transformation of the nation. Ezek. 36:25-29; Jer. 31:31-33. (2) The political restoration of the nation. Jer. 23:5,6; Ezek. 37:22-28. (3) Their world-wide mission. Isa. 2:3; Zech. 8:22, 23. Now the difficulty with the Jews was that their national troubles had so fixed their eyes upon the political deliverance that they had little place in their thinking for the spiritual preparation. The words "kingdom of heaven" sounded so loud in their ears that they could scarcely hear the word "repent." "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish," Christ warned them. In 68 A. D. an unrepentant nation rebelled against Rome in an attempt to bring about in their own strength their political restoration. But they failed-and perished. See Luke 19:41-44.

What would have happened if the nation had accepted Jesus as the Messiah? Would He have died for the sins of the world and would the Millennial kingdom have been ushered in? The best answer to this question (as well as others of the same nature beginning with an "if" or a "suppose") is: the nation did not accept Him. God had already foreseen all this, and weaving Israel's rejection of Christ in His plan of salvation (Rom. 11:25; Acts 2:23; 3:17, 18), He made provision for the establishment of His kingdom in a spiritual or "mystery form" during the church age. Matt. 13:11; Eph. 3:3-6. After this He will fulfill the prophecies of the kingdom in relation to Israel. Acts 1:6-8; Rom. 11:25, 26. Today, the kingdom of God-a spiritual kingdom of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost-is "at hand" to "whosoever will." Rom. 14:17. And repentance is the entering gate to that kingdom. Acts 2:38. The First Disciples. The Christ who had

grown up in humble Galilee, who was ministering in despised Galilee now called four Galilean fishermen to be His co-workers. (1) The Call. "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." That command comes to us with the same directions and authority that it came to these men. We must follow Christ the Teacher, for we have so much to learn concerning God, man, and our own individual lives. We must follow Christ our Example, for we must keep our eyes upon One lifted far above human imperfection. We must follow Christ as Friend, for we need His encouragement and help. (2) The Promise. "I will make you fishers of men." He as much as said to these Galileans: "You have been taking fish from their natural element and transferring them from life unto death ; but from now on you will be privileged to lead sinners from their natural element-sin-and translate them from death unto life." The activity and qualifications of a fisherman are apt types of the activities and qualifications of the soul winner. For example: (a) One must know where to fish. Fish of various sort must be sought in various localities. In our spiritual fishing we must learn where to catch men. We may

find opportunities in the quiet lakes of our own domestic circles, or in the pleasant streams of our social friendships. (b) One must study the peculiarities of fish. Like men, fish differ very much in their dispositions and habits, so that what would be suitable for catching one class would not be successful in another. (c) Patient industry is needful. Some boys were out fishing for trout in what was considered a good stream. But they met with no success. On their way home they met an old man whose basket was fairly filled with fish. Amazed, they asked the reason for his success. "I have been watching you," he answered; "and you have had your hooks in the air most of the time. The fish are not in the air but in the water. Keep your hooks wet!" (d) One must be aggressive. Said Beecher: "To sit on a bank and say to the fishes, 'Here I am, authorized to command you to come to me and to bite what I give' is just as ridiculous as it can be, even though it does resemble some ways of preaching. The Christian's business is to find where men are, and to take them by that which they will bite at." (e) The response. These fishermen immediately left all and followed Christ. To be saved we must give up that which is evil; but in order to serve Christ we are sometimes called upon to give up that which is good and legitimate. But we shall discover, as these fishermen did, that to give up something good for Christ is to receive something better.

The Christ of the Galilean Road. Verses 23-25. It was a needy age. Spiritually: Josephus the Jewish historian tells that before the destruction of Jerusalem, the Jewish nation acted as if possessed by seven thousand devils. Mentally: Kastein, a Jewish scholar, informs that the stress of these days had produced great numbers of nervous wrecks. Physically: the absence of hospitals, neglect of sanitation, and the ravages of sin and demons, had produced a multitude of sufferers. The anointing Christ received at the Jordan went forth in three healing streams. His preaching roused the wills of men to cast off sin's fetters; His teaching swept error, ignorance, and fear from their minds; His healing brought life to their aching, diseased bodies. In a certain state a great electro-magnet is run over the roads, attracting all kinds of nails, and other injurious pieces of iron or steel. As Christ, that God-energized Magnet, walked the roads of Galilee, there were attracted to Him all types of sufferers; and they were not disappointed, for it is written that "He healed them."

Myer Pearlman

BRECKENRIDGE, TEX.-We have been here 3 months, and God has blessed in a marvelous way. We have just closed a 6 weeks' revival, Brother J. W. Sitton in charge. Numbers were wonderfully blessed of the Lord and some were healed. Many wept their way through to Calvary and several were filled with the Holy Ghost. Many others are pressing on to deeper things in God. Large crowds attended the day services, and many remained to seek God until late in the day. Just before we came here the assembly had bought a parsonage, and it will soon be clear of debt. The Ladies' Missionary Council has helped greatly to make this possible .- Pastor and Mrs. Oscar Jones.



Those that are mighty to drink wine and men of strength to mingle strong drink, *tarry late into the night till wine inflame them.* Isa. 5:11, R. V.

The Lord tells us in Eph. 5:18 not to be drunk with wine but to be filled with the Spirit. This is the experience of the King's banqueting house, or house of wine. Song 2:4.

The manifestations of the Spirit on *the* Day of Pentecost were ascribed to new wine. Acts 2:13. If they say similar things of us, we are in good company.

The drunkards are willing to spend money and time in their pursuit of the false exhilaration of strong drink. How much time are we willing to spend to become impregnated with the Holy Spirit of God?

Is it waste of time to tarry late into the night for a fresh anointing of the Spirit? The Pentecostal Movement was born in prayer, and its declension in these days is due to a waning of that spirit of earnest supplication.

Is it not time for us to bestir ourselves to seek the face of God once more, ere the devil succeed in lulling us into the sleep of self-satisfied indifference?

When men are under the influence of liquor, they are *inflamed*—set on fire of hell. A similar setting on fire by the Holy Spirit should be experienced daily by every Pentecostal Christian.

This *inflaming* makes a man beside himself, so that he no longer is responsible for his actions, but does what the demon within prompts him to do. Thus should we be set on fire, enthused, and controlled by the Holy Spirit of God. Then we should see what HE would do, and a mighty revival would result.

Wonderfully Healed Smith Wiggleworth's Testimony

For three years I have been suffering from pains in the bladder, often passing much blood. It has truly been a trial of faith in the furnace of affliction with continuous pain night and day for weeks at a time, hoping against hope. Rom. 4:18. For about 45 years I have believed in divine healing, and for over thirty years have been helping needy sufferers, and my preaching has been to establish faith among the saints.

What will seem strange to some is the fact that while I continued to help others and they received health and healing, I was still held in this terrible grip of pain and suffering. Some months ago I consulted a doctor and he said I was in a dangerous state, and advised me to have an X-ray. This showed a stone in the bladder the size of a large bean. The doctor said nothing but an operation could remove this. I said that hundreds were praying for me and I would rather die than submit to the knife for I believed God would operate.

On October 4, about four p. m. God worked a miracle. For hours I passed grit and sharp stones, some one-fourth to three-eighths inches long, of a sharp granite appearance, nine of which I have kept to show if necessary. I have been refusing calls for three years on account of this suffering. James 1 has been a great blessing to me: "Count it all joy ... for the trying of your faith worketh patience."

Now I am full of praise to God for the miracle He has wrought in me. To Him be all the glory! I believe the future will be greater than the past to help those who are sick and suffering.— Smith Wigglesworth, 70 Victor Road, Bradford, England.

Healed of Cancer

Three years ago I was ailing all summer and very miserable. Four doctors in succession told me I had cancer of the womb, and that the sooner I was operated no the better chance I should have. But I was unsaved and felt I should die in the operation so I deferred it. On Wednesday before Thanksgiving, 1931 they prayed for me until nearly midnight, but no light could I see. However on Thursday night God spoke peace to my soul, washed my old black heart clean and white in His blood, and made a new creature out of me. The great joy of it was unspeakable and full of glory.

Then I felt free to go to the operating table. For forty-eight hours they expected me to die. After three weeks I was sent to another hospital where I was to be treated with X-rays for the balance of the cancer. Finally those doctors gave up, telling my husband the cancer had progressed so far there was no hope for me. Then I got a letter from my husband to come home, that evangelists had come to town and he believed God would heal me. I was carried and placed in a berth in the sleeper and got home on a Saturday. The next Monday the Lord healed me. I got up at once and walked alone, across a large room, the first time in weeks. I went to church every night for a week after that and have been doing my housework and church work ever since. I soon received my Baptism, two years ago this month (December, 1933). Then our pastor was called away and I was elected pastor. God has blessed the work under my hands. Ten have received the Baptism in the last ten months.--(Mrs.) Ethel Caldwell, Irrigon, Oregon.



No Claim But the Blood

My mother, a little before she went to be with the Lord, said: "I have no claim but—" But what? Were the thousands of tracts she distributed from her earliest days her claim for acceptance before God? Was her long life, spent in Christian work, her claim? Were all those faithful words said to old and young, rich or poor, her claim? Were all her intercessions and prayers her No, thank God! none of claim? these. All such claims, like the Apostle, she counted worthless, for she had found a better, and the only one which is available, and so she said, "I have no claim but the blood of Jesus" or, to quote the words of her favorite hymn, she could say,

Just as I am, without one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee— O lamb of God, I come.

God knows the full value of the blood of Jesus, His own Son. It is the only blood Scripture calls precious, and God will never deny its value to cleanse from all sin.

A boy was crying about his sins. He said he was a sinner, and owned that, with all his prayers, tears or promises, he could not wash away one sin. I was so glad to hear him say that, for I knew if only he would stand still he would soon see the Lord's salvation. And so he did; for after I had told him that Christ died for sinners, and pointed out the verse, "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him (Christ) the iniquity of us all," he saw it all; he saw the Lord's salvation; he saw that all his sins were borne by Christ, and he was able to go home singing—

All my sins were laid upon Him,

Jesus bore them on the tree; God, who knew them, laid them on Him, And, believing, I am free.

Insane Man Healed

Praise God for His healing power. We had a man brought to us, whom the best physicians declared to be insane. The judge was just about to send him to an asylum, but as the saints were praying the judge changed his mind. God completely restored the man before the judge and doctors. I brought him home and his aunt took him to Los Angeles the same day. He is perfectly normal. To God be the glory! Our God is able for all cases.—Cornelia Jones-Robertson, House of Prayer, 1912½ Broderick St., San Francisco, Calif. Page Eight

A Faithful Minister of Christ (Continued from Page One)

is not all-by one indiscretion you may lose the confidence of those you are trying to win for Christ, souls may be lost, the assembly may suffer great damage, and it may cause your ministry to be a failure instead of a success. In one moment by turning the steering wheel in the wrong direction, the most perfect and beautiful automobile ever built may be may be made a mass of wreckage and lives may be lost besides. This is responsible busi-ness. Christ places the assembly and the destiny of many souls in your hands. You must not trifle with your trust. God

will call you to account. "Walk circumspectly" (Eph. 5:15)-that is, look all around you to see how your conduct will appear to those who are watching you, for all the eyes in your community will be focused on you.

Suffer this word of admonition from one who loves you and loves the cause of Christ, and has spent forty-five happy years in the gospel ministry. Watch your social contacts, and your conduct in relation to those of the opposite sex. "Flee youthful lusts which war against the soul." 2 Tim. 2:22. Secret lust will make havoc with your spiritual life. Unholy loves will wreck your soul for time and eternity, and wreck the assembly whose interests are in your hands.

If you are unmarried, you need to be all the more careful to avoid all appearance of evil, lest you set the tongue of slander wagging. Traps may be set for your innocent feet to wreck your ministry. The devil goes about as a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. But he does not always roar to frighten you out of your wits. Sometimes he comes dressed in robes of beauty and gentleness. He may use men and women as his tools to ensnare you. Some may deliberately plan and plot your ruin. Beware. In your calls at homes it is a wise precaution to take some one with you. Jesus sent out His twelve and His seventy by twos.

"Marriage is honorable in all," but too many love affairs and broken engagements, leaving a trail of broken vows and hearts, are dishonorable and reprehensible before God and men. Do not

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marry anyone out of pity, for before you are done with your contract all who know you may pity you. Be careful in making your choice of a companion, and take time to consider the matter well, or you may have years to regret the step you take. Do not carry on a courtship in connection with your evangelistic

Gethsemane

Jerusalem, thou city of the Kings-Thou liest still beneath the midnight sky That stretches like a great Cathedral Dome Above the sleeping world. The soft winds sigh Which waft the fragrance of night-blooming flowers In this the ancient Orient. Behold Mount Olivet in regal calm arrayed, And there in silhouette the Temple Hill Where Abraham's descendants oft have prayed. Within the Kedron valley down below We find the Garden of Gethsemane That brings to mind the Saviour's agony.

Here long ago The Master came with those who were His own. They loved Him well, but when He bade them wait And watch with Him, they slept. Then Christ alone In agony did writhe and supplicate. Alone, among the whispering olive trees, Beside the thorn-bush at the rock He knelt. In vain the breezes fanned His fevered brow, For Christ that areful night no respite felt. Great drops of blood He sweat in suffering The most excruciating pain of soul That e'er was known throughout humanity. We cannot comprehend the whole Of what the Saviour bore for us that night!

"Thy will be done."

In sweet submission prayed the Son of God, Yet He had asked the bitter cup removed; That cup containing all earth's sin and woe, Christ drank it dregs and all, "For God so loved The world." The travail of His soul for us Was passion of an all-consuming fire. He gave His life, an offering for sin Accomplishing the Father's great desire.

Gethsemane.

In thee are intercessors born! Create A passion for the lost in us, O Lord, And sanctify us with Thy living fire, That we may serve Thee here in sweet accord. Clothe us with faith sublime to intercede For others, Lord, in our Gethsemane. Thou, Christ, didst pour Thy soul out unto death, An Intercessor still—Thy ministry! Florentine Budwig, Minneapolis, Minn.

meetings or your pastorate. No wise pastor would call you to assist in meetings if he knew you would be flirting or courting around. Prove yourself worthy of a good companion, and the Lord will give you one without too great effort on

your part. When once you marry, stay by your contract, whether for better or for worse.

But alas, some married men and women are foolish enough to be enticed away by some sly soul destroyer and home wrecker who answers to the description given in Proverbs third chap-

ter. One minister among us who is untrue to his marriage vows may cast a shadow over the whole Brotherhood, and hinder the work of God throughout the world. Better leave the ministry before you leave the path of rectitude, and not injure your brethren, and the cause of Christ, send untold multitudes to hell, and cause the enemies of the Lord to blaspheme that worthy name. 2 Sam. 12:14, James 2:7. Again we say, Be-ware of this pitfall. Keep miles away from this precipice over which some have already fallen and disgraced the very

name of Pentecost. Beware! In 1 Timothy 4:16 Paul joins another "Take heed" with the one we have been considering: "Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine," and the same thought is in his mind when he says to the Ephesian elders, "Take heed unto your-selves."

II. TAKE HEED UNTO THE DOCTRINE.

We are touching something very vital here. False doctrines have nearly wrecked the whole Christian movement, and that in every century of the Christian era. The history of the church is largely a history of false doctrines, heresies, divisions, contentions, and strife growing out of these. Before the last of the apostles was dead Gnosticism was in full bloom in Ephesus, where Apollos, Paul, John, and Timothy labored and tried to su-press heresies. Paul warned the Ephesian elders who came to him at Miletus: "Take heed therefore unto yourselves . . . For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not spar-Also of your ing the flock. own selves shall men arise,

speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears." Acts 20:28-31.

In the third century Sabellius started this false doctrine of the Godhead, holding that God existed first as Father, then as Son, and then as Holy Spirit, but all the time the same identical person. Our Fathers in the faith subdued this heresy known as Sabellianism, and brought out into the clear the Bible doctrine of the Trinity. But Sabellianism has been revived in our time, and joined with the beautiful doctrines of Pentecost. It has drawn away a multitude of unwary souls who think they have discovered a new truth. In the Hebrew Bible the second word is *Elohim*, God. In Hebrew it is a plural noun, and accords with the doctrine of the Trinity.

Many who fall in with doctrinal errors do so in pitiable ignorance of the Word of God, but that does not counteract the mischief. "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, *rightly dividing the word of truth.*" 2 Tim. 2:15. The truth is soul-invigorating, healthgiving. Paul in Greek uses the word from which we get our word hygiene and hygienic—"sound words," *hygienic* words. 2 Tim. 1:13.

Jesus said: "Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees." It finally dawned on his bewildered disciples that He was referring to the God-dishonoring, soul-withering *doctrines* of the leading sects in His day. Matt. 16:6-13.

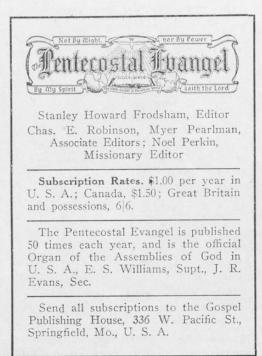
Listen to me, young preachers-Do not be ambitious to be thought wise or learned, and to astonish the world with what you know that nobody else has found out. Stay in the middle of the stream of God's great soul-saving truth, and let others deal in notions and theories that may be true and may be false. The essential truth-the doctrines that enable men to be saved, filled with the Spirit, healed by the Lord, and made ready for His coming, have been set forth in the General Council's declaration of faith. Stay well within these bounds, and be content to preach Christ, as Paul and Stephen and Philip and all other great preachers of the gospel have done. You may not make much impression on the people as a Bible wizard, but you will get along better when you give an account of your stewardship.

Somebody may say to you as a little girl said to me—"When Dr. Brown preaches it sounds as if he knew everything, and when you preach it sounds as if you did not know anything." Paul might have astonished the people with his learning, but he "determined not to know anything . . . save Jesus Christ and Him crucified." I Cor. 2:2. Paul said to Timothy, "I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom, *preach the word*; be instant in sea-

son, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound (hygienic) doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers having itching ears; and they shall turn from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry." 2 Tim. 4:1-5. "Say to Archippus ("our fellowsoldier," Phil. 2), Take heed to the ministry which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfill it." Col. 4:17. III. TAKE HEED UNTO THE FLOCK.

"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers (the Greek word is bishops), to feed (the Greek says pastor or shepherd) the church (the Greek word means assembly) of God, which He hath purchased with His own blood." Acts 20:28. The word pastor occurs only once in our authorized translation of the New Testament (Eph. 4:11), but the office is referred to frequently. Pastor is the Latin word for shepherd, and in the Latin, Jesus says, "I am the good Pastor." John 10:11. Peter refers to Jesus as the Chief Shepherd, the Chief Pastor, it is in Latin, and so the Greek. 1 Peter 5:4.

A real shepherd or pastor is a gift of Christ to His church. Eph. 4:11. The flock is not to rule the shepherd, but the shepherd is to lead the flock, and see that they are well fed and properly cared for and guarded from danger. No one on earth is authorized to come between the pastor and his people. He is to feed the flock, not by hunting up some-



dry fodder and throwing it over the fence to them, and then club the sheep because they cannot eat it. He is to lead the sheep into the green pastures, beside the still waters. Two Greek words in John 21:15, 16 are rendered feed but they both mean to shepherd. And so in Acts 20:28 and 1 Peter 5:2. We do not need to proselyte. Just lead the flock right out into knee-deep timothy and clover, and let them eat till their sides stick out, and sheep in other folds trying to live on dry fodder will leap over the fence to get in among us. A pastor who had phenomenal success in raising big sums of money was asked to explain how he did it. He simply replied, "I feed high and milk dry." A good hint to all of us.

The pastor is to give an account-"Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves; for they watch for your souls as they that must give an account, that they may do it with joy." Heb. 13:17. Paul says, "Take heed to *all* the flock." Acts 20:28. Remember you are not to be pastors to your favorite members but to all the flock. Some get interested in their special friends and make pets of them, but pay little attention to the rest. The Lord will call you to give account for all the sheep. The little runts, the lame, the sick, the defective members are dear to the heart of Christ. "Make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed." Heb. 12:13. "Him that is weak in the faith receive ye, but not to doubtful disputations." Rom. 14:1. Our great High Priest has compassion on the ignorant and those who are out of the way. Heb. 5:2. If that is the at-titude of the Chief Shepherd it certainly ought to be of all the under shepherds, who are not to be lords over God's heritage, but examples to the flock. 1 Peter 5:3.

The faithful pastor will have a great reward. On his head will be placed a "crown of glory" at the coming of the Lord, and this is promised to no one else. 1 Peter 5:4. I suppose that the faithful pastors will be easily recognized in the multitude of the redeemed by these crowns of glory, compared to which human honors, titles, and rewards are nothing. His "well done, good and faithful servant" will outweigh all the trials and sorrows and afflictions that may come to any one of us. "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. 2:10.

The beginning of anxiety is the end of faith, and the beginning of true faith is the end of anxiety.—George Muller.

In all unbelief there are two things: a good opinion of one's self, and a bad opinion of God.—H. Bonar. Page Ten

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NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE MISSIONARY SECRETARY

It is a blessed privilege to be workers together with God, and our hearts are encouraged as we note from time to time how the Lord is working with us. A letter that has just come to hand tells about an offering sent to us a few months ago designated for "the purchase of gospels for distribution." We sent this money to one of our missionaries in India, and it reached his station just as they were in need of a fresh supply of gospel literature. They thanked God for His answer to prayer and wrote the contributors expressing their appreciation.

The contributors have written to us saying "We received a beautiful letter from Brother and Sister— and with it came a great blessing from heaven. We wish you could see that letter. They needed the money for the gospels and did not have a cent for them, when along came our donation right in answer to their prayers. People are asking for the Word of God in printed form in that field. We all felt we were right in India."

One does not necessarily have to go to the foreign field to be a missionary. The call to go into all the world is to all the church so that each member may take part in this great undertaking. If you are not called to go in person, you may perhaps help support another in your place or help supply some special need as our good friends did to whom we have referred. The sequel to the story is that a further offering was sent in for more gospels to go to that same field in India. We can arrange for you to get an acknowledgment of your offering from the field if you so request.

HUNDREDS OF VILLAGES HEAR GOSPEL IN INDIA

"Day by day we have experienced the truth of the precious promise, 'Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.' Praise His Holy Name! By His grace we have been enabled to bring the Gospel to hundreds of villages m the five native estates where we are working. Great crowds have attended the meetings, and opportunities have been given to them to turn from darkness to God's great light. Please pray for us that we may be real Bible Christians as we go to the millions of India during the touring season, preaching the Gospel along the borders of Nepal. Many of the people have never heard of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We do not go to them with a medicine chest, but we lead them to the 'Sun of Righteousness with healing in His wings."-Christian Beckdahl.



Brother and Sister Dewey Crabb who sailed for Sierra Leone January 12, to join the work at Freetown.

MISSIONARY OFFERINGS

Address all offerings to Noel Perkin, 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo. Why not send an offering today?

Members of Kittiabo Tribe, Liberia, who have been driven away from home because of their stand for the gospel.

JUDGMENT FALLS ON REBELLIOUS KING

The Paramount Chief of the Kittiabo Tribe recently invited our missionary, Miss Pearl Pickel, to come from Cape Palmas to give the gospel to his people. On her arrival the hammock men took her into the chief's house in his absence. When he arrived he commanded her to be taken out at once as he did not want a white woman in his house. However, she was permitted to remain in the tribe in another hut.

She says, "Hardly a week after arriving in this town, I was awakened in the wee hours of the night by the crying of the people. You may be sure I was not long in finding out what was causing all this disturbance at that hour of the night. There a short distance away the king's house was going up in flame, and the king, who had ordered me out of his house the week before, was standing near watching it burn. These houses were made of mud but the roof is of leaves. It had been over a week since we had had any rain so the leaf roofs were very dry. All the other houses were saved by the use of water and green banana leaves, the hardhearted king being the only one to lose his house. God surely was with us that night, and we all gave Him the praise.

"In spite of the opposition of the king, a number of this tribe turned to Christ. Now they have been turned out of the tribe and sent away to find refuge among another tribe, because they refused to worship the devil and practice the old heathen customs. Pray for them that they may continue faithful to God."

WITCH DOCTOR FINDS SALVATION

Brother and Sister D. L. Brown, who are laboring among American Indians in Lookout, Modoc Co., California give an interesting account of the conversion of a witch doctor. They write: "We just conducted a funeral of one of the old Indian witch doctors. We have had this man in our meetings and he has doctored many in our tribe. The past year he was taken sick, and there was no help found in his devil power to deliver him. Some other witch doctors tried to help him but all failed. Then he lost his mind and went blind. This presented an opportunity for several to preach the Word to him, and show him that he needed Jesus, both as his Saviour and Healer. For a year God dealt with him, and at last he gave up all to Jesus, for he said he was trusting Jesus for all. We went fifty miles to hold his funeral, and there hid away in (Continued on Page Eleven)

A SUGGESTION TO MISSIONARY BANDS

We are arranging with our missionaries to send us letters that will be suitable for general circulation. These will be mimeographed by the Missions Department and circulated among those missionary bands, assemblies or prayer groups who may request them. Our thought is to have several letters sent together each month. Each one included will be representative of some special field. If you would like to be placed on our mailing list to receive these letters, drop us a card, and we shall be happy to supply them from month to month. Also if you would like numbers of our monthly Prayer Pamphlet which we shall be publishing separate from the Evangel, this will be included with the letters. If you can use more than one copy of the Prayer Pamphlet, be sure to so advise us.

SUPPORT NEEDED FOR NATIVE WORKERS

A number of our missionaries have written asking for help in the support of native workers. Carrie Anderson is anxious to get a Chinese Bible woman to assist her in her work in the Malay States; V. G. Plymire is in need of \$10.00 per month to support a young man in training for the ministry, and \$15.00 per month for the support of an evangelist working with him on the Tibetan Border: S. J. Kamber of Persia is asking for \$10.00 per month for support of a worker with him: Margaret Felch asks prayer that the Lord may supply her need for a native preacher and Bible woman to assist her in her village work: Christian Beckdahl of India also needs a native preacher's support : H. E. Hansen of North China writes us of a worker he has who needs \$10.00 per month for support: Martha Kucera of South India would like \$10.00 per month for support of native worker: Esther Harvey of Nawabganj, India and J. J. Mueller of Dehra Dun, India also ask for help in raising support of native workers. The Foreign Missions Department will be glad to forward offerings for any of these requests.

HEALING OPENS DOORS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Brother Emil Bernaldes writes: "We were called to pray for the six year old boy of

one of our Catholic friends, who was badly crippled in both limbs, and given up by native doctors. God heard our pravers, and within a week and a half the child was completely healed. This healing is known throughout the villages. Because of this we are welcome to many homes to pray for sick ones. Many have received wonderful healings from the Lord.

"My two native workers are each in need of ten dollars per month support. Please help us pray for their support."



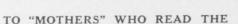
Brother and Sister Nicodem's children, who would like to come to America when their parents come for furlough in the spring.

GOING DOWN DAILY INTO CHRISTLESS GRAVES

Sister Mattie Ledbetter writes from Fat Shan, China of the pitiful spiritual condition of the people. She says, "The work is mov-ing along on all lines. The Bible School is most encouraging, and my tract work is growing. I have printed and disposed of nearly two hundred thousand tracts so far this year to our different Pentecostal Assemblies. We have distributed many thousands here in Fat Shan. As we walk around over the numberless streets and give out tracts our hearts are made sad by seeing idols in almost every home. Sometimes a big old dirty idol is set up at a street corner, or at the side of a street, and one passing along will see a woman with her little boy worshipping burning joss-sticks, and bowing before it with clasped hands. Pitiful! They seem so wedded to their idols. They are going down daily into Christless graves-over a million a month. Will their blood be on our hands? Yes, if we don't do all in our power to reach them with the saving power of the Gospel."

A LAWYER BAPTIZED

[~] Brother A. A. Blakeney writes from the Missionary Home in Landour, India: "The Lord has given us a sweet spirit of fellow-



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EVANGEL

I would like to ask the readers of the Evangel, especially the mothers, to pray very much with us as we think of coming home on furlough in the spring, and the possibilities of having to leave some of our kiddles behind here in India. One of the reasons that we have held on so long without a furlough (it will be more than eight years in the spring) is the fact that we could not face leaving our little ones on this side of the ocean while we went to America.

The time has now come when we both are very much in need of a furlough, and my husband's desperate need for a change from this land and climate is making it imperative that we face the possibilities of coming home and leaving at least three of the boys here. Only a Mother heart can know what this means to a Mother, and I want to appeal to the Mothers at home to pray with me during these coming months that either the money will come in for their fares to bring them home with us, or that God will do a miracle and give me grace and courage to leave my little ones behind.—Ruby C. Nicodem.

ship here in the Home, though the guests have been representative of numbers of Societies. Some from other Societies have received the blessed Baptism this season. Others have had anointings, and numbers of new ones have taken their stand as seekers for this blessed experience.

"The Lord is moving upon some of the dear Indian people. God is now using in this land a Madrasi brother who was saved and baptized in the Spirit in England, and has given him the ministry of healing in a very precious way. Another dear brother, also from South India has been saved from a high caste Hindu home. He gave up the offer by his father-in-law of about four hundred thousand rupees. He was a lawyer. Now he is baptized with the Holy Spirit, and preaching this blessed message.

YOUR PRAYER HAS BEEN ANSWERED

A request appeared in the Evangel of October 7, 1933, asking prayer for the salvation of a mother and father who had recently lost a child. Brother Weston informs us that the mother is now saved and the father

is very near the Kingdom.

WITCH DOCTOR FINDS SALVATION (Cont'd from Page 10) the lava beds we found his hut. Many had gathered as he was well known. The road was just wide enough for the car to go through the walls of lava, and there we laid this man to rest." Witchcraft and heathen darkness is not confined to foreign lands, but we thank God for another soul delivered from such conditions in the United States.



Ministers and Delegates at the recent Latin American Convention held in San Angelo, Texas. The officers elected were H. C. Ball, Superintendent, and Josue Cruz, Vice-Superintendent and Secretary.



HAMMOND, IND .- The Lord blessed in our 2 weeks' of special meetings with Evangelist Bert Williams preaching. Although the holiday season offered some hindrance, the Lord's presence was manifest and some souls were saved, including some young people .- E. Bond, Pastor.

BARNETT, MO .- We have closed a 41/2 weeks' meeting, Evangelist Charles Davenport in charge. Ten were saved from sin and 8 backsliders were reclaimed; 8 were filled with the Holy Ghost and 6 were refilled. The sick who came for healing were made whole. The meeting closed with victory .-- Guy Overton, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.-Evangelist Gypsy Lorene Johnson, assisted by her husband, Harry L. Johnson, Music Director, recently conducted a 3 weeks' meeting at Faith Mission, in which 25 were saved, 14 received the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4 and 15 names were added to the assembly roll. The church was edified and strengthened .- Albert G. Smith, Pastor.

EAST AKRON, O .- Recently Mrs. Fanny Lawrence, Harlem Springs, O., conducted a revival in the suburbs of East Akron. During the 2 weeks' meeting 16 received the Baptism with the Spirit, including one minister and his wife, and 4 were saved. The saints were encouraged to press on deeper into God.-Albert W. Lawrence.

JOPLIN, MO .- We have just closed a very successful revival at 1508 Virginia, with Dr. and Mrs. Chas. O. Neece, Cape Girardeau, in charge. From the beginning the power of the Lord was present. At a number of services there was no preaching; as the invitation was given the altar would be filled with those hungry for God. About 54 were saved and 40 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. The evangelist is gone but the revival continues, with souls being saved and filled .- S. K. Biffle, Pastor, 2221 Sergeant.

BUTLER, N. J .- We recently closed an evangelistic campaign with Evangelist Fred D. Drake, Rochester, N. Y., in charge. It was one of the best that our church has had in some time. Many sought salvation and about 15 or 18 found the Lord. A family of 4 gave their hearts to Christ, and before the campaign was over all were filled with the Holy Ghost. Altogether 7 were baptized with the Spirit. The whole assembly has been stirred and refreshed. The older saints particularly appreciated the faithful co-operation of Brother Drake in the morning prayer hours at the church. They were indeed hallowed hours, in which real victories were won for souls. The crowning meeting was a special baptismal service on Tuesday night following the campaign. Evangelist Drake remained over to speak at the service. Twelve received Christian baptism, the pastor officiating .--Milton T. Wells, Pastor.

IDABEL, OKLA .- We have just concluded an old time revival, conducted by Pastor W. E. Wilson, Soper, and Brother John Ford, Wright City. Ten were saved and 3 received the Holy Ghost, according to Acts 2:4. Twelve were received into the fellowship of the assembly. Brother Ford was chosen as pastor; he gives all Council ministers a hearty invitation to stop when passing this way .- A. E. Nunley, Former Pastor.

ILLMO, MO .- Evangelist Clarence Smith and party, of Granite City, Ill., have just closed a 4 weeks' revival here. The Lord met with us in a precious manner. Large crowds attended the meetings; numbers were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Since September the Sunday school has increased from an average attendance of 120 to about 170. We have a large band of young people who hold street meetings and do outstation work .- David Hogan.

THREE RIVERS, MICH .- After a little over one year's ministry here, we are thankful to say that God has blessed the work in a precious way. Through the faithful cooperation of the saints we have seen a good increase in attendance, and a greater unity in the Spirit. A few months ago we resigned the pastorate. Before the selection of the new pastor Evangelists Garnet Proutz and Helen Daniels held a 2 weeks' meeting, which was blessed of the Lord. Joseph W. Campbell, of Aurora, Ill., was given a unanimous vote to come as pastor. We are now engaged in a series of revival meetings at South Grand Rapids while Pastor B. F. Miller is away. Several have been reclaimed and one received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost in the first week. Also some who were sick have been healed .- Evangelist and Mrs. A. P. Rudenko, 39 Montrose St., S. Grand Rapids.

BILOXI, MISS .- We had a precious time on Prayer Day, Dec. 1. When we saw the announcement in the Evangel, we purposed to observe it by prayer and fasting. I went to the church just before day and spent about an hour in prayer. About 7:00 a. m. the saints began to come in, and from different parts of the church we could hear prayer and weeping. The presence of the Lord was felt all through the day. As the blessings began to pour down the saints rejoiced; many who were sick were made whole. Some were reclaimed and 2 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. The meeting continued until late in the night. On Sunday we had services all day, and 3 new converts were added to our number. The church has been constantly growing and there is seidom a Sunday passes without someone finding God. We are adding 3 Sunday school rooms to the building. Nine were added to the assembly Sunday night. We plan to have a watch-night meeting with Communion services. At the last meeting of this nature only 2 unsaved people were present; both of these were saved and one was filled with the Spirit .-- J. L. Slay.

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POWERS LAKE, N. DAK .-- We praise the Lord for a 3 weeks' revival conducted by Evangelist E. R. Robertson, 223 Seventh St., Great Falls, Mont. Several sought the Lord for salvation, and a wonderful spirit prevailed. Brother Robertson, although new in the Pentecostal faith, preaches the Word of God with power. He has been a Presbyterian minister and comes from a line of ministers of that faith. He has at a great sacrifice chosen to bear the reproaches of Christ. We praise God for the results of his ministry here.--C. B. Hurlbut.

NEBRASKA CITY, NEBR.-We thank God for the way He met us in the 3 weeks' revival conducted by Evangelist Marjorie Mahany, of Kansas City. Her messages aroused great interest in this city. Sinners were awakened from their slumber and Christians were revived, receiving a new vision of eternal things, and a greater determination to "press toward the mark." Twelve were saved, some were reclaimed, and 11 were baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire. The Lord is still blessing His people here. The attendance has increased and in His name we are pressing on .- Inez Ferrias, Pastor-Evangelist.

WALTERS, OKLA .- We have just closed a blessed 3 weeks' revival here. Brother Snodgrass, a young minister in the church assisted the writer in starting the meeting; Brother D. Q. Ray, Alvord, Tex., coming later, was given charge. About 17 were saved and several received the Holy Ghost, "speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance," A goodly number united with the assembly. The meeting closed with a great shout of victory from those who had been blessed. We were grateful also for the conversion of a prisoner at a meeting conducted in the jail.-Harvey Huddleston, Pastor.

MUSCOTAH, KANS .- As a result of the tent meeting conducted by the Steinle Sisters the past summer, a large number of young people found Christ and united with our assembly. In early November O. L. Watkins, of Pattonsburg, Mo., gave us about 10 days' lectures on prophecy, closing the series Nov. 13. The saints continued with praver services 3 times a week. Nine evenings later the Holy Spirit came and filled all the house, and many people lay slain under the mighty power of the Lord, 5 definitely receiving the fullness of the Spirit, with signs following. Two nights later 2 others received the Spirit, and 2 were saved. The next afternoon, in a farmhouse near by 4 young women seeking the Lord's blessing also received the Baptism while the next day, Sunday, 2 others received the Pentecostal blessing, making a total of 13 disciples equipped to "testify to the grace of God with power." Calls for services in surrounding communities are coming to these young people, where they may use the gifts God has bestowed .-- C. B. Hole, Assembly Secretary.

TEXAS SECTIONAL CONVENTION

ABILENE, TEX.-December 3 was the closing night of a 4 weeks' campaign at the Tabernacle with the Alpha Fortenberry-Henson Evangelistic Party in charge. Good crowds were present throughout the meeting and great spiritual blessings were enjoyed. Eight or 9 were at the altar on the closing night. The last 2 days and nights were given over to our sectional convention, with District Superintendent E. L. Newby in charge. Many outof-town visitors were present, and many felt that it was the most glorious convention this part of Texas has ever witnessed. Love, fellowship, and unity reigned supreme, with real old time Pentecost saturating the atmosphere. During the revival much prejudice was broken down.--Keetah Jones, Pastor, 10th and Cypress.

FORT COLLINS, COLO .- We have just closed a 3 weeks' revival conducted by Evangelist O. L. Ellenwood. More than 30 sought God and most of these prayed through to real salvation. Five were delivered from the tobacco habit. There were also some outstand-ing cases of healing. Twenty-one received Twenty-one received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, 9 at one service. Four of these were brothers. The altar services continued far into the morning hours. Thirty followed the Lord in baptism; and 25 were received into the assembly. The revival spirit was also felt in the jail meetings, where some of the men sought the Lord. Our Sunday school is growing; we have a precious band of young people, also, who are doing a good work for the Lord .- Pastor and Mrs. R. A. McClure.

WEST BRANCH, MICH .- The Lord is blessing His work in this new field. I felt urged by the Spirit to leave Arizona and come to my old home place near here to tell the story of Christ's power among my old associates. We opened a 3 weeks' meeting in the Community Church October 29. Here 41 were saved and 25 received Christian Baptism. Many are seeking God for the infilling of His Holy Spirit. Many Christians were drawn nearer to the Lord. In our cottage prayer meetings, held twice a week, we still feel the mighty blessing of God, and also in our Sunday night services. We thank God for supplying our needs and for saving among others some friends and loved ones in this meeting. -James L. Sheltrown.

PUTNAM, OKLA .- We have just closed a 3 weeks' revival at the Soddy Schoolhouse, Evangelist Pearl E. Bostwick, Mutual, Okla., in charge. People came for miles, by all manner of conveyance; the house was crowded each night, and more seats had to be made and brought in. Eight were saved and 6 were buried with Christ in baptism; most of these were adults. Almost every night many hands were raised for prayer. The entire neighborhood was affected. New family altars were erected in homes and some said they felt as if they had been converted over. One woman who was bedfast from lumbago was restored to health, and one unsaved man, who had an afflicted arm praised God for touching his arm so he could go back to work. One young woman was given a vision during a service, in which she says she received a call to preach the Word. On

the last Sunday we had an all day meeting with basket lunch. A great feast of fellowship was enjoyed with the visiting brethren and ministers, with the presence of the Holy Spirit in our midst. At about 3:30 a baptismal service was conducted. No one stood back for the icy waters. At the church a good Sunday school and midweek prayer meeting are now in operation.—Mrs. Bostwick, Mutual, Route 1.

NEW SHARON, IA.-We praise the Lord for His wonderful works among us. Last Sunday night we opened our new Pentecostal Tabernacle and God graciously blessed the first service by leading some to the altar to seek salvation. The house was full and there were not enough seats for those present. We are back from a vacation trip to California, and last night marked the beginning of another old fashioned revival, which is to continue each night except Mondays for an indefinite period. We are praying for another great outpouring of the Spirit. Most of the converts of the last meeting are still on fire and on praying grounds. We plan to dedicate the tabernacle soon. Brother Bruce Bachman, of Green City, Mo., is assisting with piano and guitar. Assemblies near by, come worship with us.-Morris Charles Plotts.

ASHTABULA, O.—We have just closed a 3 weeks' campaign, Evangelists William Emenegger and L. C. Hicks in charge. Several bowed at the altar of penitence and 2 received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. God especially blessed the work among our young people. From the first Sunday the Sunday school grew and much interest was taken. We praise God for the helpful ministry of these evangelists, and for the presence of the Holy Ghost which still abides with us. The revival spirit is still prevailing and souls are seeking a deeper experience. Council ministers passing this way are invited to attend our services.—Leon J. Frank, Pastor.

JONES, OKLA.—I have recently conducted an 8 weeks' meeting at Seminole, where 210 were saved, 110 were filled with the Holy Spirit, and 95 received Christian baptism, 100 united with the assembly and many wonderful cases of healing were witnessed.

In another 4 weeks' meeting, at Shawnee, 30 were saved, 12 were filled with the Holy Ghost, 9 followed Christian baptism, and several were definitely healed.

I have just closed a 3 weeks' meeting at Tulsa, Fifth and Peoria, where 50 were saved, 35 were filled with the Holy Ghost, and 10 were buried in the waters of baptism.—F. C. Cornell.

MOLINE, ILL.—We have just closed a fine revival meeting here. The old time preaching, under the anointing of the Spirit, brought conviction to the unsaved. At times as many as 13 or 14 confessed Christ as their Saviour in a single meeting. The tarrying room also was full of those who with hungry hearts were seeking the Baptism with the precious Holy Spirit, and many were filled to overflowing. The Lord is also blessing our Sunday school. Our highest average attendance "thus far has been 760, but we are working toward an average attendance of 1,000. Our record attendance was 1,080.— A. W. Kortkamp, Pastor.



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The Fruits of Atheism

According to Prophetic News: "The outcome of irreligion in Russia is seen in an official document from the Russian timber camps, published recently in Geoffrey Blis' 'Out of the Deep.' One of the workers says: 'We have to work for sixteen hours in the sweat of death in order to earn 700 grammes of bread, without a single day of rest, no fats, no meat-absolutely nothing. We are distended already, and black with exhaustion and hunger. The husband no longer knows his wife, children do not know their parents, one man does not know the other. It is unbelievable, indescribable, and its parallel is not to be found in any fiction. People eat the bark of trees and grasses. Children, women, and old men run and grovel about in the forest, and feed like animals or wild beasts. There are not hundreds, but thousands and millions, of these wretched people.'

Fear of Destruction

Another illustration of the way men's hearts are "failing them for fear" (Luke 21:26) may be seen in Berlin's preparations for air raids.

According to Palestine Post: "Near a corner of Berlin's business traffic center is a small sign: 'To the air protection cellar.' A red arrow takes one around the corner, to a place below the ground where the first of the many "air raid shelters" that have been planned has been constructed. Newspapers give prominence to pictures of air maneuvers over foreign cities as examples of the ease with which modern aircraft can destroy urban centers in the heart of a nation.

Directing German Consciences

Dawn states that the following are among the principles of the Nazi church in Germany: "War service is in no case contrary to the Christian conscience, but, on the contrary, is obedience to God. The believer has the right of revolution against a State which encourages the powers of darkness; he has a similar right of revolution against Church officials who do

not unconditionally support the national uprising." Thus the Sermon on the Mount is reduced to a scrap of paper.



Pray for all forthcoming meetings. Notice of meet-ings should be received by us three full weeks before the meeting is to start.

WINTERS, TEX.—Old time revival Jan. 6-20, to be conducted by Winter and Lowery Evangelistic Party, of Coleman.—Roy Evans, Pastor.

CROWLEY, LA.-Evangelist A. F. Gardiner, Hous-ton, Tex., will conduct revival at church in South Crowley, Dec. 31-Jan. 21.-R. W. May, Pastor. in South

PORTALES, N. MEX.-Evangelist Clyde C. Goree, Amarillo, Tex., will be with us for a meeting Jan. 1-21.-D. Z. Little, Pastor.

ELIZABETH, N. J.-Evangelist Staats, will be with us in a revival at Trinity Pentecostal Church, 415 Pennington St., Jan. 7-Feb. 4.-A. Swift.

SOUTH MISSOURI CONVENTION SULLIVAN, MO.-Midwinter Bible convention, of Southern Missouri District Council, Jan. 23-26. Free entertainment.-Ed Cockman, Pastor, S. L. Johnson, District Superintendent.

NEWTON, IA.—Evangelist and Mrs. Percy T. King, known as "King's Musical Messengers," Lon-don, England, will begin a revival at 301 First St., S., Jan. 19, and continue for an indefinite period.—W. E. Longdin, Pastor.

LEWISTON, PA.—Special evangelistic Bible Con-ference in Full Gospel Tabernacle, 108 Logan St., Jan. 21-Feb. 11, Evangelist C. S. Tubby, Stevens-ville, Ont., Can., in charge. Nightly except Satur-days, 7:30.—H. A. Christopher, 74 Central Ave.

E. ST. LOUIS, ILL.—Evangelist Estella Maffett, Ashland, O., will begin a revival at Trinity Full Gos-pel Church, 8411 State St., Feb. 7, to continue 2 weeks or longer. Neighboring assemblies asked to co-operate.—K. E. Matschulat, Pastor.

NEBRASKA CITY, NEBR.—The Steinle Sisters, Singing Evangelists, Dorrance, Kans., will begin an evangelistic campaign in Gospel Tabernacle, 1417 Cen-tral Ave., Feb. 4, to continue indefinitely. Neighbor-ing assemblies please co-operate.—Inez Ferrias, Pas-tor-Evangelist.

PASADENA, TEX.—City-wide Christ's Ambassa-dors rally, Jan. 14, at High School Auditorium, 2:30 P. M. Brother E. L. Mason to bring message. Also expecting state President, E. J. Robinson. Paul V. Chamliss, President, 510 Walton St., Houston, Tex. —Evelyn Schuaneman, Secretary.

OTTAWA, ONT., CAN.-Evangelists A. H. and Miss Zelma Argue will be with us in Ottawa for the opening campaign in our new Bethel Tabernacle. on Waverley Street, just off Bank Street for revival services, Jan. 7-28. Pastor and Mrs. C. B. Smith, 60 Seneca St.

CONNEAUT, O.-Evangelist Stanley Cooke, Funkstown, Md., will begin a meeting Jan. 7, to continue 3 weeks or longer. Each night except Sat-urdays, 7:30. Sunday also at 11:00. Neighboring as-semblies please co-operate.-Alex Clattenburge, Pas-tor, 644 Mill St.



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ASHTABULA, O.-Beginning Jan. 17 Mrs. Estella Maffett will begin a campaign at 4920 S. Main Ave. Services each evening, 7:45. Neighboring assemblies are asked to co-operate.-Leon J. Frank, Pastor.

ENID, OKLA.-Dr. J. N. Hoover, Santa Cruz, Calif., will give a course of special lectures to the students of Southwestern Bible School, and speak each evening in Enid Gospel Tabernacle, Jan. 14-21. Out-of-town people wishing room and board during meetings may address P. C. Nelson, President, or J. E. Jeter, Pastor, 316 E. Cherokee St.

MIAMI, FLA.-Evangelistic services at First Pente-costal Church, Seventh Avenue and 36th Street N. W. Evangelist Otto J. Klink will be with us Dec. 31-Jan. 21; Evangelist I. J. Bolton, Jan. 22-Feb. 4. Week nights except Saturdays, 7:45, Sundays 11:00, 7:30.-C. C. Garrett, Pastor, Cletus Dorris, Secretary.

PITTSBURGH, PA.-Evangelist Mary Louise Paige, Uhrichsville, O., will conduct revival in Bethel Pen-tecostal Tabernacle, Chatham St., Opposite Y. W. C. A., Jan. 7-28. Nightly except Saturdays, 8:00; Sun-days 3:00 and 7:45. Neighboring assemblies please co-operate.-C. L. Fox, Secretary.

WILMINGTON, DEL.-Chas. A. Shreve, formerly pastor of McKendree M. E. Church, Washington, D. C., will conduct an old-time revival campaign at Calvary Church, Odd Fellows' Hall, Tenth and King Sts., Dec. 31 to Jan. 28 or longer. Sundays, 10:30, 7:30; week nights, 7:30 except Saturdays.-Ralph P. Hughey, Pastor, 805 W. 22d St.

BIBLE STUDY CONFERENCE TEXARKANA, ARK.—Bible study conference for southwest section (according to resolution passed at last District Council) Jan. 10-20. All ministers in Section expected to attend. No school fees charged, but table provisions expected to be brought by those attending. Systematic Bible study with competent teachers in charge. Write L. O. Waldon, Pastor, 1316 Pearl St., David Burris, District Superintendent, Russellville, or P. F. Ramsey, Presbyter, Malvern.

Russeliville, or P. F. Ramsey, Presbyter, Malvern. WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT CONVENTION NEWTON, IA.—Annual midwinter convention in the Assembly Church, 109 S. Third St. W., Jan. 15-19. First business session, 10 a. m., Jan. 16. Elder E. S. Williams, General Superintendent, will be with us the entire time. All business of the Dis-trict will be attended to at this convention. Also this is election year. Let every minister be present, also one delegate from each church. Those desiring fellowship with us must meet with the board at this meeting. Bed and breakfast to ministers free, and to delegates as far as possible. Young people's meet-ing, Friday. W. E. Longdin, Pastor, 109 S. Third St. W.—Roy E. Scott, District Superintendent, Mercer, Mo. Mo.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT LOVELAND, COLO.—The 18th annual convention Rocky Mountain District convenes at First Baptist Church, Feb. 13-16. Fellowship meeting, Feb. 12. Ministers and one delegate from each assembly will be given lodging free. Meals served at small cost. Three services daily. Local ministers will speak. Christ's Ambassadors rally Feb. 16. Those wishing District credentials write District Secretary, O. L. Mabry, 838 Leyden, Denver, for application. All ap-plications must be in one week before convention begins. For information write Pastor W. F. Morton, 1317 E. First.—Floyd C. Woodworth, District Super-intendent, 838 Leyden St., Denver.

NOT OPEN FOR CALLS

I have accepted the pastorate at Winter Haven, Fla., and am not open for calls for evangelistic campaigns.—Otto J. Klink.

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