

Call unto Me,
and I will an-
swer thee.

Jer. 33:3.



Men ought al-
ways to pray,
and not to
faint.

Luke 18:1.

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How shall I pray? Could there be a more important question for a Christian man to ask? How shall I approach the King of glory?

When we read Christ's promises regarding prayer we are apt to think that He puts far too great power into our hands—unless, indeed, we hastily conclude that it is impossible for Him to act as He promises. He says, ask "anything," "whatsoever," "what ye will," and it shall be done. But then He puts in a qualifying phrase. He says that we are to ask in His name.

Five times over our Lord repeats this simple condition, "In my name." John 14:13, 14; 15:16; 16:23, 24, 26. Evidently something very important is here implied. It is more than a condition—it is also a promise, an encouragement, for our Lord's biddings are always His enablings. What, then, does it mean to ask in His name? We must know this at all costs, for it is the secret of all power in prayer. And it is possible to make a wrong use of words. Our Lord said, "Many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many." He might well have said, "And many shall think they are praying to the Father in my name, while deceiving themselves."

Does it mean just adding the words, "And all this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ," at the end of our prayers?

Have you never heard—or offered—prayers full of self-will and selfishness which ended up in that way, "for Christ's sake. Amen"?

God could not answer the prayers James refers to in his epistle just because those who offered them added, "We ask these things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Those Christians were asking "amiss." James 4:3. A wrong prayer cannot be made right by the addition of some mystic phrase!

How Shall I Pray?

Neither does a right prayer fail if some such words are omitted. No! It is more than a matter of words. The chief object of prayer is to glorify the Lord Jesus. We are to ask in Christ's name "that the Father may be glorified in the Son." John 14:13. Listen! We are not to seek wealth or health, prosperity or success, ease or comfort, spirituality or fruitfulness in service simply for our own enjoyment or advancement or popularity, but only for Christ's sake—for His glory. Let us take three steps to a right understanding of those important words, "in my name."

(1) There is a sense in which some things are done only "for Christ's sake"—because of His atoning death. Those who do not believe in the atoning death of Christ cannot pray "in His name." They may use the words, but without ef-

fect. For we are "justified by his blood." Rom. 5:9.

The wife of an infidel judge begged Mr. Moody to speak to her husband. Moody, however, hesitated at arguing with such a man, and in closing the interview with the judge, said, "if ever you are converted will you promise to let me know?" Moody went his way, relying on prayer. That judge was converted, and told Moody just how it came about. "I grew very miserable one night when my wife was at a prayer meeting. I could not sleep. Next morning I shut myself up in my private office. But I became more and more wretched. Finally, I fell on my knees and asked God to forgive my sins, but I would not say 'for Jesus' sake,' for I did not believe in the atonement. In an agony of mind I kept praying, 'O God, forgive my sins,' but no answer came. At last in desperation I cried, 'O God, for Christ's sake forgive my sins.' Then I found peace at once."

That judge had no access to the presence of God until he sought it in the name of Jesus Christ. When he came in Christ's name he was at once heard and forgiven. Yes, to pray "in the name" of the Lord Jesus is to ask for things which the blood of Christ has secured—"purchased"—for us. We have "boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus." Heb. 10:19. There is entrance by no other way.

But this is not all that those words "in my name" mean.

(2) I can draw from my bank account only up to the amount of my deposit there. In my own name, I can go no farther. In the Bank of England I have no money whatsoever, and can therefore draw nothing therefrom. But suppose a very wealthy man who has a big account there gives me a blank check bearing his signature, and bids me fill it

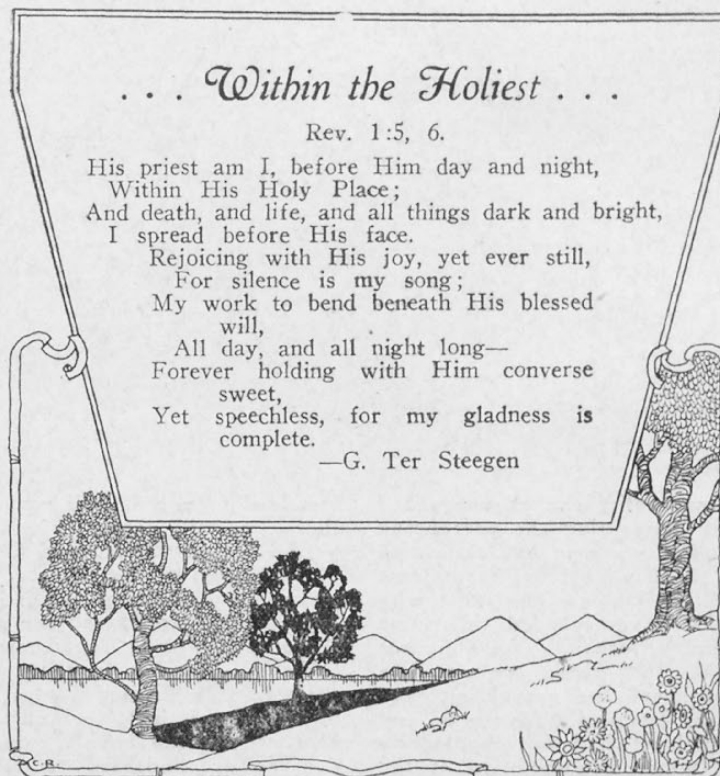
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... Within the Holiest ...

Rev. 1:5, 6.

His priest am I, before Him day and night,
Within His Holy Place;
And death, and life, and all things dark and bright,
I spread before His face.
Rejoicing with His joy, yet ever still,
For silence is my song;
My work to bend beneath His blessed will,
All day, and all night long—
Forever holding with Him converse sweet,
Yet speechless, for my gladness is complete.

—G. Ter Steegen



The Gospel in Foreign Lands

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WHAT GOD HATH WROUGHT

The purpose of the General Council of the Assemblies of God is to do all within its power to fulfill the Lord's last commission in preaching the gospel to every creature. As far as possible we try to follow the example of the apostle Paul in seeking out neglected regions where the gospel has not been preached, and encourage the native church to take responsibility for the ministry, and also for the maintenance of the church, and to further the gospel among their own people.

The General Council mission fields are as follows: Belgian Congo, Egypt, Gold Coast, Ivory Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone, China, Tibetan Border, Manchuria, Mongolia, India, Burma, Ceylon, Iran, Syria, Palestine, Trans-jordan, Poland, Bulgaria, Greece (the last three countries being supervised through the Russian and Eastern European Mission), Straits Settlements, Fiji Islands, Philippine Islands, Puerto Rico, Santo Domingo, Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Venezuela, Peru, Argentina, and Brazil. This makes a total of 33 fields where we have 801 mission stations and outstations with 314 appointed missionaries or 353 missionaries and ministers of the General Council

working in foreign lands. In addition there are 658 native ministers including the Latin American brethren ministering not only in Mexico but also along the United States side of the Mexican border and in California.

AFRICA

The great continent of Africa covers one fourth of the earth's land surface, and is four times as large as the United States of America. The Assemblies of God have 69 missionaries under appointment for the African field. They are distributed throughout the land as follows:

Belgian Congo

Population—8,510,037

15 Missionaries, 3 Stations, 11 Outstations

The territory assigned to our organization to evangelize includes approximately 50,000 people, who live in scattered villages. A definite effort is being made to train the native Christians through systematic Bible study to evangelize their own people. Many chiefs are calling for the gospel. We have been much encouraged during the past year by a real moving of God's Spirit during which a number of the native Christians and preachers have received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit.

Egypt

Population—12,750,918

9 Missionaries, 3 Stations, 20 Outstations

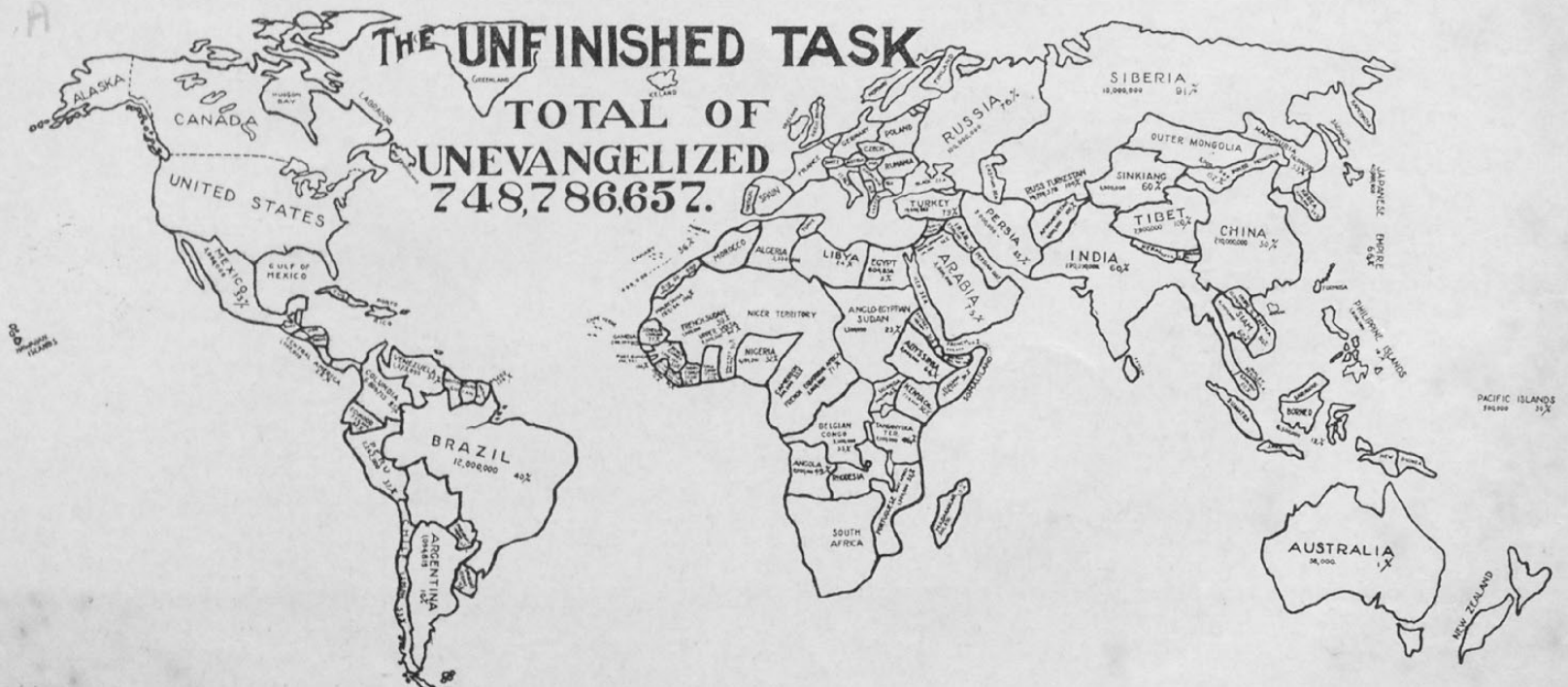
God has been helping our missionaries and encouraging them by some remarkable demonstrations of His power and blessing. Some wonderful revivals have broken out. The ministry in Egypt is mainly evangelistic but mention should be made of the splendid orphanage at Assiout with 700 persons being provided for on the basis of a daily dependence upon God for the supply of the need.

Gold Coast

Population—2,266,308

11 Missionaries, 2 Stations, 8 Outstations

Our Assemblies of God work in Gold Coast is confined to the area known as the Northern Territories, having a population of 750,000. The work was commenced the latter part of November, 1931, and has shown most encouraging progress. Three stations have been opened and a number of converts have been made. Itineraries are being made continually to the surrounding towns and villages with the gospel message. About 25 young natives are receiving special instruction in the Word of God, and we are trusting they may soon become witnesses for Christ to their own people.



The above map, giving statistics concerning the unevangelized millions in the world, gives information concerning the percentage of the unevangelized in each country. For instance in Brazil with a population of about 30,000,000 people, it is estimated that at least 12,000,000 have never heard the gospel message. The 60% who have heard have not all accepted. We have followed this same plan in the figures given for each country, although these figures are not quite complete. It is probable that there are not less than we have estimated who have not heard the gospel but possibly many more, and in using the term "evangelized," we do not mean converted—we mean those who have had an opportunity to hear the gospel through some Protestant denomination of the Christian church. One can readily appreciate, therefore, the tre-

mendous task that still remains before us when at the very best there are still nearly 750,000,000 people who have not heard the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We regret the figures on this map are so small that in many cases a magnifying glass will be needed to read them. Where no figures at all are given, it is generally an indication that there is a strong representation of missionary workers and established churches in that section so that it is considered evangelized. The United States and Canada are marked in this way as well as South Africa and some other lands. In some cases, however, we did not have the statistics to give.

We are indebted to Ralph M. Riggs, Pastor of the local assembly in Springfield for compiling these statistics.

Ivory Coast (Mossi Land)

Population—2,000,000

17 Missionaries, 5 Stations, 69 Outstations

The population of the Mossi tribe is a little uncertain but we feel safe in estimating their numbers around 2,000,000. A splendid feature of the work is the manner in which the native church has been taught to take care of their own native preachers. A number of blessed revivals have taken place in Mossi Land during the past years, during which God has done a deep work in the hearts of the native Christians, and a number have received the Pentecostal Baptism. The work is now branching out into Togoland. Our missionaries are assisted by 47 native preachers. The missionaries on each station have been giving Bible teaching to those preparing for the ministry.

Liberia

Population—1,750,000

17 Missionaries, 8 Stations, 43 Outstations

It is estimated that out of the million inhabitants of the interior only about 100,000 have as yet been reached with the gospel. We have been much encouraged by a new desire on the part of the native Christians to take over responsibility for the maintenance of their local churches. We also have a district school for Bible training as well as for education along general and industrial lines, and a girls' training school with an enrollment of 24 students.

Sierra Leone

Population—1,541,311

2 Missionaries, 1 Station, 4 Outstations

The work the Assemblies of God have been conducting in this country has been largely confined to the city of Freetown among the Kru people, however, those reached are tribesmen who frequently return to their people, thus spreading the gospel message. There is usually a good congregation of about 200 people. Recently some of the converts have gone as missionaries to Liberia.

CHINA AND CENTRAL ASIA

Population—444,000,000

66 Missionaries, 28 Stations, 115 Outstations

The territory included in our estimated population covers the nineteen provinces of China together with Mongolia, Sinkiang, Tibet, and Chinese Turkestan, excepting Manchuria.

Some very remarkable revivals have broken out in China during the past few years. Sick have been healed, demons cast out, and many have spoken in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. It is stated on good authority that China is today one of the most if not the most encouraging mission field in the world as far as opportunities and definite results are concerned. China is the largest country on the map, among the countries included in our brief survey, and contains one fourth of the population of the world.

In one station in the North the native Christians have felt their responsibility for the unevangelized in neighboring provinces, so have sent some of their number as missionaries to Mongolia.

In Yunnan Province in the Southwest very blessed results have been reaped in the ministry among the Lisu and tribes people.

One of our missionaries reported 450 families as having thrown away their idols in their desire to follow the Lord. In Kansu Province in the Northwest in spite of severe persecution and the martyrdom of several missionaries, the Lord continues to add to the church. There are about 40 assemblies in this province witnessing to a real Pentecostal experience. Most of these are under native leadership, and a large number are self-supporting, although they are desperately poor in this world's goods.

The whole of Tibet is not yet open to the gospel, but the Tibetans can be reached at the stations where our missionaries are located and in their itineraries through the land. Many of them are of a roving nature, going from place to place with their flocks and herds wherever they find pasture. However, there are some notable instances of fine characters who have been saved through the ministry of the gospel.

In South China there have been both encouraging and discouraging features. The spirit of nationalism has been quite manifest in the work and has influenced some of the Chinese leaders. Our missionaries frequently have to be diplomats in the highest sense of the word as well as preachers of the gospel.

Our missionaries are assisted in their ministry by 176 Chinese evangelists, pastors and Bible women. Bible schools have been opened in both North and South China.

MANCHURIA

Population 30,000,000

8 Missionaries, 5 Stations, 10 Outstations

It has been fortunate that this part of China has been largely free from disturbance during the time of war, and our missionaries have been able to continue their ministry, although with certain restrictions. There are 33 native ministers associated with our Assemblies of God work in Manchuria, which is also known as Manchoukou.

NORTH INDIA

Population 227,000,000

63 Missionaries, 18 Stations, 23 Outstations

Approximately one fifth of the human race are gathered in the land of India, the majority of whom endure a distressingly sad and sorrowful existence. Poverty is so far-reaching that it is estimated that at least sixty millions of India's people are never free from the gnawing pangs of hunger.

India calls for more of our funds and forces than any other land and in the northern section has not shown great returns as far as visible results are concerned, if we compare the number of converts with those reaped in other lands, yet the call of the Master is to preach the gospel to every creature. We should not want, however, to leave the impression that God is not working in India. We are more than happy to say that from a number of our stations reports come to us of souls seeking God. If one confesses Christ, he is at once an outcaste and experiences difficulty in supporting himself. He is frequently turned out from his home and rejected by his relatives.

The hope of the field is to train native workers to go out and evangelize their own people. Something like 100 million souls of India are yet beyond the reach of gospel

light, and foreign funds and workers can never meet the need. Definite advance has been made during the past few years in the training of a native ministry, and a fine class of young women are being prepared for God's service in our Women's Bible School at Hardoi, while effort is being made to arrange for the men's Bible school. India needs our prayers.

SOUTH INDIA AND CEYLON

Population 124,000,000

18 Missionaries, 5 Stations, 28 Outstations

In this vast area of South India and Ceylon, covering approximately 700,000 square miles we have just 18 missionaries, which means that each missionary has a population of several million souls. Of course, there are other missionary societies working in this section, but taking all the societies together, there is still a tremendous field to be developed. The outstations refer to places where regular meetings are held usually in charge of a native preacher.

Sometime ago the missionaries of this section started a paper called the "Pentecostal Trumpet" which is printed in the Malayalam vernacular. It has a circulation of about 1500. The sending forth of this little messenger in print has brought much blessing to many souls. Thousands of tracts are distributed each year, also.

For several years the Bible school work has been going on so that young men are being trained and prepared for the ministry.

The Island of Ceylon, which lies just off the southern tip of India is only a little larger than the State of Virginia, but there are perhaps ten thousand villages in Ceylon which have not yet had the gospel witness. We have two main stations in Ceylon.

JAPAN

Population 56,068,952

10 Missionaries, 6 Stations, 22 Outstations, 18 Native Workers

Protestant missions were started a little over 70 years ago in Japan. God has blessed the steady efforts of the missionaries of the different denominations till today it is estimated there are about 250,000 professing Christians. As in most fields, the greatest need is in the rural districts where it is estimated there are still something like 40 million people who are not being reached by the gospel.

PALESTINE AND TRANSJORDAN

Population, 760,000

11 Missionaries, 4 Stations, 9 Outstations

Because of the varied religions and racial strife which exist among the people of Palestine, it is very difficult to work there, most of the converts being won one by one. Three native preachers and Bible women are working with our mission in Palestine and Transjordan.

SYRIA

Population, 3,000,000

1 Missionary, 1 Station, 6 Outstations

The work of the Assemblies of God in Syria has its headquarters at Shweifat, Lebanon, but outstation work has been opened at five other points. The work at Shweifat comprises a gospel mission, a school of 75 students who are taught elementary sub-

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The Sunday School Lesson

Living Epistles

Lesson for December 26. Lesson Text: 2 Corinthians 1 to 3; Gal. 4:19-31; Psalm 90:9.

We are to study today about being living epistles—light bearers—incense burners. Explaining the figure, the epistle (letter) one carries, the light one shines, the incense with which one makes everything around him fragrant, is not something he provides. It is given him. It is not words or even deeds, but the power over others for good that God gives him—his personal influence. What is more important than being a living epistle? What more necessary for us to know than how to successfully bring the light, to tell the distressed and bewildered people of the world how to find their way to God? Let us study and learn and then do.

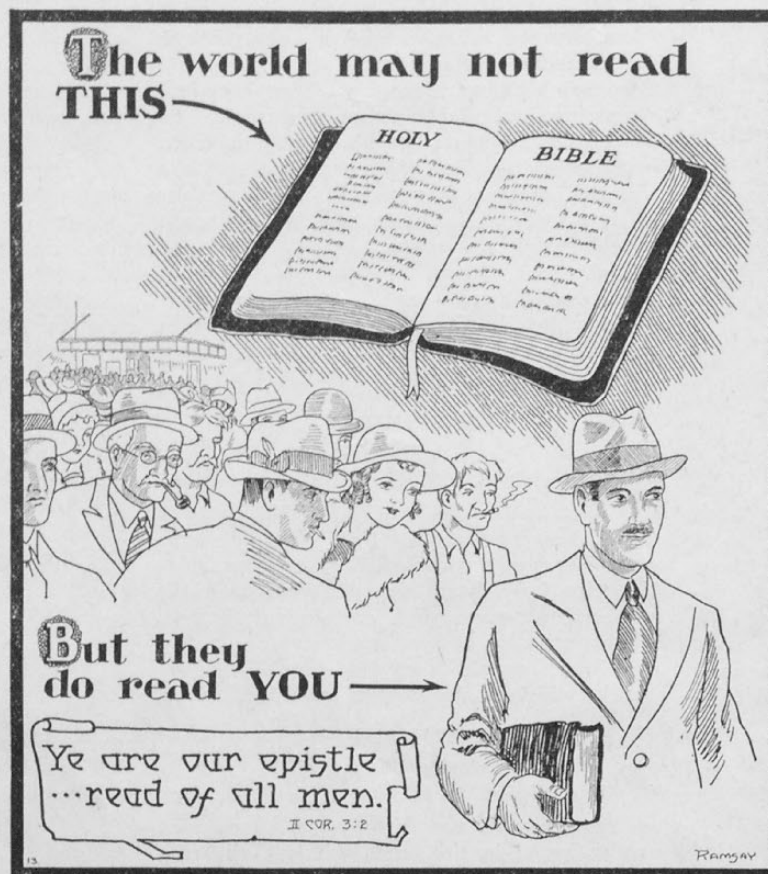
Paul has a living, pulsing, burning message to deliver to his precious friends in Corinth, and through them to us. He sees things in pictures, and gives his message by talking about those pictures. He sees God as a victorious general marching through the world surrounded by His captives. God's captive are not downcast, broken-hearted men and women, snatched from their homes and countries to become slaves to hard taskmasters. They rejoice, gathering around their Captor, singing and shouting and giving forth to everyone a delightful fragrance, even the savor of Christ Himself, who has so possessed and so transformed them that they are new creatures in Him, having in them the mind that was in Christ Jesus. They shout, "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."

Thanks be unto God (v. 14). In verse 13 he expresses his sorrow and gives its cause. But immediately he practices his own preaching—he rejoices—"Giving thanks always for all things." Trials and testings do come, and they will; but not one comes until God in infinite love and wisdom has consented that it come to us. If we take it as from the Lord, thank Him heartily for it, and earnestly pray about it, what at the outset seemed an unmixed evil will be seen to have been sent upon us for our good.

Always leadeth us in triumph (R. V.). All Christians, here pictured as captives being exhibited by a victorious general, are seen nevertheless as victors. No man can triumph over the world, the flesh, or the devil until he has first been conquered by Christ. Surrender to Christ necessarily precedes victory over sin. We may be made a "spectacle unto the world"; our feet may be firmly held in the stocks; we may be "made as the filth of the world"; and considered "the offscouring of

all things," but in the spiritual realm wherever we go we give forth the odor of the sweet smell of one who is in Christ. Where sinners have been and what they have had in their mouths is often told by their odor. Are you so sweet and gentle and kind and patient and gracious and longsuffering and loving and tender and faithful that everyone you touch perceives the sweet fragrance of a life "hid with Christ in God"?

In every place. Jesus gave His precious life and went away. He made no pro-



vision whereby anyone can ever be saved unless they hear about His sacrifice, and the only arrangement He made by which people can hear of the way of salvation was His command, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." So He says, We are to be a "sweet savor of Christ," in every place. At home and abroad, on land and on sea we are to tell the story, spread the news.

The savor of death unto death. (v. 16) "An un-Christian man reveals his moral condition as one of death, and, in revealing it involves others in his fate." When a man lets selfishness, meanness, narrowness of thought or vision, love of money, indifference to the eternal realities all about him shape his life, he becomes not only dead himself, but a bearer of death to others. This is the law of spiritual influence.

Ye are our epistle (v. 3). Paul wanted to inspire them and lift them by revealing

Christ to them. To do this he did not depend on the words he was writing; neither, as some foolishly claim to do, did he depend on nature, the woods, the fields, the mountains, the sea, or the heavens above which "declare the glory of God." His converts were his epistles. Their lives were his dependence for revealing his Christ to others. Does your life reveal Christ to the people you meet? Jesus said it should do so. He said, "Ye are the light of the world." Five young women are pictured as being shut out because they had quit lighting.

Ye are . . . the epistle of Christ (v. 3). Christian people are the epistle of Christ. They are the letter He has written to the world. A letter shows a man's character. Letters are far more personal and illuminative than an article or treatise. The letters of Hudson Taylor appearing in his biography, exhibit before us the secrets of his soul. That is one of the functions of a letter. *We* are Christ's letter. By us He reveals His nature. What must He suffer when one of us lets His writing in our hearts become blurred so that people cannot see the nature of Christ revealed? Worse even than that is falsely to pretend to be a Christian, thus slandering the Christ by giving a false notion of His character as revealed in us.

Our sufficiency is of God (v. 5). It is marvelous to be the medium through which the nature of Christ is revealed to the world about us. Our insufficiency, if ever it is in evidence, is of ourselves; but if we let God have His way we have sufficiency, for He has "made us able ministers of the New Testament." That every child of His shall be an able minister—not professionally as many understand the word, but ministering, helping, being, "by the grace of God, a helper of men," is one of the dearest wishes of God. Indeed He exhorts us to pray the Lord of the harvest, "that he would send forth laborers into his harvest." The harvest

is vast, it is world-wide, and much of the grain is overripe, "but the laborers are few." This grieves God at His heart, after all He has done and suffered that this grain might be gathered, that these souls might hear the gospel and at least have a chance to be saved. Therefore He is not only willing but eager to make everyone of us an able minister "of Jesus Christ." The blacksmith with his hammer, the farmer with his plow, the mariner studying his compass, the clerk behind the counter, the judge on the bench, the boy and girl in the home, everyone in any honorable pursuit can be, and God means him to be an able minister, ministering by his life, being the salt that gives savor to the earth, being the light that lights the way of the lost to God.

The ministration of death (v. 7). In Paul's imagery the old covenant of the law given by Moses is the ministration of death, while

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Recommended Books

SISTER ABIGAIL

A Review by Chas. E. Robinson

For half of a lifetime I have been experiencing a remarkable uplift in my faith life, produced by reading again and again the biography of George Muller. My chief, the editor of the *Evangel*, often speaks of the mighty power for good the reading in his young manhood, and many times since then, of the life of Hudson Taylor has had on him. Doubtless many who read this have experienced similar blessings through reading those or other biographies of holy men or women, and so can heartily agree with the poet that, "Lives of great men all remind us, we can make our lives sublime."

A little girl grew up in intimate association with George Muller and, possibly because of the influence his life of faith had upon her in her growing years, developed into a woman of monumental faith, comparing favorably with George Muller himself. Instead of being led to take in and care for orphans, as George Muller had been, this little girl, when grown to womanhood was led to take in and care for needy Christian women who were invalids. The lady is Abigail Townsend Luffe, familiarly known as Sister Abigail. Her beautiful home for invalid Christian women is at 26 Richmond Avenue, on the North Circle in Buffalo, New York.

We now have her biography, and both the Editor and the writer highly recommend it to all who want their faith increased and steadied. The price is \$1.00 plus 10c for postage. Order from Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

To give readers a better idea of the character of this book, I copy a few short passages:

"Little Abbie was often at the orphanages and, being an affectionate child, became very fond of George Muller. She was filled with wonder at what she saw, also the things she heard from her parents' lips concerning the way in which God provided for his material needs. It impressed her so much that she 'wanted to be like George Muller.'

"One day while in his home, this little girl, then but three years old, said, 'I wish Dod would answer my prayers, like He does yours, George Muller.' 'He will,' was the prompt answer. Taking the child on his knee he repeated God's promise, 'What things soever ye desire when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them,' explaining the words so that her baby mind could understand them.

"Now Abbie, what is it you want to ask God for?" he asked. 'Some wool,' she replied. So he, clasping her hands in an attitude of prayer, said, 'Now you repeat what I say: Please, God, send Abbie some wool.' 'Please, Dod, send Abbie some wool,' repeated the child. Jumping down she ran out to play perfectly satisfied that the wool would come. Almost instantly the thought came to her that God did not know the kind of wool she wanted. So running back she said, 'I want to pray again.' 'Not now, dear, I am busy.' 'But I fordot to tell Dod the color I want.' Then

taking her up on his knee again, he said, 'That's right; be definite, my child; now tell God what you want.' Folding her hands she prayed, 'Please, Dod, send it wa-re-gated.' That being settled she returned to her play. The next day what was her joy and delight to receive a box of wool from her Sunday School teacher who had recently married. In packing her trunks she had found a quantity of wool which she thought would please her little pupil."

Again: "Soon after this party when Abbie and some of her playmates were talking together about the party, one little girl said to her, 'Are you rich, Abbie?' 'I don't know; I'll ask Mother.' When she did so, after a little thought her mother replied, 'Yes, dear, I think we can say we are, for we have enough to eat, good clothing, and a comfortable home. You know, dear, "He giveth us richly all things to enjoy."' This was the only birthday party Abbie ever had as a child."

Again, at the beginning of her invalid's home work:

"Sister Abigail had not the remotest idea why she would need seven rooms, but as time went on the Lord showed her. On the following Sunday she asked Mr. F. if he would kindly announce that she had taken rooms, and if there were any Christian girls in the assembly who have no homes in the city, they would be very welcome at 27 Plymouth Avenue at any time."

Again: "Upon one of these occasions, Miss M., a trained nurse, came for a few days between cases. Rent day was on the morrow. Sister Abigail lacked ten dollars of the required amount for rent. Just previous to this a quantity of fruit and vegetables had been brought by a farmer, who frequently made such offerings to the Lord's work, leaving them in the cellar. Among them was a large paper sack of spinach.

"On this particular day before Sister Abigail went out, Miss M. expressed the wish to prepare the spinach for dinner. On opening the bag of spinach, lo! what fell out? Nothing less than the much-needed ten-dollar bill. Waving it in the air she cried, 'See what I've

found. See what I've found!' 'Praise God,' said Sister Abigail. 'It is just what I needed to make up my rent money.' Miss M. was not aware of the special need as Sister Abigail never speaks of needs until they are supplied."

Again: "It will be remembered that our sister was in the habit of distributing tracts in the markets, leaving them in baskets of fruit, etc. One of the results of this seed sowing is the following:

"A farmer who came to the market three times a week received some of these tracts, and they were the means of his conversion, also of three other members of his family. Wishing to inform Sister Abigail of this happy event, finding her address on the tract, called, 'I'm not Going to a Christless Grave. Are You?' he placed a note in the basket of fruit which he left at her home. The next time he called he told her the facts already recorded. For several years he continued to send many gifts in this way. It was this man who put the ten dollars in the sack of spinach. Another splendid gift he brought to this home of faith was a quantity of fresh green peas when they were worth \$2.00 a peck. Sister Abigail greatly desiring to give her dear patients one treat of that kind, prayed about it as she always did about everything. Great was her delight when this good man remembered them by such a generous gift. There were twelve pounds of peas, shelled, enough for all and to spare. The man said, 'My wife shelled them last last evening, thinking it would save you a lot of time.' Was it not just like our dear Father to make this man such a 'channel of blessing'?"

We also have the life of George Muller for \$1.00, plus 10c postage; and the Life of Hudson Taylor, for 75c postpaid.

THE EDITOR'S BIBLE

From time to time different friends write to the editor asking, "What is the Bible you most highly recommend?"

For a little over two years he has been using the Cambridge Bible with one of the finest types he has ever seen for easy reading. The alternate renderings of scripture that are found in the margins in this Bible are very helpful and suggestive.

Wherever he goes people pick up this Bible and say, "What a lovely Bible! Could I get one like that?" A few weeks ago a preacher in Houston, Texas, said, "How I would like to have a Bible like that—but I suppose it would cost twenty-five dollars!"

Even with India paper and concordance, this Bible only costs \$9.50. With ordinary Bible paper it can be purchased for \$4.00.

This Bible was advertised on page 14 of the *Evangel* of Dec. 4, but in case you have mislaid your paper we are printing below a specimen of the type.

6 Who passing through the valley of 3 Bā'-cā make it a well; the rain also 4 filleth the pools. | 1 Ps. 50. 5. 3 Or, mulberry trees make hin a well,

He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. John 5:24.

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Questions and Answers

Please explain Isa. 4:1, where it says "Seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, Let us be called by thy name, to take away our reproach."

The prophecy is Jewish. Chapter 3 shows desolations that were to come to Judah (v. 1), Jerusalem (v. 8), the daughters of Zion (vv. 16-24), and verse 25 shows the great loss of man power. Then follows ch. 4:1. Zech. 14:2 shows that in the last days Jerusalem will be taken by the united Gentile nations and "the women shall be ravished." This the Jewish women would consider a great calamity, and to cover their shame would be willing to make their own livelihood if only they could be accepted as one of the polygamous wives of some man, the men having been so destroyed through the siege that not enough were left to provide husbands for all. It is probable that Isa. 4:1 will be fulfilled during the Tribulation.

Please explain Matt. 8:12.

Verse 11 shows that "many shall come from the east and from the west . . . in the kingdom of heaven." This shows that many from among the Gentiles would share the blessing of Abraham, the father of the faithful, in coming blessedness. Then verse 12 shows that "the children of the kingdom," or Israel, to whom was given "the adoption, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises, . . . and of whom, as concerning the flesh, Christ came," should be cast out, or rejected, because they refused to accept the Saviour. Rom. 9:4-5.—E. S. W.

THE GOSPEL IN FOREIGN LANDS

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jects along with a knowledge of God's Word, and an orphanage of 15 boys and girls who are sheltered, clothed and fed under the kindly supervision of our missionary in charge.

PERSIA

Population 9,000,000

2 Missionaries, 2 Stations, 8 Outstations

Encouraging reports come to us of revival in many sections. The people reached by the gospel are varied in character, religion, and race. It is estimated that there is one Christian to every 4,345 of the population. Fifteen native ministers and Bible women are working with our missionaries in Persia—properly known as Iran.

CENTRAL AMERICA

El Salvador, Nicaragua, and Guatemala

7 Missionaries, 3 Stations, 63 Outstations,
56 Native Preachers

The population of El Salvador is 1,526,000, of Nicaragua 638,119 and of Guatemala 97,000. We have been much encouraged by the good reports coming to us from these three republics. There are now thirty or more assemblies which are conducted by native brethren who are self-supporting. A Bible school is conducted in El Salvador for prospective preachers with very excellent results.

SOUTH AMERICA

Peru

Population 5,500,000

15 Missionaries, 6 Stations, 11 Outstations,
10 Native Workers

The bulk of the population consists of Indians of unmixed blood. The Roman Catholic Church is the official church in Peru, the religion of the Roman Catholic Church in Peru is (in the words of another) "no more Christian than counterfeit coin is money." Some of our missionaries have suffered stoning and imprisonment at times because of their stand for the gospel, and some have been seriously wounded by mobs, but out of it all the Lord has delivered and the work goes on. There are ten native preachers assisting our missionaries.

Venezuela

Population 3,026,878

3 Missionaries, 1 Station, 8 Outstations,
12 Native Workers

The mass of the population is Venezuelan by birth but there are also 136,000 Indians. There is estimated to be one professing Christian to every 825 of the population. The work has progressed more or less encouragingly during the past few years, but there is still much land to be possessed.

Argentina

Population 10, 10,348,189

3 Missionaries, 1 Station, 5 Outstations,
6 Native Workers

This country is one of the most progressive of all the South American Republics. It is estimated that in the entire republic there is one Christian to every 767 of the population.

Brazil

Population 43,323,660

It is just a little over a year since the General Council opened up work in Brazil but now we have six missionaries on the field and two more under appointment. The work in Brazil has been developing wonderfully for many years under the native Pentecostal Assemblies known by the Portuguese name which means the Assemblies of God. This work has increased until there are between 60,000 to 70,000 believers and although missionaries of several different countries have co-operated in this work there is a blessed unity in the work. We are looking for still greater things in the days to come.

EUROPE AND SOVIET RUSSIA

The work of the Assemblies of God in Europe has been very largely turned over to the Russian and Eastern European Mission to supervise. The full gospel work has grown steadily in that part of the world since 1920. In Poland there are now approximately 500 Pentecostal assemblies with a membership of about 25,000. In Bulgaria there are about 75 assemblies and groups with perhaps 3,500 members. There are about 115 assemblies in Hungary and the membership exceeds 3,000.

In Greece there are 2 Council missionaries. In Danzig the mission supports 10 missionaries. This is the field headquarters and the home of the Bible Institute.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS

Population 93,402,437

6 Missionaries, 3 Stations, 2 Outstations

The British Malay States have a population made up of nearly all nations of the world, but perhaps two thirds of the population are Chinese. The great obstacle in

this field is the large expense involved in carrying on the work. Nevertheless, it has been encouraging to note the numbers who have accepted the Lord, many of whom are of the student class.

FIJI ISLANDS

Population 176, 793

4 Missionaries, 2 Stations, 4 Outstations

Fiji offers a good example of what the Bible has effected in a grossly heathen land, but there are still many thousands who have not had a proper presentation of the gospel. There are also many Indians from India who are practically untouched by gospel ministry.

THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Population 10,314,310

The Philippine Islands, an outlying possession of the United States comprise over 7,000 islands. The four missionaries associated with the Assemblies of God, working in the islands, are not under missionary appointment, but are natives of the Philippine Islands who have received their education in the United States and are now working in their own country. The islands have been placed under the supervision of our South China District Council, which is the nearest organized district to this field.

PUERTO RICO

Population 1,299,809

2 Missionaries, 1 Station, 46 Outstations,
67 Native Workers

The headquarters of our work in this field is at San Juan where the superintendent missionary resides. The work is entirely under native control and is very largely self-supporting although large numbers of the believers are desperately poor. Many gracious revivals have been reported during the past years.

SANTO DOMINGO

Population 897,405

This island was taken into the territory of our missionary activities a little over two years ago. We have several native ministers working there and they are having quite encouraging results.

CUBA

Population 3,123,040

We now have two missionaries working in Cuba and two ordained ministers of the General Council. The reports received concerning the work are encouraging and we believe there are great possibilities of advancement in the near future.

LATIN AMERICAN WORK IN U. S. A. AND ALONG MEXICAN BORDER

In the U. S. A. the population of Latin American people is estimated at 1,422,533, among whom work was commenced before our organization existed, by some who are now representatives of the General Council. We are happy to report that through the faithful and constructive ministry of these our brethren there are now 185 assemblies among the Latin American people in the U. S. A. and Mexico, and about 176 Latin American ministers. The Latin American people make splendid Christians and their willingness to sacrifice personal interests, and their devotion to their Lord is inspiring.

Mention should be made of the two Bible institutes in the U. S. A. for the preparation of Latin American students. One is located at San Diego, California and the

other at San Antonio, Texas. Graduates of these schools are now making effective ministers of the gospel not only in the U. S. A. among their own people, but also among the Spanish speaking people of Mexico, Nicaragua, Cuba, and Spain. This branch of our work is under the supervision of the Latin American District Council.

HOW SHALL I PRAY?

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in to any amount I choose. He is my friend. What shall I do? Shall I just satisfy my present need, or shall I draw as much as I dare? I shall certainly do nothing to offend my friend, or to lower myself in his esteem.

Well heaven is our bank. God is the Great Banker. The Lord Jesus gives us a blank check in prayer. "Fill it in," says He, "to any amount; ask 'anything,' 'what ye will,' and ye shall have it. Present your check in My name, and your request will be honored."

If the check were drawn on a government account, or upon some wealthy corporation, one might be tempted to get all one could. But remember we are coming to a loving Father to whom we owe all, and whom we love with all our heart, and to whom we may come repeatedly. In cashing our checks at the bank of heaven we desire chiefly His honor and His glory. We wish to do only that which is pleasing in His sight. To cash some of our "checks"—to answer some of our prayers—would only bring dishonor to His name, and discredit and discomfort to us. True, His resources are unlimited; but His honor is assailable.

A well-to-do friend once wished to give me five dollars towards a certain object. He hastily wrote out a check for the amount. On arriving at the bank I handed it to a clerk. "This is rather a big sum to cash over the counter," he said, eyeing me narrowly. "Yes," I replied laughingly, "five dollars!" "No," said the clerk: "this is made out for for 'five thousand dollars!'"

And so it was! My friend had actually written "five thousand" instead of "five" dollars. Now what was my position legally? The check was truly in his name. The signature was all right. Could I not demand the five thousand dollars?

I was dealing with a friend to whom I owed many deeds of lovingkindness. He had revealed his mind to me. I knew his wishes and desires.

He meant to give me five dollars, and no more. I knew his intentions, his "mind," and at once took back the all-too-generous check. Need we draw the lesson? God has His will for each one of us, and unless we seek to know that will we are likely to ask for "five thousand," when He knows that "five" will be best for us.

In our prayers we are coming to a Friend—a loving Father. We owe everything to Him. He bids us come to Him whenever we like for all we need. His resources are infinite.

But He bids us remember to ask only for those things that are according to His will—only for that which will bring glory to His name. John says, "If we ask anything according to his will, he heareth us." 1 John 5:14. So then our Friend gives us a blank

check, and leaves us to fill in "anything"; but He knows that if we truly love Him we shall never ask for things He is not willing to give us, because they would be harmful to us.

Perhaps with most of us the fault lies in the other direction. God gives us a blank check and says, Ask for five dollars—and we ask for twenty-five cents! Would not my friend have been insulted had I treated him thus? Do we ask enough? Do we dare to ask "according to His riches in glory"?

The point we are dwelling upon, is this—we cannot be sure we are praying "in His name" unless we learn His will for us.

(3) A trusted clerk often uses his employer's name and handles great sums of money as if they were his own. He uses the money for his master, and not for himself. All our money belongs to our Master, Christ Jesus. We can go to God for supplies in His name if we use all we get for His glory; if we are seeking the gift not for our own glory or self-interest, but only for the glory of God.

Otherwise I may pray and not get. "Ye ask and receive not, because ye ask amiss that ye may spend it in your pleasures." James 4:3, R. V.

The great heavenly Banker will not cash checks for us if our motives are not right. Is not this why so many fail in prayer? Christ's name is the revelation of His character.

To pray "in His name" is to pray in His

character, as His representative sent by Him: it is to pray by His Spirit and according to His will; to have His approval in our asking, to seek what He seeks, to ask help to do what He Himself would wish to be done, and to desire to do it not for our own glorification, but for His glory alone. To pray "in His name" we must have identity of interests and purpose. Self and its aims and desires must be entirely controlled by God's Holy Spirit, so that our wills are in complete harmony with Christ's will.

We must reach the attitude of Augustine when he cried, "O Lord, grant that I may do Thy will as if it were my will, so that Thou mayest do my will as if it were Thy will."

Child of God, does this seem to make prayer "in His name" quite beyond us? That was not our Lord's intention. He is not mocking us! Speaking of the Holy Spirit our Lord used these words: "The Comforter . . . whom the Father will send in my name." John 14:26. Now, our Saviour wants to be so controlled by the Holy Spirit that we may act in Christ's name.

Christ said, "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." John 15:7.

Those three promises are really identical—they express the same thought in different words. Look at them—

Ask any thing in My name, I will do it. John 14:13, 14.

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"The Preacher"



Erma Erwin

There is a book in our Bibles called, "The Preacher"! Odd—perhaps you have never noticed it—but it is there!

It is also called Ecclesiastes, and with that name no doubt you are more familiar. But it is entirely correct to call it "The Preacher" for that is included in the title in all Bibles.

This book is not quite as easily understood as some of the other books, yet with the enlightenment and insight of the Holy Spirit, its message is revealed to us. It is to be remembered that the truths embraced therein, are not always from a spiritual standpoint, but from a natural one.

Solomon, the king, who had been endowed by God with an abundant supply of wisdom, decided to go out into the world and see everything and do everything—to find out what was worth-while in life and to see what his own reactions would be.

Well, his reactions were not good, and he summed them up by saying, "All is vanity." Just so, every honest heart will come to the same conclusion after trying and tasting everything that the world has to offer—"all is vanity."

Life when viewed from the natural standpoint will seem but a bubble. It is beautiful to behold; it reflects color; but it is of no lasting value whatsoever, for it soon bursts! It is like a vapor with a film around it which appears for a moment and then vanishes away!

True it is, that life to the soul that knows not God is like a bubble. But to the Christian, Christ is life, and life is Christ! The Christian's foundation is not a bubble, unsafe and insecure, but it is a Rock, more safe and secure than the Rock of Gibraltar, which is earth's pattern of solidity.

Now vanity has been described as a naught with the rim rubbed out. Or, as the Southern preacher might have said, "Suh, it's the hole that's left after you all eats de doughnut." But life with God is not vain; it is like a perfect golden circle that begins and ends with Him who is Alpha and Omega, and the Author and Finisher of our faith.

Solomon was a preacher as well as a king. He said in Eccl. 1:3, "What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun?" He answers his own question in Eccl. 2:11, ". . . on the labour that I had laboured to do . . . there was no profit under the sun."

What! no profit in labor? How contrary to the world's estimate of things! Yet, work which goes beyond the needs

of man and accumulates riches is unprofitable—for how much can a man carry with him into the world beyond? Any earthly treasure? None! It must all be left behind for heirs to quarrel over. "Vanity, vanity, all is vanity."

Solomon found out that "the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing." He increased his worldly knowledge, only to discover that "knowledge increaseth sorrow." But some may say, Surely knowledge is good. Yes, it is, *if* it leads to God. But if not, it increases sorrow, and becomes vanity.

Solomon sought out mirth and pleasure—only to find them vain and unable to satisfy the longing of his heart. Having fun and what the world calls a good time, is profitless. Yet more than that, there is always left an aftermath of woe and heart-ache. Nevertheless, God can take a life, and fill it and thrill it and give it beauty in place of the ashes of sinful pleasure. David of old, the father of Solomon, realized the source of true happiness. He said in Psalm 16:11, "Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore."

The pleasures of the world are as tinsel, which is very pretty when it is new and fresh; but after awhile it shows it is cheap and tawdry; the brightness fades and the gilt becomes tarnished and it is just trash.

The joys of the Lord are like pure gold, the kind of gold that never tarnishes or gets dim, gold that is unadulterated with any other metal or dross. How great a contrast! Yet we can have either tinsel or gold. It is in the power of our choice. But we can not have both. Yet who would want tinsel if he could have gold!

In chapter 2, of this same book, Ecclesiastes, it is recorded that Solomon the king gave himself to wine, and he built swimming pools, and obtained many servants, and much silver and gold, and great possessions. He denied himself nothing; he had whatever his heart desired. What a dangerous experiment in the laboratory of life did he pass through! But he found that everything amounted to the same thing, vanity and folly and madness and vexation of spirit. He came to the place where he said he hated life, for all was grievous unto him.

Solomon observed the oppressions of the world and the apparent flourishing of the oppressors. He studied sleep and

dreams, and food and appetite. He watched the children and saw that even they at times with their foolishness and heedlessness were as vanity. He had sorrow and days of adversity as well as days of prosperity. He tasted human life to the full.

He watched the wicked sinners. He saw that even though their days might be prolonged by God's mercy, their end was not good unless they ceased being evil. He watched the righteous and wise, and found them "in the hand of God."

Through wisdom, Solomon discovered a number of little nuggets of truth which he enclosed in this book. One thing he found out was, there is a time for everything. There is a time to be born, and a time to die; and there is also a time for God's judgment of the righteous and the wicked.

One of his last instructions is to the youth who is seeking he knows not what. For Solomon now, after his many varied experiences, knew wherein lay satisfaction and contentment for young people. We find his advice to them in the 12th chapter of the same book, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not." Age creeps on all too quickly and youth is fleeting, so Solomon encourages the young man and young woman to remember God and seek Him while He may be found.

Now what were Solomon's chief discoveries as set down in Ecclesiastes? There are two. One is that all things of this world, without God, amount to vanity. "Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher; all is vanity." His second conclusion is, that the whole duty of man is to fear God and keep His commandments.

In the New Testament we are introduced to a "greater than Solomon." The law, with its commandments, is just a schoolmaster to lead us to this greater One—our Lord Jesus Christ. He will save us completely from all that is of the world, all that is vanity, and He Himself will completely satisfy. Solomon shows us that "all things under the sun" are vanity and vexation of spirit; but Paul bids us "seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God." These things are worth while. Don't seek to grasp earth's bubbles, but "lay hold on eternal life." 1 Tim. 6:12.

A Call to Large Petitions

Have you seen the blessing of the Lord in days gone by? Yes, you testify that you have. Have you exhausted His grace? Do you think you have fathomed the depth, length, breadth and height of that love which passes knowledge? Have you come to the end of the grace and the

glory of your Lord? And do you think there is anything left further in that promise, "He will give grace and glory, no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly"?

Nathanael thought it a very wonderful thing when Christ told him that He saw him when he was under the fig tree. But he had not exhausted the revelations of Him who is omniscient and sees all. The Master said to him, "You shall see greater things than these. You shall see heaven opened, and the angels ascending and descending upon the Son of man." There was a fullness of the Spirit, a fullness of light and life and love that Nathanael did not know as yet. And this was reserved until the Lord in His own good time poured forth His Spirit. And in the fullness of the Spirit there is much more than at the beginning when you first believed.

Did they exhaust the blessings of the Lord on the Day of Pentecost when His Spirit was poured out upon them all? No. The apostles saw mighty miracles taking place (Acts 2:43) but they knew there were further reserves of power. They were suffering persecution but they rejoiced. They were threatened but they were not disturbed. They were not quailing with fear, but they prayed to their exhaustless God, the God of infinite resources, "Behold their threatenings and grant that with all boldness (without any fear or quailing through the frailty of our flesh, but with the boldness that comes through the mighty power of the Spirit of God) we may speak the Word. And Lord, we want you to confirm the Word, stretching forth your hands to heal, and that signs and wonders shall be wrought in the name of the holy child Jesus."

Then they had more. Great grace flowed. Great power was given. And with great boldness they witnessed. And as you pray, the greater grace, the greater power, the greater light, the greater love, the greater life, the greater fulness of the exhaustless Spirit of the living God will be vouchsafed. It is the delight, the desire of the loving Father, to give abundantly grace upon grace, power upon power, and mighty miracles, to those who will not limit Him with limited human conceptions. Said the Psalmist in the power of the Spirit, "Great is our God." And because He is great, "greatly is He to be praised."

Great is our God. Great is His love. Great is the fulness of the Spirit. Great are His mercies. And because He is great in mercy, great in grace, you can ask great things. He tells you to do so. He says, "Call unto me and I will show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not now." He longs for His children to have these great and mighty things; and He listens, He is hearkening for their call. So many do not call, and He is disappointed. Don't

disappoint Him. Don't limit Him. Ask for all that His loving heart desires to give.

His word to His Son and to those who are in His Son is this, "Ask of me." Psalm 2:8. What are we to ask? Shall we ask for two or three saved here? Three or four healed over yonder? No, ask for greater than that. Ask for the nations to be the inheritance of the Son of God, and the uttermost parts of the earth to be given for His possession. Ask that His judgments may come, for in the midst of his judgments the nations shall learn righteousness (Isa. 26:9) and many shall turn unto Him. Pray for the thrusting forth of many laborers into His harvest field, that all nations may hear this message.

And pray for the exhaustless, limitless, infinite power of the Holy Spirit to be poured forth—upon a few? upon our assembly? upon our city? No! Enter into the thought of God—upon all flesh. Pray for the Spirit poured forth upon all flesh, the young men seeing visions, like Saul of Tarsus getting the heavenly vision, and that receiving the fulness of the Spirit that they might not be disobedient to the heavenly vision; the old men dreaming dreams, and knowing the clear and distinct guiding of the Spirit through heaven-given dreams. Matt. 2:12, 13, 19, 22. And upon the servants and upon the handmaidens His Spirit poured forth that they might speak—not their own words—but as the Spirit of God gives utterance, that they might be oracles through whom the living word of the living God may be poured forth in mighty streams. And that men everywhere may call on the name of the Lord and be saved. Pray for that!

Pray for great and mighty things beyond all human thought, all human conception, the outpouring, the seasons of refreshing which God wants. And don't forget to pray for Israel, that His purposes for Israel may be fulfilled. Also that from all nations there may come forth a people for His name. Pray that there may be the building again of the tabernacle of David that has fallen down, the establishment of the kingdom of righteousness of the greater David. Pray that a nation may be born in a day (Isa. 66:8) seeing the pierced One and mourning in repentance for their sins; and restored, forgiven, going forth according to the purpose of God to be His witnesses. Pray for the day to come when ten men shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew (a Spirit-filled witness as was Paul) and declare, "We will go with you, for God is with you of a truth." Zech. 8:23.—S. H. F.

The wood of the cross of Christ will turn the edge of every axe that is laid to it.

Honoring the Holy Spirit

In the year 1519, at Leipzig, there was a large meeting of Protestants. There were to be some matters discussed of vital moment, but it was proposed that they should first of all have a season of prayer. It was agreed upon, and the great assembly resolved that they would not move a step, till they sought the presence of the Holy Spirit. They dropped on their knees and together sang a well-known hymn,

"Creator Spirit! by whose aid
The world's foundation first was laid,

The source of uncreated light,
The Father's promised Paraclete.

Thrice holy fount, thrice holy fire,
Our hearts with heavenly love inspire;

Come, and thy sacred unction bring
To sanctify us while we sing.

Plenteous of grace, descend from high
Rich in Thy sevenfold energy;

Make us eternal truths receive,
And practice all that we believe;

Give us Thyself, that we may see
The Father and the Son by Thee."

When they had finished the last verse, all still kneeling in the floor, with one accord they began to sing again, "Creator Spirit," etc., and when they had finished a second time, all felt as if they could not yet rise from their knees, but a third time sang the same hymn. The whole assembly became suddenly energized by the mighty working of the Spirit. Let us constantly ask our loving heavenly Father, in the name of His blessed Son, for the continuous outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Perishing Without Vision

An artist was asked to paint the picture of a decaying church. To the surprise of many, instead of putting on the canvas a tottering ruin, the artist painted a stately edifice of modern grandeur. Through the open portals could be seen the richly-carved pulpit, the magnificent organ, the stained glass windows. Within the grand entrance, guarded on either side by a "pillar of the church" in spotless garb and glittering jewellery, was an offering-plate of elaborate design, for the offerings of the fashionable worshippers. Above the offering-plate, suspended from a nail in the wall, there hung a square box, very simply painted, and bearing the words—Collection for Foreign Missions. Over its slot stretched a cobweb.

Let truth, wisdom, and love pervade and rule thy being, and control thy speech and thy silence.

The Passing and the Permanent

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

A RACKETEER'S UNREST

Al Capone, notorious Chicago racketeer, said, "I haven't had peace of mind in years. Three of my friends were killed in two weeks. That certainly is not conducive to peace of mind. Every minute I have been in danger of death. Even when on a peace errand I would have to hide from the rest of the racketeers, even to the point of concealing my identity under assumed names in hotels and elsewhere."

THE SIN OF RECKLESS DRIVING

Dr. C. H. Watson, president of the National Safety Council, claims that the most dangerous driver is the one who has an exaggerated sense of his own importance. Comments one editor: "The man who weaves in and out of traffic lanes, passes other cars on curves or hills, cuts in suddenly, crashes lights and ignores stop signs is displaying all the stigmata of the man who has set himself up on a pedestal. He also provides the set-up for most of our accidents."

A GOOD CHARTER

The actual court room in Tennessee where the Scopes trial on Evolution was held, and in which W. J. Bryan, nobly upheld the authority of Holy Scripture under a strain that is said to have cut short his life, is now the seat of the William Jennings Bryan University, with an endowment of a million dollars, and founded on this charter: "To educate men and women under auspices distinctly Christian and spiritual, as a testimony to the supreme glory of the Lord Jesus Christ and to the divine inspired infallibility of the Bible."

THE RULERSHIP OF GOD

Said Etienne Gilson, noted French thinker: "A good many years ago, the French philosopher, Jules Lachelier, made the casual remark that the only conceivable form of democracy was theocracy (government by God), and, he added, 'that very kind of theocracy which William Penn had once established in the forest of Pennsylvania.' Despite its paradoxical appearance, that statement was fundamentally sound, in this, at least, that as soon as men refuse to be ruled directly by God, they condemn themselves to be ruled directly by man; and if they decline to receive from God the leading principles of their moral and social conduct, they are bound to accept them from the king, or from the state, or from their race, or from their own social class."

God's perfect plan for government is a theocracy, and this will be set up at the coming of Christ the King.

JEWISH MAYOR FOR JERUSALEM

The *New Palestine* reports that Daniel Auster, Jewish Vice-mayor of Jerusalem, has been designated acting mayor until a permanent Chief Executive is appointed by the Palestine government.

PREPARING FOR ARMAGEDDON

A. Duff Cooper, Great Britain's Secretary of State for War, said recently: "The prospect of Europe and the world today is one to terrify the stoutest heart. We see nations arming for war and preparing for war with an enthusiasm and rapidity which is unmatched and unparalleled in the history of the human race."

WORLD CRISIS

Far-sighted statesmen foresaw a world crisis many decades ago. Lord Balfour said at the end of his life: "I remember a good many years ago Mr. Gladstone telling me that the problems that would have to be solved by my generation were far more intricate and difficult than those that had to be solved by the generation of which he was one of the most distinguished representatives. Mr. Gladstone, I suppose, was about forty years older than I was. I suppose about the same difference of years separates me from the great bulk of those I now delight to address, and I say to you what Mr. Gladstone said to me. I say to you that the problems which your generation will have to solve are more difficult even than the problems that have fallen for solution to the generation of which I am a member."

PALESTINE, AN AIRWAY CENTER

Comments *Sunday School Times*: "Did you know that Palestine has now become one of the most important airway centers of the Near East? The airport is near Lydda, where Peter healed Æneas. The runway for the planes to land and take off has been completed at a cost of nearly a million dollars. Mr. Davis talked with the engineer who built the runway, and with airplane officers, one of whom told him that they had had their breakfast that day at Athens, had cool drinks at Alexandria, their lunch at Lydda, and were expecting to have tea in Bagdad and supper at Bosrah. There will be more airplanes in and over that land some day—perhaps in the near future; for God has promised: 'As birds flying, so will the Lord of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver it; and passing over he will preserve it.' Isa. 31:5."

"LIKE THE GARDEN OF EDEN"

The *Religious Digest* points out that the land promised to Israel (Gen. 15:18) is 200,000 square miles. England has about 50,000 square miles and supports a population of 40 millions, and so it would be very easy for 200,000 square miles to support a population of 160 millions—approximately ten times as many Jews as are in the world today. Ezek. 36:35 says, "The land that was desolate is become like the garden of Eden," and when this prophecy is fulfilled the land will be able to support a much larger population. Ezek. 48 makes it clear that the whole of the promised land will be populated.

RUSSIA AND GERMANY

According to a close French observer General von Ludendorff, the eminent military strategist who had a falling out with the Fuehrer Herr Adolf Hitler, has become reconciled. He has given to Hitler the strong advice that it is extremely necessary that Germany make terms with Russia, so as to bring the huge resources of Eastern Europe into the fold of German economy.

Comments *Prophetic News*: "This is interesting indeed in the light of Bible prophecy (Ezek. 38:39). Such an alignment would force Mussolini to speed up his Roman Empire ambition. In a short time the world may witness the beginning of the two great confederacies, the North-Eastern, including Russia and Germany, and the Western, the Roman Empire."

THE PROMISE TO ZEBULUN

Says a writer in *Jewish Chronicle*: "When Jacob made the allotments to his sons he said that Zebulun should dwell at the haven of the sea; and on the eve of the Children of Israel's entry into the Promised Land Moses prophesied that Zebulun should 'gather in the abundance of the seas.' Gen. 49:13; Deut. 33:18.

"With the building of a Jewish National Home in Palestine one of the most vital necessities for the future of the Jewish people is the development of their own merchant marine. This fact has been acknowledged by the Jewish Agency and has led to the establishment of a Marine Department. But far more important for the moment is the work of the Zebulun Seafaring Society, the primary object of which is to train young Jews as sailors and find them employment on board ships."

THE INDESTRUCTIBLE JEW

It is reported that an *Encyclopedia of Anti-Semitism* in six volumes, each of more than 1,200 pages, is being published in Germany, which, according to its own statement, will "finally prove the Jews to be no human race at all but an anti-race, a pathological race of parasites." It is proposed to make it a textbook for the nations, a stimulus to the formation of a World International Anti-Semitism. "The first object of the Federation should be the abolition of Jewish rights. The mills of the gods grind slowly. In less than a hundred years there will be no Jewish problems. They will simply disappear from among the nations." In the Museum of Cairo there is a stone of black granite, dating back 1,400 B. C., bearing the words of Rameses II, "Israel is annihilated; Israel will have no posterity." They who would destroy the Jew on earth must first destroy the stars of heaven. Jer. 33:19-26.

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TASTING IS TESTING

A Roman Catholic priest, a Protestant minister, a farmer, and an atheist, were in a railway coach together. The atheist asked the priest, "What proof can you give of the truth of Christianity?" The priest reasoned of coun-

cils, authority, and traditions of the church. The atheist answered with ease, and then asked the Protestant minister the same question. The minister replied with external evidences, internal evidences, and collateral evidences. The atheist disposed of them to his satisfaction. The minister referred the atheist to the old farmer whom he happened to know. With a contemptuous air, the atheist said, "Well, my man, what is your proof?" The farmer, whose emotions had been steadily rising answered, "Sir, I feel it!" The atheist, taken aback, answered, "Gentlemen, I can't answer that."

SEEING CHRIST

A civilian in India not long ago said, "I once saw Christ, and I have never forgotten the vision. The plague was raging in the city, and everybody had fled in terror except the sick and dying. Whole sections were deserted. I drove down through the plague-stricken section, and to my surprise, I saw a missionary lady coming out of one of the houses where there was plague. She came with her hands extended before her and she

said, 'I am sorry that I cannot shake hands with you, for my hands are plague stained.' As I looked at her with her plague-stained hands I saw Christ."

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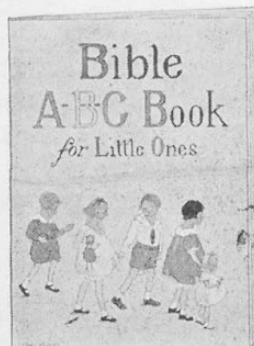
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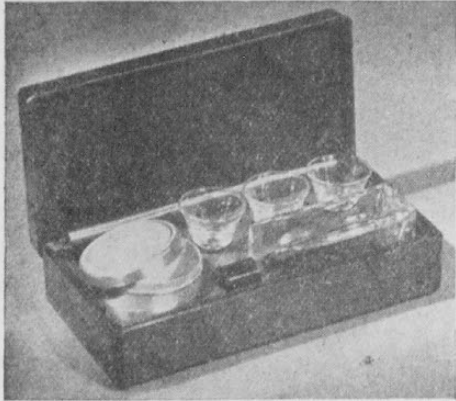
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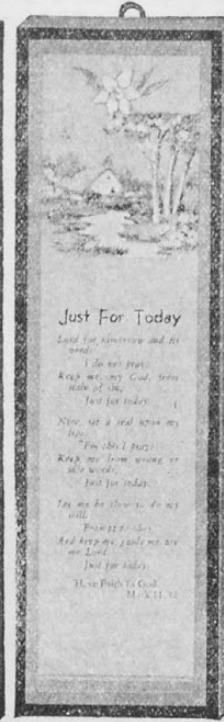
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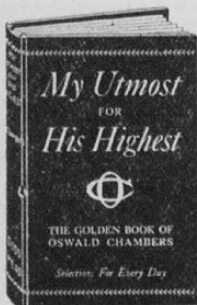


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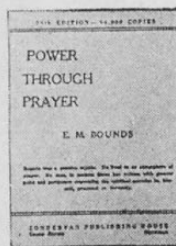
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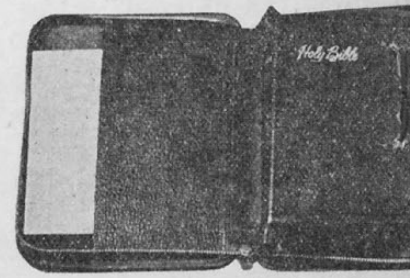


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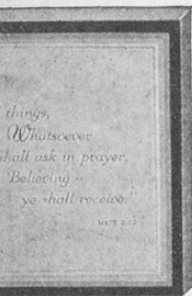
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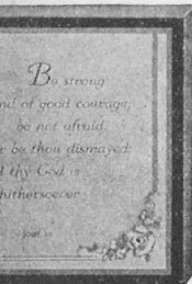
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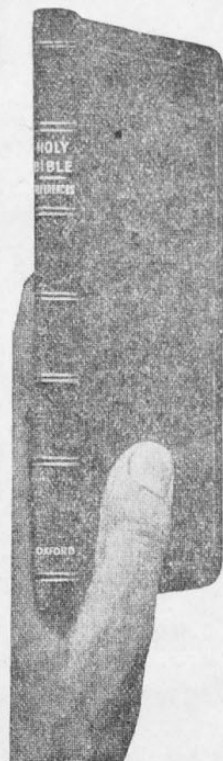
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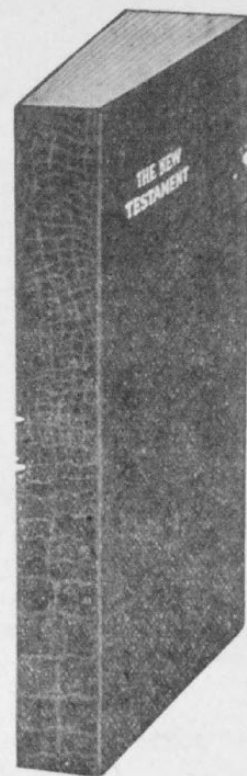
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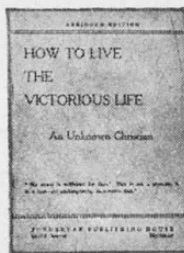
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But one day V— was converted. She saw the emptiness of atheism and turned to the living hope that is found in Christ. Peace came into her heart. She knew God had forgiven her. However, she felt very miserable because she had given her past years to atheism and had persuaded others that God

did not live. Her one desire as a Christian was to redeem her time.

In order to undo some of the wrong, she insisted upon attending a Godless group meeting. Her Christian friend tried to keep her from it, but in vain. V— was bent on going for this the last time.

The two friends went to the meeting. After the singing of the "Internationale," V— asked permission to speak. Then stepping forward, she told the whole assembly what God had done for her. She begged them to forgive her for teaching and endorsing atheism, for she had been blind and had not seen the way they were all going led to perdition. She entreated them to quit their sinful way, and to come to Christ.

Everybody was silent; nobody interrupted her, and still they failed to stir. Then raising her beautiful voice, she sang a hymn, "I am not ashamed to proclaim the Christ who died for me, to stand up for His precepts and for the power of His cross." She finished the hymn, but no sooner had she done so than she was arrested.

Only a young girl, nineteen years old, she was placed in prison. The heart of her friend, who visited her, was made to bleed at the simple, earnest love she had for the Lord, and for the thorny path she was treading for His sake. They did not give her much to eat, so her friend sent food. However, only a small portion ever reached V—. She became frail and pale; nevertheless her eyes beamed with joy as she told her friend of her deep inward peace.

"Do you now regret the step you have taken?" she was asked.

"No!" she replied. "If they will free me now I will return and tell them of the wondrous love of Christ. I am happy that the Lord loves me so much that He allows me to suffer for His sake."

In a short time she was removed from prison, but only to be sent to Siberia. Her sole offence was her confession of Christ. But there were many of like precious faith who suffered in the same way. On the way to exile V— met many of them. Though sometimes no words were exchanged, they felt a bond of fellowship in their spirits and silently sympathized one with another. At one station a woman approached her group and handed them some food, saying simply, "The Lord liveth."

Arriving at their destination they were taken to the Russian barracks. To greet the people that were present there, they said, "Peace be with you." To their great joy, from all corners came the reply, "We receive you in peace."

So even in such cruel surroundings, V— felt at home. She was united with the great family of Christian saints. More than half the people present were believers. Some were good singers and preachers, and after a day of heavy labor they would all gather for united prayer around the feet of their Saviour; then they would enjoy fellowship together, and feel the presence of the Lord—even in Siberia! V— learned quite a few hymns from her comrades, and every day the Lord enlightened her understanding more and more from His Word.

She and another sister were appointed to labor in the workshops. It was hard work, and her comrade was in bad health, so V— did part of her comrade's allotted share of work as well as her own. For twelve or

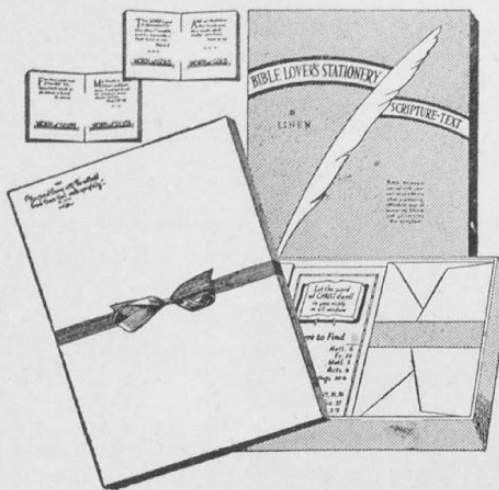
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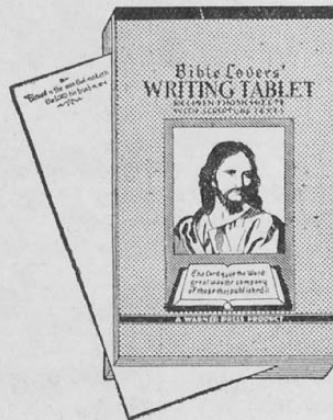
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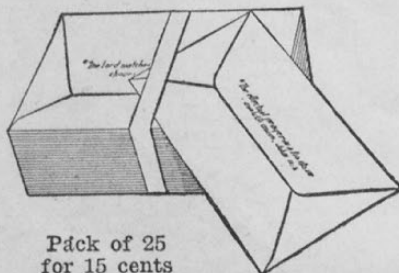
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thirteen hours each day they toiled, and the daily rations of food were small. Nevertheless she could write to her former Christian friend: "My heart is full of praise to the Lord that He has shown me, such a great sinner, the way of salvation. Now, walking in this path, I have an aim in life. I know now where I am bound for, and for whom I am suffering."

"I would like to tell every one of the great joy that fills my heart. 'Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?' Not prison nor suffering! My heart is so full that the grace of God just simply overflows. At work I tell each one what the Lord has done for me, how He has made of me—who really was on the way to perdition—a new person, a new creation. Can I keep silent about it? Though I am condemned and even more heavily punished, I cannot be silent. No, never! As long as life lasts I cannot cease to proclaim His great love."

One night a special gathering was arranged in secret. Under cover of darkness, several brethren managed to reach the river. They broke the ice, and V—and seven brethren were baptized. They wanted to obey the Lord in water baptism, no matter what the risk! Today this young disciple of Christ Jesus, so far as we know, is still in Siberia, fearlessly confessing Him for whose sake she has gladly suffered the loss of all things.

A LAYMAN'S SERMON

Roger Babson, nationally known business statistician, is a moderator in the Congregationalist Church. Recently he addressed a gathering of Congregationalist ministers as follows: "We need more preaching in the sermon: not parroted platitudes; more 'Thus saith the Lord,' not more lounging space in the sanctuary; more conviction in the pulpit and contrition in the pews, not provision for the foursome or the country jaunt before dinner; more sense of God, that would render utterly trivial the itch for golf and filling stations. . . . Our pastors may make their sermons as inoffensive as theosophy and our churches as luxurious for the lazy as a liner's smoking room; and yet save nobody from going straight to such a hell as Jonathan Edwards himself would not have dared to describe in public."

BIDDING FOR YOUTH

In January, 1936, the average American Sunday school reported an attendance of about 65 per cent of its average for 1926; that is, within a decade American Sunday schools have been nearly half emptied. The effect needs no comment. Dr. Amos O. Squire, for many years chief physician at Sing Sing prison, states that in 1900 the average age of criminals in America was 40; today it is 23. In a letter to the Pioneer Club of Moscow, composed of children of 8 to 12, Stalin says (*Universe*, June 4, 1937): "You must all become atheists. He who is an atheist is a true revolutionary and a good Communist; when you think of God you betray the revolution and the Communist dictatorship."

COMMUNISM'S AIM

Lenin wrote, in his *Immediate Tasks of the Soviet and States and Revolution*, "The domination of the Soviets knows neither freedom nor justice. It is purely built upon the

suppression, the destruction of every individual will. Utter ruthlessness is our duty. And in the execution of this duty the greater cruelty is the greatest merit. Through absolute terror, for the purpose of which every kind of betrayal, breaking of pledges, the denial of the slightest shadow of truth, etc., is of service, we shall reduce humanity to the final level which can alone make of them the uniform easily controllable instrument of our domination."

A NATION OF DRUNKARDS?

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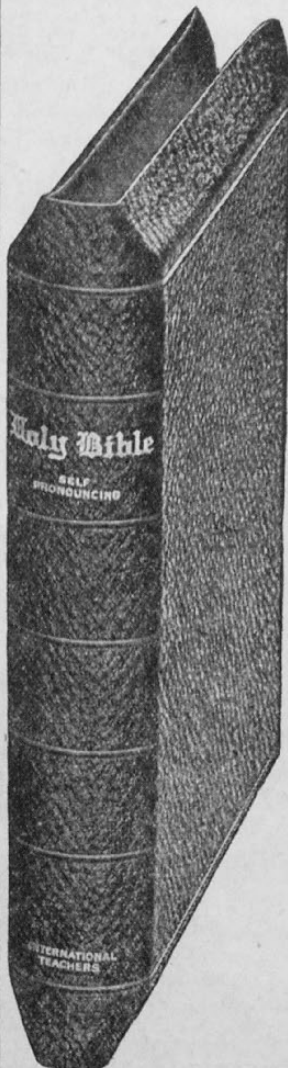
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON
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the new covenant of grace given by Christ is the ministration of the Spirit. In vv. 7 and 8 he contrasts the ministration of death with the "ministration of the Spirit." In v. 9 he contrasts the "ministration of condemnation," with "the ministration of righteousness." The pivotal word of the "ministration of death" was "The soul that sinneth it shall die." That of the "ministration of the Spirit" is "Whosoever will may come" and live. But that *older* ministration was so glorious that Moses' face as he proclaimed it was too bright for the people to look at. So our faces shine—if they do not surely they ought to—but yet not with a glory that blinds the beholder unless our faces are veiled.

We all . . . are changed into the same image (v. 18). There is life in a look. It was looking at the brazen serpent in Moses' day that wrought the miracle. It is fixing our spiritual eyes on Jesus and continuing to gaze at Him that makes us like Him. To be like Him is highly essential. We who are like Him when He comes, shall see Him as He is. Therefore, "Every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure." 1 John 3:3. It is not the exceptional man who is to become like Christ. Let no reader think the goal here set is too high for him. Paul says, "*We all* are changed into the same image."—C. E. R.

HOW SHALL I PRAY?

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Ask what ye will (if ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you), and it shall be done. John 15:7.

Ask anything, according to his will, we have the petitions. 1 John 5:14.

We could sum them all up in the words of John, "Whatsoever we ask we receive of him, because we keep his commandments and do the things that are pleasing in his sight." 1 John 3:22. When we do what He bids, He does what we ask! Listen to God and God will listen to you. Thus our Lord gives us "power of attorney" over His kingdom, the kingdom of heaven, if only we fulfill the condition of abiding in Him.

Oh, what a wonder is this! How eagerly and earnestly we should seek to know His "mind," His wish, His will! How amazing it is any one of us should by his own self-seeking miss such unsearchable riches! We know that God's will is the best for us. We know that He longs to bless us and make us a blessing. We know that to follow our own inclination is absolutely certain to harm us and to hurt us and those whom we love. We know that to turn away from His will for us is to court disaster. O child of God, why do we not trust Him fully and wholly?

And "in His name" must be "according to His will." But can we know His will? Assuredly we can. Paul not only says, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 2:5); but he boldly declares, "We have the mind of Christ." 1 Cor. 2:16. How, then, can we get to know God's will?

We shall remember that "the secret of the Lord is with them that fear him." Psalm 25:14.

In the first place, we must not expect God to reveal His will to us unless we intend to do that will. Knowledge of God's will and

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It is a lonely night. Shepherds keep vigil in the darkness that covers the hills of Judea. But suddenly the glory of God shines upon them. The angel of the Lord appears, enraptured with a message of light and life: "Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." What a privilege was his to tell the shepherds of the Saviour's birth! And the heavens echoed with praise.



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In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

DUPONT, COLO.—God has surely blessed in the recent revival, Stacia M. Bishop, Evangelist. Several came to the Lord for salvation and revival. A real hunger for the Baptism and for a closer walk with God has come to this new field.—June Beardsley, Pastor.

WINDSOR, PA.—Several weeks ago we closed a 2 weeks' revival, H. A. Christopher, of Lewistown, Evangelist. The presence of the Lord was manifested. Brother Christopher is very much interested in Sunday School work, and during his stay with us he taught the Men's Bible Class which increased in numbers each Sunday. This is comparatively a new work, and people in the community became interested and attended the services. The interest is continuing and the Lord is blessing.—Mildred T. Palmer, Pastor.

WILLOW SPRINGS, MO.—Brother and Sister J. E. Wilson, of Springfield, have just closed a meeting here which was helpful to our church and Sunday School. We believe the results of this meeting will be lasting.—R. B. Noland, Pastor.

BENTON HARBOR, MICH.—We have recently closed a splendid 2 weeks' revival with our young Brother Koenig. The Lord especially used him among the young people; many of them received new experiences in their spiritual lives. Brother Koenig is associated with the German branch of our fellowship, but he preached in the English tongue. In some ways it was the best revival we have had, and many outsiders are beginning to come in.—Paul Emery, Pastor, Bethel Assembly of God.

BOKOSHE, OKLA.—We are glad to report a blessed and successful meeting, with Jacob Miller, Ft. Smith, Arkansas, as evangelist. In his 3 weeks of labor here, 18 were saved and 28 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Our church is moving on in the work of the Lord.—W. W. Smith, Pastor.

VERMILION, S. DAK.—We just closed a 3 weeks' revival, with Clarence H. Jensen, Alexandria, Minnesota, as our evangelist. This series of meetings brought great blessing to the Gospel Tabernacle. Upon several occasions there were capacity crowds. A number sought salvation, and several were wonderfully healed. The power of God fell in a precious way in our midst.—A. H. Jensen, Pastor.

SPARTANBURG, S. C.—September 11, we began a tent revival here which lasted 3 weeks. The Lord blessed by saving or reclaiming 15 souls, while 2 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. During this campaign, the worst drunkard in the city was gloriously saved. He had served on the chain gang; now he is seeking the Baptism, and is preaching the gospel each Sunday at a certain church.—Martin-Shauger Evangelistic Party.

WATERTOWN, N. Y.—The pastor, R. M. Shearer, and his wife went on a tour with their trailer, and asked me to supply for them at the Calvary Evangelistic church. Recently Brother Shearer resigned as pastor, to go into evangelistic work. The church gave me a call to become their regular pastor and I have agreed to stay with them as the Lord leads. This is a new work, founded by Brother Shearer about two years ago. It has a good foundation and the Lord is blessing. My address is changed from Paterson, N. J., to the Y. W. C. A., Watertown, N. Y.—Mae Eleanor Frey.

TORONTO, ONTARIO—We have just closed a 2 weeks' campaign in the Stone Church, with Evangelist L. Wesley Jaeger, Richmond, California, as special speaker. The blessing of the Lord rested upon the meetings from the commencement and right through to the closing service. Night after night the tarrying meetings continued until around the midnight hour and after, while hungry hearts were seeking God. Several were saved, others received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, and many of God's people received a rich anointing of the Spirit. The closing night saw one of the largest crowds we have had in the church.—Walter E. McAlister, Pastor.

INDEPENDENCE, MO.—September 26 we started a revival here, where there are no full-gospel churches. Thirty-four have been saved, and it has been a very good meeting. Will continue each night as long as the Lord wills. We have a large theater building which has been donated to us until March 1, free of charge. As you may know, I am the young Baptist minister who received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit in a recent revival meeting in Springfield, and am a candidate for membership in the Council when the Bible Conference convenes in January. Will be open for meetings at any time while supervising this new work here, and can give good references. Communications may be addressed to me here.—F. G. Conley, 214 N. Main.

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HUMBLE, TEXAS—Evangelist A. S. Davis, of Port Arthur, has just closed a 2 weeks' revival here. Several were saved, and several were baptized in the Holy Ghost. Nearly every night of the meeting the abiding presence of the Most High was felt. The spirit of revival is still with us.—N. R. Giasullo, Pastor.

FORT COLLINS, COLO.—The November Fellowship Meeting of this Section was held here. Evangelist Harvey McAlister brought the afternoon message. Lunch was served to about 300 in the church basement. At least 500 attended the evening service, and a number were turned away. The evening offering for Home Missions amounted to \$33.00. Pastor Theodore Kummerfeld, of Fort Morgan, spoke in the evening. We are now in a revival with Evangelist G. B. Cunningham, of Loveland. Souls are getting through to God. This is the second year of the "Gospel Half Hour" broadcast, we being on the air each Sunday morning 9:00-9:30.—R. A. McClure, Pastor.

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the performance of that will go together. We are apt to desire to know God's will so that we may decide whether to obey or not. Such an attitude is disastrous. "If any man willeth to do his will, he shall know of the teaching." John 7:17.

God's will is revealed in His Word. What He promises in His Word I may know to be according to His will.

For example, I may confidently ask for wisdom because His Word says, "If any . . . lack wisdom, let him ask of God . . . and it shall be given him." James 1:5. We cannot be men of prevailing prayer unless we study God's Word to find out His will for us.

But it is the Holy Spirit of God who is prayer's great Helper. Read again those wonderful words: "In the same way the Spirit also helps us in our weakness; for we do not know what prayers to offer nor in what way to offer them, but the Spirit Himself pleads for us in yearnings that can find no words, and the Searcher of hearts knows what the Spirit's meaning is, because His intercessions for God's people are in harmony with God's will." Romans 8:26, 27; Weymouth.

What comforting words! Ignorance and helplessness in prayer are indeed blessed things if they cast us upon the Holy Spirit.

Remember our heavenly Father is pledged to give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him (Luke 11:13)—and any other "good thing" too. Matt. 7:11.

Child of God, you have often prayed. You have, no doubt, often bewailed your feebleness and slackness in prayer. But have you really prayed in His name?

It is when we have failed and know not "what prayers to offer" or "in what way," that the Holy Spirit is promised as our Helper.

Is it not worth while to be wholly and whole-heartedly yielded to Christ? The half-and-half Christian is of very little use either to God or man. God cannot use him, and man has no use for him, but considers him a hypocrite. One sin allowed in the life wrecks at once our usefulness and our joy, and robs prayer of its power.

Beloved, we have caught a fresh glimpse of the grace and the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. He is willing and waiting to share with us both His glory and His grace. He is willing to make us channels of blessing. Shall we not worship God in sincerity and truth, and cry eagerly and earnestly, "Lord, what shall I do?" (Acts 22:10, R. V.) and then, in the power of His might, do it?

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heart of compassion, kindness, humility, long-suffering; . . . above all things put on love . . . and let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. . . . Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom. . . . And whatsoever ye do, in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." Col. 3:12-17.

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HICKORY RIDGE, ARK.—We have just closed a 2 weeks' revival, Alma Hodgson and Blanche Novak, Evangelists. God's blessing rested upon the services. Twenty-three were saved, and 2 were baptized according to Acts 2:4. We thank God for His presence in our midst.—D. V. Robinson, Pastor.

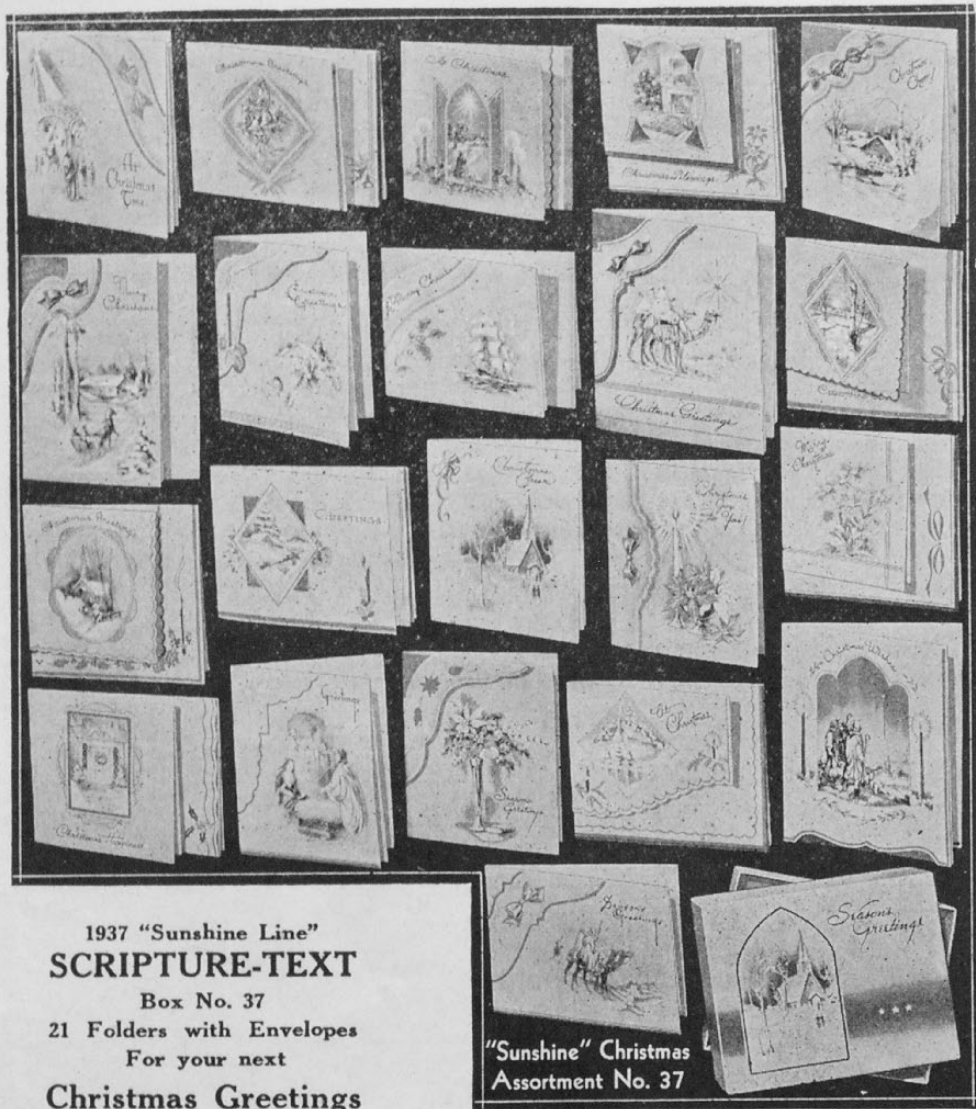
LUBBOCK, TEXAS—We are praising God for the way He is blessing in our assembly. O. M. Fortenberry, of Spur, was with us in a meeting the last week in October. Two were saved. Brother Fortenberry's mes-

sages brought new faith and greater victory to the church. We have continued our prayer meetings each morning since the revival. November 7, one man was prayed for and healed. The power of God came in a mighty way. Messages were given out in tongues and interpreted, and sinners flocked to the altar. Fourteen were saved, and one received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. It was wonderful to see them weep their way through. Even small children were shaking under the power of God. November 14, one was saved and 3 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost.—J. H. Brown, Pastor.

PRATT, KANSAS—We have had a very successful meeting here, with Stanley and Ethel McPherson as the evangelists. God blessed their ministry to our people and gave us 25 to 30 precious souls. Some were re-filled with the Holy Spirit, and a number testified to definite healings.—Oria R. Bray, Pastor.

GREENVILLE, S. C.—On October 5, we opened a campaign for Pastor J. D. Courtney at the assembly here. We are now in the sixth week of the meeting. Up to the present time, there have been 71 definite conversions. Thirty-one have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, 32 have been added to the assembly, and 15 have been immersed in water. God is pouring out of His Spirit in an unusual manner. An extraordinary spirit of prayer is resting upon the assembly. Some of the seekers have stayed all night at the church praying for the Baptism. The end is not yet, praise the Lord!—Martin-Shauger Evangelistic Party.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—The Lord has again met us in a very wonderful way under the ministry of Evangelist L. Wesley Jaeger, Richmond, California. During the 3 weeks of meetings, several for whom prayer had gone up for a number of years, and who were far from God, were wonderfully brought back to Him and freshly anointed with the Holy Ghost. It has been a revival indeed. Nearly all of our young people have felt the blessing of this outpouring and have freshly consecrated themselves to the Lord. The attendance was very good. Many new people have come into the church. Several were saved.—Milton T. Wells, Pastor.



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SANTA ANA, CALIF.—Full Gospel Assembly, 1600 W. 3rd St.; Jan. 2—; Evangelist and Mrs. Stanley P. McPherson.—Ernest L. Friend, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEXAS—Faith Tabernacle, Oakland and Marburg Sts.; Jan. 2—30; Stanley Comstock and Party, Evangelists.—W. S. Barham, Pastor.

BIG STONE GAP, VA.—New Church Building, Dec. 8—; Evangelist and Mrs. James E. Hamill, Hattiesburg, Miss.—F. G. McAfee, Pastor.

CHANDLER, OKLA.—High School Auditorium; Dec. 14-Jan. 9; Jack and Esther Martz, Singing Evangelists, Reading, Pa.—Glidden Lister, Acting Pastor.

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GRAFTON, ILL.—C. A. Rally, Dec. 18, at 7:30 p. m. Special music. Everyone invited. S. A. Rayborn is the pastor.—Ivan Belmer, Sectional Vice President.

TRINIDAD, COLO.—Monthly Fellowship Meeting, Full Gospel Church, Boca and Nevada Sts., Dec. 15; C. A. Rally, Dec. 16. Presbyter C. F. Ferguson and C. A. President Leland Faith will be present.—S. E. Williams, Pastor.

DAWSON, MO.—Central Ozark Fellowship Meeting and C. A. Rally, Dec. 13. All ministers and C. A.'s urged to attend; bring basket dinner. Three services.—K. D. Kittrell, Sectional Secretary, West Eminence, Mo.

UNION S. S. CONVENTION TULSA, OKLA.—Union Sunday School Convention, sponsored by the 9 Assembly of God churches in Tulsa; at 5th and Peoria church, Dec. 7-10, and Dec. 13-17. Ralph M. Riggs, Instructor. Everyone invited.—Guy Phillips.

PAOLA, KANSAS—Northeast Kansas Sectional C. A. Rally; Assembly of God; Dec. 11. Services: 10:30, 2:15, and 7:30. Bring musical instruments, and kindly prepare well-filled dinner baskets as this is a small church. Ray Murphy is pastor.—Leonard Palmer, Sectional Secretary, Box 234, Ottawa, Kansas.

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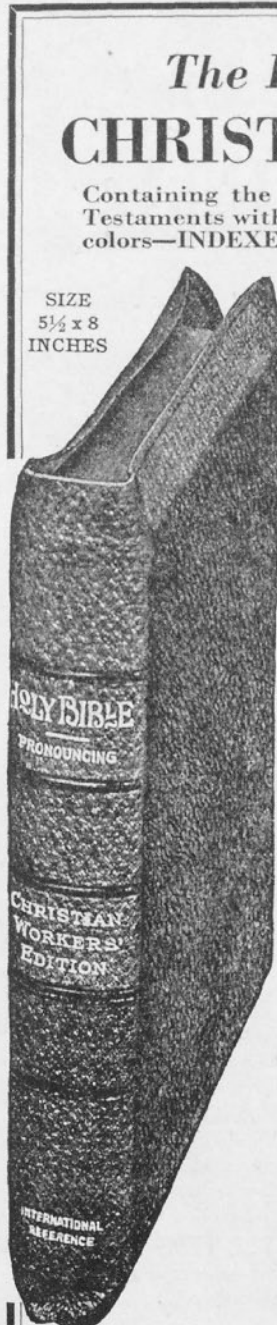
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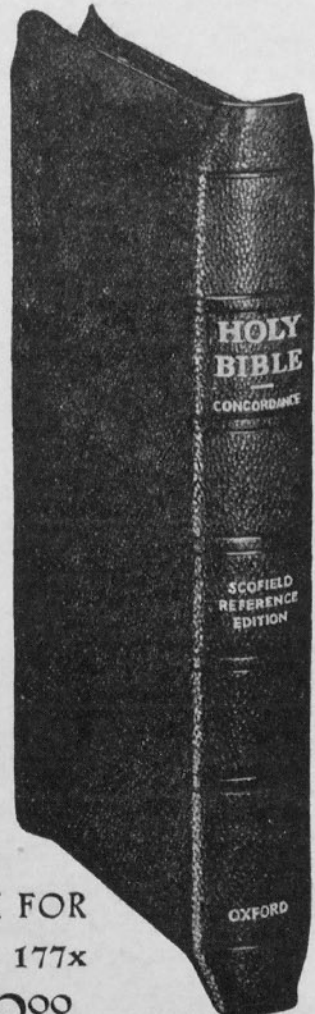
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Amount reported as given direct for Home Missions	268.55
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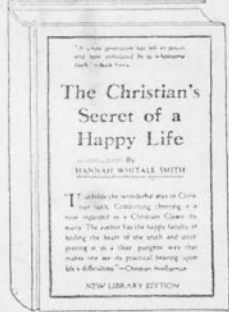
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