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BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD  
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## Not Debarred from Our Priestly Service

T. J. Jones at the Central Assembly,  
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Brother T. J. Jones is an Executive Presbyterian of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain, also a member of the faculty of the Bible School in London. He has had a blessed ministry in this country for some months, and is returning this summer to be a speaker at both the Eastern District and the Southern California District Camps.

In Lev. 21:18-23 we have a passage which speaks about priests who were debarred from priestly service because of certain physical blemishes. What was literal then is spiritual now. All of the Levitical priesthood was done away with at Calvary when the veil was rent in twain from top to bottom. The priesthood today consists of all born-again men and women. Precisely as those priests of Aaron's line were debarred from priestly ministry because of certain physical defilements and defects, so we today may be debarred from priestly privileges on account of spiritual defects.

A priest dwelt in a peculiar nearness to God. He was chosen to dwell in God's presence. Oh, the sacred familiarity, the nearness, the intimacy that the priests had in old time. How privileged they were to tread the holy sanctuary, to live where the glory was, to abide in the secret place of the Most High! They were allowed to see His glory in the sanctuary. This privilege is now brought over to us who have become the spiritual priests unto God.

We read in 1 Peter 2:4, 5, "Ye . . . are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ."

Every truly born-again child of God is a "spiritual house," a cathedral in himself. All the sacred music, all the service, all the true worship, goes on inside. Our bodies are the temples of the Holy Ghost, and we ourselves are the spiritual priests.

No man of Aaron's line became a priest except those who had a special birth. No man could become a priest by personal merit; it must be by birth. So binding was that law upon God's priesthood of old that in the return from the captivity, both at the time of Zerubbabel and later at the time of Nehemiah's return, there were certain priests who could not declare their lineage and so were debarred from the priesthood. Our new birth brings us into the privilege of spiritual priesthood.

Even before he began to officiate in the house of God, the priest had to have a special bath. When Moses ordained the priests he took them to the laver and washed them completely. First we must be washed by the blood. See Rev. 1:5, 6. Then we must also be sanctified and cleansed with the washing of water by the Word. Eph. 5:26.

Then the priest had to be robed with special linen garments, clean and white. They never thought of coming near to God except in the habit and garments



### My Quietness

O Thou who art my quietness, my deep repose,  
My rest from strife of tongues, my holy hill,  
Fair is Thy pavilion, where I hold me still.  
Back let them fall from me, my clamorous foes,  
Confusions multiplied;  
From crowding things of sense I flee, and in Thee  
hide.

Until this tyranny be overpast,  
Thy hand will hold me fast;  
What though the tumult of the storm increase,  
Grant to Thy servant strength, O Lord, and bless  
with peace.

Amy Carmichael

that God had selected for them. The only right we have to appear before God today is when we are robed in the righteousness of Another, the covering of the spotless, holy Lamb of God. In His righteousness I can draw near. Yet there are some who wrap themselves up with the filthy rags of their own right-  
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# Setting the Oppressed Free

Arthur W. Frodsham, Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Christ gave us a commission, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." In this preaching of the gospel, five special signs are to accompany, the first of which is the casting out of demons. Mark 16:17, R. V.

It is remarkable the prominence given in the New Testament to demons and demon activity—some 50 times, the majority of instances in connection with Christ's ministry. Christ's ministry of healing the sick is very closely associated with that of casting out demons. The Scriptures are replete with evidences that He dealt with and cast out demons very frequently: "They brought unto him all that were diseased, and them that were *possessed of demons*. Mark 1:32. Again in verse 34, "He healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out *many demons*." Verse 39, "He preached and *cast out demons*." Four times in this one chapter it tells of Christ's dealing with demons. See also Matt. 8:16. "They brought unto him many that were *possessed of demons* and *he cast out the spirits* with his word, and healed all that were sick." Note the order—healing follows casting out. "And they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and those that were possessed with *demons* and those which were lunatick, and he healed them." Matt. 4:24.

Christ gave authority to the twelve apostles over all demons (Luke 9:1), and to the 70 He gave power over all the power of the enemy (Luke 10:19); and this authority was extended after His resurrection to all believers for all time. Mark 16:15-18.

We need to look to the Lord that we may clearly discern where demon power exists. A most important gift of the Spirit that we should greatly covet for our ministry is the discerning of spirits."

About 28 years ago, I was attending my first camp meeting. Most of the people had left the tent and I went to pray with a heavy-set man who was a blacksmith. There was a missionary with me. I asked the man what was his trouble. He replied that he had a diseased shoulder blade; that he had gone to doctor after doctor, and had had pieces of the bone cut away, yet the trouble still remained; that he suffered great pain, and could not raise his arm, nor do his work.

By the Spirit of God I saw it was a case of demon possession. I had but

recently come into this way, and this was my first experience with a person possessed by demon power. I did not want to tell the man what I believed was his trouble lest I might offend him, and I was afraid to pray aloud on that line. So inwardly I prayed, "Lord, show the man that it is demon possession." He cried out himself in a loud voice, "Lord, deliver me of demon power." Then in the mighty name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we commanded the demons to leave that man's shoulder blade. The man gave a piercing shriek just after we prayed, and we knew he was free.

The next morning before a great crowd this man got up and told of his deliverance, and said, "As I asked the Lord to deliver me of the demon power, the demon said, 'If I have to leave you, I will give you a good dig before I leave.'" He added, "That was why I cried out so, because of the pain." He then threw up his arm, worked it, and showed how free he was. I have never doubted the reality of demon possession since then.

A young man called me some years ago to pray for his mother. She had been suffering for years with intense pains at times in the lower part of her spine. On this particular occasion the pain was very great. After laying hands on the woman, the demon power centered in the spine. There was a great fight, the enemy seeming to try to destroy her life, and I had to act in such a way as to prevent her husband and mother-in-law from being frightened. The woman was laid on a couch, and after a time got up and started to walk across the room.

Her joy was unbounded as she found herself free of pain, and she knew she was entirely delivered. She asked me point blank if it was not demon power that had attacked her all these years. I hesitated to tell her, but looking to her son, I said, "As R. may go into the ministry, I will tell you. Yes, it was a demon that was residing in your spine and tormenting you." For many months afterwards, on seeing the woman, she would state that she had had no return of her trouble. The young man, her son, has been used of God to cast out many evil spirits since that time—one case a filthy demon, so vile that it was almost unbelievable that such could be in a human being. The day after his deliverance from this filthy spirit, the one

who was set free was testifying for the Lord in a street meeting.

Not many see the connection between certain forms of sickness and demon power. There are cases where the individual's body is demon possessed and nothing less than a casting out of that demon or demons can bring deliverance to the sufferer.

A minister of a prominent denomination was used of God in praying for the sick. I got him to our assembly for a special divine healing service. People were lined up to be prayed for. He came to one handsome young woman and asked her trouble. She replied that she was in mental trouble, but if she could only get on the astral plane, she would be better, and able to help those who were on the lower plane. I watched the face of this man of God. He could make neither head nor tail of what she said. I immediately saw that she was a spiritualist. I was greatly burdened about her and got her address, which was in a nearby city. The next morning I wrote her a letter telling her of her dangerous position, and how the Lord Jesus Christ was her only hope, that unless she was delivered I was convinced she would go insane, or commit suicide. I went down to the post office and mailed the letter.

As I came out of the office I saw this same woman in the park. I told her what I had written, and that she would either commit suicide or go insane. She was frightened, and I could see the truth went home. Then she told me that she had walked over from the other city, five miles, and on the way over a thing came up in her throat and demanded an ice cream sundae. The woman said, "I hate them, but I had to go to the drug store and satisfy the craving of the thing within me." She told me also she was learning to be a medium, and that a man and woman who were not married, but living together, wanted her to join them and go on tours practicing spiritism. She declined, as they were not moral people. She said further: "In all the twelve years I have been in spiritism, and I have mixed with many mediums, I have never met a moral one."

We were near the home of two members of my church, and I asked the lady if she would go over there and let us pray for her. She agreed. The elderly lady of the home was a tender hearted mother in Israel, and her daughter was a woman of faith and knew how to deal with such cases. After a kindly talk, we bound those demon powers in the person, and cast them out in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. She was delivered, was given a Bible, and kind advice. Some weeks after she returned



saying she was free, and brought a present to my friends, to show her appreciation of their kindness.

The presence of the Spirit of God in a meeting stirs up demon power that previously was lying dormant in, and even unsuspected by, the individual. Take the case of Mark 1:21-26. Christ came into the synagogue in the power of the Spirit. He spoke. While so doing a man with an unclean spirit (a demon) cried out, "Let us alone (we have been let alone hitherto); I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God." Christ would not let the demon speak any further, but commanded it to come out of the man. What happened? The unclean spirit tore the man, cried out with a loud voice, and came out of him. Probably that man had been a regular and quiet attendant in the synagogue; but when the Spirit of God in Christ was in evidence, there was a great scene. Was Christ to blame for that disturbance? No.

So today when the Spirit of God is manifest in a meeting, the demon in a person who previously had been quiet and normal, is stirred up. Happy is that assembly that has a pastor who can handle the situation. The people who worship in that assembly are not to blame if a scene takes place. Yet again and again people are warned to stay away from our assemblies through fear of evil spirits. In their own

church they may be sitting next to such a demon-possessed person, but because the demon is not stirred up they do not know it. In our assemblies when such demon-possessed persons are dealt with there is often a scene. God will give gracious deliverance to the oppressed one as the saints unite in faith, and the evil spirit is cast out.

I praise God that in my different pastorates I have been able to gather around me a band of consecrated men and women who know how to deal with demon-possessed persons, and who are absolutely fearless (one of the essential qualifications) in the presence of such Satanic powers. On the other hand, I have been with afflicted persons, and those with me have been so frightened that they have hindered the work of God. We should, however, be utterly fearless in this ministry, for the Lord has given us His word, "Behold, I give you power . . . over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you." Luke 10:19.

The call comes to every minister of the gospel to "let the oppressed go free" and to "break every yoke." The Lord will not fail to give to each one as we prayerfully look to Him that anointing necessary for this ministry, and we shall see the promise in Isaiah 10:27 fulfilled as these oppressed ones come to us for deliverance, "The yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing."

"Sudden destruction" overcame Belshazzar and his household at an hour that they thought not.

Christ warns us against faithlessness in the last hour. Let us not take the attitude, "My Lord delayeth his coming." Negligence of duty results from such attitude. He bids us be diligent in ministering "meat in due season." Instant in season and out of season to speak a word for Him.

A greater Prophet than Jeremiah or Daniel bids us, "Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is . . . Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh . . . Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch."

He said to His disciples, "Could ye not watch with me one hour?" He bade them, "Pray that ye enter not into temptation." And when they took no heed to His word, and slept, He said to them, "Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation." Luke 22:46. They evidently did not pray, and as a result they all failed, for they all forsook Him in that hour of darkness.

But an hour of yet greater darkness is coming. It is written, "For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people." Isa. 60:2. The dark midnight hour. Most folks are sleeping at midnight. At the midnight hour the cry will go forth, "Behold, the bridegroom cometh." Too late then if your supply of oil has leaked out. Too late then to convene a prayer meeting. The Master warns us ahead of time, "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man." Let these words sink deep into our hearts: "Watch . . . pray always."

Judgment will surely be seen in the last days. And where will it begin? At the house of God. Peter says, "If it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?" 1 Peter 4:17, 18. He further exhorts us, "Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless."

God gave to Abraham a revelation of the great judgment coming on Sodom. Abraham's heart was full of compassion and he prayed. His prayer was not a selfish one. His desire was to rescue some out of the fire. His prayer prevailed for Lot and his two daughters. "Watch . . . pray always." The effectual prayer of a righteous man availeth much.—S. H. F.



### Impending Judgment

"Where is the promise of his coming? . . . all things continue as they were from the beginning." 2 Peter 3:4. The scoffer says that, but Peter accuses him of being "wilfully ignorant." God's judgments have been known of old. They will be seen again. There will be a judgment of fire like that of Sodom: "As it was in the days of Lot." It is written of old, "The thing that hath been, it is the thing which shall be." Eccles. 1:9. Like sins will bring like judgment.

A great judgment was coming to Jerusalem. Jeremiah faithfully warned both king and people, but they rejected his message. The messenger was mistreated and placed in a miry dungeon. But there was one who believed his message, a despised colored man. He rescued the prophet. God was not unmindful of this act of love, and when the whole city and land came under dire judgment, Ebedmelech, the colored eunuch, was preserved.

A greater Prophet than Jeremiah has come and has told us of impending judgment. Men treated Him worse than they did Jeremiah. But His words of warning are recorded. He bids us, "Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares." Luke 21:34.

In the days of Belshazzar their hearts were overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness, but in a night of great feasting judgment came. The day of Babylon's doom indeed came on her "unawares." The scoffers of those days were not afraid of taking the sacred vessels of God's holy temple to use in their revelry, and scoffers today are likewise making light of the sacred things of God's holy Word. Daniel had warned Nebuchadnezzar, "Break off thy sins by righteousness . . . it may be a lengthening of thy tranquillity." Belshazzar knew of the judgment that overtook Nebuchadnezzar but did not humble his heart.

# The Wonderful Word

A Sermon in Miniature

## JESUS CHRIST IS LORD

"LORD"—a word of authority, signifying a ruler or governor.—*Cruden.*

*The Message of Good Tidings at His Birth*

"To you this day . . . a Saviour, . . . anointed Lord." Luke 2:11, m.

*The Purpose of His Death and Resurrection*

"To this end Christ died and lived again, that He might be LORD." Rom. 14:9.

*The Pentecostal Message Through Peter*

"God hath made Him both LORD and CHRIST, this Jesus whom ye crucified." Acts 2:36.

*The Result of the Spirit's Work*

"No man can say, Jesus is LORD, but in the Holy Ghost." 1 Cor. 12:3.

*The Way of Salvation*

"If thou shalt confess . . . Jesus as LORD, and . . . believe . . . God raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Rom. 10:9.

Note that all who came to Christ for help on earth acknowledged Him as LORD. The cavilers called Him "Teacher," "Master." See Matt. 22:16, 24, 36, and the Lord's words following, in Matt. 23:10.

*The Way of Holiness (or Continuous Salvation)*

"Sanctify in your hearts Christ as LORD." 1 Peter 3:15.

*Heart-obedience, the Evidence of His Lordship*

"Many will say . . . Lord, Lord." Matt. 7:22.

"Not every one that saith . . . Lord, Lord, shall enter . . . but he that doeth the will of My Father." Matt. 7:21.

"Why call ye Me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" Luke 6:46.

*That the Lordship of Christ Involves*

1. Sharing His path. "It is enough for the . . . servant (to be) as his Lord." Matt. 10:24, 25.

2. Taking Him as the Pattern. "If I then, your LORD . . . have washed your feet . . . ye also. . . ." John 13:13, 14.

3. Rendering Him a final account. "The Lord . . . cometh, and maketh a reckoning." Matt. 25:19.

4. Accepting His right to act as He wills. "The Lord of the vineyard saith, . . . Is it not lawful for Me to do what I will with Mine own?" Matt. 20:8, 15.

5. Recognizing His right to determine the work. "The servant, whom his Lord hath set over His household." Matt. 24:45. Note 1 Peter 5:3; 2 Cor. 1:24; and contrast Mark 10:42.

*The Joy of a Faithful Servant*

"We preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus as LORD." 2 Cor. 4:5.

*God's Eternal Purpose toward His Son*

"That every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ IS LORD." Phil. 2:11.

"He is thy LORD, worship thou HIM." Psalm 45:11.

saw the string of lights creep over the dark chasm. They watched the train creep between the high girders and out upon that two-mile span. Then, with awful suddenness, the thing happened. It looked as though a shower of sparks had abruptly leaped out from the bridge and plunged downward to the river like a fiery cataract. Through the din of the elements no sound could be heard. Just that sudden cascade of fire—then blank darkness! The bridge had given way. The train was lost.

Reader, a time more critical than that Scottish storm is coming for us. One day we must leave the shore of time and face that other shore called eternity. Will your bridge carry you across the chasm?

God, the Master Builder, has provided one Bridge, and one only. Trust no others. The Bible warns, "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." Prov. 14:12. Jesus Himself is the true Bridge. The foundations were laid at Calvary. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6. Cry today to the Lord Jesus Christ, as did the dying thief. He had lived in sin and had held no faith, but he cried for mercy, and the Lord answered to him, "Today shalt thou be with me in paradise." Luke 23:43.

# The Family Altar

## CLEARING HIS CONSCIENCE

There was once an old codfish dealer, a very earnest and sincere man, who lived prayerfully every day. One of the great joys of his life was the family worship hour.

One year two other merchants persuaded him to go into a deal with them by which they could control all the codfish in the market and greatly increase the price. The plan was succeeding well, when this good man learned that many poor people in Boston were suffering because of the great advance in the price of codfish. It troubled him so that he broke down in trying to pray at the family altar, and went straight to the men who led him into the plot and told them that he could not go on with it.

Said the old man: "I can't afford to do anything which interferes with my family prayers. And this morning when I got down on my knees and tried to pray, there was a mountain of codfish before me high enough to shut out the throne of God, and I could not pray. I tried my best to get around it or over it, but every time I started to pray, that codfish loomed up between me and my God. I won't have my family prayers spoiled for all the codfish in the Atlantic Ocean, and I shall have nothing to do with this market control business, or with any money made from it."

## PRAY FOR REVIVAL!

Reports *Defender*: New York City has a population of seven million. Its 1,074 churches have a membership of 554,000. Thus, only 7 per cent of the inhabitants are Protestant church people. Of this number it is estimated that only 40 percent actually attend services. In other words, about 2 per cent of New York's total population will be found at church on an average Sunday.

# The Way of Salvation

## CAN THE BRIDGE BE TRUSTED?

In Scotland, one Sunday evening just after Christmas in 1879, a terrible storm arose. It was the worst in years. Children shuddered as they heard the howling of the tempest outside their windows. The few people who were on the streets of Dundee crouched on hands and knees lest they should be blown away bodily. The gale was terrifying.

Dundee folk, as they beheld the fury of the tempest, thought of the bridge that spanned the Firth of Tay. Just a year ago, with no little delight and pride, it had been opened—a beautiful structure, two miles in length. Nevertheless its slenderness had wakened misgivings in the minds of some who knew.

On this storm-swept night the reliability of the bridge would be thoroughly tested. It would be enough if the bridge stood intact under such strain. Surely all traffic would be stopped from crossing the bridge! But no! To the surprise of the public, as evening wore on, trains were still seen passing over. Yet the danger was plainly evident. A trainman admitted that the carriages had actually been lifted and jammed by the blasts of wind. A steamship captain from the water below could see the bridge swaying with the storm.

About seven, when the tempest was at its

wildest, the slow train from Edinburgh drew to a standstill. It was at the last station before the bridge. In joking fashion some of the passengers enquired whether the bridge was safe. Oh, that they had been serious and had acted upon their fears!

From their home on the shore beneath a family watched. The husband and wife were silent, filled with deepest apprehension. Their children had no such fears, however. "There she comes!" they cried with delight, as they

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# The Outlook and the Uplook

Present Day Events in the Light of Scripture

## PALESTINE INVESTMENTS

The Jewish people throughout the world have contributed toward the purchase of land in Palestine over \$24,000,000 since 1902, of which amount American Jews have contributed about 25%, according to the *Jewish Missionary Magazine*.

## WILL ITALY RULE PALESTINE?

Dr. Ellner, a Jewish scholar, thinks that either Great Britain should faithfully carry out the Mandate or say, "Our imperial interests don't permit us such policy against the Arabs; consequently we are prepared to give our 'trust' back to the Council of the League, who shall appoint another Mandatory."

## SCRIPTURES CORROBORATED

According to *Herald of Holiness*: "The French Archæological Mission of Ras Shamra, Syria, has discovered evidence that Samson pulled down the temple which was dedicated to the god Dagon. Reference to a man named Samson is recorded and near by is the ruined temple."

## DICTATORSHIP

According to *Pathfinder*, today 55 per cent of the world's two billion inhabitants live under some form of dictatorship. This twentieth century dictatorship is dangerous "because, like smallpox, it is contagious." The shadow of dictatorship darkens most of the world, and we approach closer to the set-up described in Revelation 13.

## JACOB'S MEXICAN TROUBLE

"Although President Cadenas hinted last month that he would not suppress Jews, anti-Semitism reared its ugly head in Mexico. Mexico City's new Committee for Defense of Mexican Merchants loudly complained to the office of Secretary of Interior Garcia Tellez that: 'Most of the 200 Mexicans in the fur business have been displaced by Jews!' Mexico City's conservative Novedades excitedly headlined: 'THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST HEBREWS IN MEXICO.'"

## TITLE DEEDS TO THE HOLY LAND

Comments *The Hebrew Christian* (London): "While we do not yet know the final outcome of the Partition plan, yet the child of God who believes in the Scriptures need have no misgivings in respect to Palestine and the future of the Jews. The title deeds to the land of Palestine are recorded in God's Word, Genesis 13:15; 17:8; 15:18. It is to be noted that the land was given by God to the Children of Israel 'for ever,' and 'for an everlasting possession.' Furthermore, the dimensions of the land are 'From the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.' It may be that by purchase and by Government policy a Jewish State of very small dimensions may be set up in Palestine, but we know that in God's own time the land that was promised to Abraham and his seed will eventually be settled by the chosen people."

## DESTROYERS REAP DESTRUCTION

A common sequel to a revolution is that later the leaders destroy each other. This happened after the French Revolution. It is happening today in Russia. At the time of writing twenty Soviet leaders are on trial on a charge of plotting to overthrow the government. Krylenko, the most bloody prosecutor the Soviet has known, has been deposed recently.

Thousands of years ago Israel's prophets declared that power based upon brutality and godlessness could not last. Jesus said, "All they that take the sword shall perish with the sword."

## THE FORGOTTEN PETITION

Paul has instructed us to pray for rulers. How often do we hear this petition in our assemblies?

The following taken from a letter received from a Christian brother in Canada (quoted in *Prophecy*), is worth pondering: "I note in certain Christian journals in your country a tendency to rant in very bitter terms against those in authority. Is it Scriptural and Christian to speak of a President in disrespectful terms, 'Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers' and 'pray for all in authority.' One may disagree with the policies of national leaders without descending to the world's level of abuse and disrespect."

## Others A Digest of Christian Thought

**DOUBLY ALARMING**—The world is becoming like a lunatic asylum, run by lunatics.—*David Lloyd George*.

**ACTION COUNTS**—If faith without works is dead, then conviction without action is worthless.—*Jay Hudson*.

**FORGIVENESS**—The church should be the society of the forgiven and the forgiving.—*William Gear Spencer*.

**CHRIST WAS NOT A COMMUNIST**—Christ did not teach that wealth was badly distributed, but that it was overvalued. He called the rich man not a knave, but a fool.—*Dean W. R. Inge*.

**THE RISING GENERATION**—The newspaper, radio, and moving pictures now exert a greater influence on children than the home, church, and school.—*Dr. J. E. Anderson, University of Minnesota*.

**"WET" PAVEMENTS**—Approximately one third of all persons involved in traffic accidents and taken to the hospital are definitely drunk, and another third have been drinking.—*Dr. K. G. Kohlstaedt, Asst. Supt., Indianapolis City Hospital*.

## ROME AND THE BIBLE

Rome has never been in favor of the open Bible, despite her claim to being its defender. According to *Evangelical Christian*, in Roman Catholic Quebec there is a certain "Padlock law," and this has been invoked to prohibit the circulation of the Bible. "Sales of Bibles Banned by Quebec Police," was one newspaper headline.

Rome stands for blind submission to authority; the Scriptures are the basis of freedom and democracy. Rome never changes, and therefore stops, when she can, the distribution of the Scriptures.

## TRUCE BREAKERS

Mussolini's government signed the declaration of the League of Nations which involved assistance of small nations unwarrantably attacked by another aggressor nation. But, observes *Evangelical Christian*:

"This man has written the introduction to General De Bono's book in which he brazenly declares that he had planned the Ethiopian war long before the nations had any serious thought of such an issue, and that he, Mussolini, had given De Bono the exact date on which the Italian armies were to be prepared to cross the border and to fight for the conquest of the land.

"The whole international situation moves measurably nearer the day when 'the mystery of lawlessness' will dominate the world: much nearer the day when rejecting the 'love of truth' the world shall believe a lie. But we still look up hopefully for the future day, 'the day of the Lord,' when earth's rightful Ruler shall come and sit on the throne of power, and usher in everlasting righteousness."

**THE GOSPEL AND POLITICS**—The gospel is concerned primarily with spiritual redemption, not with social reform, and those who draw from it any special political creed do violence to its majesty.—*Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor General of Canada*.

**MOST IMPORTANT**—A definite Christian faith is the only really important thing in life. From a strictly practical point of view it is more important than any professional or scientific research.—*Dr. Howard A. Kelly, world-famous authority in science and medicine*.

**BAD NERVES**—A great cause of disordered nerves is doing God's work with one's own energy, and employing intellectuality instead of spirituality. By thus draining our own scanty resources we soon fall a prey to nerves in disorder.—*Dr. A. T. Schofield of New Zealand*.

**THE TREES OF THE LORD**—The Jewish race is immortal; its history displays the strength of the oak, the fragrance of the fir, the longevity of the cedar, the tragedy of the willow, the fruitfulness of the mulberry, and so one might go on through the palm and the other trees of the forest.—*Prof. Samuel M. Zwemer*.

# A Daily Vacation Bible School

Jane Collins writes from Peru, "Enclosed is a picture of our first Daily Vacation Bible School in this part of Peru, which we conducted in a new place—Casma. We first went there several months ago for street meetings with the result that the officials and the people in general were desirous of having an established work there and a school. We returned in January and held evangelistic services at night and children's meetings in the morning.

"One morning while school was going on two of the missionaries took some white-wash and some stove black and went out and painted some very attractive signs along the highway on the culverts. Several have already been made to think by reading them. Please pray that God will use these signs on the rocks to speak to hearts for His glory."

### Who Will Help?

Miss Collins expresses a need for old picture rolls that she can use in her children's work. We are sure that our sister would be very grateful if some Sunday School or department would send her one when they are through with it. Wrap it well and address it to Miss Jane Collins, Chimbote, Peru, South America.

### A SIDE LIGHT ON NEW MISSIONARIES

Occasionally our attention is called to the fact that a missionary's work consists not only of preaching the gospel, but also varied incidentals which are necessary to make his ministry effective. Especially is this true of new missionaries. When they arrive in the land of their calling their first undertaking is that of mastering a strange and difficult language, and learning to know the people—a task many times bringing forth humorous as well as humiliating incidents.

From Mr. and Mrs. A. Walker Hall comes the following:

"The entire last week has been one of examination for us, as we were due to exhibit our one year's learning. In a final examination such as this the examiners are not our regular teachers, but strange Chinese and a foreign examiner. You would not be surprised at the rigidity of these examinations if you could realize how one's speaking can be ruined by the wrong inflection of the voice. You can hardly imagine the many traps set for one's trembling voice as he comes before the examiner. How very easy it is to 'eat' a friend when one meant merely to say that he 'knows' him, or how apt one is to 'bathe' a mountain instead of himself, or to confuse his 'wife' with 'firewood.' How he may amuse his teacher by offering him a 'sweet potato' when he is politely handing him a book! Many a missionary has lost face and confidence on being told that he was praying earnestly to a 'pair of trousers' instead of to a 'heavenly Father,' or that upon dismissing his congregation he had advised them to 'go back to the evil spirits' instead of returning to their homes! Unless one's ears are trained to detect the tones, he would never be conscious of any of these disastrous statements. Since the language is made up entirely of such precarious tones, you may get an idea of the strain put on the novice not only as he appears before an examiner, but also as he first ventures out into a preaching ministry."



Witnessing along the way. Availing themselves of every opportunity, Miss Collins and Miss Jeter sing the gospel message when the train stops at a station.

groups of eager listeners. Pray that the Word which has been sown among them may bring forth fruit. Pray, too, for this native worker, as he was picked up a few days after returning and drafted into the Peruvian army for three years. God is able to make him a shining light in the army. Some of the brethren have gone back to the places of their birth to witness to their relatives. This is one way of opening up new places to the gospel.—LeRoy Williams.

### Belgian Congo

During the regular monthly fellowship meeting, when the teachers gather in from the outstations, God met us in a very precious way, baptizing in the Holy Spirit the wife of one of the evangelists and pouring out afresh on others.—Nellie F. Meloon.

### South China

We are getting ready for our second year's final examinations in Chinese. We have studied Mark and Acts in Chinese and now we are taking up the Gospel of John. On Fridays we preach short messages in the native language. It will be only a few weeks now until we will be through with this foundation study, although we shall need to continue learning more of the language through the years, as the Chinese people do not respect a missionary who does not bother to learn their tongue well.—Glenn Dunn.

### Brazil

In the providence of the Lord it now falls to our lot to take over the responsibility of the work in Lorena, Sao Paulo, a new and growing work with four outposts, each with a nucleus of new converts. Please pray for us as we face our new responsibilities that God may add many new names to the list of the ransomed ones.—F. J. Stalter.

### French West Africa

One has received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit this month here at Ouagadougou and three have asked pardon for sin at one of the outstations.—A. E. Wilson.

### Tibetan Border

Since returning to our station and getting settled once more we have been busy with the general routine and witnessing to the people. Preaching at the market and distributing tracts and explaining the message is a great joy to us. Some who thus hear the good news in the market place come later to our station to hear more of the



Gay D. V. B. S. caps even in South America! This is the first Daily Vacation Bible School to be held in this new place, Casma, Peru. Jane Collins, missionary, standing in rear.

### BRIEF NOTES FROM FAR AND NEAR

#### Peru

We praise God for His blessing upon the work here in Callao. Souls have been saved, bodies healed, and backsliders have been reclaimed. Our native worker has just returned from an evangelistic trip, giving out the gospel in the towns and villages up the coast and in the interior. He found many



way of salvation and of the soon return of our Savior. We also have Sunday School for the Chinese and Tibetan children. In all our activities the Lord has been blessing and some have accepted Him.—James Vigna.

**Fiji Islands**

The past year has been brimful of opportunities—not a door has been closed to us. It has been a year brimful of blessings—most encouraging things have happened.

There are many unevangelized places in these islands but we have no one to leave with the work here while we go out in evangelistic work. We need more hands to deal out the Bread of life, more feet to go to different places, and more time to go everywhere. We need, beside our part-time helpers, a full-time worker to assist us. Please pray that we may be able to find the right one and that his support may be provided. We have recently opened another place and started a Sunday School there with thirty children.—Lawrence Borst

**South China**

Notwithstanding war conditions the Christians here in Hong Kong are much encouraged for the coming year. Last year proved to be a very successful one. The Sunday School especially has flourished, and attendance has increased so that instead of eight teachers we now have eleven. These are all meeting in one comparatively small room. We surely need to find a better meeting place.—H. A. Park.

**Tibetan Border**

A letter from Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Plymire brings the happy assurance that they are safe and happy in the work, although danger has been uncomfortably near at times. They mention the awful conditions of the people and their suffering and privation. Our brother and sister are doing what they can to provide clothing and other necessities for their Christians during the cold winter months. It is not at all certain that their mail has all been going through, but they have been receiving funds which we deposit for them in a certain bank in China. They ask that their friends remember them in prayer in these difficult times.

**North India**

Because of the ill health of our Brother Boyce who has been caring for the work in Calcutta, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Barrick have been assigned to take charge there for a while. Their address is 15 Beniapur Road, Entally, Calcutta, India.

**HE THAT RULETH HIS SPIRIT**

This past rainy season one of the Christian young men had his field next to some other townspeople and when the grain was up the locusts came. The other people joined in driving the locusts out of their fields but much to his sorrow they lighted in his field and he being alone could not drive them out, so his grain was destroyed.

At heart he was very angry. He meant to give them a piece of his mind for doing such a thing and not helping him; then, remembering his Lord, he held his tongue and replanted his field. The One who never forgets blessed the field so that in the end he had a better crop than the surrounding fields and some folks came to him and

wanted him to give them some of the "medicine" that had made his crop grow. He then testified that he had none—it was the Lord Jesus Christ who had blessed him and his field.—John Hall, W. Africa.

**LITTLE ONE CALLED HOME**

We regret deeply to have to pass on to our readers the sad news just received by us—the death of little Paul Weidman Jr., the older son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Weidman. Brother and Sister Weidman with their two little boys went to Africa a little more than a year ago, and from all reports have spent a happy and successful year in missionary service in Mossi Land. They have all enjoyed good health during this time until little Paul, nearly seven years of age, became suddenly ill February 5 and passed away in the early morning of the 8th. Blackwater fever was named as the cause. The Lord is graciously comforting



**Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Weidman, Paul Jr., and Johnny.**

our Brother and Sister Weidman and encouraging them to press on in their work for souls in Mossi Land, knowing that He has called them and that He doeth all things well. Mrs. Weidman writes:

"Saturday afternoon he lay in his bed and sang with all his heart (in the More language) 'There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus.' Then he preached, as he so often did, saying, 'Do not follow Satan's road but follow God's road, for it alone leads to heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.' In a short time extreme pain started. How we did call unto God for deliverance; yet He gave us grace to say, 'Not my will but Thine be done.' What a ray of sunshine he has been in our home! Only God can fill the vacancy. In times like this we are made to know that our Redeemer liveth!"

**THE WORLD IS SMALL AFTER ALL**

Last Thursday at our testimony meeting one of the new students arose and said that he had been converted from Hinduism. That struck a chord of deep joy in my heart, but when he continued by saying "I was converted in South Africa," I turned around to look at him. In amazement I listened to the rest of his story. Both of his grandparents had gone to South Africa

to work as coolies in the mines. Here his own parents were born and he also was born in South Africa. Since then all returned to India—their country which neither the parents nor the boy had ever seen. It was while there that a missionary gave him a tract and spoke to his heart, causing the Light of Life to come into his soul. He is now with us in Bible school preparing for the ministry. Surely God's ways are past finding out.—John Johnson, North India.

**A GOOD FIGHT FINISHED**

Word has been received from South China that another faithful warrior has laid down the armor, and gone on to glory to receive the Christian soldier's reward. We speak of Mattie Ledbetter who passed away on or about March 2 in Hong Kong at the age of sixty-seven. The cause of her death was pronounced dysentery.

Our Sister Ledbetter has had a long life of service on the mission field, having been ordained as a missionary to South China by the General Council in 1911. China had become home to her; she was much loved by the Chinese people and she loved them dearly. Shortly after the death of her brother, J. Wade Ledbetter, in California, our sister made arrangements to return alone to China although her furlough had only begun. She will be greatly missed by the missionaries and the Chinese Christians, but we know that with the Lord she is far happier.

Since returning to China Miss Ledbetter had not been permitted to go interior to her station, but the native Christians were carrying on the work under her direction while she remained in Hong Kong. While we know that these people will miss her leadership and guidance, we trust God to bless the work and prosper it and bring forth a harvest of souls from the seed sown by our faithful Sister Ledbetter.

**CAN YOU IMAGINE IT?**

**Notes from the Assiout Orphanage**

Seven hundred children given Christian care in the orphanage. Two thousand one hundred meals served each day. Supplies used last year include:

- Wheat, 3,465 bushels
- Beans, 315 bushels
- Onions, 360 bushels
- Soap, 14,000 pounds
- Spent for cloth during the year, \$3,158.52
- One meal of tomatoes and cabbage takes 150 pounds of tomatoes and 100 cabbages.

It would cost \$280.00 to give each child only a ten-cent comb, a five-cent cake of soap and a twenty-five-cent towel.

Have you read "A Work of Faith and Labor of Love," the story of this wonderful orphanage carried on by Lillian Trasher in Egypt on a faith basis? Send ten cents for this interesting, illustrated booklet to the Foreign Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.

**WELCOME!**

Welcome into our missionary family, little Edna Isobel Baltau. Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Baltau, missionaries now home on furlough from North China, announce the birth of a little daughter, December 29.

# The Sunday School Lesson

## Jesus Baptized at Jordan

Lesson for April 3. Lesson Text: Mark, Chapter 1

"The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God."—v. 1. There are not four "gospels," the word "gospel" means "good-news." There is only one gospel, narrated by four different inspired authors, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Someone has put it, "Christ did not come to preach the gospel but that there might be a gospel to preach." However the works of the gospel writers have become known as "Gospels."

The four gospel writers wrote for four different classes of people, to present four different aspects of what Christ came to accomplish. In Rev. 4:7 we have a description of the four cherubim, or "living creatures" (see Rev. Ver.), who surround the throne of God. They may well be likened unto the four gospel aspects. "The first living creature was like a lion," the Lion of the tribe of Judah. This emphasizes the "kingliness" of Christ, and was the motive of Matthew's gospel writing. He showed that Christ was the Son of Abraham, the royal Heir to the divine Dynasty—the King of the Jews.

*The Servant.* "And the second creature was like a calf (or ox)." The ox was the symbol of service—man's companion in servitude. Thus the key verse of Mark is the utterance of Jesus, "For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister (to serve), and to give his life a ransom for many." Mark wrote his Gospel, in Rome from first hand information from Peter for the busy Romans, whose great motto was "service." Notice the abrupt beginning of Mark's Gospel. He launches right into action with no long introduction (a good pointer for preachers), he gets right into the pith of the matter.

Count how often he uses the words "Immediately," "straightway," "forthwith," in connection with Christ's ministry. This would appeal to the Roman characteristic of direct and immediate action.

*The third creature had a face as of a man.* Luke wrote his Gospel for the Greeks. While not neglecting the deity of Christ, he brings out beautifully the perfect humanity of "the Son of man." The human kindness, compassion and sympathy of Christ therefore are emphasized in Luke's account. There are more quotations from the book of Luke engraved on the buildings of hospitals, asylums and other institutions of mercy which minister to the suffering "sons of men," than from all the other Gospels put together. The key verse may well be Scofield's selection. "The Son of man, is come to seek and to save that

which was lost." Luke 19:10. Notice the difference in this connection, between the genealogies of Luke and Matthew, when they trace Christ's antecedents. Matthew only goes back to Abraham, Matt. 1:1. He wants to prove Christ the royal Heir and Son of David. But Luke goes back to the first of our human race, Adam, the father of us all (Luke 3:38); for he desires to show how Christ is related, not merely to the Jew, or the Roman but, as Son of man, to the whole human race.

*"The fourth creature was like a flying eagle."* The eagle is the bird of the heavens. Thus in John's Gospel he demonstrates

Saviour, Jesus Christ, perfect Man, and divine Son of God.

*John the Baptist's preparatory ministry*—vv. 2-4. He was a "voice" crying in a wilderness, a wilderness of political, cultural, and religious confusion. Read F. B. Meyer's writing about the ministry of John the Baptist. Nothing finer has ever been written about the cousin of Christ, of whom the Lord said, "among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist." Luke 7:38. This is high praise indeed but John deserved it. He was "a burning and shining light." When the sun rises, all planets and lesser stars lose their brilliance. Because of the brightness of the sun they fade into oblivion. But though John, ministered just before the rise of the Sun of righteousness, and while He shed His beams abroad over Palestine, John's brilliant, anointed ministry, was still "a burning and shining light." Even the superior, divine brightness of the glory of Christ did not entirely dim it!

*John's diet*—v. 6. "He did eat locusts (grasshoppers) and wild honey." Recently the writer read a medical article which declared that the most necessary vitamin needed to sustain human life is found abundantly in grasshoppers! Medical science has just discovered this. John the Baptist knew it 1900 years ago—and then learned ignoramuses say the Bible is behind the times!

*"And wild honey."* A honey producer in Florida has told the writer that natural honey contains the two finest foods essential to growth and well being—"lactose" and "dextrose." This past week a Christian friend informed us, that she had been suffering for years with a disarranged (sour) stomach. A physician finally prescribed liberal quantities of honey. She feasted daily on the rich, golden fluid, and she positively declares that it healed her internal trouble. Now this is not a newspaper health column, but the Bible is not only a spiritual book, it is an immensely practical book, and the foregoing is just an example of this fact. And true it is that many of the saints would be less *sour* spiritually, if they fed more


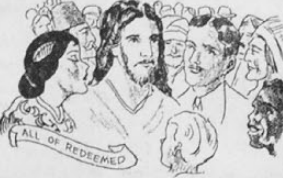
on the Word of God which is called "sweeter also than honey and the honey comb." Psalm 19:10.

*Christ's baptism*—v. 9. What an example of the lowliness and humility of the exalted Son of God. He was immersed publicly in Jordan's waters. What a reproof to those who, claiming to be followers of the lowly Christ, are too proud to be baptized. They need to recall our Lord's words, "Suffer it to be so now, for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness." Christian, do you want a conscience void of offence toward God? Then you should be baptized, for baptism, says Peter, "is the answer of a good conscience toward God." 1 Peter 3:21.

*The manifestation of the Trinity*—vv. 10, 11. Folk who refuse baptism are apt to miss a glorious experience of the presence of the


### THE THREE BAPTISMS

BAPTISM INTO THE BODY OF CHRIST  
I CORINTHIANS 12:13

<p><b>SUBJECT</b> Believers</p> 	<p><b>AGENT</b> Holy Spirit</p> 	<p><b>ELEMENT</b> Body of Christ</p> 
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**WATER BAPTISM**  
ROMANS 6: 3-4

<p><b>SUBJECT</b> Believer</p> 	<p><b>AGENT</b> Minister</p> 	<p><b>ELEMENT</b> Water</p> 
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**BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT**  
ACTS 2:4

<p><b>SUBJECT</b> Believer</p> 	<p><b>AGENT</b> Jesus</p> 	<p><b>ELEMENT</b> Holy Spirit</p> 
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that he is not primarily concerned with proving that Christ was the Son of Abraham, or the Servant of service, or the Son of man, but rather that He was indeed the Son of God who came down from heaven. Take his summary in 20:31. "These are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing ye might have life through his name." Praise the Lord! Matthew wrote for the unbelieving Jew; Mark wrote tersely, forcefully, vividly, for the busy, active Roman; Luke, himself a Greek, wrote for the scholarly Greeks, interested in human perfection; while John wrote for all Christians, regardless of race or country, to show Christ as God of very God. The Gospels thus are four portraits, four oil paintings, painted with the "oil" of the Spirit's inspiration, of the one Person, our glorious Lord and



trium God. We have been at baptismal services, where the presence of the Son, the power of the Spirit and the glory of the Father were in manifest evidence. In thinking of the Trinity, the writer is often reminded of the triumphant home going, of one of our early Pentecostal missionaries and ministers, dear Brother Edgar Personcus, who went to be with Christ, while teaching at Bethel Bible School in Newark, N. J. As he lay upon his deathbed, with his faithful wife and beloved little mother beside him, the Spirit of the Lord fell upon all of them and lingered in the room long after our Brother had entered paradise. God gave him a glimpse of the opened heavens just before his departure, even as He did Stephen (Acts 7:55-56), and Brother Personcus cried out to his mother and wife. "I see God the Father, and the Son, and I also see the Holy Spirit. Be sure to tell the students at Bible school that the Holy Spirit is a Person, for I see Him." With this glorious vision of the triune God, and the land afar off, this soldier of the Cross fell asleep, "Safe in the arms of Jesus." Need we say more?—Harry Steil.

#### NORTH CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE

North Central Bible Institute has had a very wonderful school year since moving into new quarters. We are well pleased with our new building which was formerly the Asbury Hospital in Minneapolis. Although it is five stories high and almost one block long, we have been able to occupy every part of the building with some department working for the Lord. Our enrollment this year has been about 300 students. We are glad to say that a goodly number of them with limited resources have been able to find part-time employment which has made it possible for them to attend school. Our situation in the heart of Minneapolis in this way is especially advantageous to students with limited means.

We have recently had as special speakers, Dr. Lilian B. Yeomans and Pastor Arthur Berg. While Dr. Yeomans was with us, a very gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit began in the student body which did not end until 40 students had been baptized in the Holy Spirit in one week. Dr. Yeomans' lectures on Divine Healing were a great inspiration to our students. Brother Berg also visited the school and lectured on Foreign Missions. Quite a number of students feel called of God to the Foreign Fields.

A new Commercial Department is expected to be added to the school, in which shorthand, typewriting, and bookkeeping will be taught. Quite a number of Bible students never expect to spend their full time in the ministry and these additional studies will equip them for religious work other than preaching.

We expect to complete the present school year about the 15th of May when about 60 seniors will graduate. Inquiries in regard to attending North Central Bible Institute may be addressed to the School at 900 Elliot Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn.—F. J. Lindquist.

M. C. Fitzgerald, of Salmon, Idaho, writes: "I am very pleased with S. S. literature. An outstanding need in Full Gospel circles is the need of a more thorough knowledge of the Epistles. The Adult Teacher's Quarterly is the finest of its kind in print today."

## At Central Bible Institute

### PREPARED VESSELS

Johanna Christiansen

To be "a vessel meet for the Master's use" is the privilege and calling of every child of God. We are saved to serve, and God desires that we render effective service. The Father prepared a body for the Lord Jesus Christ, that our redemption might be accomplished. He wants to prepare our young people for special service in these days. Even as Jesus took His disciples apart in the days of His earthly ministry, so He is calling young people apart in these days, to fit them for service.

Central Bible Institute will have its largest graduating class this year, when 114 splendid young men and women will have completed three years of study and training in the Institute. Twenty-nine States are represented, two students are from India and five are of Canadian birth. One young man came his first year with the definite intention of attending but one year, but at its close felt so keenly the need for further study and preparation, that he returned, and God has very wonderfully provided all his needs. He graduates this year, and has been chosen as class speaker for the young men. Several of our friends on the field have been used of God in supplying his financial needs. The school administration greatly appreciates this splendid interest and co-operation which makes it possible for many worthy young people to attend Central Bible Institute who otherwise could not do so.

Already we are receiving applications for

the fall term. Over 150 catalogs have been mailed since January first. The Lord is calling young men and women to enlist in His service. In Eccles. 9:14, 15 we read these striking words, "There was a little city and few men within it; and there came a great king against it and besieged it, and built great bulwarks against it. Now there was found in the city a poor wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city." The conflict of the ages is upon us. Satan is arraying all his forces against the kingdom of God and building bulwarks of doubt, atheism, and infidelity against it. But God will triumph—not by carnal weapons, but by His Spirit, and He deigns to use human instruments, chosen vessels. Let us urge our young people for service in the great war against the world, the flesh, and the devil. Jesus tells us we should be wise as serpents, and harmless as doves, and He counsels us to seek His wisdom. Many are saying, "Here am I, Lord, send me." Will you be among that number?

This is the testimony of one of our senior girls: "Words cannot express my gratitude to God for sending me to Central Bible Institute. One thing I am thankful for above all else is that I have learned the beautiful secret of depending entirely upon the Lord Jesus for all things."

Will you not remember to pray for the young people who assemble here from year to year, that God will indeed prepare them for His service?

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## Questions and Answers

*Will the millennium be in heaven or on earth?*

The thousand years, spoken of as the Millennium, will be on earth. Jerusalem will then be the capital of the world (Jer. 3:17) and the religious center, to which all nations will send representatives from year to year to worship. Zech. 14:16-21.

*If the seal mentioned in Eph. 1:13 is the Holy Spirit, what is the seal mentioned in Rev. 7:3 and 9:4?*

The seal is a sign of ownership. It may also be a mark of protection. Ezek. 9:4. The 144,000 sealed in Revelation 7 are Israelites, probably the same 144,000 seen in Revelation 14. In this last chapter it is indicated that the seal is "the Father's name written in their forehead." It is my opinion that this is figurative language signifying that they are redeemed children of God, rather than that there is some outward seal, or mark. It may be they will receive a spiritual experience similar to that referred to in Eph. 1:13.

*It is stated in Ex. 24:10, 11 that the seventy elders saw God. John 1:18 says no man hath seen God. Will you please explain.*

The word for "seen" in John 1:18 is *horao*, meaning "to see, to discern, to take heed." While the seventy elders beheld the glory of God, they did not "discern" the depth of His character and the wonders of His person as they really are. Jesus did, and when He came to earth He "declared" Him, or "told Him out." The following comment may be helpful. "Moses and others heard His voice and saw the cloud and the fire, symbols of His presence; but such a manifestation of God as now took place in the person of Christ had never before been exhibited to the world."—E. S. W.

DYERSBURG, TENN.—Seventeen months ago we took over the pastorate here, found only a few saints, had 50 in Sunday School. We began praying and trusting God, and God began moving for His glory. The McKeel Brothers have assisted in some brief evangelistic work here. We praise God for these young men. Our Sunday School attendance has reached the peak of 140. In our regular service Sunday evening, having reached the climax of the sermon the Holy Spirit sent a message in other tongues, with interpretation, by which everyone seemed to be moved. A man and his wife and another man came rushing to the altar and there found Christ.—R. H. Delancey, Pastor.

## In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

CHESTER, OKLA.—We just closed a meeting with E. C. Tobey in charge. Forty-seven were saved and 24 filled with the Holy Ghost. The country was stirred—E. F. Pierce.

DIERKS, ARK.—We had an old-time Holy Ghost revival here, in which 31 were saved and 16 were filled with the Holy Ghost. E. C. Baker is the pastor. God is blessing in the Dierks assembly.—W. L. Brown, Evangelist.

(Near) PRESCOTT, ARK.—We have just closed a 2 weeks' revival at the Pincy-Grove Assembly. Bad weather hindered in the last week of the campaign, but during the first week 9 were saved and one was filled with the Holy Ghost.—W. L. Brown, Evangelist.

MENA, ARK.—Evangelist R. M. Oldham, Kiowa, Okla., just closed a successful revival here. At least 10 wept their way through to Calvary. The church was stirred by the inspirational and uplifting messages of the evangelist. Melvin Carter is our pastor.—Mrs. Joyce Groomer, S. S. Secretary.

HAVANA, ARK.—On January 16, my wife and I closed a 2 weeks' revival here, where E. A. Justus is pastor. Thirty-three were saved, and 31 were filled with the Holy Ghost. God is blessing Brother and Sister Justus in their work.—W. L. Brown, Evangelist, Box 310, Russellville, Ark.

CARLSBAD, CALIF.—We have just closed a 4 weeks' revival, Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter, Evangelists. Their splendid singing and old-time gospel preaching proved a great blessing to all. A number were saved or reclaimed, and one was filled with the Spirit. One Catholic woman was gloriously saved and her husband was reclaimed.—A. L. Casey, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—We report with joy the goodness of the Lord during our special meetings just concluded at Calvary Tabernacle. A goodly number sought the Lord for salvation and a wave of Pentecostal power swept a number through to the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Among these were some who had previously had aversion to the wonderful Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The results of the meetings must be attributed to several factors. For 7 weeks and for 5 days each week prayer meetings were held which brought clouds of latter rain. A cloud of glory seemed to hover over the services. As after a storm on the sea there is an undertow that pulls one in, so here it seemed there was a real drawing toward the Lord. God blessed our evangelist, Clarence H. Jenson, with forceful messages which were anointed of the Lord, clear and pungent, bringing conviction to saint and sinner. Brother Jenson was assisted by our Pastor, Robert Ashcroft. We are happy to report continued blessing upon the work. For the past months God has blessed in saving souls and baptizing believers. Our Sunday School has more than doubled in a few months.—Frank Mager, Secretary.

DENVER, COLO.—The Pentecostal Tabernacle at 22nd and California Streets has just closed a very successful revival conducted by Evangelist Grover C. Warterfield. Pentecostal blessings were showered upon us in a wonderful way. People were saved, baptized, and healed. The church has been greatly blessed by the able ministry of Brother Warterfield.—D. L. Cooper.

MILFORD, TEXAS—February 20 we closed a revival, J. M. Medley, of Dallas, Evangelist. The blessings of the Lord were upon every service. A number were saved, 3 received the Holy Ghost Baptism, and some were reclaimed. The Lord is wonderfully blessing our Sunday School and C. A. class, and the saints are being strengthened and encouraged to press onward and upward.—Eva Walker.

### A QUESTION

Do you live in a community where there is no Pentecostal church? Would you like to see a Full Gospel work established there? Would you like to have a worker or workers come in to seek to establish a testimony for God in your town? If so, will you write to us, and give us as many facts as you can about your community.

Fred Vogler,  
Home Missions Department,  
336 W. Pacific St.,  
Springfield, Mo.

AMARILLO, TEXAS—We praise the Lord for a very successful revival, Evangelist and Mrs. James E. Hamill, Big Stone Gap, Virginia, in charge. The Lord blessed in every service. A goodly number were saved and received the Baptism. Altar services lasted until two or three o'clock in the morning, and one until six o'clock, just like old-time Pentecost.—E. R. Foster, Pastor.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—The Gospel Tabernacle is praising God for His continued blessing in our midst. During the year of 1937 we were able to give to World Missions about \$4,600. A large number of souls were saved and also filled with the Holy Spirit during the past year. The work continues to have a steady growth, and the church has been able to be of great assistance in establishing the North Central Bible Institute in its new home.

Since the first of the year we have had a fine evangelistic campaign conducted by Pastor Wallace Ross, of Brainerd. Quite a number were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Dr. Lilian B. Yeomans also has held special meetings in our church. During these meetings many of the sick were prayed for and testified to God's healing power.

Evangelists Carl and Edna Goodwin are expected to begin a campaign with us March 20.—F. J. Lindquist, Pastor.

McCAMEY, TEXAS—The church called me here as pastor five months ago, and the Lord has gloriously blessed our brief stay. We have had the privilege of seeing several saved and baptized. There has been a beautiful and steady growth, both spiritually and numerically. The first Sunday there were 39 in Sunday School, compared with 73 on our last Sunday. A new room has been added to the parsonage, and provisions made for added Sunday School room, all paid for.

We have just closed a 2 weeks' revival with my father, H. B. Holdridge, as the evangelist. Much helpful and lasting good was accomplished. The revival was concluded with a sectional fellowship meeting of the Pecos Section. Ten churches were represented and a glorious day of fellowship was enjoyed. District Superintendent A. C. Bates spoke morning, afternoon, and evening.—H. Paul Holdridge, Pastor.

SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIF.—The Lord has been blessing the Full Gospel church here in a wonderful way. We have a true spirit of revival. In the last few weeks, the Lord has been filling believers with the Holy Spirit, especially the children. Our Young People's Society is well attended and new members are coming in all the time. Most of our young people are filled with the Holy Spirit. Those who are not, are seeking to be filled. Brother and Sister A. E. Gunter have certainly served faithfully, and they have been a blessing to all they have come in contact with. Our brother has been especially blessed in preaching on the Spirit-filled life and the prophetic side of the Bible. Our Sister has a ministry in song and in praying with those tarrying for the Holy Spirit. We thank God for these two workers. The church as a whole has a true spirit of love and fellowship which is an asset in the salvation of souls, and our services are well attended.—Mrs. Roy Kreps, President, Young People's Society.

DECATUR, ILL.—January 30 marked the close of a very successful revival; in fact, one of the most successful that the Decatur assembly has had for a number of years. Following several months of prayer, we were guided by the Holy Spirit in selecting and securing Clyde C. Goree and Mrs. Goree, Amarillo, Texas, as our evangelists. We also had in this ministry as helpers, Evangelists Mrs. G. W. Dewlen and Miss Merle Matheny, Indianapolis, Ind., who added much to the services by their singing. In spite of inclement weather people were faithful in their attendance, and God rained down showers of blessing on all the services. It has been a long time since we have seen such conviction. The very fingers of God seemed to grip the hearts of the unsaved. This happened not one night but many. About 35 were saved or reclaimed. After the meeting the last Sunday night, we had a baptismal service at the Third U. B. church.

Something very unusual happened during this revival. It was our pleasure to have Rabbi Adolph J. Feinberg of Temple B'nai Abraham, of this city, in one service. He came to the platform and gave an interesting, short talk, and furthermore promised to speak at a union service which we are having in our church March 17.—B. R. Minton, Pastor.



NEWCASTLE, WYO.—We have just closed a 2 weeks' revival, Evangelist G. C. Warterfield in charge. God's blessing rested upon the service from the beginning. Ten were saved, and 5 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The Sunday School attendance reached a high mark the second Sunday of the meeting. The church was strengthened by the chart study given every night for 45 minutes by Brother Warterfield.—Pastor and Mrs. J. T. Schaffer.

GRIDLEY, CALIF.—The Lord blessed us with a precious revival in which 18 knelt at the altar for salvation, 16 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit according to the Bible pattern, and a goodly number were re-filled. Most all were young people and children. We also had some remarkable cases of Divine Healing. L. A. Dodson was the Evangelist who faithfully and prayerfully ministered the Word to us. Sister Dodson led the song service.—Martin R. Brunswick, Pastor.

#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT COUNCIL

We just closed our Twenty-first Convention, which was larger and more spiritual than any heretofore. We were privileged to have present several visitors from different States. The work of the Lord has grown very much in the past year. Many new churches have been started, as well as built. F. C. Woodworth was re-elected District Superintendent. O. L. Mabry was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer. C. F. Ferguson, J. E. Austell, R. A. McClure, P. V. Jones, and S. E. Williams were elected Presbyters. Guy Heath was elected President of the Young People.—O. L. Mabry, Secretary.

LONGVIEW, TEXAS—We have just closed a successful 3½ weeks' revival conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. George Harrison and daughter Coeth. A goodly number were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. Many nights there was no preaching, as the power of God was manifested in a gracious way, and the altar call was made with a great number responding. The church was wonderfully revived. We came here the last of October, 1937. Since then the Sunday School attendance has grown from 30 to 121, and God has made it possible to meet all the bills of the church, including the notes.—S. A. Rice, Pastor.

RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.—We praise the Lord for the way He is blessing in our midst. We have again started services at the Stone Church, better known as Liberty Hill. For years this church stood vacant. The building went down. Everything looked very discouraging. God began to move upon a few to pray. Brother Parker came our way for a revival. Souls were saved and the saints were gathered together again. Brother Parker was called to be our pastor and God is wonderfully blessing his work. We have organized a Sunday School with 30 members. We also have a C. A. class with Mary Nell Barton as president. Our revival will begin March 5. We have called Tom Bentley as evangelist. Souls are being saved in our regular services. A young Catholic man was wonderfully saved. Wonderful messages in

tongues and interpretation were given, encouraging the saints to go on and believe for greater things.—Mrs. T. B. Vann, Secretary.

MOSSYROCK, WASH.—We have just closed a 7 weeks' revival conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. D. E. Gribling, Bend, Oregon. The blessing of the Lord was in our midst and, as the Word went forth under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, men and women began to repent. No record was kept of the exact number saved or reclaimed, but it was well over 30. A few received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Twenty-five were baptized in water, and 13 new members were added to the church. The Sunday School attendance is the highest in years. The entire church was strengthened and edified.—Omer Bailey, Pastor.

#### SPECIAL NOTICE TO EVANGEL BUNDLE ROLL SUBSCRIBERS

In order to avoid confusion and misunderstanding in our business office regarding accounts, we ask that when a change is made in the one ordering the Evangel in bundle rolls during the quarter or year, that our office be informed of such change. This can be done when placing the first order by the new secretary, being sure to supply us with the name and address of the old secretary. Should remittance be sent to our office for these papers by any party other than the one in whose name the papers are being sent, please supply us with the name of the secretary who ordered papers. Kindly bear this in mind, as it will greatly help us in our business office.

SALEM, O.—Our second anniversary opened with a special service at which District Superintendent G. F. Lewis brought the message, and a number of assemblies were present and contributed to the program. It has been just two years since our present large quarters, with auditorium on the main floor and apartment above, were rented and the Assembly of God work started. All felt very grateful for what God had done. Evangelist B. E. Hillman, of Dunkirk, followed the anniversary service with 2½ weeks of special meetings. Large crowds came from night to night. Several were saved, and a number gave testimony to physical healing—two of heart trouble, one of dropsy, one of goiter, and a number of various ailments. On a Monday night the service was held in the Memorial auditorium, at which time it is estimated that 400 attended. Seven neighboring Pentecostal pastors were present, with a number of their people. Their spirit of cooperation was a great factor in the success of the meetings. A man and his wife wept their way through to Jesus the Sunday following the campaign, and are still true. A splendid young couple, who, after attending the Tabernacle once a year ago, turned it down and went to another church, returned during the revival and now are heart and soul for the Tabernacle.—Milton R. Searles, Pastor.

EL DORADO, KANSAS—God is visiting us with a real old-time revival in our regular services. Men and women who have never before shown any interest in the gospel are accepting Christ at almost every service. Our Sunday School attendance for the past three Sundays has been from 312 to 336. Eight months ago it averaged 125. I believe a revival is sweeping the Southland. Many of our churches are enjoying better crowds, more interest, and are having more healings and manifestations of God's power than ever before.—R. C. Jones.

LAVERNE, OKLA.—Last September we came here for a revival, the services being held in a cedar grove. At the close the former pastor resigned in our favor. Thirteen were saved during the meeting. September 5, we began working on our church. Six weeks later we held our first service inside, and three weeks later we had the parsonage ready to move into. After a recent revival with Brother Elders, Evangelist, we resigned, and Forest Murray was elected pastor. We are now open for revival or pastoral work. My wife does the preaching in revivals.—Lonnie C. Spradling, c/o W. L. Fortenberry, Box 712, Waynoka, Okla.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

On February 22, the teachers and officers of the various Sunday Schools of Central California met at Sacramento for a Sunday School convention. The first session opened in the morning with a large crowd to hear District Superintendent J. Paul Thommen and Pastor H. E. Alford, of Alameda, speak on "The Sunday School and the District" and, "Why a Sunday School?"

In the afternoon, while the general session was being held in the main auditorium, a special session was held for the Primary Department in another part of the church, under the leadership of Evangelist Bernice Mast who brought out many helpful plans for the teachers of the Primary Department.

The speakers at the main assembly were Sister Roxie Alford, of Alameda; Pastor L. R. Keys, of Fresno; and Evangelist Willard C. Peirce, who spoke on the subjects: "Sunday School Equipment," "Organization of the Sunday School," and "Building and Holding Sunday School Attendance," respectively.

The evening service was given over to Evangelist Peirce who was holding a revival meeting in Sacramento at the time, and he spoke on "Evangelism in the Sunday School."

There were large crowds throughout the day and good interest was shown. The Lord greatly blessed in this new undertaking to further the development of our Sunday Schools, and everyone went home with a greater zeal and enthusiasm to put forth more effort in getting the gospel to the children of our land.—Albert J. Lebeck, Sunday School Superintendent.

#### WITH THE LORD

Alfred O. Kuhn of Seattle, Wash., who was admitted into our fellowship in January, was suddenly stricken with pneumonia, and passed on to be with the Lord February 14, 1938. Our hearts are saddened because of the loss of our brother.—J. A. Bogue, District Secretary.

## NOT DEBARRED FROM OUR PRIESTLY SERVICE

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eousness—good works and good endeavors. Cast off such garments, friends.

Before they could officiate, the priests were anointed with a sweet-smelling, perfumed anointing oil that was especially compounded after the art of the apothecary. Four wondrous spices were mixed together with the anointing oil, and each priest was anointed. Everyone knew when there was a priest of Aaron's line about, because he always left behind a sweet savor. If we are really God's priests today we should always leave behind us a sweet savor of Christ. The people will always be glad to see us, so glad that they will say, "Come again, won't you?"

These priests of Aaron's line were expected to offer gifts and sacrifices to God for the people. "By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God"—every three months? No, we are to offer the sacrifice of praise to God *continually*. We are to *continually* have our hearts uplifted to Him, breathing out, "O Jesus, Thou art wonderful." Who are the true priests of God today? Those that offer to God the sacrifice of praise *continually*.

The priests burned incense. Zacharias, the father of John the Baptist, was a priest, and while he executed the priest's office before God, his lot was to burn incense. Luke 1:5-9. What is the spiritual meaning? Incense in the Scriptures usually means prayer, praise, worship, and adoration. The priests offered incense continually. So we should be constantly offering prayer to Him who bids us always to pray.

When a battle was impending it was a duty of the priests to go among the people and encourage them, saying, "Go on, fight a good fight, the victory will come." That is a good thing for us today. When one person loses heart it acts like smallpox—it spreads throughout all the ranks. But if you have one person who will say, "God is for us; stand true. Go on, fight on, don't let down," you will find there is a rallying around that man, for others catch his courage. It is our duty as spiritual priests to encourage one another in the Lord.

However there were certain physical defects which debarred the priests from entering into all the holy service for which they had been born. One of the saddest things to me today is to see people who have had a wondrous testimony but have taken some spiritual malady which has made them ineffective and cut them off from the Lord's service.

The New Testament when it speaks about overseers or bishops in the Church, is very careful to give the holy qualifications—how he must be blameless, and of good report. We are not to let down the standard to please anybody. If we do, God will move on to somebody else and use them. It appertaineth to those who tread God's holy courts to live holly; to those who would mount up to the holy hill of God to have clean hands and a pure heart. "Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings? He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil; he shall

dwell on high." Isa. 33:14-16. The blood of Jesus can make it possible for us to live in the flames of holiness, in the devouring fires of the Presence of God. God wants us to live in the flame. Our God is a consuming fire, a holy flame, and who can dwell in Him? The man that can meet these conditions, Isaiah says, can live there on high.

We have been born to live in the nearest place possible. "Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us . . . let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water." Heb. 10:19-22. Let us cut off everything that is not in agreement with dwelling in the secret place of the Most High, from hiding in the pavilion of our God.

Any priest with a blemish upon their body could not approach God. Lev. 21:17. Is there an application to us? Undoubtedly there are spots and blemishes which prevent the born again men and women from rising to all God has provided for them. One thing is the spot of worldliness. "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this . . . to keep himself *unspotted* from the world." James 1:27. There are many people who cannot pray as they used to. The reason? Spots and blemishes. Spots of worldliness. Worldly company has dulled the keen edge of their spiritual lives.

Some people have the blemish of bitterness. They come to meeting without having spoken to a certain person for six months. I knew a woman who had bitterness against another sister. She would pray, but her words hit the ceiling and bounced back. The Psalmist said, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord *will not hear me*." Psalm 66:18. When she testified it seemed as though she were forcing it. Never until she squared up with that other sister could she get through to victory. Who is going to let spots and blemishes keep us from the altars of God? Let us be fit to approach the altar of prayer, the altar of service, the altar of witness, the altar of praise. If there are spots upon us, let the Lord remove them at once. He would have us "without spot or blemish or any such thing."

We also read, "If he is blind." Verse 18. A few verses later it also speaks about a defect of the eye. What would be the use of a priest whose vision was affected? I have met people who have lost the vision for souls. They have lost the vision of the far-distant fields. How pathetic it is that those who have been born for the holiest things in the universe will allow their spiritual eyesight to be affected until, like the Laodicean Church, they are naked and blind! Rev. 3:17. But Jesus said to that Church, I have some eyesalve that can make you to see again. Rev. 3:18. Brother, sister, if you have lost your vision and can see only the things that are near, the things of earth, Jesus has a specially compounded eyesalve that will cure your sight completely.

We further read, "If he is lame." A lame man does not walk as he should. I know some who walk differently at home from the way they walk in Church. People who are born to these holy things should have a circumspect walk; they should walk worth-

ily before God. There should be nothing shady about the way they live and act, they should be above question in all their relationships. God's Word says, "Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees; and make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed." Heb. 12:12, 13. God can heal the folk who are spiritually lame, and they will once more be able to tread the sacred courts, minister in the Holy Place, and pray with zeal and fire.

The next part seems rather queer. "A flat nose." The word means that the nose is contracted so that the priest has no smell. Some people of God have lost their keen spiritual perception. I do not have to be in a meeting long before I can sense whether things are as they should be. We read of the Lord Jesus, "And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding . . . and shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord." Isa. 11:2, 3. Or, "shall make Him of a quick scent in the fear of the Lord." as the margin renders it. Does this not mean discernment, and spiritual perception? I know a man in the essential oils business, whose daily job is to smell the oils in the different bottles. He can tell what is their respective strength and knows the peculiar constituents of each oil. But if he has a cold he cannot do his work! I know some of the Lord's people, too, who have spiritual colds and have lost their keen sense of what is right and what is wrong. I believe the Holy Spirit has come to mature and make us able to discern between good and evil. "Them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil." Heb. 5:14. Are you affected spiritually in the nasal powers? If so, come and let our wonderful Jesus touch you. He can banish colds by His presence, and melt icebergs by His touch, turning the frigid zone into the torrid zone, and bringing the flame where the frost has been.

And "if he has anything superfluous." There are good men who have been used of God but who have made such a lot of one certain thing—something superfluous—that they have destroyed their usefulness for the Lord. **Priests are debarred from their holy privileges when they had "anything superfluous."**

In verse 19 we read, "If he is broken footed." We dealt with that as applicable to the walk.

"If he is brokenhanded." That speaks of our deeds, for we do things usually with our hands. If the priest was affected in the hand, either by a fracture or other troubles, so that he could not do things right, he could not draw near to God in the holy services. Today there are people whose deeds shout so loudly that they cannot preach? There are some whose lives have so spoiled them that their usefulness in public ministry is gone. The priest's hands must be clean. His deeds must be aboveboard. He must lift up holy hands that are clean in the sight of God and man.

In verse 20 it says, "If he is crooked." Anything crooked seems to be of the devil. Think how crooked the serpent is. God delights in straight things. He made the trees to grow straight up towards the sun. He



made man upright. Some people have lent themselves to crookedness until they are not able to do things for God as formerly. His power is not upon their lives. Let us keep straight in every way.

Further we read, "If he is a dwarf." A dwarf is an undeveloped person, one whose development and growth has been arrested. Is not the plan of God that we who are born of the Spirit grow into the fullness of the stature of Christ? Eph. 4:13. Paul had to write to the Corinthians, "And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ." 1 Cor. 3:1. They were carnal and babes when they should have been mature Christians. "For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat." Heb. 5:12. God does not want us to be spiritual dwarfs. Have you been saved for ten, fifteen, twenty years? If so, it is time you should be developed. I should be ashamed to stand and tell people how long I had been saved if I still acted in a babyish way. Remember that the priest could not approach the altar of his God if he was a dwarf. Carnality stunts spiritual growth and keeps us from the holiest things.

The next part says, "if he be scurvy or scabbed." There are some people today who have had spiritual diseases; they grumble at everything—have you met such folk? And as surely as scurvy is catching, I believe that grumbling is even more contagious. The only cure is the garment of praise, put on first thing in the morning and never taken off. People get into the company of others who infect them with spiritual diseases. Some have a bitter spirit, a jealous spirit. These spiritual maladies can keep us back from God's holiest. We have been called to live in the Presence, to tread the divine courts, to commune with God, to see His face and hear His voice, to minister in the holy things, to bring forth the glorious radiance of God and reflect it to all the world around us. It is our birthright. What a shame if any of these conditions are keeping us from God's best.

I am glad we have a great High Priest who can heal all these maladies. Aaron could not heal his priests of their defects, but the Lord Jesus Christ is able to cleanse us from every trouble. Is your spiritual vision failing? He will apply the eyesalve. Are you conscious of spots that hinder your witness? Let the Holy Son of God remove those spots. Do you realize that your walk has not been consistent day by day? Has there been a lameness that created a bad impression? Ask the Lord to bring forth His matchless healing power. He will make you every whit whole. Perhaps you have lost the keen sense of God's presence. The blasts of worldliness have frozen up that sacred flame. Let Jesus melt you and rekindle the flame. May God draw us nearer to Himself, and let us see what He wants us to be. Not groveling in the dust. Not eating garlic and cucumbers as they did in Egypt. Our place is to dwell in sacred nearness to God, so near that the holy light of His presence illuminates the countenance, enabling us to commune with God, to intercede for the world, and to bring the radiance of

God out to meet some need that we contact. Can we afford to let any possible thing keep us from such privileges? Can we allow any spiritual defect to debar us from the holy things to which we have been born? Holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider that to which we have been born. Let us arise in the strength of God, cast from our hearts every earth-bound thing, fling from our lives every defilement, and rise to tread the sacred courts and live where God is, that we may be known as priests of the most high God. There is not a malady that cannot be healed by our heavenly Melchizedek. Come to Jesus Christ and let Him touch you. The holy Flame will descend and God will move upon our hearts, making us meet to approach the altars of God and to see Him work in glory and power.

(In the Christ's Ambassadors for April you will find another one of Brother Jones' spiritual studies—also from the Book of Leviticus. Be sure and subscribe for this paper. One year, 60 cents; 2 years, \$1.00.)

## Forthcoming Meetings

McDAVID, FLA.—Oak Grove Assembly of God, April 2—; Pastor and Mrs. J. H. Lee in charge.

HUMBOLDT, KANSAS—March 29—L. H. Sheets, Evangelist.—Paul L. Ferguson, Pastor.

FIRTH, IDAHO—April 6—; Evangelist G. O. Baker and Party. Oscar C. Arnesen is Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Central Assembly of God, Campbell Ave. and Calhoun St.; April 10—; George Hayes, Evangelist.—Ralph M. Riggs, Pastor.

TOLEDO, O.—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Dorr St. at Lawrence Ave.; March 27-April 17; Dr. John E. Kabisch.—Wesley J. Domm, Pastor.

ARDMORE, OKLA.—Lighthouse Assembly, 5th and Masters St. S. E., March 20—; Earl F. Davis, Evangelist.—Ed. M. Bice, Pastor.

IRVINGTON, N. J.—Pentecostal Church, 58 Paine Ave.; March 15-April 3; Jack and Esther Martz, Evangelists.—Jos. R. Potter, Pastor.

LOUISVILLE, O.—March 22-April 11; W. J. Frayer, Wellsburg, W. Va., Evangelist.—C. D. Hirst, Pastor.

MECKLING, S. DAK.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, March 20—; A. M. Mallory, Toronto, Canada, Evangelist.—Fred Gottwald, Pastor.

CORTLAND, N. Y.—Bethel Tabernacle, 23 Port Watson St., April 3-24; L. A. Hill, Evangelist.—V. K. Fries, Pastor.

SWIFTON, ARK.—Assembly of God Tabernacle, March 20-April 3; Lewis and Walter Perkin, Phenix City, Ala., Evangelists.—Earl Teeter, Pastor.

SISSETON, S. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle; March 20, for 3 weeks or longer; Louis O. Rynning, Minneapolis, Minn., Evangelist.—A. A. Anderson, Pastor.

DENISON, TEXAS—Full Gospel Church, 806 Munson St., March 13-April 3. Leonard Norville, State C. A. President, Evangelist.—P. A. Lewis, Pastor.

ROUNDUP, MONT.—Gospel Tabernacle, March 27—; Homer Rugwell, Evangelist.—J. Burdette Wiles, Pastor.

MARICOPA, CALIF.—Full Gospel Tabernacle; March 20, for 3 weeks or longer; Medora Combs, Evangelist.—Lewis H. Richards, Pastor.

MOUNT MORRIS, PA.—March 29-April 17, or longer; Homer Peterson, Cheltenham, Md., Evangelist.—Gay Benson, Pastor.

SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT COUNCIL

SIoux FALLS, S. DAK.—Annual District Council, South Dakota District, Gospel Tabernacle, 13th St. at South Phillips, April 5-7. Evangelist C. M. Ward, Toronto, Canada, Evening Speaker.—Arthur F. Berg, District Superintendent, 118 E 13th St., Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

BRISTOW, OKLA.—Assembly of God, 122 E. Third St.; April 5, for 3 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Troy B. Helms, Florala, Ala.—L. L. Ferguson, Pastor.

DENVER, COLO.—Pentecostal Faith Church, 5th and Fox St.; April 3, for 2 weeks or longer; Bertha Nordstrom, Minneapolis, Minn., Evangelist.—C. B. Thomas, Pastor.

RIVERTON, NEB.—March 27, for one week; Bible teaching on faith, 9:30 a. m. Evening, 7:45, evangelistic. E. N. Stanley, Evangelist.—Ruth Gerber is pastor.

FT. WORTH, TEXAS—First Church, Assembly of God, 1326 S. Jennings Ave., March 27, for 2 weeks or longer; Alvin L. Branch, of Ohio, Evangelist.—Stephen Vandermerwe, Pastor.

MOBILE (Whistler), ALA.—Assembly of God, April 3—; Prophetic Full Gospel revival; Wm. F. A. Gierke, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelist. J. H. Aplin is pastor

DINUBA, CALIF.—First Pentecostal Church, 240 South L. St.; Special Easter Revival, March 27—; Evangelist and Mrs. Stanley P. McPherson, of Canada.—Russell E. Griffin, Pastor.

LINCOLN, ILL.—Assembly of God; March 27, for 3 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. C. C. Burnett, of Granite City.—M. Brown and N. Schwalbe, Co-Pastors.

SIoux FALLS, S. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle, 13th St. at South Phillips; March 20-April 10; C. M. Ward, Toronto, Canada, Evangelist.—Arthur F. Berg, Pastor.

DENVER, COLO.—March 27, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Steiner. Special music.—Carl R. Tucker, Pastor, W. First Ave. and Meade St.

FT. DODGE, IOWA—Gospel Tabernacle, 3rd Ave. S. and 13th St.; April 3—; Florence Mozena and Gladys Helms, of Marshalltown, Evangelists.—E. E. Templeton, Pastor.

PAYNESVILLE, MINN.—Gospel Tabernacle, March 20-April 17; Blanche Brittain, Evangelist; Mildred Westerlund, Pianist and Soloist. Wesley R. Hurst is pastor.

NEPTUNE, N. J.—Full Gospel Church, 5th and Ridge Ave.; March 22-April 3; Allan A. Swift, Bible Teacher of Elizabeth, N. J., Speaker.—Irving H. Meier, Pastor.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—Third Annual Deeper Life Convention, Full Gospel Tabernacle, 24th and Grand, March 24-April 3. J. W. Follette, Main Speaker.—E. H. Chamberlain, Pastor.

EL DORADO, ARK.—Assembly of God, 1217 Ross Ave.; March 22, for 4 weeks; Evangelist and Mrs. James E. Hamill, Big Stone Gap, Virginia.—Robt. C. Jones.

PERTH AMBOY, N. J.—Glad Tidings Assembly, Gordon St., near State; March 20-April 3; Mary Louise Paige Clutter, Evangelist. Neighboring churches invited to co-operate. Special Young People's Rally, Friday night, April 1.

PRATT, KANSAS—Meeting of the Presbyters of the Kansas District and Sectional Secretaries of the C. A. S., April 4-6. Orin Bray, Pastor. Accommodations as far as possible.—V. G. Greisen, District Superintendent, 1017 S. Market St., Wichita, Kansas.

NEWBURGH, N. Y.—Glad Tidings Church of God, 4 Avoca St.; April 3-17; Mrs. Emma A. Dickerson, Elizabeth, N. J., Evangelist. Nearby assemblies invited to attend; bring musical instruments if possible. No service Wednesdays or Saturdays.—Pastor and Mrs. Wm. Van Dam in charge.

NORTH BERGEN, N. J.—Beulah Heights Pentecostal Church, March 21, Special Meeting. T. J. Jones of England, Speaker. April 2, Young People's Rally. Spring Convention, March 30-April 5, Marie Wilson, Speaker. April 6-10, District Superintendent Flem Van Meter, Speaker.—Warren Straton, Pastor.

POTTSVILLE, PA.—Full Gospel Mission, Rear 301 S. Centre St.; third anniversary, March 28. Services: 2:30 p. m., E. C. Conrad, of Allentown, Speaker; 7:30 p. m., W. R. Steelberg, of Philadelphia, Speaker. Everyone welcome. Assemblies invited. Meals free.—Mal Kerr, Pastor.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Southern Missouri District Council will convene April 26-29 at Assembly of God, Flat River, Mo. Beds furnished free to ministers and delegates. Meals at reasonable prices. For further information write S. L. Johnson, District Superintendent, Dexter, Mo., or P. T. Huffman, Pastor.—K. H. Lawson, Secretary, 1912 N. Grant Ave., Springfield, Mo.

CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

The 19th annual session of the Central District Council will convene May 3-6, at First Congregational Church, 917 W. Tuscarawas St., on U. S. Highway 30, Canton, Ohio. Niels P. Thomsen and E. L. Newby, Special Speakers.—J. D. Menzie, Secretary, 808 Connecticut St., Gary, Ind.

KALAMAZOO, MICH.—Dedication of New Tabernacle, March 27. Services: 10:30 a. m., J. R. Kline, speaker; 3:00 p. m., dedicatory prayer, S. R. Fostekew; dedicatory message, J. P. Kolenda. The three brethren will join in placing the corner stone. The tabernacle will be known as Central Tabernacle of the Assemblies of God, 601 Third St.—Asa F. Miller, Pastor.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Peniel Bible Institute (Kentucky Mountain Bible School) announces the commencement exercises of the class of 1938 at Peniel Church, Campton, Ky., April 1, Baccalaureate, 10:30 a. m., O. E. Nash, Speaker, Graduation exercises, 2:15 p. m., J. J. Humphries, Speaker. T. E. Gannon will speak at 7:00 p. m. Bring basket lunch.

PRAYER CONFERENCE AND BIBLE CONVENTION

MATTOON, ILL.—Prayer Conference and Bible Convention, Assembly of God, 1101 Prairie Ave., April 11-13. Three services daily. John Wright Follette, New Platz, N. Y., will speak each afternoon and evening. He will also be the speaker at the Union Passion Week services conducted each noon hour in Mattoon Theatre. Room and breakfast free to ministers. Chas. F. Carmichael, Pastor, 621 Edgar Ave., Mattoon, Ill.—Arthur Bell, District Superintendent, Box 133, Belleville, Ill.

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

DES MOINES, IOWA—West Central District Council, 313 Fourth St., March 29-April 1. General Superintendent E. S. Williams will be with us the entire time. This is election year, and each church is urged to send one delegate as well as their pastor. Entertainment as usual.—Roy E. Scott, District Superintendent.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT COUNCIL

LINCOLN, NEB.—Twentieth Annual District Council, Nebraska District, Lincoln Gospel Tabernacle, 1527 Q St., April 5 to 7. Great Fellowship Meeting evening of the 4th. General Superintendent E. S. Williams will speak twice daily. Glenn Millard, Pastor, 2600 R St., Lincoln, Nebr.—A. M. Alber, District Superintendent, 319 E. 5th St., Hastings, Neb.

TEXAS DISTRICT SECTIONAL CONVENTIONS

Tyler Section, March 22 to 23, Assembly at Tyler; Lufkin Section, March 24 to 25, Assembly at Palestine; Beaumont Section, March 29 to 30, Ave. A and Wall Assembly, Beaumont; Houston Section, March 31 to April 1, Galena Park Assembly; Yoakum Section, April 5 to 6, Cuero Assembly; San Antonio Section, April 7 to 8, First Assembly, Lancaster and Dittmore Sts., San Antonio; Valley Section, April 12 to 13, Brownsville Assembly; Austin Section, April 19 to 20, East Side Assembly, Austin.

All Conventions begin at 10:30 a. m. All Texas District ministers urged to be present, as we must renew all licenses, and all ordained ministers are to fill out questionnaires. Those desiring to make application for ordination must meet the Committee in their resident section and fill out application.—F. D. Davis, District Superintendent, 1626 Lipscomb St., Ft. Worth, Texas.

OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL COUNCIL

McALESTER, OKLA.—Oklahoma Sectional Council, Southeast Section, May 2-3. First service, Monday night. All applicants for license must appear in person, with application bearing endorsement of Pastor and Secretary of the local church, and of Sectional Presbyter. For further information address Pastor L. H. Arnold, 416 Chickasaw St., McAlester; or G. W. Hardcastle, Sectional Presbyter, 712 North Oklahoma Ave., Okmulgee. James Hutsell, District Superintendent, Slick, Okla.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL

EVERETT, MASS.—Sixteenth semi-annual meeting of New England District Council will convene May 3-4, at Second and Cabot Sts., Wm. J. Mitchell, Pastor. First service, Tuesday 10:00 a. m. All ministers and delegates urged to attend this service and remain until Wednesday night. Credentials Committee will meet Tuesday afternoon. Important business is to be transacted. All ministers of the District requested to be present.—Wm. J. Mitchell, District Superintendent; H. H. Shelley, Secretary, P. O. Box 2, Cumberland Mills, Me.

TEXICO DISTRICT COUNCIL

BIG SPRING, TEXAS—Eighth Annual Texico District Council, Municipal Auditorium, April 26-28. District executives meet evening of 25th. Also evangelistic service in local church. Those applying for ordination must appear in person. Those applying for renewal of licenses should fill out application blank and mail it to J. J. Grubbs, Box 867, Hereford, Texas, not later than April 23. Special rates on rooms and meals. Homer Sheats, Local Pastor, Box 1743.—A. C. Bates, District Superintendent, Box 5048, Amarillo, Texas.

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS S. S. AND C. A. RALLIES

ESSEX, MO.—Monthly Fellowship Meeting, all day, April 4. Bring basket lunch. Sectional Presbyter will be elected.—Cleo Tapp, Sectional Secretary, 526 N. Saffaras, Dexter, Mo.

TATUM, N. MEX.—All day Fellowship Meeting, April 5. First service, 10:00 a. m. Basket lunch at noon. Nearby pastors and churches expected. Everybody welcome.—Pastor and Mrs. W. E. Wilson.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Young People's Fellowship Meeting, Stone Church, 70th St. and Stewart Ave., evening of March 26. Arthur H. Stanton, Principal Speaker.—D. J. Urban, Second Vice President.

LA CROSSE, WIS.—Fellowship Meeting, Knights of Pythias Hall, Clinton and Avon Sts., March 29. Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Bring basket lunch.—Elmer C. Niles, Pastor, 1527 Liberty St.

OLEAN, N. Y.—Fellowship Meeting, Western New York Section, April 6. Services 10:30, 2:30, 6:30, and 7:30. Bring basket lunch. Gordon A. Bender, Secretary.—Margaret K. Ross, Pastor, 517 School St.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—C. A. Rally, Full Gospel Tabernacle, 26th and State Sts., March 26, 7:30 p. m. Carl O'Guin, of Rockford, Speaker. A. Peterson, Pastor.—Ivan Belmer, Sectional Vice President, Eldred, Ill.

MARYSVILLE, O.—Southwestern Ohio Fellowship Meeting, Glad Tidings Tabernacle, N. Court St., April 4. Mrs. Helen Daniels, A. B. Cox, and C. C. Shie, Speakers. Meals at restaurants nearby.—F. L. Wells, Secretary, Curtis and Park St., Delaware, O.

CLEVELAND, O.—Northeast Ohio Fellowship Meeting; Pentecostal Church, 55th St. and Lexington Ave.; April 4. Opening message by E. E. Bond, of Conneaut, 10:00 a. m. Business meeting 1:30, afternoon service 2:30. Evening evangelistic service 7:00. Both meals served.—Claude Weaver, Secretary-Treasurer, 978 Inman St., Akron, O.

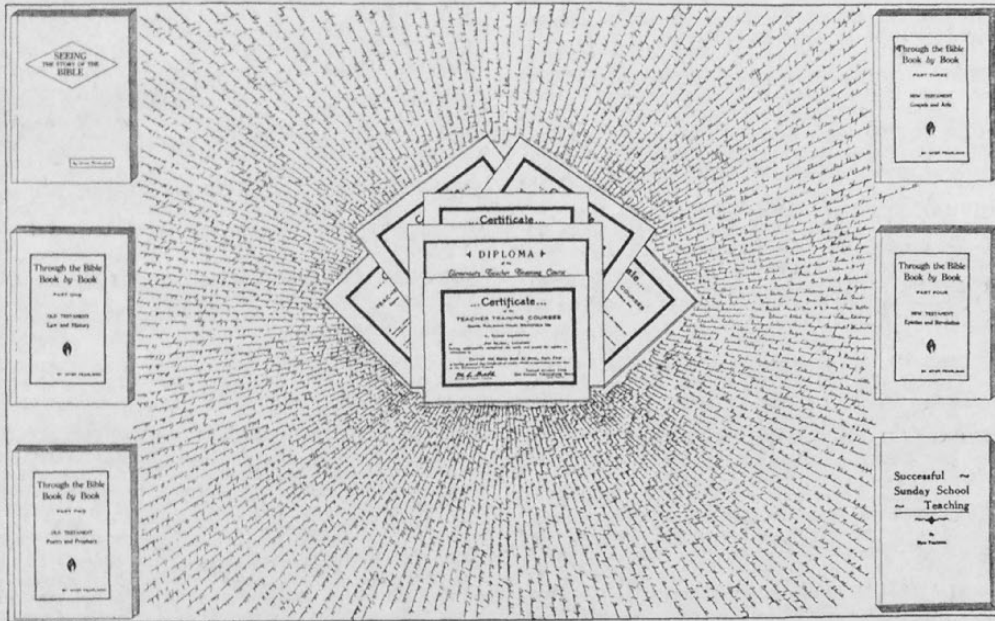
SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Central New York Zone Fellowship Meeting; Grace Tabernacle, 662 South Ave., April 14. Three services. District Superintendent Flem Van Meter will speak afternoon and evening. Meals on freewill offering plan. Over night accommodations for ministers from long distance.—Glenn D. Jones, Pastor, 1415 South Ave.

ROCKFORD, ILL.—Northern Illinois C. A. Rally, Assembly of God Chapel, Miriam and Jefferson Sts., April 9. Services 2:30 and 7:30. C. M. O'Guin, Pastor. Bring delegates for business meeting to nominate vice president for coming year.—C. A. Waack, Sectional Vice President, 1217 S. Miami Ave., Freeport, Ill.

OKLAHOMA S. S. AND C. A. RALLIES  
Waynoka, March 29; Geary, March 31; Chandler, April 4; Wynona, April 6; Wetumka, April 19; Nowata, April 8; Commerce, April 11; Nuyaka, April 15; Ardmore, April 21. Services: 10:30, 2:00, and 7:30. Bring basket lunch. Night service, special C. A. service. Bring filled-out report blank.—Albert Ogle, C. A. President and S. S. Superintendent, Box 707, Chickasha, Okla.

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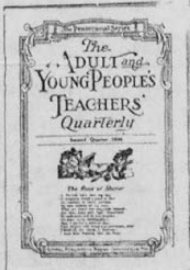
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