# When the Hangman's Hand Was Stayed 

ceMIL Bretz is naturally quiet and retiring. It was not without strings of questions that he unlocked the secrets of the past, things that make us take the shoes off our feet and whisper to ourselves, "Holy ground!"
Born of German parents in the village of Satoraljauhely at the foot of the Carpathians, he told of an incident which happened there in 1918, which was the turning point of his life. The Bolshevists were in power and had introduced a reign of terror, which for years after left indelible scars on the land. Three of their victims were to be executed in the little village that was his home. Long poles for the purpose had been planted in the street, just opposite his father's shop.

At ten o'clock one morning he watched the first and second being hanged. The third was the father of seven children. He pleaded for mercy. His plea was communicated to the Soviet headquarters in Budapest. Meanwhile the crowd waited, accumulating in numbers and suspense as the minutes dragged by. The tense silence was broken only by the cries of the wife and older children (who knelt together on the pavement, praying and weeping) punctuated now and again by a sob from some sympathetic heart in the throng.
"We've waited $10 \mathrm{n} g$ enough; there's no reply," said the official at last to the doomed man. "You must take your stand. Have you a last request before your execution?"
"Only to say Good-bye to my wife and children," he replied.

He kissed his wife and


MY PRAYER
Lord, make of this our pleasant field A garden cool and shadowy, A spring shut up, a fountain sealed For Thee, Lord Jesus, only Thee.
And fill it full of singing birds, On every bough on every tree, And give the music and the words That will, Lord Jesus, pleasure Thee.
And as from far untrodden snow Of Lebanon, the streams run free, Dear Lord, command our streams to flow, That thirsty men may drink of Thee. - Amy Carmichael
word mercy is!" they were saying one to another.

That night young Bretz never slept. The happenings of the day wouldn't let him. He pictured to himself again the two men, dead, and the other at home surrounded by the love of his family. And what was the difference he pondered. In the eyes of the officials they were all equally guilty: yet to think of two cold and lifeless and one forgiven. And the man who received mercy was the man who asked for it.
"Then," he went on, "I began to think of my own sins. I realized for the first time that I was a sinner in God's sight under sentence of death. I had never asked for mercy. I got out of bed, flung myself on my knees and pleaded His forgiveness. That night He gave me mercy and freedom from my sins. All at once I got a great love for God and for souls. Such anguish for the lost took hold of me, that I felt I could never again put my heart into farming,"

He was employed on a private estate at the time but resigned, and started preaching and singing in schoolrooms, on the street, in the market-places. As he did so, God confirmed to him that this was to be his life-work. So he went through a course of Bible training in Basle, then appealed to the Evangelical Alliance of Hungary for co-operation in his work. The committee, though sympathetic with his aims, felt that he had taken on himself rather an impossible task in commencing open-air witness in the country, to which they could not commit themselves financially.

So Emil Bretz started out alone with God for the historical city of Szekesfeheyvar with its 50,000 inhabitants. (Continued on Page Five)

## Where Art Thou?

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WHERE art thou?" is a text often used when one is speaking to sinners. This time we wish to use it primarily for the children of God. It asks us a question which we must answer.

When man was created, he was to have dominion over the beasts of the field, over the fowls of the air, and over the fish of the sea. His dominion also was to include vegetation and horticulture. What Adam called the animals, that was the name of them. He was placed in the garden to dress the trees of the garden. All the possibilities for exploring and developing nature were placed at the disposal of Adam. Added to this was the gift of personal fellowship and communion with God.
Mr . Einstein, the famed scientist, recently has told groups of university students that they must get away from the belief in a personal God. In this Mr. Einstein mistakes. He who explores the resources of geology, or traces the course of some celestial body, or learns some secret of science, is a learned man, yet his knowledge has gone no farther than the realm of nature. He who scarcely knows his right hand from his left, but who has discovered the secret of fellowship with Him who is the source of nature has a knowledge higher than his who is learned in all the realms of nature.

When man was created, it was a great trust and honor that he should be permitted to discover and develop the mysteries of the material universe. This privilege God had given to him. It sprang from God's desire that man might continue te develop his natural abilities, and the only field in which these could be developed was that which God has spread about man in the vast expanses of natural creation. It was God's purpose that such discoveries should enhance man's appreciation of God for "the invisible things of Him from the foundation of the world are clearly seen by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead." Strange to say, through man's human depravity and vain conceit, instead of man's seeing the Creator in creation, he has tended to deny God.

Created for knowledge of nature, man was created also for higher knowledge. The greatest blessing of paradise was that


God came to man in the beautiful garden in the cool of the day and they held sweet communion together. This continued until man had sinned. When the Fall came, God came down as before, but man was gone. The Lord called out, "Where art thou?" and man confessed his nakedness and his shame. Man's highest knowledge, fellowship, and satisfaction had left him. Spiritual life to him had become dead. There had come a degeneration. Instead of evolving upward, man entered the course which brought him lower and lower. Adam sinned and was banished from the garden. His son rose up and slew his brother. Soon Lamech had repeated murder, and, in addition, had introduced polygamy. A few generations and there came the Flood to blot out the overwhelming iniquity of man. The sins which caused the Flood were at the end of the stream which began with man's losing fellowship with the Lord. The thoughts and the imaginations of the sinful heart became evil continually and the earth was filled with violence. When man loses highest knowledge, which is personal knowledge of God, he goes backward whether educated or uneducated.

After the fall of man the task of God was to bring man back to the knowledge of Himself. Certain individuals such as Abraham and Job are clear illustrations of this. Then God selected the sons of Jacob, separating them from the heathen world which knew not God. He would reveal to them His power in the miracles of Egypt and in providing for them in the desert. He did for them what nature could not do. It was not enough that they should be convinced of "His eternal power and Godhead." They must learn also that He was a holy God, so He led them to Sinai where He overshadowed them with the consciousness of His character and gave to them holy laws. He would encourage them to trust in Him and to go walk that they might enjoy Him.

The Old Testament is a record of God's coming down. Man could not go up. If there was to be communion it must be, as it was in the garden, by God's coming to man. He came to commune with Moses. He came to the tabernacle in its dedication, filling it with His glory. He came at the dedication of the priesthood, and His fire burned up the sacrifice. He came at sundry times and in divers manners to different persons and circumstances throughout Old Testament times.

Finally He came in the person of His Son. Jesus was the supreme example of communion with God. In His teaching He spoke of children, chickens, lilies, fields, sun, moon, and stars. He who is the Maker of all, knowing the secrets of nature better than any of the scientific of earth, spoke of these objects of nature, but took no time to theorize or explain the secrets of their existence. He had come to reveal that which is higher than nature, to bring man back
to the long lost kowewdege-the krowtedge lost in the Fall-consciousness of a personal God and fellowship with the same.

What an example was Jesus of this highest knowledge. We are told of His early, before-day times of divine communion; of His all nights spent in prayer; of His consciousness of the ear of God in such words as, "I thank Thee that Thou dost always hear me." The entire life of Jesus was a demonstration of personal fellowship on the most intimate terms with Him who is Creator of all.
Then Jesus died under the hand of those who knew not God. He died to atone that wandering man might be restored to his proper realm, "fellowship with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ." Upon the death of Christ on the cross the veil of the Jewish temple was rent from top to bottom. This veil had separated the holy from the most holy place. It signified that the way into the holiest of all, where communion with God could be freely enjoyed, was not yet made manifest, because an atonement had not been made that could undo what sin had done in the Fall. It was when Jesus died to save us from our sins that the way into the holiest was then made manifest.
Nicodemus came to Jesus by night. He saw in Jesus "a teacher come from God," for no man could do such miracles as Jesus did, except God be with Him. Jesus had not come just as a miracle man. Miracles attested the power and benevolence of Deity, but had miracles been the end and purpose of Christ's coming, with His return to the Father the miracles would have ceased and man would have been left where he was before, "dead in trespasses and in sins." Jesus came to restore man to fellowship with God. Because of this He answered Nicodemus, "Verily I say unto you, ye must be born again." Nicodemus could understand the miracles of Jesus as an evidence of Deity, but he could not understand the new birth.
The new birth is the primary essential of Christianity. It is entrance of the life of God into the human soul. It is the secret of man's restoration to his proper place in God. The Fall brought degeneration, departure from God. The new birth brings regeneration, restoration to God.

What is the greatest proof of regeneration? Divine consciousness, restoration to communion. When one is saved "His Spirit bears witness with our spirit that we are the children of God." Immediately a new life appears, and out of that new life there springs the cry, "Abba, Father." Divine fellowship becomes as real as any fellowship among men. Man is restored to his proper spiritual place. He knows God by the presence of the Holy Spirit wit-
nessing to his spirit. While the learned in their searchings miss God, the simplest soul that will repent and believe finds God.

The disciples returned from a successful ministry of evangelization. They rejoiced that even devils were subject unto them in the name of Jesus. The Lord said to them, "Rejoice not that the devils are subject unto you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven." Then He said, "I thank thee, O, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes." Marvelous mystery! Glorious revelation! The repentant sinner, whoever he may be, comes into knowledge, the highest of all knowledge; he knows God and finds richest inward satisfaction and peace in the flow of communion between himself and God. God comes down to commune with him.

As Christians we must see that our highest calling is not works for God, but communion with God. Works are essential, but they must flow out of communion. Unless they do they become dead works. We may organize, evangelize, standardize, and eulogize, but unless we keep spiritualized we will become fossilized. As Christians we must cultivate the presence of God. In our communion we must learn to wait for Him, to stay in the place of communion until He comes to us. Too many spend too little time in communion. When they go to the place of prayer, there are too many other things filling their thoughts. They bring the restlessness of a busy world with them, and after "saying a prayer" go their way taking the restlessness and worldly cares with them. Communion must be deeper than that. The distractions and wandering thoughts must be overcome. The soul must learn to "wait thou only on God." What refereshing when our souls find their place in communion.

Cultivate communion. It is the soul of salvation. It is your highest privilege and duty. It is this which was lost in the Fall. It is this that is restored in redemption. It is here that we learn the will of God and are enabled to lead a really spiritual life, for a spiritual life is "walking in the Spirit." It was when Barnabas and Saul, with others, ministered unto the Lord, that the Lord said, "Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them." It was while Peter was in prayer that he had the vision of the great sheet and was shown that he was to go to the home of Cornelius. It was while the church was in earnest prayer that the prison doors were opened and Peter was set free. It was the result of united communion that brought to the apostles special ability to speak the Word, to heal, and to advance the kingdom.

Satan fights communion with God more than anything else. He will let us preach, sing, distribute tracts, teach classes, or almost anything before he will let us enjoy this divine fellowship, for he knows that this is man's highest calling and brings to him his richest blessing and greatest worth. It satisfies both God and man, the high end of true religion. We may overcome by seeing our high calling, fighting the good fight of faith, beholding that the veil is rent and there is nothing to hinder our approach to the Father, and that Christ
who died is now our High Priest who sits at the right hand of the Majesty on high to help us in our fellowship with God. And not least, we have the Holy Spirit in our hearts to bring forth from the depth of our inner man that deep, rich, spiritual communion and fellowship which God so much desires. As the incense burning on
the golden altar in the temple of old set forth the fragrance of prayer and praise in connection with worship, the Spirit lights up the spiritual incense of worship, praise, prayer and devotion on the altar of the renewed heart. Whatever else you may miss, do not miss your seasons of fellowship with the Divine.

## Our Greatest Need

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What is the greatest need in Pentecost? I say emphatically, "We need to have the mind of Christ."

1. We may have the mind of Christ, for Paul and others had it. "We have the mind of Christ." 1 Cor, 2:16.
2. It is described in Phil. 2:5-8, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." Also 2 Cor. 8:9, "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ,,ye through His poverty might be rich."
3. It is obtained by obeying the Spirit, unhindered by selfish soulishness. 1 Cor. 2:6-16. It must necessarily be preceded by the real death of self by identification with Christ in His crucifixion. This is indispensable and vital. I am much disappointed by the lack of definite, clear teaching regarding the death of self. Gal. $2: 20$ should be the experience of every believer. Paul said, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me." Without real personal victory over $\sin$ and self, how can anyone be a minister of the Lord Jesus? How can one be a witness of the death, burial, resurrection, ascension, glorification, and Lordship of Jesus if he has not had a real experience of these events in his own life?
In the mind of Christ there was no vestige of selfishness. He counted it "more blessed to give than to receive." "He pleased not Himself." "He poured out His soul unto death" to save others. We read in 1 John $2: 6$, "He that saith he abideth in Him ought himself also so to walk, even as He walked." How short we have come! "As He is, so are we in this world." 1 John $4: 17$. Are we? Let us remember, "If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His." Rom. 8:9.

On June 14, 1922, I wrote the following song:

## LONE CALVARY

Alone and oh, so lonely!
"Misunderstood by all!
I follow Thee who only
Shares all my cups of gall! Who longed for understanding

In dark Gethsemane, Enduring notwithstanding Deserted Calvary !

Chorus:
O Son of God, my Saviour, Since Thou dost understand, Unmoved by man's behavior, I on lone Calvary stand!
So here I stand, not caring For man's applause or hate ; Enough for me the sharing Of Calvary's lonely fate! The will of God's Anointed Is more than all beside; take the place appointed, By Thy deserted side!

O Lamb of God, dear Jesus, How sweet Thy fellowship! And God, our Father, sees us; Adds His companionship!
I'm satisfied forever,
With Thee identified!
We'll separate, no, never; With Thee I'm CRUCIFIED!

Though on furlough my heart and thoughts are still very much in China and Tibet. I have just received two letters that have caused me much joy. One was from Chang Yen-hua, one of William's Tibetan evangelists, telling of his itineraries in Tibet which reach as far south as Sungpan, Szechuan, where he mailed his letter. He also told of the work of two of our leading and most gifted preachers, who are visiting and holding meetings in all the over 60 Assemblies in the Chinese field.
The other letter was from Luke Ma and tells of the great success of our Bible Correspondence course; we now have over 200 students in different parts of China. He also states that the money I have been able to send since coming home will be sufficient to carry on the work until next October, when I trust the Lord will open the way for me to return and make a last effort to evangelize some of the $200,000,000$ in Central China ere the Lord returns.
If the present world lawlessness does not result in the revelation of the Man of Lawlessness and the coming of the Day of the Lord, it will precede that event only a few years at the most. Oh, how short is the time in which to finish our task! God help us to be true and faithful to the end of the day!

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## Understanding of the Times

YESTERDAY I was talking with a banker. "This war between Germany and Russia troubles me," he remarked. "I guess the Germans will mop up the Russians in a month and then they are that much nearer us. The prospect makes me blue."
When the hearts of many in the world today are failing them for fear, the child of God turns to the sure Word of prophecy. He has a prospect that makes him glad for he knows that his redemption is soon coming.
In the last days of king Saul there were many of the children of Israel who resorted to David at Ziklag. Special mention is made of many of these in 1 Chronicles 12. A number came from Judah and Benjamin to whom David said, "If ye be come peaceable unto me to help me, mine heart shall be knit unto you: but if ye be come to betray me to mine enemies . . . the God of our fathers look thereon, and rebuke it." Then the Spirit of the Lord came upon Amasai, the chief of the captains, and he said, "Thine are we, David, and on thy side, thou son of Jesse: peace, peace be unto thee, and peace be to thine helpers; for thy God helpeth thee." Then David received them, and made them captains of his band.
Among those who came were a number from the tribe of Issachar. They were men "that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do." Did you ever pray for "understanding of the times," not merely to satisfy morbid curiosity concerning the things of tomorow, but to enable you to know what you ought to do in this last dark time?

Daniel received understanding of the times in which he lived by close study of the Prophetic Scriptures. He read in Jeremiah 29:10-13, "For thus saith the Lord, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform My good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place. Then shall ye
call upon Me, and ye shall go and pray call upon Me, and ye shall go and pray ye shall seek Me, and find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all your heart." When Daniel read this Scripture he knew what Israel ought to do-to pray and to seek God. He tells us, "I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes: and I prayed unto the Lord my God, and made my confession." And while he was praying, the Lord commissioned Gabriel to fly swiftly to him to give him understanding of things to come.
In the 10th chapter of his Prophecy, Daniel tells us how he gave himself to prayer for three whole weeks. Then a bright and shining One visited him and said. "I am come for thy words." Daniel was then told what happened behind the scenes as he prayed. An evil princethe prince of Persia-had withstood the coming of this shining One. But Michael had been sent from glory to help.
When the saint persistently prays there
is a mighty moving in the heavens. Our wrestling today is not with flesh and blood, but with the principalities and powers of darkness. That is why we should take unto us the whole armor of God. Paul says, "The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through, God to the pulling down of strongholds." The weapon of "all prayer" is mightier than any 28 ton tank or mighty Dreadnough. Have you not felt the call of the Spirit to prayer and intercession and a constant seeking of God in this dark hour?
The shining One said to Daniel, "I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days." A few weeks ago, Brother Flower drew our attention to some of the things that were revealed to Daniel at this time, as they are recorded in the 11 th chapter of his Prophecy. There is a very significant resemblance between the things he predicted and the things we are seeing in the earth today. So we printed a section of the 11th chapter of Daniel without any comment. But today we call attention to the words that follow in the 12th chapter: "At that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time; and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt."

It was surely the prayers of Daniel that brought forth Michael to fight the prince of Persia and his hosts. And is not the Lord calling His saints to use the weapon of "all prayer" today to overcome the hosts of evil that are everywhere operating? In Revelation 12 we read, "There was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more


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in heaven." Will not the Lord be inquired of to bring about this overthrow of the dragon and his hosts?

Many are asking, "What will be the outcome of the present war?" Let us search the Scriptures.

The prophet Jeremiah foretells the terrible day: "None is like it; it is even the time of Jacob's trouble." Are we not seeing this season of unprecedented trouble for Jacob everywhere today? A wave of antiSemitism is sweeping throughout every land. A youth who worked for a certain publisher of anti-Semitic literature told us recently, "One of the men in the office said to me, 'One day all the Jews in this town will be massacred.' 'Who will do it?' I asked. 'Those of us who are in this office,' said my coworker."
The prophetic Word, however, shows that the Lord will save His people out of their trouble: "For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord of hosts, that I will break his (the oppressor's) yoke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him: but they shall serve the Lord their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them." Many prophetic scholars believe that in harmony with the visions given to Daniel and Zechariah, this scripture has reference to David's son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom David's throne was promised. The Lord said to our David through this prophmecy, "For I am with thee, saith the Lord, to serve thee : though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee." Jer. $30: 11$.
In Jeremiah $31: 7$ there is a prayer given by the Spirit that should be constantly ours. We are bidden to say, "O Lord, save Thy people, the remnant of Israel." Why should we pray thus? The restoration of Israel will mean "life from the dead" to those who remain of the Gentile nations. Rom. 11:15.
Thomas would not believe that the crucified Jesus was risen from the dead. He said, "Except I shall see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my, hand into His side, I will not believe." Almost all Israel today takes the stand that Thomas did on that day. But after eight days Jesus came once more into the room where His disciples were, and this time He said to Thomas, "Reach hither thy finger, and behold My hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into My side: and be not faithless, but believing."
A day is coming when all Israel shall see the Risen One, and as they look upon Him whom they pirced they will cry, "What are these wounds in Thy hands?" And He shall answer. "Those with which I, was wounded in the house of My friends." Zech. "13:6. Note those kindly words of His, "My friends"-not "My enemies." Then will Israel surely say like Thomas, "My Lord and mv God!" When Israel on that day cries, like Jacob's sons did to Joseph, "Forrive, I pray Thee now, the trespass of Thy brethren, and their sin: for they "did unto Thee evil," He will answer: "Fear not. . . . Ye thought evil against Me ; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive. Now therefore fear
ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones." Gen. 50:19-21.
In the meantime, let us remember the Lord's words to Thomas, "Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed." And though we have not seen Him, we are called to love Him. The men who had understanding of the times resorted to David in his exile, and sought to do all they could for him. Our lovely David, earth's rightful King, is now in exile. Should we not seek to do all we can for Him? Has He not bid us, "Occupy till I come"? Has He not called us to be occupied in His service, the giving of the gospel to all nations? Night has come to some parts of the world and it seems no one can work in them. But we know in the natural, when it is night on one side of the earth it is day on the other. Though it may be night in Europe, yet it is day in America. Central and South America still have open doors. Some of us are getting the vision of flooding these lands with gospel literature before the night of gross darkness settles upon these lands.-S. H. F.

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The press wrote against him and made work in the open diffcult. So he went to the police headquarters and offered to help any prisoners whom nobody else wanted to visit. They accepted his offer and invited him to see temporary prisoners, shut up for a few days for moral offences or cases of attempted suicide. Some found Christ, and the police took note of the reformation in their lives. When the authorities in Budapest heard what he was doing, they often called him to deal with similar cases in the capital.
Later when he was married (having been given $\$ 60$ for the work) he sent a request to the City Council for a second-hand horse wagon. They offered him one for $\$ 240$. He replied that he only had $\$ 60$; so they gave it to him at his own price! Not only so, but they hitched it to a horse and had him driven home in it, with a mouth's permit to use it on the street corners.

The first night about a dozen young men, half-drunk, tried to overturn the wagon but failed. Before the end of the month one of them was broken up at the Cross and his heart bound for ever to his Saviour. Another night a communistic atheist came with a long stick, intending it for his head. It missed and hit the leaf of the wagon. The angered crowd disapproved, fetched the police and had the man imprisoned. But Bretz went to visit him in his cell, loved him back to God and influenced the magistrate to have his sentence shortened.

One night as Mrs. Bretz (now in heaven) was playing the guitar and singing from the coach, a widow in deep mourning stopped on the fringe of the street-throng. The song was in Hungarian; and the little widow started to wipe away the tears as she listened to its appeal to come to the Saviour for rest and peace. At the close she confessed that when she was arrested by the song, she was on the way to the cemetery to bid a last Good-bye to the grave of her husband and daughter. She had already written a farewell letter to her old mother,
telling her that, since she had buried those she loved and life was without purpose, she was taking the shortest road to end it. Then from her pocket she pulled the little bottle of poison she had intended drinking at the graveside. She was seeking death, but that evening she found life. She called on the Lord for mercy, and God granted it.

Have you cried, "God be merciful to me a sinner"? He will grant you mercy when He hears your cry.
From Dynamite in Europe, by Eva Stuart Watt, an account of revival days in Europe just before the present war broke out. Can be obtained from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo., $\$ 1.50$ postpaid.

## On Eagle's Wings

One day, when I came to the little thicket on the cliff where I used to lie and watch the nest through my glass, I found that one eaglet was gone. The other stood on the edge of the nest, looking down fearfully into the abyss, whither, no doubt, his bolder nest-mate had flown, and calling disconsolately from time to time. Presently the mother-eagle came swiftly up from the valley, and there was food in her talons. She came to the edge of the nest, hovered over it a moment, so as to give the hungry eaglet a sight and smell of food, then went slowly down to the valley, taking the food with her, telling the little one in her own way to come and he should have it. He called after her loudly from the edge of the nest, and spread his wings a dozen times to follow. But the plunge was too awful. The meaning of the little comedy was plain enough. She was trying to teach him to fly, telling him that his wings were grown, and the time was come to use them. Suddenly, as if discouraged, she rose well above him. I held my breath, for I knew what was coming. The little fellow stood on the edge of the nest, looking down at the plunge which he dared not take. There was a sharp cry from behind, which made him alert, tense as a watch-spring. The next instant the mother-eagle had swooped, striking the nest at his feet, sending his support of twigs and himself with them out into the air together.

He was afloat now, afloat on the blue air in spite of himself, and flapped lustily for life. Over him, under him, beside him, hovered the mother on tireless wings, calling softly that she was there. But the awful fear of the depths and the lance tops of the

spruces was upon the little one. His flapping grew more wild. He fell faster and faster. Suddenly-more in fright, it seemed to me, than because he had spent his strength-he lost his balance and tipped head downward in the air. It was all over now, it seemed. He folded his wings to be dashed in pieces among the trees. Then like a flash the mother-eagle shot under him, his despairing feet touched her broad shoulders, between her wings. He righted himself, rested an instant, found his head. Then she dropped like a shot from under him, leaving him to come down on his own wings. was all the work of an instant before I lost them among the trees far below. And when I found them again with my glass, the eaglet was in the top of a great pine, and the mother was feeding him.

And then, standing there alone in the great wilderness, it flashed upon me for the first time just what the wise old prophet meant; though he wrote long ago, in a distant land, "As the eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, bareth them on her wing-so the Lord."-William J. Long.
"He's In"

Christ comes to take His abode in the whole heart-taking full possession of my very being; spirit, soul and body. So that the first thought in the morning and the frequent recollection during the day is just this: "To me to live is Christ."
A little girl once heard such teaching from God's Holy Word, and hurried home with joyful heart. Her mother, on entering the house, heard the child's voice in the din-ing-room. "Lord Jesus," said she, "they tell me You are willing to come and dwell in my heart. Forgive me all my sins. Make my heart clean. And now, Lord Jesus, come into the whole of my heart." Then the child stood up and looking up to heaven said simply, "He's IN." Cleansing; Surrender; Faith.
It is as simple as that. Yet the very "power which raised Jesus Christ from the dead" is involved in it. Eph. $1: 19,20$. "Power from on high."-A. E. Richardson.

## Indolence

"Exercise thyself unto godliness." 1 Tim. 4:7. "That ye be not slothful." Heb. 6:12. The opposite to exercise is indolence. Indolence is the nurse of naughtiness, brother to a waster, companion of a destroyer. It is the devil's cushion.-T. Robinson.

## How to Receive the Baptism With the Holy Spirit

## DONALD GEE

HOW can I receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit?" is a question which demands a practical answer. It is vain to stir up intense desire within souls all hungry and athirst for more of Godand then leave them to go wandering away once again with a vague sense of being still unsatisfied. This is not how Christ deals with longing hearts.

We are not going to attempt an answer to this earnest question by repeating our testimony as to the way the Lord met our personal hunger. It would admittedly be a delightful task to the writer, and might quite likely prove helpful to some of his readers. The weakness of relying only upon personal testimonies, whether to Salvation, Healing, the Baptism in the Spirit, or any other phase of Christian experience, for helping other people into the same blessing is that they then expect God to meet them in just the same way. Whereas He may need to deal with them in quite another way altogether. So with the Baptism in the Spirit, while the great essentials must be the same in every case, yet the details of personal experience may differ greatly.

Some receive immediately, some after long tarrying, some easily, some after intense spiritual conflict, some in a crowd, others when all alone, some kneeling, some sitting, some prostrate on the floor, some standing, some with laughter and joy, some with tears and great brokenness, some with great noise and commotion, others in the midst of deep stillness, some through the laying on of hands, and some without.
A lot of good earnest folk have only one vision of a Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and that is a Baptism that produces

## A Finney or a Moody-

a flaming evangelist. They demand 3,000 conversions (quoting the Day of Pentecost) as the one necessary proof of a genuine Pentecostal experience-and forget the fact that there were 119 others besides Peter, all equally filled with the Holy Spirit, who doubtless went away just to witness for Jesus in the ordinary walk and talk of life.

So let us put personal experiences, and personal preferences, and personal prejudices, all on one side ; and come to God's own Word with an open mind.

The best place to turn for help on "How to receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit" must surely be the second chapter of Acts, for this establishes the precedent for all future experiences (Acts $11: 15$ ). and in this chapter we shall find the Scriptural pattern, the Scriptural preparation, and the Scriptural position for those seeking the Baptism. There is also a Scriptural post-script-of considerable importance.

## The Scriptural Pattern

In seeking the Baptism in the Spirit it is well to be quite clear as to just what you are really asking the Lord to give you.

Some desire a Baptism such as their friends have received: some ask for a Baptism that will further their own particularly chosen line of Christian activity. It is so
very natural and easy to come desiring a Baptism that fits in with our own ideas of what a Baptism in the Holy Spirit ought to be, or what we should like.

Yet it is very plain that the only Baptism I ought to seek is just simply God's Baptism-a Baptism in the Spirit according to His pattern revealed in His Word.

The best way to come to understand His pattern for the Baptism in the Spirit is to prayerfully search the Scriptures on this matter (they are principally Acts 2; 8: 14-17; 10:44-47, and 19:1-6);-and then to ask God for that. Seek the Baptism of the Holy Spirit with your finger metaphorically, if not literally, upon the open pages of the New Testament, and tell the Lord you want precisely what He gave them there. And when you receive it, as you surely may, you can exultantly say with Peter, "This is That."

This simple, yet obviously right position will completely settle that question which seems to trouble some people so much, as to whether they should expect to speak in tongues when receiving the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. They certainly spoke with tongues in Bible days; we accept the position that the Baptism we should seek must be

## A Bible Baptism;

then it follows with an unanswerable logic that we should expect the Bible evidence. And thank God, we find He gives it today, exactly as of old.

There is a subtle presumption, almost unconscious we have no doubt, in the oftheard objection, "But what is the use of tongues?" Is it sufficiently realized how much such a question is a reflection on the wisdom of the Almighty! God ordained "tongues" as the initial evidence of the Badtism in the Holy Spirit, and even the "foolishness of God is wiser than men." 1 Cor. 1:25. Granted it may be part of the divine "foolishness"-we are wise to tread softly before we find fault.

Tongues have one use, anyway; they satisfy the believer that the Holy Ghost has really come. They clinch the matter. Blessed be God! That one evidence, standing alone, was sufficient to satisfy those deeply prejudiced Jewish believers who came with Peter in the ,home of Cornelius (Acts 10: 46) - "FOR."

But "Do all speak with tongues?" Paul's question in 1 Cor. 12:30 regarding the subsequent ministries of those baptized in

the Spirit is misapplied by some people; and they try to fit it on the experience of those receiving the Baptism. This is a great mistake. The gift of tongues is one thing: the sign of tongues is quite another. The overwhelming inference of the Scriptural records of saints being baptized in the Spirt (see the references in the Book of Acts quoted above), is that all spoke with tongues then. Note especially the use of the word "all" in Acts 2:4 and 10:44.

## The Scriptural Preparation

It is very important to be careful in doctrine here. We must still stick close to the Book. It is easy to imagine all sorts of unnecessary and impossible preparations before we may receive the Baptism. It is also easy not to attend carefully enough to that which God has revealed as absolutely essential.
Peter states the conditions of receiving the Promise of the Father very clearly in Acts $2: 38$. They are Repentance, and $\mathrm{Re}_{-}$ mission.

## (a) Repentance.

Repentance is "change of mind." In general it refers to a change of mind towards $\sin$, and it must be remembered that in this connection saints may need to repent quite as much as the unregenerate. Four out of the seven churches of Asia were called upon by the glorified Lord to repent. The great thing about repentance is that it shows the attitude of the will, whether the human will is now only for the will of God, or whether it is yet in a state of rebellion against the perfect will of God. All sin is a matter of rebellion against the will of God in the final analysis. Repentance is essentially my business, and requires an action of my own will, though I am moved thereto by the goodness of God. Rom. 2:4.
True repentance can be proved by actions. and a changed life.

## Submission to Water Baptism

was an inital action by which converts proved the reality of their repentance. The Lord will often therefore test the reality of your repentance ; that is, the attitude of your will toward His with, when you come to Him for the Baptism in the Spirit. This is why so often when saints start seeking the Baptism the Lord begins to deal with them about restitution, or some definite point of obedience to Himself. He is testing the reality of their "repentance."
Never think, however, that you can thereby make yourself "worthy" to receive the Baptism, so that you reserve it as a reward for obedience, or service, or consecration. There are probably great depths of selfwill in you which the Lord in mercy has left unprobed for the moment. He will only test upon certain points to prove the attitude of your heart and will. It is through grace, and grace alone, that any believer ever receives the Baptism with the Spirit.
(b) Remission.

The "remission of sins" is an absolutely essential preparation for receiving the Baptism with the Spirit.
"Remission" means "a loosing, a forgiveness," and is something which I must
receive as a pure gift from God. Remission and forgiveness of sin are inseparably connected in Scripture with the Blood of Jesus (Matt. 26:28; Eph. 1:7; Col. 1:14; Heb. $9: 22$; etc.), and are received by a personal acceptance of the Word of God that the "Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." It was just when Peter was explaining this vital point of the gospel message (Acts $10: 43$ ), and the Gentile listeners were evidently receiving the Word with a living faith, that the Holy Spirit fell.

## I Must Be Perfectly Clean

before God before the Lord Jesus can baptize me in the Holy Spirit; but the "Blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin" (John $1: 7$ ), and so I receive this perfect cleansing-not by effort of my own -but by faith in the power of the precious Blood. That is why we make much of the precious Blood of Christ when seeking the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Submission to water baptism is a testimony to personal faith in the Saviour, and a type of those deeper cleansing waves that have rolled over the soul.

We all need the Blood equally when seeking the Baptism ; there is only one attitude in which to come-"Just as I am, without one plea, but that Thy Blood was shed for me"-whether we are just newly born again, or have been on the Christian road for many years. Only the Blood of Jesus, received by faith to cleanse the soul, can make any believer fit for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

## The Spiritual Position

This is shown us in Acts 2:30-"The Promise." The position to take up when seeking the Baptism is to "stand upon the promises." Do not try to stand upon the teaching of some leader, however helpful and true ; do not stand upon your hopes because a revival is on, and many others are getting blessed; do not stand upon the testimony of somebody who received the Baptism in a certain way. Peter did not talk to that surging crowd of hungry souls about the feelings he had experienced in the Upper Room; he took them straight to "The Promise."

Grasp your spiritual birthright. Do not seek the Baptism apologetically, or waveringly, or vaguely. If you are not clear what "The Promise" is, or that it is for youthen ten minutes with your Bible will help you more than ten hours on your knees.

Note the fourfold prophecy that Jesus shall baptize in the Holy Ghost. Matt. 3:11; Mark $1: 8$; Luke $3: 16$; John $1: 33$. Dwell upon His repeated promises in John 14:16; $15: 26 ; 16: 7$. Mark particularly the sweet promise of Luke $11: 13$. Grip the vision of John 7:39-that it is a glorified Christ who gives the Holy Spirit, and Acts 2:33 will show you that He is now exalted. Gather further inspiration for faith from Acts 1: 4-8. "As many as the Lord our God shall call" ; grasp this firmly,

> It Includes You.

The "call" here is the gospel call ; it exactly coincides with the call to repentance and faith of the preceding verse.

Make sure, in this way, of your Scriptural ground. Make sure you are personally standing on these "exceedingly great and precious promises." And then drop down on your knees once again and claim them. Add to your thrilling battery of divine guarantees such verses as Mark $11: 24$, and

1 John 5:14 and exultantly take possession of the Promised Land! Praise the Lord!
Let yourself go in the hands of the Lord Jesus. You did surrender yourself absolutely to the minister who baptized you in water, and it was essential that you should do so before he could immerse you. Now then-let it be just the same as you come to the Lord Jesus asking Him to baptize you in the Holy Spirit. Let go-and let Him.

## The Scriptural-"Postscript"

This is verse 40. It notes that Peter spoke "many other words." We can be sure that they followed closely on the subject of the previous verses. Two salient features are recorded-the spirit in which he spoke, and the gist of what he said.

He spoke with intense earnestness; the Greek word for "testify" is strengthened here, and literally means "to testify through and through." He felt very strongly about what he was speaking.

The essence of these "many other words," spoken with such special earnestness, is contained in the solemn exhortation to "Save yourselves from this untoward generation." "Save yourselves"-the Lord had saved them from sin, but here was something they needed to save themselves from! Evidently if they failed to do so it would be at great risk and loss.

What was it that made that generation "untoward"? The Greek word so translated is rich in significance; it comes from a source that means
"Bent and Crooked Through Dryness." How eloquent of a certain spiritual condi-tion!-"bent" by prejudice and unbelief; "crooked" through formality and hypocrisy; and all due to spiritual "dryness." Could anything be more telling or more true than this definition taken from Robinson's Lexicon! Unfortunately it has been true of many a succeeding generation also, right up to today.

And Peter said, "Save yourselves" from it. Beware of its atmosphere of spiritual poison! The tender plant of faith will quickly wilt and die in it. At the best its growth must be sickly and poor.

What is the application of those seeking to receive the Baptism in the Spirit? Just this-keep yourself as far as possible in a spiritual atmosphere of faith concerning the blessings you covet. Seek the company of "believers" in the fullest sense of that rather too loosely used word. Put yourself only under ministry, whether spoken or written, that will help you. Shun, as the plague, all that is "bent and crooked through dryness." Peter was extra in earnest about it.

We are all of us far more susceptible to spiritual atmospheres than we often realize. Faith quickly rises and falls, especially in young converts and immature believers. The ripest saints are probably affected by the practical unbelief all around far more than they are conscious of being. The miracle today is not always that we believe so little, but that we believe so much. Thank God for His grace!

Where anything supernatural in Christian experience is concerned, such as we are bound to expect if we ask the Lord for a really Bible Baptism in the Spirit, then we are hindered not only by one generation, but by many generations of absolute inexpectancy and unbelief. From our mother's knee, from our Sunday School days, right
on through 95 per cent of the Christian ministry most of us have sat under-we have been continually taught that such things are

## "Not for Today."

We are steeped in an unwitting unbelief. Is it any wonder that the Lord has difficulty so often in manifesting His Spirit through us? The real work, the principal task, of those who seek to help others who are seeking the Baptism in the Spirit is to create and maintain that atmosphere of living faith that these things are for today, and that the Lord really will give them also to these waiting ones. The rest can safely be left with Him.

You want the Scriptural evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. God wants to give it to you. Then keep among those who believe in it and for it. Let faith have every encouragement possible. Step out into the sunlight of simple, childlike trust in the Lord and His Word. Yield without fear to the Holy Spirit. Save yourself "from this untoward generation," and enter the great and happy family of those all over the world who are daring and seeking to believe that all which the Church of the First Century enjoyed the Church of the Twentieth may also experience. At the center of all is "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and today, and forever."

## A SIMPLE STORY

"How did you come into Pentecost ?" we asked a young Christian worker.
"We were Presbyterians," was the reply, "but there came to our town a preacher who publicly denounced the Pentecostal people from the pulpit. He said that all they did was to proselyte the converts from other churches. They had no missionary spirit whatever and had no work at all in any foreign lands.
"It happened that a lady in town left a copy of the Pentecostal Evangel in our home. My mother opened it and read of the extensive missionary work that has been done by our Pentecostal missionaries, and said, 'That preacher was lying about the Pentecostal people!'
'As my parents began to study the Pentecostal literature they became interested, and soon began to go to Pentecostal meetings. There the whole family came into the blessing of full salvation and received the Pentecostal enduement."

There are many good people who have become very prejudiced against this way because of untrue and exaggerated statements. May we suggest that you can do a real missionary work by subscribing for the Evangel for them? We will send the paper from now until February 1, 1942, for the small sum of 50 cents (add 25 cents for outside U. S. A.).

Why not subscribe for a number? One good friend has recently subscribed for 200 papers to go to different individuals in prisons and penitentiaries.

When Billy Bray was taken with his last illness, he asked, "Well, Doctor, how is it?" "You are going to die."
"Glory, glory be to God! I shall soon be in heaven." He then added in a low tone, and in his own peculiar way, "When I get up there shall I give them your compliments, Doctor, and tell them you will be coming too?"


Truth Bible Institute-group of girl students with Mrs. Hindle and two music teachers.

# Thirty-Five Students Graduate from Truth Bible Institute 

Thomas Hindle, Peking, North China

The commencement exercises of Truth Bible Institute were held May 25 to 29 . Through the blessing of God we have been able to send forth thirty-five graduates in this, the fourth class to leave our institute. May God's hand rest upon them as they enter the various fields in which they may be called to labor May they have always the spirit of Paul who said, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth."

Shortly after the beginning of this school year Truth Bible Institute sustained a great loss in the departure of its principal, B. T. Bard, for the homeland. Brother Bard has done a splendid work in connection with the establishing and organizing of the institute. On his departure the responsibility of the school fell on the shoulders of Mrs. Hindle and my-self-a task which we could not carry in our own strength, but we heard and heeded the voice of Him who said, "Take my yoke upon you and learn of me."
The Lord willing, our next school year will open September 14, with a "Feast of Tabernacles" convention until September 22, when regular classes will begin.

Please pray for us all and for the message of full salvation which this institute is sending forth to those who sit in darkness. We also ask you to remember our financial needs. Where can money better be invested than in this institution which is preparing Chinese young people to bring the full gospel message to those of their own people who are dying in $\sin$ ?

## Every Cent Works for the Lord

"Our work is being carried on here as usual," writes Martin Kvamme from North China. "We thank you for your continued interest in prayer on our behalf and for your contributions from time to time. Every cent works for the Lord in reaching and rescuing souls from heathen dark-
ness. We should of course desire to see greater results of hard labor, but in the face of the present situation we are thankful for those who have found peace by faith in the Lord Jesus. Three of our stations now have their own missionary property, which helps toward establishing the work more permanently and also gives greater prestige in winning the village people.
"Upon request we visited nearly all the Assemblies of God stations in Manchoukuo last month. It was a real joy to meet again the many old friends and to share with them the blessing of the Lord. Everywhere we went we were told the good news that there was full liberty and freedom for preaching the full gospel message. In South Manchoukuo there has been a shortage of capable workers for some time but now we feel that God is undertaking even in this great need.
"About two weeks ago some fifty missionaries from various denominations gathered at Kalgan, North China, for a special prayer conference. God met with these precious souls in a mighty way as they earnestly sought Him, feeling the need of knowing His will in face of the present situation. The good news reached us that God had poured out His Spirit upon a number of these denominational missionaries who received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost as on the day of Pentecost. The last word we received was that the meetings are continuing and the spirit of prayer increasing in power and earnestness."

## AT HOME-IN A STRANGE LAND Rex Jackson

Greetings from Nigeria! What a joy to be able to write that!
The voyage over was calm and uneventful. After disembarking at Lagos and spending a couple of days going through customs, etc., we took the train for Port Harcourt. In order to get here we had to go away upcountry and back, which made a very interesting trip.
Mr . and Mrs. Phillips with a group of Nigerian Christians met me, and the following Sunday they had a welcome service in the local church, when to my surprise I was billed to speak both morning and evening. In the evening service a fine young man was saved, so we praise the Lord for that.
I have had many agreeable surprises-the main one that is not nearly as hot as I had ex;ected; in fact, it gets quite cool at times. Already I like it very much and feel right at
home, although in a strange land. The Nigerians are unusually fine, many of them well educated. The work Brother and Sister Phillips have been enabled to do among them is nothing short of wonderful. I hope to move upcountry soon and get established in whatever ministry Brother Phillips has planned for me.

Already one can see the need of missionaries in this field, for there is a constant call for native workers and these must be trained. It is my hope and prayer that some other young man may hear and answer the call to Nigeria.

## WHAT'S NEWS

## IN THE MISSIONS DEPARTMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hodges report a good and safe journey back to their field of labor in Nicaragua. They reached Managua June 12 after a trip from El Salvador by plane which proved less expensive than by boat. "Perhaps the most outstanding event in our trip," writes Brother Hodges, "was the missionary meeting we attended in Guatemala. I am sure the discussion of our mutual problems will prove most helpful in the work. There are many problems confronting us as we take up ministry here and we need your prayers that we may be given wisdom to proceed in God's order."

Friends are requested to note the following change of address for Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lewis and Sydney Bryant: \% Postmaster, Jubbulpore, C. P., India.

The steamship El Nil. on which six of our missionaries sailed for Africa, is reported to have arrived safely at Takoradi where she remained for refueling before continuing on to Lagos. From this information it is considered that she has passed the danger zone. We solicit your continued prayers for our missionaries, particularly Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Tanner who have yet before them the journey across country to the Congo

An air mail letter received from A. E. Wilson, Ivory Coast, states that all is well and God is blessing on all the stations. The Bible School opened with 50 men students, 17 women (wives of students) and more than 20 children, constituting in all quite a family. Brother Wilson sends greetings to friends and wishes to thank them for their continued interest and prayers.

## ZAMZAM" MISSIONARIES HOME

Mr . and Mrs. Paul Derr and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Keck arrived safely in New York June 24. During the past two months they have suffered trying experiences and have sustained heavy personal losses, but we do give thanks to God for sparing their lives.
Brother Derr writes of his regret that they were not permitted to continue on to East Africa; circumstances, however, made their return to the States unavoidable at this time.
Brother Derr's personal loss includes a car and most of his personal effects. We feel sure that friends will be willing to rally to the assistance of these missionaries in the time of extreme need, helping to make up at least in part for the losses they have suffered. Offerings for this purpose may be sent to the Foreign Missions Department, designated for "Zamzam missionaries."

LAST MINUTE CABLES
Jessie Wengler, of Japan, is reported critical ly ill and in need of prayer.

Cable from the El Nil party (Hixenbaugh, Tanner, and Landrus): "Party well, unavoidably delayed. Prayer urgently requested.

WILL YOU PRAY FOR CHANG WEN TO?


## Chang Wen To

ance from this affliction, the Lord might be glorified.
Brother Baltau reports that real progress is being made in the work in and about Tientsin, especially toward establishment of the assemblies under Chinese administration. Plans are under way for opening several new places and it is desired that the Chinese assume responsibility from the very beginning, which, while not the easiest way to open up work, they feel will be most profitable in the long run.

## "THE WORD . . . GREW AND MULTIPLIED

## J. P. Kolenda, Florianopolis, Brazil

We are happy to report that the above statement made concerning the church in Jerusalem is also true in our part of the Master's harvest field; and as was the experience of the early church we also find that neither persecution nor any other attack of Satan can prevent the growth of the blessed seed of the gospel, for which we humbly praise our God.
One of the most interesting cities in the State is Blumenau. Many years ago it was settled by Germans who have maintained not only their language and customs but also the style of architecture. Many old people although they were born there cannot speak the Brazilian language. Because Blumenau is the leading industrial city of our State it has been extremely difficult for our assembly to secure a building and the saints had to worship in a small dwelling. It was therefore a great joy to all when on April 20 we dedicated a nice hall with a seating capacity of more than 200, which was crowded out at the first meeting. We are in need of a competent worker for this place since the former leader, comparatively a new convert himself, was called away to fill a need in another city, leaving only a few deacons to care for the assembly.

## At the State Capital

Here in Florianopolis we are praising God for continued blessing and victory. A little over a month ago a young demon-possessed boy began attending the services. He could not sit through a service without jerking or being thrown about or crying out in defiance. It required several men to hold him. We prayed for this boy several times. On one occasion when we commanded the demon to leave he cried out, "I won't come out." The boy was
thrown to the floor, but God delivered him and he is now praising God for victory.
Last Sunday we had our first baptismal service when seventeen believers were immersed in the presence of a great multitude of witnesses. A blessed communion service followed in our near-by hall. During the singing of a special song the glory of God descended so that the song could not be finished and the saints continued to worship the Lord.

## Saharanpur Convention

## Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Boyce, Dehra Dun

We have just returned from our Saharanpur convention where God met us gloriously. The Lord seemed to temper the weather for us so that our tent meetings at this hot time of the year were tolerable and good crowds attended night after night.

Ten to twelve among the nominal Christians found the Lord as their Saviour, and thirteen were baptized in water. With the above results we must include the good work done in showing the Word of God along fullgospel lines

## A Grand Procession

We also had a procession through the city, carrying banners with texts printed on themsinging, preaching, testifying, selling Gospel portions and distributing tracts en route. At one place where there was a large crowd of people our Indian pastor asked us all to kneel down in the road while he led in prayer; this must have made a great impression on the people.

The convention at Saharanpur has done inuch to strengthen the work, bringing the people to a realization that there is life and power among the Pentecostal people and causing a great stir


## SAHARANPUR CONVENTION

1. Procession lining up in front of tent (Brother Blakeney in foreground).

## 2. On the march for Jesus.

3. Thirteen candidates immersed in baptistry, in an orchard.
among all the Christians of the city. To God be all the glory and praise!

## God Is Moving

We are glad also to report that conversions and baptism have taken place in the new hall which we have rented in the city of Lucknow. The work now is in need of a good pastor to help care for those who are being gathered in.
Here in Dehra Dun our workers are being called to hold meetings in the homes of the denominational Christians with much blessing and deepening of spiritual life, while the gospel also is going forth to the unsaved.
God is moving in a precious way among the Christians of northern India and is calling out very capable and well educated young men for the ministry, revealing to them the need of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. They have seen the power of the Lord in their midst and are daring to sell all and follow Jesus. The Lord is preparing a people for His name and for the day of His power.

## BRIEF NOTES

JOINVILE, BRAZIL-"On a recent journey into the interior we visited a county seat where no evangelical work has yet been done and where we had been invited to hold meetings in the home of a railroad man. When we arrived at the house we found his wife very ill, so thought it best not to have the meeting there since it might disturb the sick woman. However, when we conveyed this thought to the lady of the house she insisted that we have the meeting for she was anxious to hear and wanted us to pray for her. There was not a large attendance at the service but attention was perfect. At the close six souls declared themselves ready to take Jesus as their Saviour, among whom were both the man and woman of the house. Upon the lady's invitation we went into her room and kneeling at her bedside prayed that God would save her soul and heal her body. So we thank God that work is now opened in one more of the county seats in our district."-Virgil Smith.

BETTIAH, NORTH INDIA-"The blessing of the Lord continues to rest upon the work. We have more girls in school this term than we have had for some years. It is encouraging to receive letters like one that came this week from a denominational missionary who had sent a girl to our school. She writes, 'We do appreciate all you did for Rumani; she blossomed like a flower under your care in every way.' Again and again missionaries have written telling of the spiritual blessing that has come through girls who came here and who met the Lord and were filled with the Spirit. We hardly visit a station but what we meet one who was formerly our girl, and what a joy it is to know that the work has such a wide scope of influence. To the glory of God we can truthfully say that the Girls' School has been a real power of evangelization here in North India."-Grace Walther

TSINGTAO, NORTH CHINA-"One of our Chinese woman evangelists, and a member of the first graduating class of Truth Bible Institute, went to our Weihsien assembly recently to conduct meetings, which were attended by God's blessing. She was afterwards invited to hold meetings at a Presbyterian station a few miles outside the city where there are large schools for Chinese boys and girls, a hospital, nurses' training school, and a women's Bible School. For five days she held meetings there three times daily. Classes in the schools were suspended and seven to eight hundred people assembled in the church building regularly to hear the old time gospel. Numbers were spiritually revived, many received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Several young women sought for personal interviews with the evangelist to learn more about the life of full surrender to the Lord for service. We pray that God will keep His hand upon these precious lives."-George

Slager

ITALIANS IN PALESTINE

"OUR PRAYING GENERAL"
Lord Gort, Commander-in-Chief of all military forces in Great Britain, has been contemptuously dubbed by the infidel, H. G. Wells, as "our praying General," because of his faith in Christ.

## CHURCHES IN POLAND

In Poland Livowskaya Pravda states that the Soviet have closed 300 churches, 62 synagogues, and 1,000 Confessional schools dismissed and 3,000 clergymen. But the godless leaders admit that they make little progress with the people, who believe in God and continue to go to church.

## BLESSING IN DISGUISE

"I have lost everything," said a formerly prosperous Jew in Central Europe, "but because I have lost all I have found the greatest treasure which is Jesus Christ. The loss of my possessions drove me to seek the higher things. I thank Him that He led me this way.'

## THE NEW CHINA

In the new China Christianity has become a most important religion, states the New York Herald Tribune. The Chinese Christians are uncompromisingly faithful. They are determined not to hate or be bitter against the Japanese. Japanese prisoners are treated like guests and are allowed to marry and settle in free China.

## PRESERVED

A missionary evacuated from southeastern China tells (in Redemption Tidings) of the Chinese Christians who remain in the war zone: "They write us often, and the most commonly repeated phrase in each letter, almost like a refrain, is, 'None of the Christians have been killed.' Hath He not said, 'I will put a difference'?

## SYRIA'S FUTURE

To whom will Syria belong in the future? To the French, the Germans, or the British? In Genesis 15:18 God promised to Abraham and his descendants all the land "from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates"and this includes Syria. Syria will ultimately belong to the Jews.

## UNCHURCHED AMERICANS

J. Edgar Hoover, F. B. I. Director, sees in "the indifferent attitude of our citizenry toward belief in God and basic morality," the principal reason for the spread of crime and the growth of subversive groups. "There are over sixty million of our fellow citizens," he says, "who profess no religion; and many of these, no belief in God."

## A GOOD MISSIONARY OFFERING

Redemption Tidings tells of various Assemblies of God conventions held in England at Easter One was at Preston, where Brothers Carter, Wigglesworth, Salter, and others ministered Three missionary candidates for Tibet and one for Congo were present, and a splendid missionary offering was given. It amounted to $\$ 1,630,000$ which is more than last year's offering. War is not keeping God's people from sacrificing their lives and their money for His work

## BIBLES IN TUNISIA

In Tunisia, the French protectorate in North Africa, there was a considerable amount of literature: Gospels, New Testaments, Bibles, and tracts. It seemed as though the depot might have to be given up for lack of funds, so it was decided to make a special effort to clear out the stock. Every suburb and outlying village was visited. As a result, in a short time their stock was gone Their success so exceeded expectations that they are trying to replenish their stock; in one village they sold literature in every house.

## AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

Twenty-five years ago Kaiser Wilhelm was head of a powerful and victorious war machine, still dreaming of world domination. Today he lies buried outside Germany after dying at his exile home on June 4. Present-day war lords who are winning battles and dreaming of world domination might well consider where they will be twenty-five years hence. And many others might well do the same. Two of the greatest tragedies are a lost soul and a wasted life.

## ARMENIANS IN SYRIA

The Armenians, who have had the Bible in their language for over 1,100 years and who have suffered much for their Christian faith, are still an exiled people scattered over the Near East. Syria has opened the door and many Armenians have settled there and are being nationalized, though they are in deep poverty, says World Dominion. Pray for these earnest Christians in Syria and other lands. Pray especially for some $1,500,000$ of them who are in Russia where they have no religious freedom.

## AMONG PRISONERS IN GERMANY

A writer in the Methodist Recorder (England) says the German Evangelical Churches are interesting themselves in the spiritual welfare of British prisoners in Germany. They have printed a very helpful booklet of prayers and hymns in English and distributed large numbers of them. There are some fifty British chaplains who remained with the forces at Dunkirk, who now are ministering among the British prisoners. In camps where there are no ministers the Germans have let German ministers act as chaplains. Bibles, and as far as possible Bible study books. are being distributed.

## AMONG CANADIAN JEWS

The Scott Institute, Toronto, is mentioned in Sunday School Times as doing a fine work among Canadian Jews. Its missionaries find an open and welcome door in most Toronto Jewish homes. "It is quite common for me to be invited to dinner at Jewish homes at Passover," said the superintendent, "and there, during the ritual recitation of prayers, I have been asked to lead in devotions, and have preached Christ as Israel's promised Messiah. Practically all opposition has disappeared." Now is the time to win Jews for Christ. When the outlook is darkest their longing for their Messiah is strongest.

## PORTUGAL'S PLIGHT

Portugal's seven million people, more than half of whom are illiterate, are nearly all Roman Catholics. There is great need of evangelical missionaries to give them the simple gospel story. Strangely enough, points out Prophetic Word, Portugal's colonies in Africa have more evangelical missionaries (proportionately) than Portugal herself, yet Roman Catholic influence in Portugal is not a great deal stronger than in her colonies. There are a few Pentecostal assemblies. Will you pray for the people of Portugal? World Dominion reports that there is warm pro-British feeling in that country at present. No more foreign missionaries are to be allowed to enter Portuguese colonies, however-presumably for fear of "fifth columnists."

## Special Offer

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Several thousands of Italian soldiers have arrived in Palestine, reports the Palestine Review. However, they are prisoners from the Libyan campaign, and not conquerors or invaders as Mussolini wished. Regardless of the proud boasting of would-be emperors, "The most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever He will." Daniel 4:17

## IN SOUTH AMERICAN PRISONS

A writer in World Dominion says that in some South American prisons evangelism is allowed, in others it is not. The great prison in Lima, Peru is closed to gospel workers; even evangelism through the mails is barred. But a relative of one of the prisoners some time ago brought him a Bible, and he was converted. Now no less than 45 men are worshiping God in that closed prison and striving to know more of Him through fellowship and prayer.

## WHY DOES GOD ALLOW HITLERISM?

God is using Hitler as a scourge to punish the nations. What nation today can claim exemption from God's judgments because of national righteousness?
In days of old God used "the Assyrian" to chastise His people Israel. But God said that when He had "performed His whole work upon Mount Zion and on Jerusalem" by using the Assyrian to chastise them for Him, He would "punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks." Isa. 10:12. In Isa. 10:1-19 we have the whole story, and it helps us to understand why God allows Hitlerism to succeed as far as it has. God is using Hitler as a whip. When He is through with him, God will punish Hitler's stony heart and high looks.
The same lesson is taught about Nebuchadnezzar, whom God speaks of in Jer. 25:9 as "My servant." God used ungodly Nebuchadnezzar to chastise rebellious Israel. When He was through using him as His whip, however, God said He would punish his proud Babylon for their iniquity and make it "perpetual desolations." Jer. 25:12. Notice the difference between His judgments on Israel and His judgments on Babylon. The punishment on Israel, His people, was to last for seventy years (Jer. 25:11), but the punishment on the Babylonians was much more severe, even "perpetual desolations" (v. 12)

## WAR DECLARED!

At this time of writing, Germany has just declared war on Russia. The news came to the world as a thunderbolt. It was unexpected, in view of the Russo-German friendship pact of 1939. But the unexpected is the rule in these days.
A recent editorial in the Fort Worth Press said: "The heaviest casualties in this war (or wars) have been among the prophets and experts. Events have moved so rapidly, so strangely, so contrary to preconceived notions, as to make forecasting the most perilous of jobs." We are reminded of Isaiah's words concerning certain last-day developments: "From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you: for morning by morning shall it pass over, by day and by night: and it shall be a vexation only to understand the report." Isa. 28:19. News does take us unaware these days, and events transpire so quickly by day and by night that it is difficult to keep up with the reports. Worldly prophets cannot understand what it is all leading to.
But there are some prophets who are suffering no casualties. They are inspired writers of Bible prophecy. Their words shall be fulfilled. We may err when we forecast just how and when they will be fulfilled, but in God's own time the entire prophetic plan shall be complete. God will line up the nations as He pleases and send His Son back to earth to put down all wickedness and to set up His throne. He may do it any time. At that time Christ shall destroy His enemies. "And the slain of the Lord shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end." Jer. 25:33.

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PORTRAITS FOR NOTHING-A Jewish pastor, laboring in a Hebrew community, put a notice outside his mission, "Sunday Night, next, Portraits for Nothing." He was asked by several inquirers, "Can we take 'em away with us?" "Sure, you can," he answered. Sunday night he opened the Scriptures and gave them a faithful portrait of themselves and all their wickedness. And here, in this 106th Psalm, we are given a portrait of ourselves in all our depravity. You may object, "This is a picture of Israel's failures and has nothing to do with the Gentiles." If you will faithfully examine yourself, you will see the same tendencies to unbelief, pride, ousness, and other sins in yourself. Paul shows us in 1 Corinthians 10 that all that is written about the failures in Israel is written for our admonition, and warns us. "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall." As D. L. Moody used to say, "We are all
made of dust, not rocks." But, thank God, with every temptation our Lover Lord has provided a way of escape. Ours but to call upon our strong Helper, who will never fail to give us grace in every time of need.
Our Manifold Sins. Psalm 106 begins with praise to God for His goodness, a prayer for help, and then follows a complete confession of sin.
Read the whole of Psalms 106 and 78. In this study we can only briefly touch on a few cardinal sins.
The Sin of Forgetfulness. At the Red Sea the waters covered Israel's enemies. Then the Israelites believed God and sang His praise. It is easy to believe God and give Him thanks when we see a big miracle. But real faith will honor God when there is nothing to help vision. There was nothing visible to help Daniel's faith when he re fused to obey the king's command to pray to no one but the king. David believed God and praised Him in the midst of adverse circumstances down in the cave of Adullam. See Psalm 34, title. At that time he declared, "I will bless the Lord at all times." Con-
trast Israel. After the great miracle trast Israel. After the great miracle
at the Red Sea, "they soon forgat His works." "They remembered not the multitude of His mercies." What short memories we mortals have. The way out of darkness, discouragement, and despair is shown us in Psalm 77:10-12: "I will remember the years of the right hand of the most High. I will remember the works of the Lord: surely I will remember Thy wonders of old." A constant reading of the Word will bring to our memory the goodness of the Lord, and that will inspire our hearts to trust Him fully.

The Sin of "Own Way." A lady gave clear instructions to her new maid exactly how she required her housework to be done. The maid. however, preferred to do things entirely differently from the plan of the mistress. In reply to her remonstrance she answered, "Well, I likes my own way best." How prone we are to "turn every one to his own way." Isaiah 53. That is the very essence of $\sin$. Israel went their own way rather than God's. The Liberian Christian natives call the way of salvation "God way." God's way is the narrow path that leads to life. "Our way" is the broad road that leads to destruction.
The Sin of Pride. When the men of Gibeon came with their old sacks and shoes, their rent wine skins, their dry and moldy bread, and

ship. It is written, "Thou leddest Thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron." God chooses His leaders. He calls us all to be loyal to them; to be obedient to them that rule over us. Beware of the three great sins of today : The sin of Cain-that of belittling the Atonement and hating those beloved of the Lord; that of Ballam-coveting after filthy lucre; and that of Korah-envying and defying God-ordained leadership. God's tremendous judgments will comé up on all who follow these three false leaders.

GOD'S COMPASSION-Psalm 78 is a further recital of human failure. At the same time it is a continued reminder of God's great grace and goodness. We should not only constantly meditate on this ourselves but we should make it known to our children, that they might declare it to their children. Verses 6 and 7. The divine Physician is a wonderful diagnostician. His diagnosis of Israel's failure-and our own as well-is: heart trouble. "For their heart was not right with Him." The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked." But how gracious and faithful the Holy Spirit is to convict of $\sin$ in the heart, and then to bring us the one and only remedy when our $\sin$ is con-fessed-the precious blood of Jesus Christ. Said one good brother, "When I see Calvary and the power of the Blood of atonement, I think, 'Surely one drop of the blood of Christ is sufficient for all the sins of all the world.' But when I look at the depths of $\sin$ in my own wicked heart, I cry, 'O Lord, it will surely take all the blood that flowed from Thy wounded side to blot out the multitude of my iniquities.' '"
Full of Compassion. Jeremiah cried, "It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not." Though the temple of God had been destroyed and Jerusalem brought low, he did not lose that which was dearest to his soul, and could still say, "The Lord is my portion." Having Him, we have all we need.

Mercy and Judgment., "I will sing of mercy and judgment," says David. In the last days we are seeing God's judgments in the earth and shall yet see more of them. The earth is utterly corrupt. Violence is everywhere, even as it was in the days of Noah. But even in this day God is preserving a company who will not bow the knee to any modern Baal. Happy are they who, in full confidence of what the Lord has wrought at Calvary, are being constantly built up in the faith, who enter a life of intercession and know what it is to pray in the Holy Ghost,

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\text { standing } \sin \text { of the world today is covetousness. }
$$ All of today's wars come from nations coveting that which is another's. Way's translation of Hebrews 13:5 is, "Let your character be untainted by greed of money. Be contented with what you have." Israel lusted after flesh. Folk still do the same, instead of eagerly desiring the manifestation of the blessed Holy Spirit. God punished Israel by giving them what they wanted. Watch your prayers. One friend of mine was always praying for money. He got it, but he became shockingly lean in his soul. Constantly say to the Lord, "Grant that I may ask only such things as shall please Thee." There may be a decided element of self and pride in that prayer we sometimes make, "O Lord, use me." Let us rather pray, "Lord, use whom You will, so long as precious souls are saved." It is wholesome to pray, "Lord, don't let me ever have anything that is not in Thy will for me."

The Sin of Envy. Korah, Dathan and Abiram envied Moses and Aaron. They protested, "Ye take too much upon you, seeing all the congregation are holy, every one of them . . . wherefore
then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation
of the Lord?" They refused to recognize that God had appointed Moses and Aaron to leader-

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## SOUL HUNGER

Dr. Driver relates the following experience with a man of science upon his deathbed. "I was called to his bedside, and a sense of duty impelled me to question him. Seldom have I seen a finer-looking man, or felt a kinder grasp than he gave me. Seating myself by his side, I said: 'Sir, you seem quite ill.' Without apparent hesitation or concern, he replied, 'Yes, I am going to die.' I asked, 'Have you the consolation of religion to comfort you?' He answered, 'I do not believe in the Bible, nor in the religion it teaches. Nature is the altar at which I have worshiped; she has been my guide and teacher.' 'You speak of Nature as a guide,' I said. 'Yes,' he replied, 'she is infallible.'
"Looking deep into his beautiful blue eyes, I said to him: ' I, too, profess to have been educated in the same school. Is it not strange that, receiving our instruction from the same teacher, we should arrive at different conclusions? Certainly one of us has misinterpreted her, or the teacher, has deceived us.' He said, 'It is not in the teacher.' I replied, 'The mistake then is in me or you. Now, it is worth while to compare opinions. If I have misinterpreted, I know I have done it honestly, and desire to be corrected.' He said, 'That is right: I feel so too.'
"He looked very earnestly at me, and I asked: 'In all your researches have you ever found a creature whose nature was opposed to its appetite?' After some hesitation, he said, 'No; such a creature cannot exist. With a carnivorous stomach, and a herbivorous appetite, it could only live till it starved to death, and propagation would be impossible.' I pressed the point: 'Are there no exceptions to this rule?' He answered, 'No; none in the animal or the vegetable world.'
"I said: 'You think you are going to die?' 'Yes.' 'And that death will terminate your existence?' 'Yes.' 'Now, answer me: have you got an appetite for something you have not got?' 'Yes, I want to live.' 'How long do you want to live?', Looking confused, he replied: 'I can't tell you.' I said: 'You must look to the utmost limit of desire, and tell me where it is?' With animation, he said, 'I can't.'
"I said earnestly, 'Can I assist you?' 'Yes.' 'Suppose you could now be assured that you shall live until an insect, by carrying away a grain of sand every thousand years, should remove the earth, would you then be satisfied with life?' He answered, 'No.' I said: 'Do you know anything that would meet the desires of your nature?' In great bewilderment, he said, 'No.'
"I pressed him: 'Yet you say that everything in nature teaches there must be. Now, I am not going to say that my Bible is true, or its religion is true, but would this meet the demand of your appetite?' and I quoted Christ's words (John 6:51): "I am the living bread which came down out of heaven; if any man eat of this bread, he shall live forever." His eyes flashed fire, and he said: Yes, it would. I have misinterpreted Nature.' He asked me to read the Bible, and to pray with him. I stayed with him till late at night, and wonderful was the change. I never saw him again alive.

## MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS

## Peking, China-Please pray for the Tsao fam-

 ily. Mrs. Tsao has been delivered from the opium habit. Her husband has been under conviction. He has seen his two children healed which helped to convince him that Christ is real, but recent1 y his little daughter died suddenly. Now he says that proves to him that Christ is not real. He does not want to go back to his idols and he says he will not believe in anything.-H. E. Hansen.pour out His Spirit and baptize those who have not received the Baptism. Pray for two young men who desire to follow Christ. Their family will turn them out if they do so.-Grace L. Walther.

Moghal Sarai, India-Pray that a man who recently was healed may confess Christ openly. Also pray that we may be able to enter the open doors, especially among the Christians.-Anna Helmbrecht.
Galle, Ceylon-Please pray earnestly for two Buddhists who have seen manifestations of God's power and who have a desire to follow Him. Also pray that one of them may get a job so he can properly support his wife and child. We desire your prayers that an elderly man who is very ill may have the peace of God in his heart.Carl F. Graves.
Lima, Peru-We praise the Lord because Brother Morris and daughter have been healed. Please pray for the complete healing of Sister Morris.-Herbert Felton.

Baguio, Philippine Islands-Pray that we will have a revival and that God will pour out His Spirit and save many souls.-Doris Carlson and Elizabeth Galley.

## AN OPEN DOOR TO THE C. C. C. CAMPS

Mrs. Minna Seaholm, one of our ordained ministers, has very kindly been granted permission by our Government officials to visit any of the C. C. C. camps throughout the country. There are 1500 of these, with approximately 300,000 young men camped in them. In her evangelistic ministry in the past several years Sister Seaholm has had many opportunities to speak in high schools and at C. C. C. camps, but a much wider door has now opened. With the hearty endorsement of the Home Missions Department of the General Council of the Assemblies of God, she therefore plans to make a tour of the C. C. C. camps in all parts of the country, probably beginning in Wisconsin. She will lecture at the camps each evening and speak at high schools wherever possible in the day-time. On week-ends, however, she will be available for ministry in local assemblies. We recommend her evangelistic ministry to our brethren and hope that all possible courtesy and cooperation shall be shown to her in her splendid work.

## JUST TRUST

"Trust God's wisdom thee to guide,
Tr;st His goodness to provide;
Trust His saving love and power,
Trust Him every day and hour;
Trust Him as the only light,
Trust Him in the darkest night ;
Trust in sickness, trust in health,
Trust in poverty and wealth;
Trust in joy and trust in grief,
Trust His promise for relief;
Trust Him living, dying, too ;
Trust Him all thy journay through."
Only a fool would run a race in an overcoat; so "let us lay aside every weight."

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Please explain Rom. 10:6, 7. What is meant by going up to heaven to bring Christ down, or going into the deep to bring Him again from the dead?

The outstanding thought in these verses is that salvation is entirely by faith, through grace, and not of works. We do not have to do the impossible, such as going up to heaven to bring Christ down from above, nor into the deep, to bring Him again from the dead. God brought Jesus from the dead, and God has seated Him at His own right hand.

What we need to do is to believe the Word of God which is preached unto us, since faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. We must rely on what God has done and not on something we can do.

Is there Scripture for the teaching that God created a world over which Satan ruled which was destroyed before our world was created?

This question takes us into what is called "speculative theology," a realm in which there is considerable uncertainty. Many believe there was such a world. These believe Genesis $1: 1$ states concerning the original creation of the earth. "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." That the earth then became without form and void, and that out of this chaotic condition our world was brought forth as we know it now.
Will the Holy Spirit be in the world during the tribulation?

Some think yes, some think no. It is probable that He will, since people will be saved during that time. There will be the sealing of the 144,000 out of Israel, the innumerable number, and likely others. It is the work of the Spirit to draw men to God. What surely will be removed is the Spirit's restraint on Antichristian lawlessness.
Who are the "elect" spoken of in 1 Peter 1:2; Matt. $24: 22$, 24 ; Col. $3: 12 ; 2$ Peter $1: 10$ ?

The elect mentioned in 1 Peter $1: 2$ are probably those of Israel who have embraced the gospel, since Peter wrote to "the strangers" or "elect sojourners of the dispersion" who were Jewish believers. Many believe the elect spoken of in Matt. $24: 22$ refers to those in Israel who will be the chosen of God to survive the tribulation and enjoy the millennial kingdom. Matt. 24:24 may well be a warning to all believers lest we be deceived through false Christs or false prophets. It also includes those mentioned in verse 22 . The elect referred to in Col. 3:12 are Christian believers. This same is true of 2 Peter $1: 10$. All the chosen of God are God's elect. Israel as a nation has an election to be restored to national life. Some of Israel are chosen "according to the election of grace" that they might become members of the body of Christ in this church age. Gentiles who are saved are also God's elect, being chosen according to the purpose of God in this dispensation.

What is the meaning of "Mine heritage is unto me as a speckled bird, the birds round about are against her." Jer. 12:9.

The meaning is that Israel, God's chosen people, through $\sin$ and idolatry were being forsaken by the Lord. Being different from those of other nations they were like a speckled bird upon which other birds (nations) would pounce. Persecution of the Jews by other nations at present illustrates the meaning.

Jesus Christ alone can save the world, but Jesus Christ cannot save the world alone.

Bettiah, India-Please pray that the Lord will


BOTH SAVED AND HEALED
In 1940 I had my teeth extracted, but for seven months my jaw at one place gave me the greatest distress. The pain was almost unbearable. I sent word to Brother Carney by a neighbor to pray for my healing. The next evening this neighbor, Brother Hotchkiss, came with Brother Carney, his mother and sister and her husband.
I was born and reared a Roman Catholic and never prayed out loud, so when they began to pray I thought surely the police would come in to see what was the matter. I couldn't hear what the mother was saying for the daughter, so I began to pray myself. I had been taught that if I left the Catholic church (falling away they call it) I would surely go to hell. This worried me; although I couldn't believe it. I couldn't believe that we should have images in the church and bow down to them.
I asked God to forgive my sins and wash and make me whiter than snow. I asked Him to please save me, and tell me that I will not go to hell if I leave the Catholic church. Then I began to chill. From head to foot I chilled and it seemed as though my face was freezing. The lady told me to praise the Lord, and I
began to say, "Hallelujah." I praised until I felt a terrible sorrow in my heart and had to bow my head and weep, Oh, so brokenhearted. Then the Lord spoke to me. "Be still and see the salvation of the Lord." Everyone seemed to hush, and 10 , and behold, the Lord appeared to me life size, with arms outstretched as if He were on the cross. His body was covered with a cream-colored vail. His limbs were a blue white as though every drop of blood had been drawn out of them. As I looked down I beheld a great wound in each foot, from which was flowing blood, wet and going down between the toes.
I was so bewildered. I looked up at His face again, and then at His feet, and was about to touch the wet blood. I felt that would show doubt and refrained. Then I knew that no church, no minister, no priest, no man could save-nothing but the Blood of Jesus; and that if I should fall into $\sin$ I had an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and that believing on the Son of the Highest made me a child of God. I was born of the Spirit through the Word and the Blood. O glory!
I threw my arms around Mrs. Carney's neck and hugged her laughing for joy. The next day a large, crooked piece of tooth came out of the gum and my pain ceased. Everything looks different to me, even every person I see, and I wonder whether they are saved. I am a new creature. Last week I took the ax and broke up the images I had in the house. I have Jesus now,
and do not need them. Hallelujah! He has showed Himself to me twice.-Edna Jett Crosley, 3236 Schofield Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.
Ed. note-We held this testimony several weeks after receiving it as our custom is and wrote to Mrs. Crosley. She replied that she is entirely healed, and so happy in Jesus. She enclosed an account of her experience written by Lester J. Carney, 2634 North Adams Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, in verification of her testimony, and also a similar statement by James G. Hotchkiss, 3227 Ralston Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

## SCATTERED

Said F. E. Howitt: "I have taken pains to ascertain whether there are Israelites to be found in the most remote parts of the world. I asked Dr. Peck whether there were Israelites among the Eskimos in the Arctic Circle, and he told me there were quite a number of them. I asked Dan Crawford, who worked in Central Africa, and he said he had found them there. I asked Hudson Taylor if there were any in China, and he said there were many. I have yet to find the country where there are no Israelites." God warned He would scatter the Jews for their sins, and He did. It is just as certain that one day He will gather them back to the Land of Promise. "Hear the word of the Lord, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock." Jer. $31: 10$. He has already been gathering them for several years.

# REPORTS S Si RERPERS 

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.-A successful revival has been conducted here by Evan-
gelist I. D. Mahaffy, Ada, Okla. Thirteen were saved, and two received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The church was greatly benefited by his good preaching, and inthe work. -Wm . R. Porter, Pastor.

MAUD, OKLA.-I am happy to report a wonderful 4 -weeks revival with the Keen Brothers, Harry and Billy. These boys preach the gospel and are not afraid to pray. Many souls were saved and filled
with the Holy Spirit. We closed the revival with an all-day service, including the sacrament. Eleven were baptized in water.-George Clements, Pastor.

FRANKFORD, DEL.-The Omar Full Gospel Church, which Pricella Hobbs and I pastor, has just closed a 17 -days campaign with Evangelist and Mrs. D. Roy Parsons and their 6-year-old son. Nine people raised their hands for salvation, and through God's blessing upon the ministry of this evangelistic party many new people came in from near-by localities, and became
interested in the services.-F. Ethel Collins

BECKLEY, W. VA.-We are glad to announce the opening of the Beckley
Gospel Tabernacle. James Earls. Presbyter and Pastor of Mt. Hope, also M. B. Hampton, District Superintendent, and several other brethren have helped us in this work. Verne B. MacKinney of Pine River, Minn., and Roy B. Warner of
Massillon, Ohio, are conducting a revival Massillon, Ohio, are conducting a revival
here now. Pray much for our success. We shall be glad to hear from any of the brethren and for you to visit us when passing this way.-Bun E. Hicks, S.T.B., passing this way.-Bun

MILES CITY, MONT.-A very successful soul-winning 2-weeks campaign has Heen conducted here by Evangelist Christian through to salvation. A definite stir was made in the city, larger crowds attending these services than have attended
similar services in years. On June 15 our similar services in years. On June 15 our
Sunday School attendance rose to a high of 252. Brother Hild is certainly to be commended for his nuch praying, his great preaching, his Pentecostal enthusiasm, and

## and the church.-Leonard and Frieda

 Palmer, Pastors.
## SHARP (Southwest of Okmulgee), OKLA.

 -We are grateful to the Lord for His men from Southwestern Bible School, Earl Cornelison and Dibrell Helton, gave us a few services and the people were especiallyblessed. June 15 we had a Missionary day with Katie Wise, returned missionary from China, in charge. A flood came and two bridges were washed away on our main route to the church, but people were so anxious to come they went severa miles out of their way, and our Sunday School attendance reached 113. This day
meant much to the church. The people are working beautifully together, encourag ed in the Lord.-Hattie Coffee, Pastor.
KNOXVILLE, TENN.-May 4 we closed a very successful 3 -weeks revival with Evangelist and Mrs. W. H. Couch, St. Petersburg, Fla. The Lord met us graciously in each service in healings and demonstrations of the Spirit. Sister Couch con ducted children's church one half hour before each evangelistic service, about 40
children being present each night. One outstanding feature of the services was the children's songs. Twenty people were taken into church fellowship, 14 were baptized in water, 6 were baptized with Some nights the children remained in the Sunday School rooms seeking God throughout the preaching service, the boys and girls being in separate rooms. Eternity alone will tell how many were saved and
baptized among the children.-R L Wilbaptized among the children.-R. L. Wil
kerson, Pastor; by Mrs. W. H. Couch.

WRIGHT CITY (near Overton), TEXAS -We have just closed a very successfu revival with J. B. Smith and Party
Brother Smith is one of Brother Smith is one of our pioneer
preachers who contends for the faith that preachers who contends for the faith that
was once delivered unto the saints. His party consists of his son Edwin and The attendance was good throughout the 3-weeks campaign. Each night the Spirit of God was manifested in power and liberty. A goodly number were saved liberty. A goodly number were saved and about 8 or 9 received the Holy Ghos Baptism. The special music and singing
proved a great blessing to many, and the
liberty exercised by Brother Smith helped the saints to do a greater work. The last
night of the services was the greatest of all; about 18 were at the altar seeking
God, 10 professed salvation through the God, 10 professed salvation through the Baptism.-Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Goodwin,
Pastors.

PILOT POINT, TEXAS-In 1938 this church called me as pastor to succeed Eldridge. Although the work was small and the building in need of repairs,
we had much to be thankful for as we launched a program to remodel the church and to see a growth in membership and
Sunday School attendance. Our predecessor had labored faithfully here and because of this we found our task much easier. He left many friends and a clean record which has helped in a marvelous way. Millard E. Collins, Ft. Worth; Dorothy Carpenter and Amy Lassater, Ft. Worth Thomas Sutton, Gainesville; David and
Rhoda Watson, Ft. Worth; Marie A. Rhoda Watson, Ft. Worth; Marie A
Smith, Dallas; and James Medley and family, Dallas. All these proved a blessing
to the work.
We now have the church remodeled and painted inside and out, and the woodwork varnished. We made some important changes that added much to the appear ance of the building. We owe only a small amount on these improvements. Our Sunday School enrollment is now
111. We have been re-elected for another year.-Weldon and Eula Marcontell.


DE LEON. TEXAS July $15-30$; E. R PUYALLUP, WASH.-Tent Campaign, July 6-27; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Hild Fargo, N. Dak.-A. B. Crabb, Pastor.
LONGVIEW, TEXAS-Marshall Ave. and 4th St., July 6-; Carl Alcorn and Sister Evangelists.-Lester P. Summers, Pastor RAPID CITY, S. DAK.-Assembly of God Tabernacle, July ${ }^{\text {E-20; }}$ Evangelist. -M . Christia

MACOMB, ILL.-July 6-20; Mary Jo Barnett, Electra, Texas, Evangelist.-A. G. Ferguson, Pastor.
GRAPEVINE. TEXAS-Tent Meeting July 6; O. B. Braune of Ft. Worth Evan-

JAMESTOWN, N. Y-July 27, for $^{3}{ }^{3}$ wecks: Gay Benson. Mount Morris, Pa.,
Evangelist. - Frederick
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Drake, Pastor. CENTRALIA, WASH.-Oak St. at Pine; July 15 , for 3 weeks or more; Don MalBAR HARBOR, ME.-Full Gospel As. sembly, July 8-27; Carl and Edna Good-
win, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelist. G. H. Brace is pastor - By Evangelists.
BOWLEGS, OKLA.-June 29-; King Brothers, Evangelists.-W. V. Beauford, Pastor.
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Mrs. Bird Campbell, Dallas, Texas.-W. Hardwick, Pastor.
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BROOKLYN, N. Y-Church Dedication Iglesia de Dios, 706 Park Ave., July 19. -Antonio R. Caquias, Pastor.
GLEN CARBON, ILL.-July 11.27; Toseph and Helen Dunets, Evangelists.
C. W. Marshall is pastor.-By Evangelists. PAWNEE CITY, NEBR.-July 20, for 3 weeks or longer: Evangelist and Mrs. J. M Wilkins, Pastor.
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SPOKANE, WASH.-Glad Tidings
Temple. July Temple. July 23 -Aug. 17; Christian
Evangelist.-W. H. Boyles, Pastor.
HENDERSON, KY.-Tent Meeting, July Evangelist. Near-by assemblies invited to Evangelist. Near-by assemblies in
SAN DIEGO (Ocean Beach), CALIFJune 26-; Evangelist and Mrs. R. B. -Eldon Vincent, Pastor. FAIRFAX, OKLA.-July 13 , for ${ }^{2}$
weeks or longer; Evangelist and weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs.
R. E. Lister of El Reno. C. A. Woods is pastor.-By Evangelist.
MIDLAND, MICH.-Mecting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Elbert R. Wilkinson
of Dallas, Texas. Charles B. Dobbins is
pastor.-By Evangelists.
GARDEN CITY, KANSAS-Meeting is progress, for 3 or 4 weeks; Evangelist
and Mrs. W. Keith Reed, Grand Island, and Mrs. W. Keith R
Nebr.-By
Evangelists.
KANSAS CITY, MO.-Tent Campaign, July-August; Sanders Brothers, Jefferson Cit
Pastor.

## SEMINOLE, OKLA.-Prophetic and

 Evangelistic Campaign; June 30, for 2 weeks; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McCafferty, JOPLIN, MO.-Tent Revival, south west part of City; July 6, for 3 weeks orlonger; Evangelist and Mrs. Guy M Heath, Forth Morgan, Colo.-S. E. Williams, Pastor.
WAUKEGAN, ILL-City-wide Tent re vival, Glen Rock Ave. and So. Chapel St.,
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ville, Ohio, July 24 August . Clarence
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