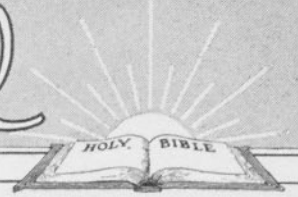




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"What God Hath Cleansed"

PETER saw heaven open, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet, knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth. A clean sheet let down from the clean heaven, containing all manner of four-footed beasts, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air. To Peter's eyes they were all unclean.

Peter was commanded to rise and kill and eat. "Not so, Lord," replied Peter, "for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean." Peter was not contradicted in his estimate that the animals belonged to the unclean class. He did not know, and therefore was informed, that the unclean had been made clean.

The four-footed beasts of the earth, and even the fowls of the air, had been taken up into heaven and let down again. They had been through a divine operation, a divine cleansing, a divine purging. The earthly had been raised to the realm of the heavenly and let down again. And the divine comment was, "What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common."

The Spirit of God gave the interpretation to Peter and he obeyed the instructions of the Spirit and went into the midst of the Gentile Romans, who, up to that time, according to Acts 11:14, were not saved. The man Cornelius, to whom he was sent, had been praying and giving alms. It was a religion of the natural, of the soul, and yet he was offering to God in the best way he knew how, and as such it was not despised.

Natural worship

from natural Gentile people would from our high standard be entirely unfit, useless, and would be unacceptable to God. A vast amount of our judgments are entirely wrong in the sight of God. His message to Cornelius was, "Thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God."

Ezekiel was set down in the midst of a valley which was full of bones, and they were very dry. The Lord said to him, "Can these bones live?" He answered discreetly, "O Lord, God, thou knowest," as much as to say, "I don't know."

At the command of the Lord he prophesied and there was a noise, a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone; sinews and flesh came upon them and the

skin covered them above. Here were the natural, the human beings, complete, but there was no breath in them. This was very much the condition of Cornelius and his household before Peter went to them. There was no breath in them.

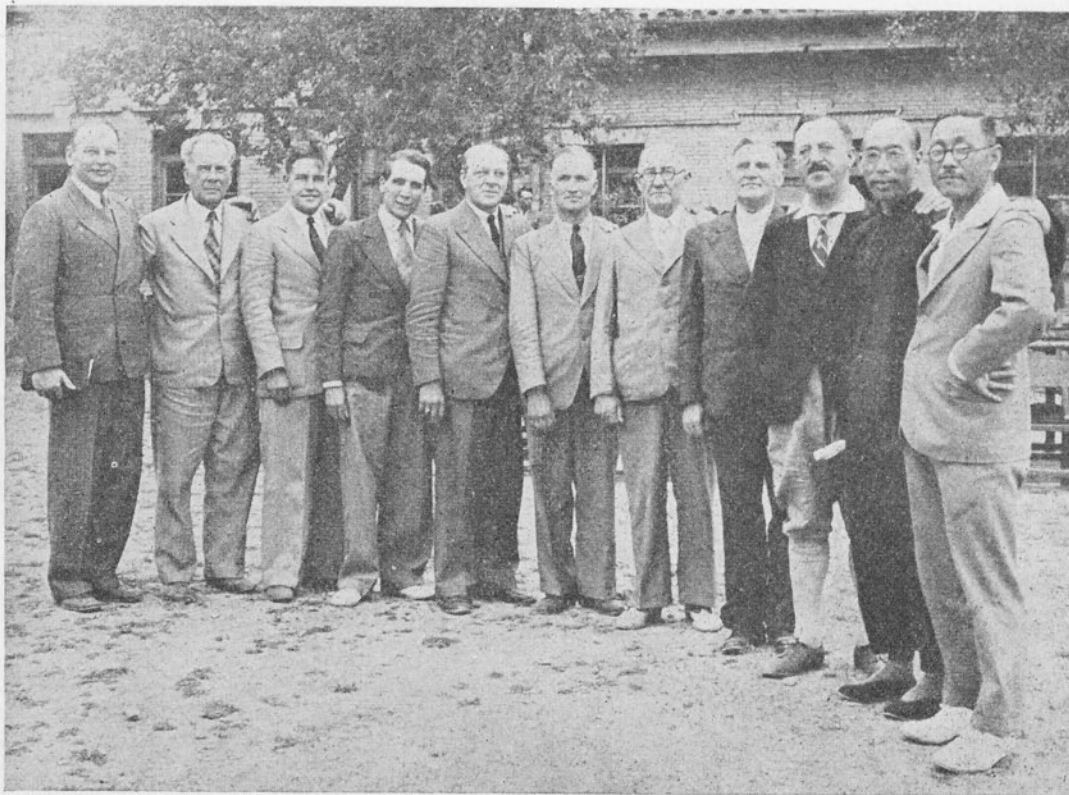
Ezekiel was commanded, "Prophecy unto the wind . . . come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." He prophesied as he was commanded, breath came into them, they lived, and stood up on their feet, an exceeding great army.

Peter began to preach the Word of God, and Cornelius and his party began to believe. The breath of heaven, of the same nature that came upon the 120 in the upper room, entered into this company and they lived. More than that, they spoke a new language. New beings (for they were new creatures in Christ Jesus) were filled with the divine breath, and that enabled them to speak with new tongues.

Can you not see them all standing up on their feet, the nucleus of an army of God, the soldiers of an imperial Caesar becoming the soldiers of the King of kings and Lord of lords?

Paul says, "I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Thess. 5:23. In the story that is told in the 10th chapter of Acts the whole process is exemplified.

Cornelius welcomed the Spirit-filled man of God, and by means of the Word of God and the Spirit of God, his (See Page Three)



ALL ONE IN CHRIST

A group of pastors and missionaries, representing eleven nationalities, who were present at the Missionary Prayer and Revival Convention in Kalgan, North China, June 1, 1941. (See article, "God's New Thing," in the Evangel of August 2.)

Left to right—American, Swedish, Scotch, English, Norwegian, Canadian, Finnish, Dutch (G. C. Slager of the Assemblies of God), Danish, Chinese, Japanese.

"And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth." Revelation 5:9, 10.

Saved By Grace

Ernest S. Williams

Recently a young minister said some people who believe in eternal security were surprised to learn that he believed in salvation through grace. They had supposed that if one believed it possible to be lost after having been saved, one must believe salvation to be by works.

The doctrine of the grace of God is outstandingly a most beautiful truth. Unless one sees that "by grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God," one cannot be a contented happy Christian. Owing to our human infirmities, errors of judgment, and consciousness of personal unworthiness the accuser of the brethren is ever ready to challenge us as to our standing in Christ. Unless we have a firm foundation his challenges may cause us serious grief.

Salvation is entirely through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. God "hath made us accepted in the *Beloved*," not in ourselves. If man were justified by works then might he glory. Cain seems to have been misled here. He brought as an offering the fruit of his own labor. The Pharisee made a similar mistake when he prayed thus with himself, "I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess." Many make the mistake of relying on some good in themselves instead of on the work which Christ has done and on that alone. When we have done our best we are still "unprofitable servants."

Provision is made for our eternal security. As long as one conscientiously walks before God one is safe. Neither men nor devils can pluck such a one out of the Father's hand. "What shall separate us from the love of *Christ*? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?" No circumstance of life, no temptation from Satan, nothing whatsoever can separate a trusting soul from its position of safety in Christ Jesus. God is greater than all and "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." What a magnificent security is that of the children of God! Earnestly we urge each believer in Christ to see his position and praisefully rejoice that he has found a fixed hiding place in the Rock of his salvation.

But can this grace of God be abused and one still retain one's standing in salvation? This is a point that needs serious consideration. If one can "do despite unto the Spirit of grace," or, in other words, "insult the Spirit of grace" and yet retain one's heavenly standing, then the doctrine of unconditional security for the believer is a fact. But if one cannot "do despite unto the Spirit of grace" and retain one's standing then the doctrine of eternal security needs some qualifying. What we want is an honest interpretation of Scripture.

What is to happen to us if we sin wilfully "after that we have received the knowledge of the truth"? "He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: of how much sorer punishment suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?" To claim that persons referred to here are unbelievers is a violation of all reason. They had been sanctified through the blood of the covenant accepted in the Beloved. The teaching is similar in another place. In Hebrews six we are warned that those "who were once enlightened, and had tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, and had tasted of the powers of the world to come" if they fell away crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh and put Him to an open shame. This can refer to none other than those who had rejoiced in a place "in the heavenlies." They were partakers of the heavenly gift, of the Holy Ghost, and of the powers of the world to come.

Many are the godly people who believe that after one has once been saved he never can be lost. Many of these defend their position by affirming that if one has ever really been made a new creature in Christ Jesus one will prove this fact by living soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world. To them for one to return to the weak and beggarly elements of the world is evidence that one has never been born again. This is rather a severe doctrine. It makes no place for one who felt he had enjoyed the assurance of sins forgiven and then became entangled again through the power of sin. We admire those who believe a Christian ought to live Christlike. At the other extreme among those who believe in eternal security are those who teach that no matter what one does after he has been once saved he remains forever safe, a redeemed child of God—a most dangerous doctrine. When pastoring at Philadelphia an elderly doctor asked that I visit him at his office. His life morally and otherwise

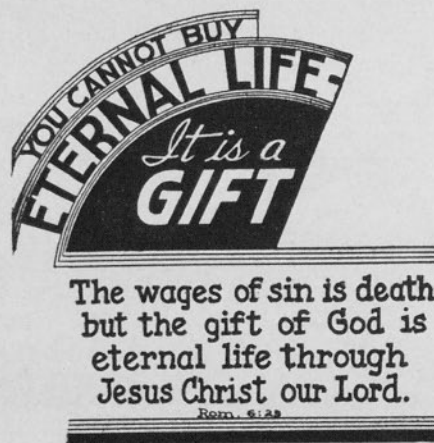
was such that respectable people shunned him. He recounted some of his mischievous deeds but concluded by saying that when he was a boy in England he was blessedly saved and he never had gotten away from the belief that even though he had wandered far he was still a child of God. Such belief I consider presumption. Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish. Not long ago I was asked to review a portion of a book. In it the writer went out of his way to tell of a man in San Quentin prison who was sentenced to death for murder. He assumed that because the murderer had been converted in an evangelistic meeting some years before, his bad conduct thereafter meant nothing, he was still a child of God.

If unconditional eternal security of the believer is correct what mean such warnings of Scripture as, "I am the vine," and "If any man abide not in Me, he is cast forth as a branch and withered; and men gather them and cast them into the fire, and they are burned?" Who dares to declare that the branch referred to here never was in the vine? What mean such scriptures as, "Be not highminded, but fear: for if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest He also spare not thee."—"To thee goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off." Please do not tell us that this refers to unregenerate Gentiles who have come into the place of privilege forfeited by Israel. What unregenerate Gentile has been grafted into the root and fatness of divine promise?

A radical exponent of the doctrine of eternal security saw the inconsistency of worldly, sinning people passing themselves off as children of God. Rather than warn them that unless they maintained their position in grace through earnestness of Christian life, realizing that otherwise they would be unfit for the glorious church without spot or wrinkle, he provided a millennial perigatory, teaching that "they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God" and that they would be banished at the judgment seat of Christ from millennial blessing, but would thereafter come forth rejoicing because they were children of God. This is just a step from teaching final restitution of all things.

The warnings of Scripture given to believers are many. How about the servant who was forgiven ten thousand talents who laid his hand on the throat of his fellow servant who owed him an hundred pence? His lord rebuked him for his inconsiderateness, withdrew his forgiveness, and had him cast into prison until he should pay the entire debt. Does this not indicate that there is sin by which one forfeits entirely one's forgiveness? Or are you going to try to interpret it as meaning that the cruel servant will be imprisoned in a millennial perigatory until he has paid the debt? Pergatory brings salvation to no one. If it does then it takes the place of the atonement of Christ. We are redeemed by the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without spot, slain from the foundation of the world.

What is here written is not with the thought of depriving any of the joy of eternal salvation through grace alone. It is written as a warning against presumption, turning the grace of God into lascivious-



ness, and finally hearing the voice of the Saviour say, "Depart from me all ye that work iniquity." The grace of God is beautiful. In it God will clothe every soul who will trust in Him. But remember, faith and obedience go together. When Israel disbelieved they walked in disobedience and their carcasses fell in the wilderness. Our faith as believers is to be shown by our works. Paul teaches us that we are saved by grace entirely without works. Nothing that we are able to do can purchase for us salvation. James teaches that if we are saved

it will be evidenced by our works—but works as a means to salvation, but works as the fruit of salvation. Under every circumstance of life may we maintain our position as redeemed souls through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, and go forth to show that we are redeemed by working the works of righteousness. We may have infirmities, we may blunder, but the purpose of the soul is to "grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby we are sealed unto the day of redemption."

precious prayer-warrior is lost in earthly insignificance, yet the fact remains. No present day showman tactics, or highly organized church machinery, can substitute the mighty force of prostrated, humble intercession. This type of prayer does not operate by time-limitation, but until the "cloud the size of a man's hand" appears. Then faith calls it a cyclone, and so it becomes!

By way of illustration: In a certain town a young evangelist went to conduct a revival in the local Assembly of God church. He preached with sincerity and fervor for a few nights, but with no visible results. After seven nights of seemingly "fighting the wall." The break came. It was wonderful. Indeed it was marvelous to him. For the following six weeks the old-fashioned altar was lined every night with souls, sobbing and confessing a life of sin to Jesus Christ. On several occasions there was no preaching. Conviction was so great that people rushed to the altar before he could begin. As human flesh can, he thought his ministry was developing, that his presence and message was becoming more dynamic. But one night a Sister-in-the-Faith came up bubbling over with joy and said, "Oh, Brother, do you know why we are having such a wonderful revival?" He nearly gave her his opinion on the matter, when the dear old lady could keep the secret no longer. "You see that certain Sister in the Lord?" "Yes," he interjected. "Well, for the first week of these meetings she stayed in her prayer-chamber almost the entire time. She received the assurance of great revival during the day that the blessing broke forth in the evening."

This gave the young minister a beneficial but vastly different viewpoint regarding successful revivals. Prayer changes things!

It can be the same in the life of an individual seeking revival, or a group or assembly, or throughout an entire Fellowship. REVIVAL CAN COME; by cleansing pulpit and pew, humbling before God, and then meeting God in prevailing prayer. Lord send a revival throughout the entire nation, in such a time as THIS!

"What God Hath Cleansed"

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soul is brought into touch with God and quickened.

By believing in Christ, the *spirit* of this man who is dead spiritually is made alive by the Father of spirits. At the same time the natural *body* is acted upon and the unruly member which no man can control is brought under the control of the Spirit of God; and the tongue, representing the whole body, is operated upon by the Spirit of God. The Latin speech of the Romans gives way to the divine speech given by Jesus Christ, whom the Romans shortly before had crucified.

In the experience of Cornelius we have a perfect picture of the divine operation on fallen man. That which was unclean and common is made clean and uncommon through the divine operation of the risen and crucified Saviour.

Make your plans to attend the General Council at Minneapolis, Minn., September 4-11.

Revival Can Come

The Essentials for Receiving God's Blessing

Lester Sumrall, Ferriday, La.

There is a difference between a soul-winning campaign, in opening up a new assembly, and a revival. In the first instance, God works through the ministry-gift of evangelism (Eph. 4-11); the latter is the revivification of a body already in existence. For a campaign, in order to bring into being a new church, what is needed is a messenger from the Lord, equipped with the authority of his vocation. In the second case, however, more is involved. The nucleus already there must be the channel through which the blessing shall flow. It should be borne in mind that God never blesses OVER or AROUND an established body, but *through* it. (If this becomes impossible, He brings into being a new people altogether.) Therefore, if we as an individual assembly, or an entire organism, seek REVIVAL, it must flow through God's ordained channel.

History records the illuminating fact that many past revivals began in the front ranks and then permeated the whole body. We read, for instance, of Nineveh's Royal Family falling upon their faces with repentance, in fear of the pronounced judgment, their subjects quickly following their example. This revival saved a nation from destruction for over 150 years! When King Josiah, standing by the Temple pillar, called the backslidden people to revival, they spontaneously accepted his leadership. In recent history, when God found a Zinzendorf, the town of Herrnhut with its world revolutionizing crusade was made possible. When He finds a Wesley, a Spurgeon, or a Moody, revival is inevitable.

Therefore the first requirement of God before sending revival is the purifying of his ministers. The spiritually lame, blind, maimed and diseased must be debarred from the ranks of priesthood; while the spiritually able-bodied ones must again wash at the laver, before further ministering for God to the people. It is imperative, if the eternal flame of revival is to burn upon the fleshly altars of our heart, to have preachers dressed in the white linen of holiness, willing for the washing of His Word to keep them from the pollutions of this wicked world.

A further essential for those seeking revival is unity among the leaders. Before any project, worldly or spiritual, can hope to go forward, its leading personnel must be of one mind; all petty, personal differences sunk in the "sea of God's grace." The

humbling of the ego, with the withering of all selfish ambition, must, by His all-sufficient Love, be achieved. This is the only formula known that will bring overwhelming revival to any spiritual endeavor.

After His "Levites of Grace" have prepared themselves, it is then the prerogative of God to give them the creative message, for quickening the dead and dying. Like the young and fiery prophet Ezekiel, ministers must receive their message personally from Jehovah; then eat it; digest it; until it becomes part of their being. This will result in their obtaining the Lord's own compassion and concern for the welfare of the sheep of His pasture. His ministers should further follow the instructions given to Ezekiel in not heeding "popular opinion," nor letting the looks of the people change their heavenly message of "lamentation, mourning and woe."

This preparation for revival will doubtless be like the pruning of the vinedresser; but that which is living and filled with divine sap will be preserved, and the pruning will result in a greater fruitfulness.

After all the dead sprigs of worldliness and spiritual deadness have been cut away, and the organism has been fully prepared for revival, what is the productive procedure? Prayer changes things! When Zion *travails*, sons and daughters are born into the kingdom of God. When they prayed the house was shaken. Elijah prayed—earnestly, fervently, and his prayer was answered. Even natural phenomena had to do obeisance before the heated prayers of the Tishbite evangelist.

Every great revival in history can be directly traced to heart-searching and then intercessory prayer. Though sometimes the



In due season
we shall reap,
if we faint not

Gal 6:9

Restored Israel and Restored Power

The disciples asked, "Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And He said unto them, "It is not for you to know the time or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8.

Christ put first things first. They wanted power to Israel. Christ wanted power to His people. "Ye (individuals) shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses . . . unto the uttermost part of the earth." Was Israel left out? It was swamped by the wideness of God's love, mercy, and grace. Israel, Israel, Israel, the kingdom, the kingdom, restoration, was the thought in the disciples' minds. But witnessing, witnessing, witnessing, was in the heart and mind of Christ. Jerusalem, Judaea, Samaria, the uttermost parts of the earth! *Christ's blood was shed for all in the uttermost parts of the earth to the uttermost ends of time.*

"It is not for you to know the times, but ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." First things first, second things second. The Holy Ghost coming upon individuals precedes, has to come before, the restoration of Israel (the second thing). Have you seen the one? The outpouring of the Spirit on the Day of Pentecost was a prelude to the overthrow, the scattering of Israel as never before—one stone not left upon another in the overthrow of Israel's temple. At the time of the outpouring of the Spirit, catastrophe came upon Israel. Instead of restoration there was destruction. It was not the time and season then for the restoration.

He gave them to understand, "Ye shall be witnesses. Ye shall receive power to be My witnesses at a time to precede the restoration." When the power to witness was first given, through the rejection of the offered, resurrected, glorified Messiah, the restoration was put away. Christ, who was to restore all things, was to come if they received Him. They rejected Him and imprisoned those who gave the invitation, who entreated the elders and officials to receive Him.

But there *is* to be a restoration. When? Look for it at the time when there is powerful witnessing for Jesus, world-wide witnessing. Do you see it? Are the two going on simultaneously? Those who have eyes to see it, see it. The fig tree is budding. The sap is rising in the fig tree, it is bursting forth. At the same time rivers of living water are rising, bursting forth. The fig tree bursting out with figs, the saints bursting out with new song, new tongues, new power, new witnessing. A rising of sap, a rising of the Spirit, simultaneously.

"Wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?" It was not for them to know the times, but it is for us to know the times. Israel being restored points to the prelude that must go before. And that

which goes before (the outpouring of the Spirit, the Latter Rain) points to the coming restoration. Christ said to the two on the road to Emmaus, "O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken." He opened their understanding. Understandings need to be opened in pulpit and in pew, in press and in magazine.

Great strides are taken, great expense incurred, difficult feats accomplished. What for? To forecast by a few days, nay possibly weeks, the weather. Christ might well say to us today, "Ye can discern the face of the sky, but ye cannot discern, ye won't discern, ye don't want to discern the face of the spiritual sky." Man consults a man-made barometer, but he won't consult the God-given one. Hundreds of men and thousands of newspapers are engaged in reporting what the weather is going to be tomorrow. It seems so momentous, so wonderful! Yes, and what was the weather this time twelve months ago? It is gone. We don't remember, cannot tell. Energy, time, money spent to get the weather twenty-four hours ahead. How little time is spent to find through God's spiritual barometer what God's weather is to be.

If the saints would take a lesson from the world they would be prepared, things would be different, energies would be quickened, warnings would be given out. What is the spiritual barometer pointing to today? *Change.* And what the world calls foul weather, bad weather, God calls showers of blessing. In the spiritual realm there are signs of abundance of rain; bad weather for the world; showers, deluge, floods for the saint. When the barometer is down, then look up. The world's barometer is going down, the Christian's barometer is going up. There are signs of abundance of rain, prelude to the restoration of the kingdom again to Israel.

Watch Israel, watch the fig tree, watch the budding, watch the green figs. At the same time watch the ripening grain, the rain for ripening the precious fruit. Seek power

as never before to witness in Jerusalem, Judaea, Samaria, and the uttermost parts of the earth. There is enough power to enable all who desire to witness in all the places mentioned. Amen.

A Mother's Gift of Love

James Hudson Taylor said: "Thirty years ago, when I was leaving the shores of England for China, my beloved (now sainted) mother came to see me off from Liverpool. Never shall I forget that day, nor how she went with me into the little cabin that was to be my home for nearly six long months. With a mother's loving hand she smoothed the little bed. She sat by my side, and joined with me in the last hymn we would sing together before the long parting. We knelt down, and she prayed—the last mother's prayer I was to hear before starting to China. Then notice was given that we must separate and we said 'good-bye,' never expecting to meet on earth again. We parted, and she went on shore, giving me her blessing. I stood alone on deck, and she followed the ship along as we moved toward the dock gates. As we passed through the gates, and the separation really commenced, I shall never forget the cry of anguish wrung from that mother's heart. It went through me like a knife. I never saw so fully, until then, what 'God so loved the world' meant. And I am quite sure that my precious mother learned more of the love of God to the perishing in that hour than in all her life long."

Divine love is stronger than human affection. When it grips the heart, that person gladly offers its best to God regardless of human tears and natural suffering. God gave Hudson Taylor's mother the joy of raising a missionary for Him that she might have a gift of love to give to God.

For the Soldier Boys!

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Answered Prayer

Mary Slessor, Africa's devoted missionary, wrote: "My life is one long daily, hourly record of answered prayer. For physical health, for mental overstrain, for guidance given marvellously, for errors and dangers averted, for enmity to the Gospel subdued, for food provided at the exact hour needed, for everything that goes to make up life and my poor service. I can testify, with a full and often wonder-stricken awe, that I believe God answers prayer. I know God answers prayer!"

Remember the General Council at Minneapolis, Minn. Come praying! Come believing! Come expecting!

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Healed of Cancer

I had a cancer on my breast for about a year. I went to a doctor and spent all my money, but still I had the cancer. One day the Lord gave me Jer. 30:12-17. The words stood out, "For thus saith the Lord, Thy bruise is incurable, and thy wound is grievous. There is none to plead thy cause, that thou mayest be bound up; thou hast no healing medicines." I knew this was true and that there was no medicine that could heal me. But how I rejoiced as I read the promise, "For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord."

I fasted and prayed for three days and three nights. When I went to church on Sunday morning, the pastor said, "Someone here is going to be healed." In the ceiling above there appeared a great light, and I was caught up in the Spirit of God. The Lord overshadowed me with His power and I knew nothing for about three hours. Thank God, in those wonderful hours I was healed of that cancer. For eight days after this my breast discharged pus and blood, but this did not disturb me for I *knew* the Lord had healed me. I continued to thank Him for healing, for I was certain He had healed me despite these symptoms. The nipple of my breast had been eaten off, but when God healed me He completely restored it. He gave me a new breast. That was eleven years ago, and thank God the healing still stands.

I had asthma for many years. It was so acute that when I would wake up in the middle of the night I would expect to die. I took everything that people told me would bring relief, but my asthma only grew worse. At last I decided to throw out all my medicines and trust God. I went to church that day, to stay all day and all night. I knew that at night time the asthma would be very bad, but if I died in church I would die with the saints around me. When we were all praying, God spoke to my heart and said, "While you are praying for others, include yourself." I obeyed. Again a great light burst over me. I went to the floor under the anointing of the Spirit and when I arose, the asthma had completely gone. That was four years ago, and I have not had it since.

I suffered with arthritis for nineteen years. Often my knuckles would be swollen and I could not put my hand in water. At times I had to be turned over in bed. I could not do my hair and could not put my hand to my head. I would scream with pain when I was turned over in my bed. In March, 1941, I had Sister Dabney pray for me. I had no manifestation and did not know I was healed until God said to me, "Testify that you are healed." When I arose to give my testimony, the power of God hit me and the healing was graciously manifested.

I often suffered with hoarseness. I asked the Lord not to touch up my old bronchial tubes, but to give me new ones. He answered, and now I can pray all day long and all night. I do not miss one of our all nights of prayer, (we have two all

nights of prayer each week at our assembly) and I never get hoarse.

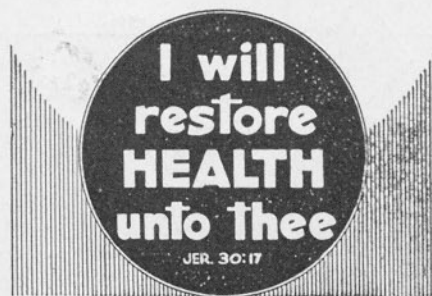
When I was eighteen years of age, I had a terrible blow on one of my eyes, which resulted in my eyes being weak, and I always had to wear double-sight glasses. Three years ago I decided to trust God for my eyes. The Lord undertook, and when I took my driving test I could read the smallest letters. I have no need of glasses today.

For fourteen years I worked in a beauty parlor, and because I stood so much I suffered with broken arches. My feet got very swollen and I had to walk with a stick. Again I looked to the Lord, and He touched my feet. It was as though a streak of lightning had hit them. My arches were replaced. Often today the Lord lets me "praise Him in the dance." Psalm 149:3.

I surely can recommend Him as the Healer. I was born with an infirmity, with hemorrhoids. The doctor said he had never seen such a bad case. He said I would die one day with the hemorrhoids, I would lose so much blood. When God saved me, He healed me completely.

I had a letter from a party in Iowa who was suffering with cancer. Since I was healed of this so many years ago, I felt my testimony was not such an up-to-date one. However, the Lord gave me a very up-to-date testimony for I knocked my knee out of joint. I was anointed and prayed for, but I did not see any healing that same night. The next morning my knee was like a balloon. I called on the name of the Lord and He sweetly answered me, "I am right here by your side." I said, "In the name of Jesus I will get out of bed." Then I said, "Lord, in Your name, I will stand." As soon as I stood I declared, "Lord, I will walk in Your name." As I started to walk, He let the part that was out come back into place. I wrote to that party in Iowa that now I had an up-to-date testimony. God made my simple testimony a blessing to that woman in Iowa, and a letter came back stating that the Lord had instantaneously healed her.

I thought that folk had heard my testimony so many times that it was foolish to testify so often. But after I had kept silent for awhile, the Lord locked my jaw. I said to Him, "Lord, what have I done?" He showed me that I had been silent when I should have glorified Him. I cried, "Lord, open my mouth again." He did, and now on every occasion it is my joy to testify to what the Lord has done.—Bessie Scott, 2924 Compton Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.



Ed. note—The editor in person listened to the above testimony as to the healing of the cancer, delivered in a large assembly where there were many people who knew her case intimately. At his request she dictated the testimony as to the other healings in the presence of an approving friend.

An Escape from Caesar

By B. L. Olmstead

Miss Marie S. Banker, an Armenian lady living in Chicago, tells how at the beginning of the World War her brother-in-law confessed Christ when he was offered the alternatives of accepting Mohammedanism or of being hanged. This Christian preacher, H. Khachadourian, was summoned to the office of the Turkish governor and received with courtesy and flattering lips. When the stage was set, the governor began: "The day has come when all the Armenians will be wiped off the face of the world. We are one with the Germans, and you know what that means. There are outrageous crimes and bloodshed planned against the Christians that ears have not heard nor eyes seen. I know that you, with all your degrees, are capable of handling the office of mayor in any city of Turkey. I hate to see you and all your family perish.

"May I have the pleasure of honoring you by proposing the only real religion in the world? Will you accept Mohammed? If you wisely do so, and deny your dog religion, you will have a better position and big income. Choose your own house, the most elegant mansion, and move in. You will have your three boys safely under your shelter and your wife will not be in the hands of brutes to be abused, tortured and butchered at last." Many like things did he say.

The Armenian replied in part: "Thank you, governor, for offering to save my life. I do not need to think these things over to decide which to accept. You cannot kill the soul, and I am not afraid of you that kill the body. I cannot deny the Prince of Peace, even should you offer me the throne of the king." The governor hotly retorted: "You mulish dog-religionist, you impertinent, shameless Armenians, how dare you answer me like that?" The Christian was chased out like a dog, to be hanged the next morning unless he recanted. But in a miraculous way his life was spared. He is preaching yet.—*The United Evangelical*.

Christian Journalism

"The channel of Christian writing peculiar to our age is the religious magazine. It has attained a remarkable influence during the past century over the spiritual thought of Christian people. Issued at frequent intervals, read by multitudes of eager minds, it sways the heart of the Church more than any other means of teaching. The voice of the preacher reaches at the most a few hundreds, whereas the magazine speaks to many thousands, and its messages are preserved for further study. The growing influence of the radio alone can compare with it," says *The Alliance Weekly*.

It is usually not so much the greatness of our own trouble as the littleness of our spirit which makes us complain.—*Jeremy Taylor*.

The Harvest of the Spirit

Donald Gee

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. Gal. 5:22, 23.

IN THE good old piping days of peace, I should have taken it for granted that everybody thought all the fruit of the Spirit was desirable. But there is a war on—and there may be a question mark in some minds regarding some of the fruit of the Spirit. The last time I gave a Bible study on this subject in Germany, was in the city of Leipzig, and looking back I am amazed that I dared to give a Bible study on the fruit of the Spirit. "Gentleness!" I don't wonder the Nazi detectives were waiting for me at the end!

I want to take the three which are possibly most under suspicion at this time. First of all, *longsuffering*. Now if you have any doubt as to whether longsuffering is still desirable, you only need to think for a moment what the opposites of longsuffering are: hastiness, irritability, short temper—anyone want that? If you do, I hope you will get a good way from me. Hastiness, irritability, short temper—no, we don't want it. Still in these days God gives good temper, still in these days God gives patience; and we need longsuffering and patience. Paul writing to the Colossians speaks about being "strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, unto all patience and *longsuffering with joyfulness*." Let me emphasize that festal note. You can have longsuffering with a long face, just sticking and enduring it, but it is not victory. Longsuffering with joyfulness! Sometimes the line of distinction between the natural and supernatural is fine. Some people have fine natural qualities, but the hallmark of the supernatural is longsuffering with joyfulness!

There was an old relative of mine, dead now, my mother's sister, and she used to come and visit my mother. She had longsuffering, but not with joyfulness. I remember she said to my mother, "You know, Mabel, I am enduring it; I am sticking to it; I shan't complain."

May the Lord search our hearts, and God grant that there will be such a searching that we shall know if we have this fruit of the Spirit or not.

Another fruit of the Spirit which may be under suspicion in war-time is *gentleness*. The real thing, particularly the thing which is a fruit of the Spirit, real gentleness, is power under perfect control. It is only strong people who can be gentle. When people are rough with their tongue and their speech, it is because they are weak. They cannot control themselves enough to be polite, have not enough strength to be courteous. It takes real strength to be a gentleman. Gentleness is strength and power under perfect control. May God give us real gentleness these days, power as we never had it before, strength also, but all under the control of the love of God and never getting out of control.

I remember an illustration of gentleness. I had crossed the Atlantic on the *Queen Mary*, and when we arrived in New York

there was a strike on. All the men that usually would have seen to the berthing of that mighty ship were missing. So I saw a masterpiece of navigation, for the captain of the *Queen Mary* decided he would bring it in himself, and he did! Never shall I forget it—that tremendous ship after it had crossed the Atlantic at record speed, how inch by inch, he gently brought her alongside the quay in New York, until at last when we did bump America, you did not know it. There was tremendous power under control; and the Holy Ghost has come to give us power, thank God. May we see that that power will never be out of His control. "Thy gentleness," says the Psalmist to God Almighty Himself—"Thy gentleness hath made me great." The Lord Jesus was gentle and great; what power He had! And if there is one thing I do not want to be these days, it is a weakling. I do want to be gentle. There is still lots of room and need for the fruit of the Spirit that is gentleness.

Last of all, *meekness*. We are always confusing meekness and weakness. Some people think that if you are meek you are weak, but real meekness is a possession of strong people only. What a striking thing it is that the man in the Bible who was particularly described as meek above all men upon the face of the earth was Moses. No one will charge him with weakness. When he came down from the mount and found them dancing around the golden calf, he took it and ground it to powder and put it in water and said, "Drink your gold!" They did not think he was particularly weak, and there is no evidence of weakness in the man; but he was meek—God says it.

If you study New Testament references to meekness, you will always find meekness is connected with our spirits. It is not so much what you do, but your attitude of heart when you are doing it. It is the "ornament of a meek and quiet spirit." Meekness—the hidden thing. The ornament of a meek and quiet spirit is in the sight of God of great price. You can talk as meekly as a pussycat, but God knows how you feel inside. I have heard people talk so meekly that they absolutely purred! I have been in meetings where they put on "beloveds" like butter—"our beloved brother; our precious sister"—they don't even

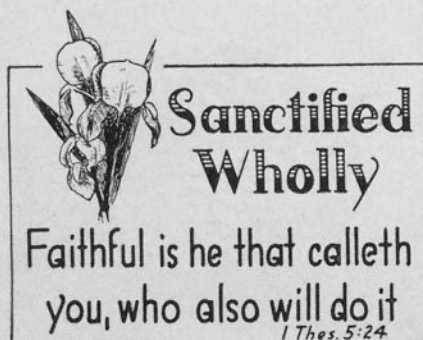
ration it! You might think they were so meek and lovely and sweet. But wait until you get out on the pavement, or are sitting in the train going home, then you will find another story.

Meekness is a condition of spirit. And when God sees it, He is delighted with it. Oh, what a joy it gives Him to see humility in my heart. Jesus was meek. He said, "Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls." And meekness enables us to go to our Calvary the same as it enabled Him to go to His Calvary. There are lots of Calvaries to go to, and there are some more to come yet. God help us to have lots of the meekness which is the fruit of the Spirit of Christ!

How are we going to have the fruit of the Spirit? The significance of the word is: "The *harvest* of the Spirit"—that is what it means—"is love, joy, peace," and so on. How do you get harvests? They just grow. Now the harvest of the Spirit will only come that way. It comes by a steady process. I find one of the difficulties of certain people is that they want to get everything by a crisis. You want love. You will never get it that way. Love is fruit which grows, peace grows, and joy grows, and longsuffering with joyfulness grows, and gentleness grows. The trouble is that some of us think we can get everything by laying on hands. God laid down the principle—first the blade, then the ear, and then the full corn in the ear. Do not confuse the gifts with the fruit. Do not muddle up Christmas trees with fruit trees. You cannot make a peach tree out of an oak by tying peaches on with a string. People seem to think they can have the fruit of the Spirit tied on, and be all right. At a convention they go into little rooms, and say: "Tie it on while I wait." These things are the *harvest* of the Spirit, and you will never get them in any other way; they have to come by the divine process of growth.

What does that involve? Well, for the harvest, there are three main processes. The first one is plowing, and you will never get a harvest without using the plow. The plow cuts deep, and the plow can hurt, but only those who have God's plowshare in their souls have ever produced the harvest of the Spirit to perfection. We want all sunshine, but it would not be good for us. We want continual prosperity. We should become a barren desert if we had it. When I went to California, I thought I was going to the Garden of Eden. It was the dustiest place I had seen—dusty, rivers dried up, and so much of the grass brown. Of course the lovely orange groves and gardens were irrigated; but months and months of ceaseless sunshine can turn anything into a desert.

God puts His plowshare into our hearts and lives, and cuts deep. Someone says, "The plow has been coming through my heart and life recently." God intends a harvest. God is answering your prayers, and He is going to get a lovely and glorious harvest through the deeper experiences of the soul, the things which come from Gethsemane. We have all been there. At least, those as old as I am have suffered. Thank God, we have said, "O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glories dead, and from the ground there blossoms red life (harvest) that shall endless be." And you will never have it any other way.



Sometimes the plowshare that God uses is that fine scriptural thing—repentance. It is absolutely inseparable from Pentecost: "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." You want a short cut to the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, a cheap and easy way of getting glory and ecstasy? You think you have it? You haven't! It will last only a week or two. The first way to God's Pentecost is deep repentance.

Last week I went to All Saints' Parish Church in Sunderland, where Pentecost broke out in England. At I bowed in prayer, deep emotion came over me. Those of us who are fathers in this movement paid a great price for our heritage. We believe the more you pay for it, the better it is. And God gives a repentance, a cutting deep of God's plowshare, until all the fullness of the Spirit can come surging in, and something that abides through a long lifetime gets bigger, deeper, and richer as the years run by. And so as the plowshare goes in, it is going to bring a harvest of the Spirit.

I bring you the words of our Master who said that the seed is the Word. Every time I see a minister of the gospel standing to proclaim the Word of God to a congregation, I see a picture of a man with his seed-basket throwing out seed. Some falls on good ground, but God knows some does not. It has to be *the seed*. Some preaching is not sowing seed at all. It is not the Word of God. It is the product of men's minds. God gives an anointed Word touched by the Holy Ghost. I want to hear men speak under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. If you have oratory, use it. If you have personality, God keep it on the Cross. I do not care what else you have, but *God give us anointing*. I have always loved the story of Beecher, the great American preacher, how one of his deacons came to him in the vestry one Sunday and said to him, haughtily, "Did you know you made a slip in grammar this morning?" He replied, "No," then looking hard at the deacon added: "Young man, if grammar gets in my way when I am preaching, God help grammar!"

I pray that our young men may have a passion for an anointing. Get on with the homiletics and hermeneutics. But let me assure you, *the thing that matters is the anointing*. We need the wonderful Word, a living Word, a word that comes from the Word of God through the heart of man to our hearts as we hear it. Words dropped into my heart years ago have worked in me, comforted, and blessed me. I thank God for the living seed of the Word of God.

Then after the sowing there comes the growing, and it is lovely to go around our land now and see cornfields growing so promisingly for the harvest. Is it not more lovely to see in the hearts and lives of men and women, the fruit of the Spirit developing?

If you want to grow, one of the things you must have is rain. Bless God for the latter rain. The Baptism in the Holy Ghost will not bring the fruit of the Spirit while you wait, but it *does* help. How lovely to see the speed with which people can develop in the spiritual life! Lord, send the latter rain upon us and ours, until all hardness

has melted, and until God has blessed us in very deed.

It takes not only rain, but warmth, for things to grow. I like to hear warmth in singing and praying and definitely in the preaching and in the way people listen and respond. How we need warmth to help the harvest of the Spirit to grow! Sometimes the spiritual atmosphere is really warm, almost like in hothouses. You can almost see the harvest grow while you wait. At one assembly I preached a sermon on murmuring, and it produced crops before we went home. In another place I sowed the living seed about forgiving one another, and being tenderhearted towards one another. Some evidently got plowed up, and by the time they got to the door the harvest had developed, and they were doing some reaping before they went home.

One must have some heat and some fire, and of course for the harvest to grow to perfection, we have to have the hoe. What a lot of hoeing and weeding is necessary in some of our lives, but by the grace of God we are ready for it. God takes anything out of me that is hindering—worldliness, etc. The Lord help us to have the hoe.

There is power in the fruit of the Spirit, real power! I used to think that power is limited to the gifts of the Spirit. I see many people have not much power, because they have not the fruit of the Spirit. I want to have a witness that is powerful and mighty for Jesus, but I shall only have that as men and women look at me and see the touch of God in my life and service. Remember your first responsibility is your own soul. "Everyone of us shall give account of himself to God." Never can I forget that word in the Old Testament: "They made me the keeper of the vineyards; but mine own vineyard have I not kept." As ministers of the Lord Jesus Christ, we may be so busy out in the field that we neglect our own souls. Lord, help me to remember that my first responsibility is to my own soul! One can get so busy in the work of the Lord as to get stagnant, and then wonder why blessing leaves one's message. You have lost the touch of God on your soul. Keep the touch of God on your soul—and then go out into the harvest field and sow for God, and let the fruit of the Spirit so be in you that your life will be winsome, and the people will say, "I should like what you have."

God give us something different, until

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men and women say, "What is it?" And I know what we shall say. We shall say, "It is not any *what*; it is, *Who* is it? It is Jesus who has made all the difference. I welcomed Him into my heart. I let Him put the plowshare in deep, and I let Him deal with me. And if you want it, you can have it in the same way."

The Archbishop's Confession

An Archbishop of Paris was preaching to a great congregation in Notre Dame. He told a story of three young men, gay, worldly and godless, who wandered into the Cathedral one day. They watched the people going and coming from the making of their confessions. Two of the three scoffers wagered the third that he would not go and make a bogus confession. He accepted the wager. The priest who listened quickly divined what was happening, and when the feigning penitent had finished he said, "To every confession there is a penance. You see the great crucifix over there? Go to it, kneel down and say three times over as you look up into the face of the Crucified, 'All this You did for me, and I don't care a damn.'"

The young man emerged from the confessional box to claim the wager from his two companions, reporting what had happened. "Oh, no," they said, "first complete the penance, and then we will pay the wager." Walking slowly to the quiet corner where stood the crucifix, and looking up from where he knelt into that face with the searching eyes of aggrieved love, he began, "All this You did for me, and I—." He got no further. Tears flooded his eyes, and overflowing ran down his face. His heart was torn by the pain of converting repentance. There the old life ended, and there the new began. "I," said the Archbishop as he finished his sermon, "was that young man."

A Worth-while Sacrifice

To the wife of the Congregational minister in Scotland, Livingstone had explained that he wished to secure the services of a young Native servant. The cost would be \$60 a year. The minister's wife was very poor, but with the heroism of the manse she resolved to raise the money, and did so. When Livingstone was under the paw of the lion, the servant so engaged levelled a gun at the beast and turned its attention from the missionary to himself. If it had not been for that intervention there would have been no commemoration of Livingstone, for it was after that date that the achievements which wrote his name deep on the annals of fame were accomplished.—D. M. Panton.

Rebuke

"O Lord, rebuke me not in Thy wrath; neither chasten me in Thy hot displeasure." Psalm 38:1.

Rebuked I must be, for I am an erring child and Thou a careful Father; but deal gently, although I have sinned grievously. The anger of others I can bear, but not Thine. Turn not Thy rod into a sword. I am Thy child.—C. H. Spurgeon.

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Thirty Wonderful Years!

Lillian Trasher, Assiout, Egypt

Just thirty years ago I left America for the first time—a young, happy girl twenty-three years old, starting out to a land I knew not, to a people unknown to me with whom I was not able to converse—a stranger, indeed, in a strange land. I smile now, yet my eyes fill with tears as I look at the picture which hangs on the wall before me



of that little girl standing on deck waving "good-by" to America, little knowing that it was to be "good-by" in reality forever.

It is hard to believe that that girl was really myself. How everything has changed! The land to which I came as a stranger has adopted me. I am now part of it. Its joys are my joys and its sorrows my sorrows. America has become a beautiful memory, almost a childhood dream, something vague and beautiful in the dim past.

My Life Now?

Words can never describe it—so full, so wonderfully full of everything that makes life worth while that the trials and hardships of the way seem insignificant. To have hundreds

of children who need you, to have more work awaiting than can ever be accomplished, to wake up Monday morning and say, "It is Monday; a full week is before me!"—I love it all ALL.

The first thing I do in the morning is to go in the next room to see my two babies, Rizg and Siad. Rizg who is now three and a half months old came to me at the age of four days when his mother died. Siad's mother died of tuberculosis the week he was born; he is now almost six months old.

After bathing and feeding the babies I rush over for chapel service with the big boys, and from there to conduct another chapel at the little boys' school. Then I come back, fix the day's milk for the babies and start my day's work—cutting out clothes, going to town, trying to catch up with my American mail and a thousand other lovely little things God has allowed me to do for His little ones,

This Is Life

Someone once asked if I was not getting tired of my work. My answer is that I have never been so happy as I am now in the work God has given me to do. I would not have missed it for all the wealth of America, for this is LIFE—to be able to help those who need you and those who have no one else but you. Oh, these have been THIRTY WONDERFUL YEARS!

The following Sunday having found where a church was located, Marie with one of her daughters attended a true religious service for the first time. She was graciously saved and has been serving the Lord for three years. Although she is nearly sixty years of age and has poor eyesight, she has read the Bible through one and a half times. Thank God for this soul delivered from darkness—but there are so many more bound by the chains of error. Pray for them!

FROM THE POWER OF SATAN TO GOD

"Once again," writes Brother Stalter, of Sao Paulo, Brazil, "we come to visit you by means of this letter and to tell you somewhat of God's blessing in this small corner of the Master's great harvest. As we see the mighty power of God manifested, we are indeed very happy and encouraged to press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. In this land which for so many generations has been steeped in gross darkness, superstition and idolatry, we are witnessing a continual flow of souls saved, turning from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God. Time and space would not permit relating the individual cases which have been gloriously liberated from demon power but we wish to mention the case of a Coboclo Indian, who all his life has been subject to diabolic attacks, being tormented, tortured and thrown to the ground many times. Upon hearing the gospel for the first time in



New converts who followed the Lord in baptism, Sao Paulo, Brazil.

his life he was wonderfully saved. He has since been baptized in water, has received the promise according to Acts 2:4, and now goes about telling everywhere what great things God hath done for him.

"Another recent trophy of grace is a Spaniard in Villa Palmeiras. He was formerly a terrible slave to drink and vice and used to beat his wife, but now both are saved and walk a distance of about five miles to church, since they are too poor to pay their bus fare.

"Another young Indian was saved and brought his entire family to the Lord.

"Upon visiting a place where once the priest tried unsuccessfully to hinder our meeting, we had a crowd of more than a hundred people who listened attentively for over two hours to the testimonies and preaching of the Word. At the close of the service all of them raised their hands signifying a desire to follow the Lord. Truly we feel encouraged to press on."

INTEREST IN MISSIONS

"I cannot get interested in missions," exclaimed a petulant young lady.

"No, dear," said the aunt, "you can hardly expect to. It is just like getting interest at a bank; you have to put in something first. And the more you put in—time or money or prayer—the more the interest grows. But something must be put in, or you will never have any interest."—Selected.

WORK UNHINDERED IN IVORY COAST

"Your letters of May 20 and June 4 reached us," writes A. E. Wilson, of Ouagadougou, Ivory Coast, "and you should have seen how we jumped with joy to receive news from home after waiting for so long a time.

"I am happy to report that the work is going on in spite of the difficult times. We have fifty men students in the Bible School. In addition there are twenty women (wives of these students) and about thirty children; so altogether it is quite a settlement. We are at present putting in the crops, as it is the beginning of the rainy season. Our desire is to make this work as nearly self-supporting as possible. The ministry of the students has already begun to bear fruit in the surrounding territory, and there have been some conversions.

"You may be concerned as to how the political situation affects our missionaries and our work. I am glad to report that up to the present our work has not been hindered, and the French government as well as the individual officials has been very nice to us without exception. We greatly appreciate this, as we realize that in these times all strangers are of necessity under the closest observation.

DELIVERANCE FROM SPIRITISM

Louie W. Stokes

One afternoon in a small sugar mill village of Cuba a group of women gathered to hold their spiritualist meeting and to perform its heathen rites. Some of the members were angry with a certain man and they planned to use incantations on him with the object of making him lose his job.

One of these women, Maria Arzuaga, who had been a member of the spiritist cult for many years, had never heard the gospel but in her heart there was a desire to know God. She refused to participate in the rite of trying to bring trouble to the man, whereupon the other members threatened her, even saying that she would not be able to sleep that night if she did not attend the service.

Maria returned to her humble home, where were idols, pictures and other emblems of heathen worship and there she prayed this simple prayer: "Oh, God, if I have made a mistake, forgive me; but if I did right in refusing to take part in the service today, reveal to me the true way of life."

The Revelation

That night, contrary to the predictions of the other members of the spiritist cult, Maria went to sleep immediately; but God gave her a dream of Jesus. She seemed to see Him standing above a tall palm tree in her back yard, with outstretched arms, and heard Him say, "I AM THE WAY." She was also told to visit a certain place in order to hear more about this One whom she had seen.

I recently wrote a letter to the Governor of the Ivory Coast thanking him and the government for the hospitality and kindness shown us, and assuring him that as long as we were allowed to remain in the colony he could be assured that our sole aim was to preach the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ."

"WHEN THOU PASSEST THROUGH THE WATERS . . ."

"This was one of the promises given to us shortly before coming to Venezuela," writes Yngve Olson, "but it is only now that we have felt its full significance. The sickness and death of our dearly beloved 'Jackie' came upon us so suddenly after all these months of perfect health that we have been left stunned—yet surely God must have allowed it and must have a purpose as yet not seen. 'He doeth all things well.' We need your prayers as we attempt once more to pick up the threads of our life and move forward in the name of Jesus.

"During the past few months we have visited several outstations. On all such trips we throw out tracts along the way, and it is marvelous to see the people run to catch the tract that may bring eternal life. Many dismount from their animals to pick up the pamphlets.

"At the end of June I returned from a visit of several days to Aguada Grande, having made the eighty-mile trip by truck in company with a native brother of the Barquisimeto Assembly. Besides having blessed meetings in the village, we went by horseback away up into the mountains to hold a service in the thatched mud house of one of the believers. About 40 gathered that night, and how they did pray! The following day we baptized 21 believers, many of them new converts from Catholicism and idol worship. Such testimonies they gave of real conversion and of their desire to be filled with the Spirit. Since there has been a time of drought in that region, we had to baptize in a hole dammed up with logs, filled with water from a little mountain stream springing from a cleft in the rocks.

"Our paper, 'El Evangelista Venezolano,' is proving a blessing; pray for it. We also solicit your prayers for a convention of Pentecostal churches, missionaries and workers which is to be held in Barquisimeto in September."

ALOHA, HAWAII

From Hilo, Bernice Strickland writes: "The third week in June we started our Daily Vacation Bible School. While the attendance was only 35, we were encouraged at what was accomplished and felt the school was a real success. On graduation night we had as large a crowd as we could accommodate. Then the following day they gave us thirty minutes on the radio; so the people of Hilo who chanced to tune in had an opportunity to hear the gospel given forth by the children in word and song. We are trying to carry on the spirit of the school by holding children's meetings each Saturday here at the church as well as in another neighborhood where the children are almost all Buddhists.

"A brother from Honolulu who speaks the Chinese language visited us recently, which gave us the long-awaited opportunity of ministry to the Chinese men at the Old People's Home who do not understand English. Several of the men said they wanted to accept Jesus, but they need teaching in order that they may understand what that means. Pray for these darkened minds that the Spirit may enlighten them.

Convention Days

"Our Inter-Island Full Gospel Convention held at Hilo was encouraging to all. We have so little opportunity to visit one another because of the long, expensive boat trips involved in getting together that we really appreciate a time of fellowship. There was the sweetest spirit of fellowship and unity in the convention that we have ever experienced. We have

been invited to Maui for a convention in November and are looking forward to a time of real blessing and inspiration. Pray for us as we labor together for the Master's cause in Hawaii."

Persecuted For Christ's Sake

"The Tibetans are slow in coming to the Saviour," writes V. G. Plymire, of Hwangyuan, Northwest China, "due to intense persecution and threats on their life—but in spite of this, God works. On June first we baptized a number of believers in the river here, and at one of the outstations five more followed the Lord in this step. Then there is a Tibetan woman who has been saved but not yet baptized because of opposition from her mother-in-law, but we hope to baptize her together with several others in the near future.

"The three children in the picture, who were among the number baptized on June first, are fruit from our Sunday School. The two girls are half Tibetan while the boy is Chinese. Our son David was much concerned and deeply interested in the salvation of these children.

"We are praying for a Russian merchant in our city who attends our services regularly. He seems much interested, but when I encourage him to take a further step, he holds back, fearing he may not be able to stand firmly. It is difficult for him to see past his old Russian church rites.

Facing the Test

"Some time ago a person, not outwardly interested in the gospel, was taken very ill. After other means failed, they called on the Christians and the evangelist to pray. Prayer was offered for about two days and the Lord answered by healing the sick one. Then came the test—the idols had to go. The two families involved took some forty idols from their homes, broke them into pieces and began their walk with God.

"Just a few weeks back a young woman who is the daughter of a blind Christian came here to visit her mother, attended our women's meeting and was gloriously saved. She went to the home of her mother, just a short distance away, where the Lord baptized her in the Holy Spirit. This immediately brought persecution from other families in the same yard who were going to put out all the Christians, especially the one who was then speaking in



Three of the Sunday School children who were in the group baptized by V. G. Plymire, June 1.

other tongues. The parents, however, were able to quiet the neighbors and all went well. The husband of this young woman is not favorable yet, but we are praying for His salvation.

"May we ask your earnest prayer for the elderly widows of our flock who are unable to work. They have been faithfully following the Lord for years, bringing others with them to services. Since the war it is almost impossible for any woman to make a living here without begging."

THE LORD PROVIDED A WAY

Ethel Perdue

In the fall of 1940, when conditions were becoming more and more unsettled in China and passage on steamers to the United States was becoming almost impossible to obtain, we began to pray about the matter of my return home. Mr. Perdue and I already had been on the field more than five years this term, much of that time in unoccupied areas and in the war zone.

Strange Leading

One afternoon I went to the agent's office to make inquiry about a booking, only to be told that everything was sold out, and they could give me nothing until the end of the year. As I turned to go down the stairs, it was suddenly impressed upon me to go back and speak to the agent again. At first I paid no attention to this impression which seemed almost foolishness, but it came again so forcibly that I finally turned back, wondering what the agent would think of me. I told him of this strange and sudden leading and mentioned that if possible I would like to share the cabin with a friend who was sailing November 17. To this he laughingly replied, "Why I have already told you that we could give you nothing until the end of the year and perhaps not even then. We certainly could not give you the cabin with your friend since she already has someone sharing her cabin." So I went on my way, praising the Lord, perfectly satisfied just whatever way He worked it out.

The Sequel

After attending to a few things I returned to the missionary home where the friend whose cabin I wanted to share met me at the door saying she had some news for me. The agent of the steamship had called to say that five minutes after I left his office the lady who was to share the cabin with my friend came in and canceled her booking. Although he had a long list of waiting passengers, he felt since I had had such a definite leading to go back and speak to him about this particular cabin he was going to let me have it.

That experience has been a great blessing to me in proving how God can make a way when there seems to be no way. It has caused me to see, too, how often we can miss God's best because we wonder what others will think of us. Many times when we are led of God to do or say something which may seem very foolish to us, we do not obey the prompting of the Spirit, thinking it perhaps is just a thought of our own. Yet if we are obedient, that which looks foolish to those about us may prove to be nothing short of a miracle.

In His Will

It does seem strange to be at home, and while there is a longing to be back in China, I feel confident that I am in the will of the Lord. We are thankful for the opportunity of working among the many Chinese here in Chicago who do not know the Lord as their personal Saviour, and already it has been our privilege to lead three to the Master.

We are thankful that Mr. Perdue was able to remain in China at a time like this when things are in such a turmoil and his ministry is so needed. Pray for him and for the other missionaries who are working so faithfully in Canton. They need your prayers more than they ever did.

THE DYING WORLD AND THE LIVING WORD

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"Fifteen billion dollars of our annual national income goes into the garbage pail," says Roger Babson, "in the form of purchases of liquor, narcotics, gambling, sex magazines, and other things that undermine the health and employability of our people."

PRAYING FOR PEACE

The mayor of Meridian, Miss., has called on his fellow townsmen to pray for world peace every day at noon, reports *Time*, and has ordered the city waterworks' whistle blown to remind them. Provided their prayer is accompanied by a sincere repentance for sin, it will not be in vain. The Bible promises that "the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." James 5:16.

JERUSALEM TODAY

For the first time since the days of the Romans, Jerusalem has become a Jewish city. Some sixty-five per cent of the 100,000 population are Jews, states *Prophetic News*. All of these do not live inside the walls of the "Bible City," where is the Temple Area, the Pool of Bethesda, the Via Dolorosa, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and other sacred sites. Many live in Greater Jerusalem, the new and modern city which has sprung up on all sides of the old city except the east. The present growth of Jerusalem involves a remarkable fulfillment of Bible prophecy. The city has been built within the very boundaries outlined so definitely in Jeremiah 31:38-40, even though the builders have not consciously followed this pattern.

A MISSIONARY CHURCH

The Moravian Church has a total home membership in Europe and America of 53,200. Its membership on the mission field is 151,975—nearly three times as large. Some of their mission fields, comments *Sunday School Times*, are very difficult, as those in Alaska and Labrador. A missionary wrote from the latter field: "During the winter our thermometer persisted in going down to 50 degrees below zero and staying there. We have had heavy snowfalls each month from October to May. The ice left the bay and harbor on June 25, but a great deal has blown back again. We see only two vessels a year, one in July and one in October." In Alaska the airplane is making the country more accessible. One writes of a two-hour flying trip which, with a dog team, would have taken six days.

REPENTANCE NEEDED

Donald Gee writes from Louth, England: "I could wish for any nation that they may never have to suffer what our people are suffering at this time. And yet there is something exhilarating about it to multitudes. There seems a battle going on in the soul of the nation between the noble and the vile. The noble is coming to the top in this time of stress; but one also feels that if peace came now there would be an immediate relapse into the old utter devotion to pleasure that has, perhaps, largely brought us into this crisis. A deeper repentance is needed yet. A real change of heart that would survive peace. I am not without hope, though sometimes discouraged.

"The ministers of religion are certainly showing up grandly on the whole, where their devotion to their posts is concerned. I heard this week that a Church of England vicar, aged 57, in a safe area in North Wales, wrote to the Bishop of Liverpool offering to take over a church there to relieve any vicar who wanted to get away. But the Bishop had to reply that no one of his men was prepared to even consider leaving his job. And that is the spirit everywhere."

IN AN ARMY CAMP

Do our young men in training at the army camps need prayer? They need it sorely, as shown by the following extracts from a Christian soldier's letter, published in *Herald of Holiness*:

"I have just returned from the service at the chapel. I feel as though I have been to an entertainment instead of a worship service. . . . Upon returning from the service I had to sit and listen to the most foul language and stories that a man could tell. It seems that when ninety per cent of these fellows say anything at all, every other word is something filthy and takes God's name in vain. As far as I can see, the army is the most corrupt place I have seen and needs the gospel more than any foreign country. A great missionary work could be done here if it were allowed." His letter speaks well of the rations and training he is getting, but asks God's people to pray that God will send along chaplains and officers who will have the courage to "clean house."

LYING PROPAGANDA

The present world conflict has been called "a war of lies." Ex-president Herbert Hoover, who has been studying the propaganda used in the last war, is deeply troubled at "the inability of propaganda-poisoned people any longer to know when they are being poisoned," states *Sunday School Times*. The mass of documents examined, says Mr. Hoover, is an evidence on a vast scale of "the mind's total abdication from truth." A steady stream of propaganda flows from the radio and the printed page. People are unable to pick out the true from the false. Half truths and clever arguments are deliberately mixed with downright lies until minds are confused and misled. Public opinion is molded to serve certain ends. Men and women are stirred to hate their fellow men against their will. How important it is that God's people should keep their hearts filled with love for all nations, and pray for everyone. One day the "man of sin" will be revealed, whose deceitful propaganda shall be so effective that all the world will receive him. All who received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved, shall be deceived by him. See 2 Thess. 1-12. Let us, then, entertain a sincere love of the truth in these present days of lying propaganda. Pilate asked, "What is truth?" Jesus said, "Thy Word is truth." Constant reading of God's Word will protect us from being spiritually harmed by the present "war of lies."

WHERE MOST EVANGELS GO

California	8,012
Texas	5,149
Washington	4,223
Oklahoma	3,959
Pennsylvania	3,671
Missouri	3,410
Ohio	3,199
Illinois	3,105
Michigan	3,068
New York	2,805
Kansas	2,309
Oregon	2,046
Arkansas	1,735
Iowa	1,583
Minnesota	1,518
Canada	1,390
Colorado	1,301
Wisconsin	1,301
Florida	1,235
New Jersey	1,227
Indiana	1,176
Nebraska	1,130

Twenty seven states have less than a thousand subscriptions each. What will this list tell next year?

COURTING THE MOSLEMS

Time reports that London's first mosque, planned as a place of worship for the Moslem soldiers and sailors in England and as the "nucleus of a great mosque and Islamic cultural center to be built after the war," has been officially opened. Last year *The Christian* (London) reported that the British Government had donated the site for this mosque, and had invited Parliament to vote up to half a million dollars for its erection. Now the mosque is built. No doubt the gesture will win great favor among the Mohammedans, but we wonder how much favor with God it will win for Britain.

BELIEVERS IN RUSSIA

Much is said about the war in Russia, but the press has little to say about religious conditions there. It is estimated, according to *Christianity Today*, that there are still twenty-five million evangelical Christians in that land, and fifty million Catholics. They cannot worship God without restriction, they cannot read the Bible save in secret, and yet it is reported that believers are being added to the Lord day by day. The survival and progress of spiritual life in Russia is a miracle of God's all-sufficient grace.

Addressing the Baptist World Alliance in Atlanta, I. V. Neprash said regarding these Russian believers: "The persecution has brought the true believers so close to their Lord that they literally live by Him. The Spirit of God is able to reveal to them new beauties of their Lord, and they have fallen in love with Him in a new way. His cause, salvation of souls for whom He died, including those of His enemies—is the primary consideration. For His sake they forsake their personal interests, count their own comforts and even physical life as nothing, in order to glorify His name, which is so blasphemed by others. Is it possible to go on with the Lord's work under circumstances such as these? Our brethren do go on, pay the price, and are willing to pay any price."

Remember to pray for them, and for God's people in every land where freedom has fled. Let us seek God for ourselves, too, that we may be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man, so as to remain true when similar testings confront us.

MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS

Nigeria, West Africa—Please pray that God will thrust forth native laborers into the harvest fields. Pray for our Bible school.—Everett L. Phillips.

Galle, Ceylon—We desire you to earnestly pray that a Bible School will be established in Ceylon.—Carl F. Graves.

Honduras, Central America—Pray that the pastor and the congregation in San Augustin will catch a new vision and be revived.—Perry Dymond.

25 de Mayo, Argentina—Pray for a woman who is in great spiritual need. Also pray for a man who is in need of healing.—Alice C. Wood.

Florianapolis, Brazil—Pray for our native worker, Andre, who is endeavoring to open a full gospel work in Santa Catharina.—J. P. Kolenda.

Lapa, Brazil—Pray that funds will be provided for a set of new tires for our car so that we may visit our outstations.—Frank J. Stalter.

Sao Carlos, Brazil—Pray that souls will be saved in our outstations and that funds will be forthcoming so that we can launch out into the many unevangelized areas.—Erma L. Miller and Lillian Flessing.

Villa Salles, Brazil—Pray for our native workers and that they will be supported. Pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the three centers where we give out the gospel and in the meetings in Fazendas. We praise the Lord for definite answers to prayer.—Mabel Garcia.

Juncos, Puerto Rico—Please pray for a family who has recently come to the Lord and for several young people who are seeking to draw closer to the Lord.—Louis C. Otero.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Seven-Year Whole-Bible Course

The Deadly Sin of Laziness

Lesson for September 7. Lesson Text: Prov. 6:6-11; 10:4, 5; 12:27; 13:4; 15:19; 18:9; 19:15, 24; 20:4, 13; 22:13; 24:30-34; 26:13-16.

A small boy heard that prayer would help people. As he was dressing on a dull and lazy morning the thought returned to him and he determined to try it. So he said, "God, bring me my shoes"! The little fellow was no more foolish than many of us today. God does not encourage laziness. He will not do for us what we can do for ourselves. Many things in the spiritual life require not only prayer but good hard work! Are we going too far in terming laziness a deadly sin? From careful observation of Solomon's sayings on the subject it would not seem so!

I. Little Preachers and Great Sermons. Prov. 6:6-11.

The Bible encourages us to study nature for illustrations of great Scriptural truths. To reprove us for ingratitude we are referred to the ox and the ass (Isa. 1:3); to reprove us for our want of confidence in the providence of God we are pointed to the lilies of the field and the fowls of the air (Matt. 6:25-34); and to rebuke us for spiritual laziness we are directed to the ants. These little insects teach us:

1. *That feebleness of power and limited ability is no just reason for doing nothing.* You may crush a thousand ants beneath your foot; but see how the rest of them work. Naturalists have shown their ability as architects, miners, builders, masons, and sculptors. If these tiny creatures can accomplish so much with their fragile frames, may we with our bony limbs, strong sinews, intellect, memory, imagination, conscience, soul, plead feebleness and inability as an excuse for failure to do service for Christ? Let us remember (1) that all power, however feeble is given for work (Matt. 25:14, 15, 19, 27); (2) that we are not required to do more than we have power to accomplish (2 Cor. 12:9); (3) that all power increases by use and decreases by inactivity. Matt. 25:28, 29.

2. *That activity of others is no excuse for our indolence.* Go to the ant world. Examine its little mines, chambers, storehouses, workshops, and you will see millions of workers but not one idler. One does not depend upon another and expect another to do his work. In the spiritual world all should be busy; some preaching, some praying, some giving out tracts; but no one can do your work. No one else can believe for you, repent for you, worship for you, love for you, be judged for you, be damned for you.

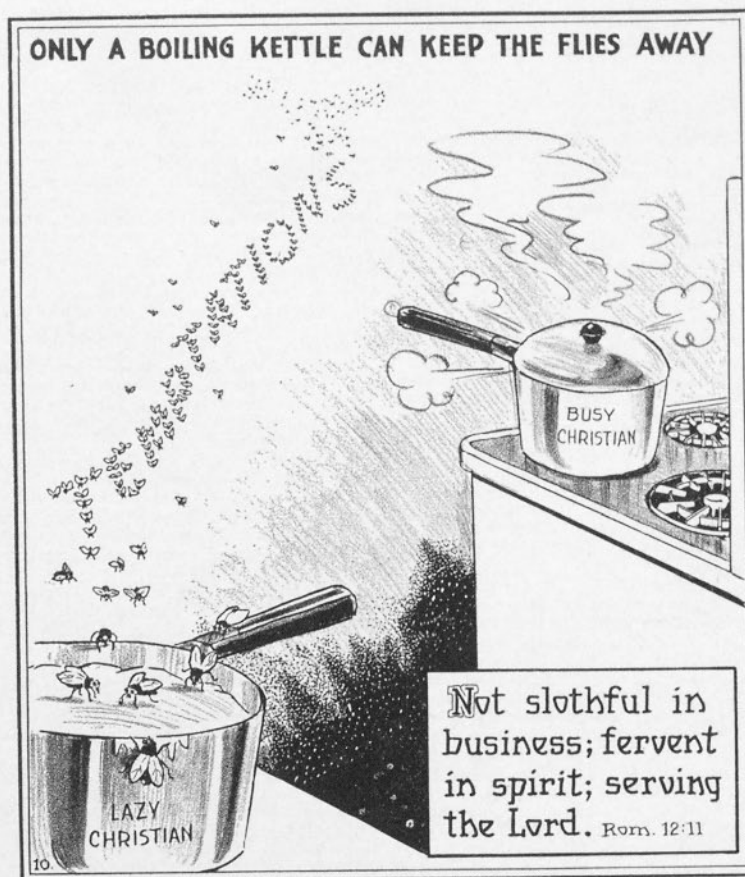
3. *That the want of a helper is no excuse for indolence.* Each ant is thrown upon his own resources and powers. "They have no guide, overseer, or ruler." Each works self-reliantly. In like manner let us work as Christians. We do have a Guide; we do have an Overseer! How much more industriously ought we to labor for Him! We ought not lag for want of help. Let us look unto Him, act upon the light we have, use what resources we possess, and our labor shall not be in vain!

4. *That the providence of God is no excuse for indolence.* God's providence is over even the ants. Yet He provides for them as they use their own powers. God carries provisions to plants, flowers, and trees, because they cannot go in search of their own food. But He does not provide in the same way for ants. Nor for

human beings! What is the lesson for us? Someone says, "I don't need to study the Word, I have the Holy Ghost. He will give me what to preach about." Another says, "I do not need to hunt for a job; God will supply me with one." What reproach is brought upon God's work because of such attitudes! Have we been filled with the Holy Ghost in order that we might escape from study, labor, and the expenditure of mental and physical energy? God forbid! We have received the Holy Ghost so that all our powers and faculties may be more wholly given to the service of the Lord and that they may function more efficiently for Him!

II. Idleness and Industry. Prov. 10:4, 5.

Industry does not consist merely in action, for that is unceasing in all people. Our minds, like ships at sea, if not steered to some good purpose



by reason and effort, get tossed about by waves of fancy and futile woolgathering. Notice the contrasts between the two types mentioned in these verses. The hand of one is diligent, the other slack. The soul of one seizes opportunities, the other neglects them. The destiny of the one is prosperity; that of the other is ruin. These things hold true in things both secular and spiritual.

III. The Lazy Hunter. Prov. 12:27.

Here Solomon refers to a very familiar happening—the man who goes hunting and then fails to cook and eat what he has taken in the hunt! Why does this often happen? For various reasons. The game seems precious before it is taken; but once obtained is not cherished. The hunt was thrilling; but skinning, dressing, and preparing the prey for eating is too tedious, too commonplace, too uninviting a job; so the hunter, though hungry, wastes that which he has taken in hunting. Again, the hunter may not appreciate his prize because it was too easily taken. What are the spiritual lessons here? (1) All Christians welcome the joy and thrill of salvation, but many lose out because they are

unwilling to face trials and tests, to practice self-denial and self-discipline. (2) Many people seek diligently and earnestly for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, but once they have received it, they heave a sigh of relief and settle down in a rocking chair of lazy self-indulgence and prayerlessness and derive absolutely no benefit either for themselves or others from their long-sought experience. (3) There are those endowed with such natural ability that things come easy to them. They can do things fairly well without having to put forth much effort. Consequently, they yield to the sin of laziness and never develop or put to maximum use their God-given talents. Such folk shall be held accountable in the reckoning day.

IV. Unsatisfied Craving and Satisfied Hunger. Prov. 13:4.

Soul craving is common to all. The sluggard and the diligent both know soul hunger. But soul craving can only be satisfied by personal labor and effort of some kind. Many there are who say they crave closer fellowship with our wonderful Lord who are really too lazy to put forth the necessary effort in seeking Him for the satisfaction of that hunger. "And ye shall seek me and find me when ye shall search for me with all your heart" is God's promise to the soul-hungry!

V. The Excuses for Laziness. Prov. 22:13; 26:13.

Laziness always creates false and imaginary excuses. "There is a lion in the streets!" What an excuse! Streets are unlikely places for lions! One of the most popular and helpful books of the day is entitled "Wake up and Live!" In it the author shows that the majority of people today are victims of what she terms "the will to fail," that is, they are accomplishing only a very small part of what they are capable of doing, and try to content themselves by continually making up excuses and finding avenues of escape which justify their comparative failure. The principles laid down in this book applied to the spiritual life will work wonders for anyone. The fact is that because we shrink from putting forth mental and spiritual effort we all have unused powers which, if put to use and yielded to the Holy Ghost, would revolutionize our lives and start a world-wide revival!

Laziness not only creates excuses, but it creates cowardly excuses. "A lion in the streets!" The very excuse the lazy man pleads, though imaginary, if true would be all the more reason for immediate action. Lives would be in danger! But there is no heroism in the lazy heart. It is only to true souls that difficulties are a challenge rather than a check to action! Beloved, we are living in the last hour before the coming of our Lord, an hour of darkness and difficulty. Some would tell us the day of great revivals and mighty signs and wonders is over, that we cannot expect to see any great outpouring of the Spirit before Jesus comes. Away with such thoughts! They are surely suggested by Satan himself. They are simply an excuse for the laziness that shrinks from fighting the good fight of faith, from death to self-indulgence, from mighty soul travail. O may we keep awake and live above the lethargy of the age! We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us! If we will not submit to laziness in any form, if we will let Him have all of us there is to have, we may still see unprecedented revivals which shall glorify Him the world over!—J. Bashford Bishop.

The C. A. Herald, a sixteen-page monthly published for the young people (and of real interest to the older Christians), contains a variety of inviting spiritual food. One yr.—60c; 2 yrs.—\$1.00.—Gospel Publishing House.

REPORTS FROM THE REAPERS

McALLEN, TEXAS—We are happy to report a 2-weeks revival conducted by W. O. Ransom, Evangelist. Thirteen were saved, and 3 received the Holy Spirit Baptism. We thank God for Brother Ransom and his ministry.—H. A. Waters.

SLATON, TEXAS—We just closed a 3-weeks revival, C. E. Holt of Lockney doing the preaching. Four were saved, and 6 were refilled with the Holy Ghost. The whole church went through a "deeper life" revival. The Lord blessed us all.—R. T. Peck, Pastor.

LOCKNEY, TEXAS—We just closed a 3-weeks revival with C. A. Strickland as evangelist. Three were saved, one received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. The wonderful messages that God gave through Brother Strickland encouraged our hearts and gave us a deeper soul-winning vision.—Claud Holt, Pastor.

NOXAPATER, MISS.—We have just concluded a 2½-weeks revival with Evangelist and Mrs. S. A. Mays, Hope, Ark. The Lord met us in a special way from the first. In spite of much rain we had large crowds. Many were saved, and some were filled with the Holy Spirit. Some said this was the largest crowd they had seen in a long time. One night we had 28 at the altar. The old-time power fell night after night. We closed with an old-time baptismal service.—T. C. Anderson, Pastor.

GREEN BAY, WIS.—We have enjoyed a very profitable 7-weeks meeting with Evangelist Virgil R. Jackson, Mt. Vernon, Mo. Before the meetings began we conducted a special prayer campaign, praying for a definite moving of God in the hearts of professing Christians and for the salvation of souls. From the opening service God worked and answered prayer. There has been a manifest strengthening of the spiritual life, and a goodly number of men and women have come into a clear-cut experience of salvation. The church has been definitely strengthened, numerically and spiritually.—E. A. Beck, Pastor.

SILVER CITY, N. MEX.—The State Camp Meeting conducted three miles north of this city, at Cottage Sans, was said to have been one of the best ever attended in this part of the country. The largest crowds ever seen at any such gathering here filled the tent each night, to hear Evangelist George Hayes bring those old-fashioned gospel messages that stirred both saint and sinner. Each night the altar was filled. Many wept their way through to God and were filled with the Holy Ghost. The last night was the big night at the camp. Brother Hayes spoke on "The Sin against the Holy Ghost." Men and women, boys and girls, came running to the altar. Another outstanding feature about the large crowds that attended was that a certain denomination began a tent meeting right in town, continued for a week, and then had to move back to the church for want of crowds. People drove three miles each night to hear the old-fashioned gospel preached. This is a new field for Pentecost.—Jeff Gibbs.

TYLER, TEXAS—We have enjoyed a very successful 4-weeks revival with Evangelist and Mrs. G. B. McDowell. The Lord was present each night to fill believers with the Holy Ghost. Twenty-four prayed through to the Baptism, some of them receiving the Baptism during the early morning prayer meetings. These prayer meetings were started by some of our women before the revival began, they meeting each morning at six o'clock. These prayer meetings still continue. Among those receiving the Baptism was a Baptist preacher and his wife. A Baptist school teacher spoke in tongues for 30 minutes or longer. A Methodist lady, who had directed their choirs for years, came to one of the W. M. C. meetings where the Holy Ghost power was manifested. She got hungry and received the experience the next morning.

We came here four years ago, and in six months the Lord had enabled us to complete a nice 40x60 ft. brick church. In two years we had outgrown our quarters, and had to put on a 30x50 ft. addition. The Lord has given us a number of suc-

cessful revivals. Among the evangelists were Martin Luther Davidson, Hugh Cadwalder, Gene Martin, Fern Huffstutler and Verbal Eskew, and Sanders Brothers.—Pastor and Mrs. W. M. Dunn.

DAYTON, OHIO—We thank God for the wonderful tent campaign conducted here during the month of July by Evangelists Jean and Angel Benefiel. It was one of the best tent campaigns we have ever had. Many prayed through in the old-fashioned way. Old-time conviction gripped the people night after night, as the Word of God went forth under the anointing of the Holy Ghost, and they were made to realize their great need of God. Especially on the nights when Jean Benefiel related her vision of Judgment, Heaven and Hell, the tent was packed to capacity, and many were standing. This message was repeated a second time by request. It was a blessing to young and old, saved and unsaved. The altars were filled with people crying out to God for forgiveness of their sins, and many prayed through to victory. May God pour out His blessings upon these talented and consecrated young evangelists who are truly ambassadors for Christ.—A. B. Cox, Pastor; by L. H. Ruppert, Secretary.

ILLINOIS DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

The 1941 Illinois District Camp Meeting at Petersburg was a remarkable meeting, and in many respects surpassed anything we have ever had in camp meeting experience. On the first Sunday afternoon, the Holy Spirit set aside plans and workers and took control of the meeting. The service was at an early stage, but the aisles filled with people rejoicing with uplifted hands and tears, the altars filled with hungry people, and others fell as though dead. No invitation was given, there was no urging of any kind. This tide increased and continued through the supper hour, and did not wane until past three o'clock in the morning. Many were baptized, as in a "cloud," and others were healed. From those moments the surge of power came and abode upon us. The crowds were the best. All our lodging quarters were packed out. The majority of the tarrying services lasted until past three in the morning. Between 70 and 80 adults were baptized in the Holy Spirit, and about 15 children.

T. J. Jones of San Francisco, Calif., was our guest teacher. His Bible work was masterful and greatly appreciated. His unique ministry greatly appealed to the people of Illinois. A. N. Trotter, our Assistant Superintendent, was the night speaker. His messages were with power and mightily stirred the people. He centered his efforts in the altar and the results were marvelous. God had His way. People were sober and hungry for God. Many wanted to continue an extra week. It was a meeting of Pentecostal power and results. We give Him praise.—C. M. O'Guin, District Superintendent.

OKLAHOMA CENTRAL CAMP MEETING

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—Just 4½ miles north of the State Capitol buildings, on Highways 66 and 77, one of the

best camp meetings ever held in Oklahoma has come to a close. Thousands of people attended the forenoon and night services which were held under a tent over 100 ft. long and 80 ft. wide. It is not known how many people knelt at the altars for salvation and the Baptism in the Holy Ghost during the 10 days of the camp, but it is the desire and prayer of the churches in Oklahoma that these grounds may become one of the greatest spiritual centers in the United States.

The messages of Wm. McPherson were stirring and greatly enjoyed. The morning services saw the tent well filled, and at night it was impossible to seat all who came.

July 27, in the afternoon, a great missionary service was conducted. Brothers Holleman and Fullerton were the speakers, and at the close of the service an offering of \$228.00 was received.

Another interesting service was that of the dedication on Friday night, when pledges amounting to over \$3,000.00 were taken, some of which has already been paid.

A wonderful spirit of unity and satisfaction pervaded the camp throughout, and considering the short time we had to prepare the grounds for the camp meeting, we feel that the services have been very successful. It is our present plan, with the help of the Lord, to construct a large permanent tabernacle before camp meeting time in 1942.—Wallace S. Bragg, Secretary, Oklahoma District Council.

HE SAW THE POINT

A minister was boarding at a certain farmhouse. The farmer was not a Christian, but his wife had been praying for him for some time, and the minister was awaiting his opportunity to make plain to him the meaning of the sacrifice of Calvary. Early one morning, the farmer beckoned to the minister to follow him out to the chicken house. There on one of the nests sat a hen with a brood of chickens peeping out from under her wings.

"Touch her, Mr. —," the farmer said. As the minister put his hand on the hen, he found that she was cold.

"Look at that wound in her head," the farmer continued. "A weasel has sucked all the blood from her body, and she never once moved for fear the little beast would get her chickens."

"Oh, —," said he, "that was just like Christ. He endured all that suffering on the Cross. He could have moved and saved His own life, but He wouldn't because you and I were under His wings. If He had moved, we would have been lost."

The farmer saw the point, and accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour.

COMING MEETINGS

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 14 days before the date which appears upon it, all notices should reach us 16 days before that date.

NAMPA, IDAHO—Meeting in progress; Leonard and Medora Rogers, Evangelists.—Homer Doyle, Pastor.

SENTINEL, OKLA.—Aug. 17—30; L. D. Parton, Evangelist.—C. H. Lawley, Church Secretary.

BIXBY, OKLA.—Aug. 24—; Clara Clasen of Enid, Evangelist.—Frank Hall, Pastor.

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WOLF POINT, MONT.—Aug. 19, for 2 weeks; Christian Hild, Evangelist.—P. M. Cantelon, Pastor.

ST. CLOUD, MINN.—Gospel Tabernacle, Aug. 17—31; Guy Renfrow, Evangelist.—Fred R. Gottwald, Pastor.

VACAVILLE, CALIF.—Aug. 30—; Brother Medley of Oklahoma, Evangelist.—Mrs. Lee Constant, Pastor.

LONDON, KY.—Aug. 29—; Charles Shaffer, York, Pa., Evangelist.—By Evangelist.

VERMILLION, S. DAK.—Meeting in progress; Hazelle Reed and Evelyn Bethurum, Evangelists.—C. T. Beem, Pastor.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.—Tent Revival, Aug. 19—Sept. 7. Mary Jo Barnett, Electra, Texas, Evangelist.—W. A. Gardner, Pastor.

MANASSAS, VA.—Mapel and Quarry St., Aug. 31—Sept. 28; Lodie Crawford, Pleasantville, N. J., Evangelist.—Harry and Grace Rupp, Pastors.

SIoux CITY, IOWA—9th and Court Sts., Aug. 19—; Karlene Burt and Lillian Crouse of California, Evangelists.—Stanley H. Clarke, Pastor.

MODESTO, CALIF.—15th and G Sts., Aug. 31—Sept. 20; Irl J. Walker, Portland, Ore., Evangelist.—Donald G. Weston, Minister.

LUKA, ILL.—Aug. 20—Sept. 7; Joseph and Helen Dunets, Edinburg, Ill., Evangelists.—Amelia and Catherine Schewe, Pastors.

BALTIMORE, MD.—35th St. and Old York Rd.; Aug. 24, for 3 weeks or longer; Mr. and Mrs. C. Merrill Johnson, Hiawatha, Kansas, Musical Evangelists.—Enoch C. Wood, Pastor.

CARTHAGE, MO.—Celebration of 15th anniversary of the church in connection with Joplin Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Sept. 15. All former pastors urged to be present. Services 10:30, 2:30, and 7:45.—R. B. Noland, Pastor.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT COUNCIL SHAWNEE, OKLA.—The 26th annual convention of the Oklahoma District Council will convene in the Civic Auditorium, Oct. 7—10. There will be C. A. services, Oct. 6, 2:30 and 7:00.—W. S. Bragg, District Secretary-Treasurer, Box 128, Okmulgee, Okla.

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

ERICK, OKLA.—Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Sept. 2; first service 10:00 a. m. Lunch served at church. Wm. Taylor is pastor.—C. J. Brown, Presbyter.

DYERSBURG, TENN.—Great Rally, High School Gymnasium, Saturday night and all day Sunday, Aug. 30—31; A. A. Wilson, Kansas City, Mo., and party.—C. N. Rice, Pastor.

BUTLER, MO.—Kansas City Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Sept. 1. Services 10:30, 2:30, C. A. Rally 7:45. Basket dinner at 12:00. Ward Popejoy is pastor.—J. L. O'Dell, Sectional Secretary, 1506 Van Brunt Blvd., Kansas City, Mo.

PICHER, OKLA.—Northwest Oklahoma Fellowship Meeting, Sept. 1. Services and speakers: 10:00, Marvin D. Hartz; 2:00, S. K. Biffle; 8:00, night service.—Leslie J. Moore, Secretary-Treasurer, Box 195, Cardin, Okla.

GLADEWATER, TEXAS—Tyler Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Aug. 28. All-day service in charge of Charles G. Lonsford, Presbyter.—N. K. Bigham is pastor.—Lester P. Summers, Secretary, Longview, Texas.

BELLEVUE, KY.—C. A. Rally, Old City Hall, Taylor Ave. near Center St., Sept. 1. Bring musical instruments and lunch. Services 10:00, 2:00, and 7:00. Mr. and Mrs. Christian Doeple, Pastors. Waldo Risner, District Captain.—Pual Epler, District President.

MASSILLON, OHIO—Annual Labor Day Rally, C. A.'s of Ohio, Washington High School Auditorium, 1st and Oak St. Services 10:00, 2:00, and 7:00. Watson Argue, Winnipeg, Canada, Speaker. Bring your instruments. Annual election of officers.—Cyril E. Homer, Pastor.

DEALE (Cedar Grove), MD.—C. A. Rally and Fellowship Meeting, Eastern Section of Potomac District, Sept. 1. Meetings 10:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Speakers for each service. C. A.'s in charge of afternoon service. Please bring instruments. Basket lunch; grocery store near by.—G. H. Stahl Jr., Pastor.

KALAMAZOO, MICH.—15th annual Michigan State C. A. Convention, Masonic Temple, Water and Rose Sts., Aug. 30—Sept. 1. Speakers: A. L. Hoy, Youngstown, Ohio, and Gene Martin, Creston, Iowa. Election of officers and business meeting Monday afternoon under direction of State President R. W. Harris.—Mrs. H. E. Eicher, Secretary, Jackson, Mich.

TACOMA, WASH.—Young People's Rally, Pentecostal Tabernacle, Aug. 30—Sept. 1. First meeting Saturday night. Willis Smith of Seattle, Speaker. Chas. Butterfield of Everett speaks Sunday afternoon. Other services during rally in charge of A. G. and C. M. Ward, Minneapolis, Minn. Ward Evangelistic Party holding campaign Aug. 17—Sept. 7. Overnight lodging provided for young people from a distance.—Harry J. Steil, Pastor.

MINISTERIAL ETHICS AND ETIQUETTE

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MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—243 Highland Ave. S. W., Warren, Ohio—"I have resigned the pastorate at Benton Harbor, Mich., after serving there more than 5 years, and have accepted the pastorate of the First Pentecostal Church here."—Paul J. Emery.

BROADCAST

Daily Devotions and Bible Study, 9:30-9:55 each weekday morning, except Saturday, and Sunday morning 7:30-8:00. Station KHBG, 1240 kilos., Okmulgee, Okla.—Glenn E. Millard, Pastor.

NOTICE—We are opening a work in Junction City, Kansas, and should like to contact all Pentecostal folk in this vicinity, also soldier boys who have come to Fort Riley for training.—E. F. Hofer, Pastor, 1235 W. 8th, Junction City, Kansas. Tel. 930Y.

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—Will those having friends stationed at Great Lakes Naval Training Station or Ft. Sheridan write them to attend Tent Revival in progress, Glen Rock Ave. and Chapel St. Service each night except Saturday at 8:00. Marie Brown and Norma Schwalbe, Evangelists.—C. E. McCarrell, Zion, Ill.

NOTICE—Selectees, officers, and families stationed at Camp Haan and March Field, will find a hearty welcome at the Assembly of God, 5th and Park Ave., Riverside, Calif. We shall be glad to contact soldiers in camp if complete address is given.—Pastor Carl A. Goad, 3545 Park Ave., Riverside, Calif.

IMPORTANT NOTICE—Soldiers taking part in the great maneuvers in East Texas in August and September will find a home-like welcome from the Pate Evangelistic Party at the Tent Meeting in Center, Texas. Friends and relatives please tell them about this revival.—Harlen J. Pate, Evangelist.

NOTICE—We have recently accepted the pastorate in San Augustine, Texas. Parents having sons in the army, who will be located in this section, please tell them to look us up. We will do our best to make the boys feel at home.—Homer and Elizabeth Conner, P. O. Box 138, San Augustine, Texas.

NOTICE—The Dodson Avenue Assembly of God extends a hearty invitation to all families moving to Fort Smith, Ark., to worship with them. The Government Camp of Barling is only 8 miles away, so the logical place to live and worship will be

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EXCURSION TO GENERAL COUNCIL A \$10 round-trip excursion from Chicago to Minneapolis for the General Council has been arranged. Special train, leaving Chicago, Sept. 6, 11 p. m., returning Sept. 8, 8:00 a. m. For full particulars write Carl Frizen, 5003 Berwyn Ave., Chicago.—J. Robert Ashcroft, Chairman Young People's Fellowship.

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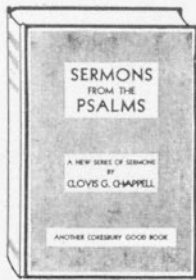
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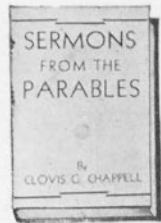
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SPECIAL FEATURES:

- ★ Early Morning Prayer, each day, 7:00 a. m., in charge of Stanley H. Frodsham
- ★ Vesper Services, each day, 6:00 p. m., in charge of the Christ's Ambassadors Committee.
- ★ Missionary Rally, Sunday, 2:00 p. m., in charge of Noel Perkin.

**Thousands Will Be There!
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GOOD NEWS

WHAT AN ORDERLY OBSERVED AT THE COUNTY HOSPITAL

The following is taken from the *Morning Mail* section of the *Chicago Tribune*:

"I'm an orderly at the county hospital, where you can meet many strange people, where you can see human misery in its worst form, and where you can hear many strange stories. For many of the derelicts drifting through the seas of life find their final anchorage here.

"The 'county' is a busy place, and the orderlies, especially, manage to keep pretty busy. But there are certain hours during the day when you can stop and relax. The hours between 9 and 11 in the evening, for instance, are ordinarily pretty dull.

"It was just after 9 o'clock one evening when something happened that set me to thinking. The nurses had finished their dressings, the lights were out, and my patients were pretty well settled for the night. I was walking past one of the units, where we keep the more seriously ill patients, when I was stopped by a call from within.

"I thought that somebody had called me, so I went in to see if I could be of any help. It was the patient in bed No. 52 who had called, but he hadn't called me. It wasn't my assistance he needed that night. As I leaned over to ask him what he wanted, he called out again:

"O, God, please help me tonight."

"Just then the patient in bed No. 53 spoke up.

"Why don't you shut up! he snapped peevishly. 'You've been moanin' all night. Look at me—I'm going up for a major operation tomorrow,

and I'm not squawkin'. It'll take more than God to help you now.'

"I looked over at 53. He had a hose inserted through his nose, that was draining from his stomach, and I silently agreed that he *did* have some reason for complaint. But the patient in 52—a colored man, incidentally—paid no attention to his complaints, and kept calling on God for assistance.

"I couldn't help wondering at their strangely opposite views. One, a colored man, close to death, calling with simple faith to his Maker, while the other, so soon to be under the knife, callously denouncing Him.

"But a patient called me just then, and I left the room. I told the nurse that No. 52 was in pain, and let it go at that.

"I came to work at 2:30 the next day, the incident completely erased from my mind. I put on my smock and was making a round of the patients when the head nurse pulled me aside.

"No. 53 went up to the Operating Room and expired under the anesthetic,' she said.

"That set me to thinking again, so I went to look at No. 52. He was sleeping, but I picked up the chart from the foot of his bed. I glanced past the reports of temperature, cares, and sedatives, until my eye caught the report of his condition. Here the notation was 'patient much improved.'

"Since then I've thought a great deal about these two patients, No. 52 and No. 53. The one *without faith*, dead; and the one whose faith in God had made him another 'patient much improved.'

Yours sincerely,

—'County' Orderly."

How tragic to be "*without faith*." Far better to be without health, without wealth, without work, without comforts—even without food—than to be *without faith!*

The Scripture says: "Without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him." Heb. 11:6.

Without faith there is no forgiveness of sins, no deliverance from judgment, no eternal life, no peace, no joy, no hope!

But no one need be "without faith" for "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Rom. 10:17.

It is not faith in one's self of which we speak—but faith "toward our Lord, Jesus Christ." Acts 20:21. Faith in His essential deity, faith in His spotless humanity, faith in His gracious words, faith in His death for our sins, faith in His resurrection for our justification, faith in His present exaltation, faith in His guidance and faith in His return.

Are you living "without faith"? Are you like "patient No. 53"? If so, it is not yet too late to take God at His word and say with the apostle Paul: "*I know whom I have believed.*" 2 Tim. 1:12.—Tom Olsen in *Now*.

A SWORD THRUST

A woman once came to Robert Murray McCheyne, under deep conviction of sin. When she was going, he said: "You poor, vile worm; it is a wonder the earth does not open and swallow you up." It was just one of those awful rebukes which, coming from one who was all love and tenderness, produces extraordinary effect. For three months they kindled the fires of hell in her soul; until she heard these words: "If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink, thou wouldest have asked of Him, and He would have given thee living water." She drank and lived.

Send 25c for a sample packet of tracts.—G. P. H.