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## God's Challenge to the World Today

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*This is the first of four articles from the pen of one who will be a new writer to most of our readers. Commander Studd served during the last war in anti-submarine warfare. Brother Pearlman prepared his testimony for one of our servicemen's tracts under the title, "Dover Patrol." In this testimony we read: "I was in the Dover patrol in 1915-18; the strain was immense, and towards the end I reached the end of my resources, and then, and only then, I asked Christ to come in and take charge of my life. The result was amazing. He gave me a peace which was indeed beyond my understanding. Peace amidst shell fire and bombs and death on every side, and instead of a nervous breakdown being my portion, I found myself presented with a D.S.O." (Distinguished Service Order.) Commander Studd also received the Belgian Croix de Guerre.*

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*He is one of the distributors of Reveille in England. He wrote us on May 6: "You will be glad to hear that the two bundles of literature arrived O.K. It would do you good to see men sitting in lorries and standing on the streets reading Reveille. Within an hour of the opening of the parcel, a company came to a halt outside our house. It gave me an excellent opportunity. Ask your folk to pray for us and the distribution."*

**P**ERHAPS this idea is a startling one to some who read this title—the idea that God speaks to the world today is not a very popular one! Can God speak to us? Is He interested in world affairs? How can He have any power when we see so much suffering and cruelty on every hand? These questions are on many a lip today.

Yet all through history God has been speaking to man and has had a controversy with him. All through history we see God offering to man a certain way of life which He tells him is the way of peace and happiness, but alas, all through history we see men unable to understand, or unwilling to accept, God's way.

It is unpopular today to talk about sin and its consequences. We live in an easy-going age of "live and let live." We pretend that there is no difference between real Christians and non-Christians, that there is not much to choose among the religions of the world. Some people dream of a universal religion that will unite the nations of the world.

But all the time there is one great

challenging question that echoes down the corridors of time. This question which man must answer in one way or another: this question from which there is no escape, which cannot be avoided or skated round: clear and insistent it rings out:

### "What think ye of Christ?"

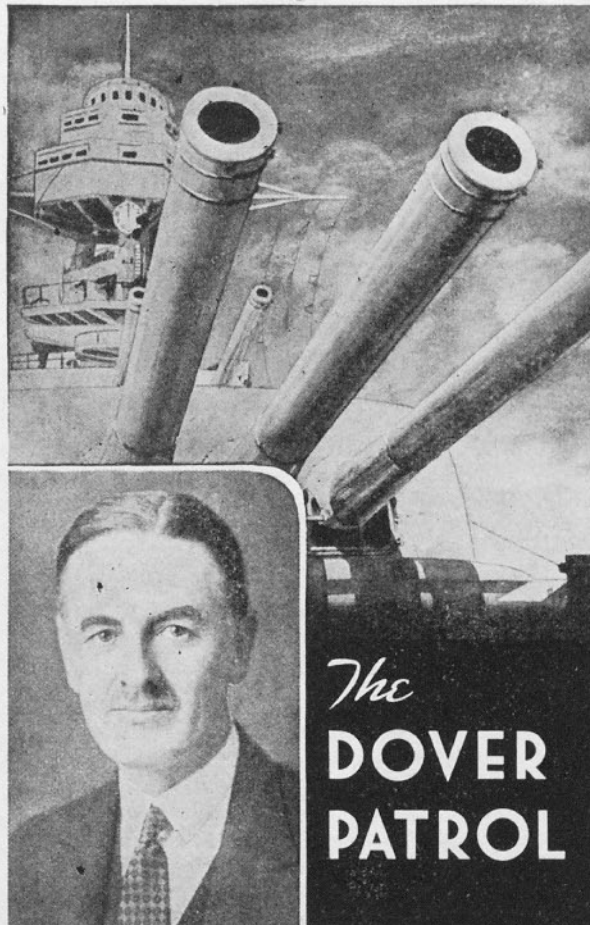
I have been asking myself that question over and over again in recent days. It is so easy to give a superficial answer, so easy to give an answer which can be challenged on the ground that it does not agree with the daily answer given by my way of life. What think ye of Christ? Not much? I try not to think? A good man, a teacher, an idealist? What a lot of different answers there would be if every one who reads this article were to write in his or her own opinion.

But as I sought to thrash out this all-important question, another came to me with an almost greater challenge in it. What does God think of Christ?—and inevitably coupled with it rang the words, "My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are my ways your ways, saith the Lord."

God's controversy with man surely centers round this very question. But what answer shall we give to the question: "What does God think of Christ?" The Bible leaves us in no doubt whatever as to the position that God has ascribed to Jesus Christ. Man's estimate of Jesus Christ is often a very poor one, but God's estimate of Him is always one of superlative excellence. We find it in the Old Testament as well as in the New. We find it in the Gospels and Epistles. We find it in Genesis and Revelation.

We have it most graphically described in Genesis, in the story of Joseph and his brethren. Joseph is one of the most unmistakable types of the Lord-Jesus Christ which we have in the Old Testament. It is wonderful how the two lives agreed in so many details.

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# How God Humbled a Haughty King

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GORTNER

ONE of the things that God hates is pride. And whatever God hates is certainly hateful. In Prov. 16:5 we read, "Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the Lord: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished." And in Prov. 6:17 we are told that among the six things that God hates, the *seven* that are an abomination unto Him, is "a proud look." Beware therefore of pride. Pride was one of the outstanding sins of Moab, and it was *this* sin, it would seem, above every other, that called down the judgment of God, and resulted in Moab's overthrow.

He who is proud magnifies himself against the Lord, for the Lord only is worthy of being exalted; therefore when a man exalts himself he puts himself in a place that belongs only to God. "We have heard of the pride of Moab (he is exceeding proud), his loftiness, and his arrogancy, and his pride, and the haughtiness of his heart. . . . And Moab shall be destroyed from being a people, because he hath magnified himself against the Lord. Fear, and the pit, and the snare, shall be upon thee, O inhabitant of Moab, saith the Lord. . . . Woe be unto thee, O Moab!" Jer. 48:29, 42, 43, 46. Read the sixteenth chapter of Isaiah.

William Taylor, Bishop of Africa, whom I knew when I was just a boy, and who spent two weeks at one time in our home at Garaway, in Liberia, and whom I have ever looked upon as one of the greatest men I ever met, used to tell the story I am about to repeat. Bishop Taylor did not know King George personally, but he knew the missionary under whose ministry the humbling of the king took place, and he got the story from his lips, and felt safe in vouching for its truthfulness.

The king was not a great king, but he was great in his own eyes. He was king of the Friendly Islands in the South Pacific. It is just as possible for such a sovereign to be proud as it was for Nebuchadnezzar; and many a man who has occupied a insignificant position in the world has been just as haughty as has many another who has occupied a more exalted place.

The missionary to the Friendly Islands was Peter Turner. He was a real missionary, and seems to have had an apostolic vision; anyhow he was known in his day as the Apostle Peter. When the first chapel was built the king came in and saw the preacher in the pulpit; and the preacher was higher than the king, and the king did not like it. But, instead of trying to make some trouble, he gave orders that a pulpit be made for himself at the opposite end of the chapel, and made a few inches higher than the preacher's pulpit; and when the preacher went up into his pulpit, the king quietly ascended *his* pulpit, and sat down there.

After a while the missionary and his workers began to pray that there might be an outpouring of the Spirit in that chapel. They waited from day to day before the Lord, asking that the mighty arm of God might be bared, and that the glory of the Lord might be

revealed. And they believed as they prayed, and when they were all "with one accord" the Holy Ghost came, and there were many mighty manifestations of His presence. The news spread all over the island, and great crowds came to see God work. Many were mightily convicted of sin, and, to use the language of Bishop Taylor, "were so affected by the awakening power of the Spirit, that to the number of from two to three hundred at one time they lay apparently dead for hours, but always came up rejoicing, and praising God for His great salvation."

The king got under conviction, and he came down from his pulpit, and sat in the dust. He wanted what others were getting. But before he could get it it was imperative that his proud heart be humbled. He told the missionary that he was willing to give up his sins, and seek God, but that he did not want to bow down with the common people, and so he requested that he be allowed to pray behind the altar-screen, which was a network of bamboo rods that would conceal him from the eyes of the people.

The missionary said, "Yes, King George, you may kneel down wherever you like, and give your heart to God." The king went behind the screen, and he knelt there, and besought the Lord to have mercy upon his soul, and to save him from his sins. He was a tall man, six feet, four inches high; and in an agony of soul, as he prayed, he began to roll upon the floor, and he kicked down the screen and lay full length before the people, and cared not how he looked or what he did, if God would only save his soul and give him peace of mind. His pride was thoroughly broken, his spirit humbled before God; he realized

now that he was just a man, a sinner, and that he needed a new heart as badly as though he had been one of the poorest and least known men of the whole island.

Of course he found what he was seeking. Any person who thus seeks God will find Him. "Him that cometh unto Me I will in no wise cast out." To those that seek the Lord it is asserted that "He will abundantly pardon." The king was saved, gloriously saved, and *he knew it*. About midnight he passed out of death into life, and got the witness of the Spirit that he was now a child of God.

Some days afterwards there was a great meeting of the people. The king addressed them, and told them that he had accepted Christ as his Saviour, and had been saved, and knew it, and was happy. He said, "Do you see that post?" pointing to a post of the chapel, and then said, "Just as certain as you know that you see that post, so certainly do I know that God, for Christ's sake, has pardoned my sins, and has made me His child."

Such conversions were frequent in the days of the Wesleys, of Whitefield, of Jonathan Edwards, and of Francis Asbury. And some of us have witnessed similar conversions in our day. Would that they might be more frequent! Maybe they would be if there were deeper and more pungent conviction. It takes conviction to bring the proud-hearted to the place where they are willing to be humbled in the divine presence; and man must be divested of his pride before God can save him.

Let us pray for a greater display of the old-time power, and for a deeper conviction of sin. Let us unite together to this end, and not be satisfied until our prayers shall be answered.

## Her Last Ride

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LEONARD

IT happened on a cold, rainy, stormy October night. I had just finished reading an article, when I stated to my wife that I was happy to be indoors such a night as this, when suddenly the telephone rang. The party asked, "Is this Father Leonard's residence?" I answered, "Not Father, but Pastor Leonard." The man asked me if I would kindly come to ——— street, as soon as possible. I asked, "Why the rush?" He said, "My wife is dying."

I rushed out into the storm of the night to fulfill the commandment, "in season and out of season." Arriving at the stated address I found a woman gasping for breath. I knew her time was short so I immediately spoke to her about her spiritual condition. I told her Jesus died for her and paid for every sin, and if she was not saved, He stood ready and willing to save her. She said, "I've been a bad woman, Father. You see I used to be a circus girl. I was acclaimed the Woman Champion Bareback Rider of the World. I am not as old as I look." When she told me her age, I could see how sin

had left its marks. I spoke to her of the promises of God and His willingness to forgive. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9. After that I heard her pray. To me it sounded like a little child praying, and that is what the Master said, "Except ye become as little children, ye shall not enter." Matt. 18:3.

What a sight the angels beheld that night as the converted communist prayed with the ex-champion circus performer. The heavenly hosts sang that night as this soul found the harbor of rest and peace. She died a few minutes later.

And I walked again into the October night, but it was a changed night. It was now calm and peaceful. The moonbeams seemed like indicators pointing the way to Father God's home. She was there. The champion had won her last ride. Glory!

God help you, dear reader, to be ready before that hour of departure.

# Self-Seeking

MRS. T. H. ROBERTSON

"All seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's." Phil. 2:21.

THIS was a sad testimony for Paul to have to give of the Christians and Christian workers who were with him at Rome. He singled out Timothy as the only one who, like himself, was free from self-seeking and entirely given over to God for the care of *others*. Phil. 2:19, 20, 22.

There is no doubt but that all too many of us seek our own, rather than that which is Christ's. There is no greater hindrance to the manifest working of the Holy Ghost in Christian circles than self in the believers. We want revival, but too often our motives are mixed, it may be unconsciously, (due to the fact that we have not given the Holy Ghost a chance to search us). If God should start a mighty revival in our community through some obscure instrument, or in the other church, and give us no manifest, prominent part in it, we might be selfishly disappointed. Not until we can pray from the heart, "Lord, send a great revival for *Thy glory*, whether I and my church shall have a leading part in it or not," have we ceased standing in the Holy Spirit's way of answering our prayers.

Self is the Holy Spirit's greatest and most subtle foe. It was self in the last analysis that nailed Jesus Christ to the cross. And it has been the greatest factor in causing disturbance, division, and disaster within the Christian Church ever since its beginning. It is the greatest obstruction in the showing forth of the glory and power of God among His saints. The Holy Spirit is exceedingly sensitive and jealous for the glory of God. No doubt many a revival is begun in gracious answer to prayer; but someone in a position to hinder becomes selfishly excited, numbers are prematurely reported, the glory due unto Him alone is seized by the flesh, the Holy Spirit has to withdraw, and, to a great extent at least, His mighty working, and the results of the revival that was begun are unsatisfactory and God-dishonoring.

The strife within the Church of Christ has ever been largely, if not solely, over the question as to "which of them should be accounted the greatest." Luke 22:24. This time-old question is ever with us. It often lurks deep down in our hearts and disguises itself in many forms. It looks so hateful and disgusting as we see it in others, that we are ashamed—until we are forced—to admit that the same thing obtains in some form in our own lives. None of us is entirely exempt from this loathsome thing. And there is no remedy within ourselves that can rid us of it. God who planned the great scheme of redemption has the only remedy that works, and that remedy is

"Everything in Jesus,  
And Jesus everything."

"Abide in me," is the process of the cure. The abiding in Him is impossible without a willingness on our part to be nothing, or any-

thing, as He wills. It comes by waiting on God in daily deep surrender to Him of all our plans and ways; a willingness that all that is of self and the flesh in our lives be reduced to ashes by the fire of the Holy Spirit. Then as we keep "beholding as in a glass (in the mirror of the gospel) the glory of the Lord" He gives us "beauty for ashes"—"the beauty of holiness." We are "changed into the same image

from glory to glory even as by the Spirit of the Lord." But not while we are occupied with ourselves, nor even with the gifts and graces which He gives, but with Himself, lying low at His feet in spirit, ever choosing to be made conformable unto His death, submitting to every humiliating experience which He permits, taking slights and insults from men, and every disagreeable thing as the "cup" which He would have us drink. This is not easy. Unless we abide beneath the shadow of the cross, resolute in our choice of being "dead with Christ," we shall overlook His purpose in the things He permits, and resent them. It can be done only as we continue beholding Him, keeping in mind His infinitely sublime purpose concerning us, that He "did predestinate" us "to be conformed to the image of His Son." Rom. 8:28, 29.

# Conquering a Bad Temper

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IT may be said that there is no besetting sin harder to cure than a bad temper. It seems to form such an essential part of our nature that to remove it would destroy our personality. "It is my nature" is often heard in excuse or extenuation; and "I am quick tempered but I soon get over it and I hold no malice." Friends make excuse; "he may be hasty but his heart is right," they say.

But difficult as it may seem there is a cure. It is not found in a resolute will, or in the cultivation of self-control, though this may help to a certain extent. *It is found in self-surrender to Jesus Christ.*

G. C. Grubb who conducted a series of Evangelistic meetings in Toronto in 1896 told the following story in one of his sermons which well illustrates this truth.

"There was a preacher in the north of England, and he was an earnest worker in his parish, but he had one failing and that was he had a most ungovernable temper; and I need scarcely tell you that although he preached well on Sunday, his sermons hadn't much effect on Monday, because he used to lose his temper with his parishioners repeatedly. Now, he was a real Christian man. Remember this. He was a real Christian man, but he had never found out the secret of victory over his temper. He used to come back to his study and cast himself on his knees, and say, 'O God, how I disgraced myself today. O God, I lost my temper with that man, what is the use of my ministry? I might just as well give up.'

## WHY EIGHT PAGES?

We regret that this issue of the *Evangel* has to be reduced to eight pages instead of the usual sixteen. The nation is at war and there is an unprecedented demand for wood pulp out of which paper is made, and so we are rationed in our paper supply. The circulation of all our publications has greatly increased since 1942, but we are only allowed to use 75 per cent of the paper we used in that year.

"One day the poor man had a terrific outburst of temper and he was heartily ashamed of himself, and he went back and threw himself on his knees on the study floor and said:

"O my God, must I always go on like this? I have struggled against my temper, I have prayed against my temper, and I am as bad as ever. O my God, teach me the secret of victory over sin!"

"Ah, he had never prayed like that before; he used to ask God to forgive him; and then he would get up and struggle again; and that is the way some of you have been going on. But now he asked God with an earnest heart to teach him the secret of victory, and God taught him the secret that very night in rather a strange dream.

"He thought he was in his study, and he looked upon the floor and was surprised to see it all covered with dust and dirt; and then he looked out of the study window and saw the Lord Jesus walking slowly up towards the door of his house and he said: 'Oh, my Lord is coming and my house is filthy, I must get my house cleaned before the Lord Jesus comes.' He took a broom and began to sweep out his study with the natural result that the dust rose in clouds and nearly choked him. Then he laid down the broom utterly exhausted, and a knock came to the door, and he heard the words, 'Let me in.' No, he wouldn't do that; he just took the broom again and swept with redoubled energy, and again he laid down the broom utterly exhausted, and again the voice said, 'Let me in'; and he went slowly to the door and opened it and the Lord looked him in the face and said, 'Behold, I will sprinkle clean water upon thee. From all thy filthiness and from all thine idols I will cleanse thee,' and with these words ringing in his ears he awoke, and behold it was a dream. You see the mistake that that preacher had made; he was trying to sweep his own heart clean; and you have been trying to do that; and the Lord Jesus says: 'Stop all that and let me in and I will cleanse thee; I will sprinkle clean water upon thee, and I will deliver thee from all thy sins.'"

# The Only Remedy for Sin

THE Lord sent Nathan to David to tell of two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor. The rich man had exceeding many flocks and herds: but the poor man had nothing, save one little ewe lamb. And there came a traveller to the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock, but took the poor man's lamb.

When David heard the story, his anger was greatly kindled against the rich man; and he said to Nathan, "As the Lord liveth, the man that hath done this thing shall surely die." Nathan said to David, "Thou art the man. Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul; and I gave thee thy master's house. . . . And if that had been too little, I would moreover have given unto thee such and such things. Wherefore hast thou despised the commandment of the Lord, to do evil in His sight? Thou hast killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife to be thy wife."

David confessed, "I have sinned." As the king humbled himself, he became an example to everyone to humble himself under the mighty hand of God. He made not one iota of excuse for himself. He did not seek to justify himself, nor did he say that there were circumstances that compelled him. He did not blame the devil. He said, "I have sinned." He did not call his sin by any other name—an error of mortal mind.

He offered no extenuating circumstances because he had sinned; and when he confessed, God immediately began to extend mercies. Nathan said to David, "The Lord also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die."

Sin is the forerunner of death. Death is the sequence of sin. The sin was put away immediately David confessed it. Communion was restored between David and the Lord. The consequence of his sin would be in evidence and he would be reminded of it from time to time. Sin leaves an after-effect—it is only seen in time after the sin is confessed and forgiven; but if unconfessed and unforgiven, it has effects reaching through eternity. It was better for the child of David and Bath-sheba to die and a monument be put over his grave, than that he be a living monument to David's sin.

Solomon, Bath-sheba's second son, was a living monument of sin forgiven, and of God's grace.

It required the prophet to point out to David his sin in order to bring it to the surface and induce confession. The Holy Spirit convicts of sin today, and the Word of God is the hammer that breaks up and pulverizes; it is a light showing and exposing the sin of the heart. Come under its rays. Do not try to remove the light and think you are thereby going to remove your sin. Let the light shine in and expose the hidden sin, and then, when it does, confess freely, fully, without any excuses on your part.

"I have sinned against the Lord." "The Lord also hath put away thy sin." There is no gap,

no period of time between the confession and the forgiveness. The prophet did not hesitate to expose the sin, and he did not hesitate to proclaim the forgiveness. He did not prescribe penances, or purgatory, or even a fee for himself. He simply stated, "The Lord also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die. Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the Lord to blaspheme, the child also that is born unto thee shall surely die."

"And Nathan departed unto his house." He waited not for praise, nor for reproach, nor hinted for reward. The prophet must be as

## Tarry Until

It is quite plainly stated what the disciples and others received in that upper room, that day. It is also plain that the Holy Spirit has never failed the Church since that day: but, sad to say, the Church, due to lack of consecration, has over and over again allowed things to creep in which grieved Him, checking His operations and bringing defeat to the great purpose of the Church.

In the course of Christian history, God has found men ready to stand for the truth. Through Luther, Knox, the Wesleys and others, He marshaled an army that stirred the world and led multiplied thousands into deliverance from the guilt and bondage of sin. Many branches have spread out from the tree, each claiming to have discovered "the Truth." The fact is that all are dead and helpless without the illuminating presence of the Holy Ghost. Oh that the Holy Ghost could have His way with all of these! We should see scenes that would eclipse even the old-time Pentecostal days, with millions won for Christ. There is no lack with God: it is all with the Church.

The modern churches seem to have largely lost sight of the fact that the Holy Ghost Power was bestowed upon the disciples as an equipment for effectual service; that all the regenerated need to be sanctified. Even our own Lord said, "For their sakes I sanctify Myself"; and the sanctified ones need not only the blessed experience of being baptized in all His fulness, but repeated anointings in the Spirit.

Belief in an experience or even the fact of having had an experience in God, does not imply that those who believe thus or have had

faithful to the king as to the peasant, to the millionaire as to the pauper.

Even though David was king of Israel, yet he named himself a sinner before the Lord. By so doing he pleased the Lord, for the Lord delights in mercy. That man went down to his house justified.

The God of David still lives, and He is the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit is the faithful One who carries out His office of convicting of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment.

When sin is active, the Holy Spirit is more active. He was the motive power behind the confession of David. And He is the one who applies the one remedy for sin—the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, which cleanseth us from all sin. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." John 1:9.

such an experience are now in possession of that experience.

There is a mighty Baptism, an endowment of power, an equipment for service, which it is the privilege of all God's people to receive and hold. Our Lord solemnly commanded His followers to "Tarry until." They were not to leave Jerusalem until this endowment of power became a living reality with them. It was imperative. They had a great commission to "make disciples of all nations," and they must be equipped.

The Church today must be prepared to make spiritual conquest possible. Her equipment can come only in one way, the way it came to the original Church, by honest "tarrying until." Our call to all pastors, Church officers, Sunday school teachers and all who profess to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, is to revive the spirit of importunate, heart-searching prayer, in private and public life.

This, and this alone, will promote a revival with a new passion for souls. Every evangelical organization was born in the hearts of men aflame with a zeal for the souls of unsaved men. When a denomination becomes cold and selfish, that denomination loses its kinship with the early martyrs of the Church and its power for service. When the fires of revival and evangelism die down in the hearts of those who man the pulpit, the Bible school or other departments of the church, then "Icha-bod" is written over its doors and God will disown that people as His people and give their inheritance to others. We must live more and more Christ-like lives; we must be orthodox in deeds as well as in creeds; we must be concerned about fundamentals of the faith; but all will be sounding brass unless we possess the endowment of Power and are possessed by the Spirit of Christ.

### A SPIRITUAL VACATION

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# "Ask Ye of the Lord Rain"

ASK that shepherd, "What is your greatest need?" He will tell you that his greatest need is green pastures for his flock. You ask him, "Shepherd, tell me, how can you procure these green pastures?" He will tell you, "Only as the rain comes down from heaven can there be bountiful pastures for my sheep." And he will further say, "In the days of drought, my sheep are undernourished. They droop. They die. But when the heavens are opened and there is abundance of rain, the pastures spring up and then are my sheep fed. And as they eat they are strengthened. The little lambs skip for joy in the plentiful grass that springs up after the coming of the blessing-laden showers, the bountiful rains that fall from heaven."

It is written, "Thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain, whereby Thou didst confirm Thine inheritance, when it was weary. . . . Thou, O God, hast prepared of thy goodness for the poor." Psalm 68:9, 10. Our Lord is a Shepherd. His saints are called "the sheep of His pasture." Does He know what His sheep require? He knows that they require abundant pasture, and that above all they need the rain of His Spirit. He has promised this, declaring, "I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessings." Ezek. 34:26.

It is a sure promise that in the last days He will pour out the rain of His Spirit. He commands, "Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain; so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain (Hebrew, *matar geshem*; literally, rain of plenty; pouring, heavy, torrential rain), to every one grass in the field." Zech. 10:1. You have your part in praying the Lord of the harvest for the rain. In response to prayer He will send the rain of plenty, the pouring, the heavy, the torrential rain, so that there shall be "to every one grass in the field," abundant pastures for all His hungry sheep.

Everywhere there is need in the church. People hungry. People lacking so much. People dying. There is much preaching. There is much literature. What is the need? The outstanding need is the fulness of the Spirit of God. The church needs that which God alone can send, and that which in response to the prayer of faith of His saints He will surely send, the blessed rain, the mighty showers, the gracious outpouring of His blessed Spirit. The promise is sure, "Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the Lord will do great things." Joel 2:21. What will He do? GREAT THINGS! He will send the rain from heaven. He will pour out of His Spirit. Upon whom? Upon a limited few? Nay, "upon all flesh!" Joel 2:28. But He would be inquired of to do this for us. Ezek. 36:37.

When the Lord was in the garden of Gethsemane He asked His disciples to pray with Him, and they dismally failed. And He has bidden His disciples of today, "Ask ye of the Lord rain," and they have dismally failed. But He would have us stir ourselves up, and remember to obey His command, "ASK." Has He not said, "Ask, and it shall be given you

. . . for every one that asketh receiveth"? See what an heritage is ours if we will but pray without ceasing.

We shall see, as we pray, the copious showers of the Spirit from heaven. We shall see the green pastures spring up. We shall see the church, the people of His pasture, nourished, fed and flourishing. Pray then for rain. Ask for the Spirit, not merely for yourself, but for all flesh. The need of all flesh is for the Spirit of God. He alone can convict of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment. Words, songs, and all labor apart from the Spirit of God is in vain. Only that which is unctionized and under the power of the Holy Spirit will have any effect. Therefore pray for rain, the mighty rains of God's Spirit, that all you do may be in the power of the Spirit.—S. H. F.

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.**

Matt. 6:33

## GOD'S CHALLENGE TO THE WORLD TODAY

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What God thought of Joseph was told to him in two dreams when he was only seventeen years old. In these he was clearly told that God destined him to be a ruler and a prince over his brethren and family, and indeed over a still wider sphere, all were to bow to him. It cannot fail to remind us of the declaration: "He hath given Him (Jesus) a name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow."

But we read "his brethren hated him," "they hated him still more," "they envied him," "they conspired against him," "they stripped him," they cast him into a pit, they sold him for twenty pieces of silver, and they lied about him to cover their tracks. They had no use for Joseph and were determined that he should never live to see his dreams of power and position over them come true.

How similar is the Gospel record of the way in which the Lord Jesus Christ was treated, when He was upon earth. The rulers and religious leaders hated Him—"They hated Me without a cause." They delivered Him up for envy, they sold Him for thirty pieces of silver, they stripped Him of His garments, they sent Him via the Cross to the Pit, where He preached to the spirits in prison. When in spite of it all He rose triumphant to reign and rule, they bribed the Roman guard to lie and say that they (the Roman guard) had been so slack on sentry duty that His friends had been able to roll away the stone and steal His body from the grave.

But just as Joseph was delivered and carried through all sorts of mysterious and suffering ways and led out to be the savior of his brethren and the lord and savior of the

whole of Egypt as well, so the Lord Jesus Christ triumphed over the grave and Satan, and rose to be an Everlasting King and great High Priest, the Saviour and Lord of all His people. God's estimate of Joseph was that he was worthy of power and position, that he could be trusted to use such power for the Glory of God and the benefit of everyone in the land. Man's estimate was that whatever happened he must be kept down. "We won't hear of the idea of our bowing down to him!" was their attitude to Joseph the dreamer.

Man's estimate of Jesus Christ was just the same. Even yet we hear the cry: "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" But there came a moment when Joseph's brethren, in spite of themselves, came in fear and trembling into the presence of the strange lord, seeking bread, conscious of their guilt, fearing the consequences.

So, too, with regard to Jesus Christ. We are told in Revelation 6, there is coming a day when men shall cry out to the mountains and rocks: "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him that sitteth on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb." It is to be a universal cry, from kings and princes, chief captains, rich and strong, bondmen and free. In that day there is coming a revolution in their attitude to Him. Then men will recognize Him whom God has exalted high above all.

The Bible clearly leaves us in no doubt as to what God thinks of Jesus Christ. It is utterly impossible to over-estimate His worth and high importance. Let us remind ourselves of some of the categorical statements about Him given to us in the New Testament.

"He hath given Him a name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow."

"He hath spoken to us through His Son, whom He hath appointed heir of all things, through whom He made the worlds."

What a startling word that is; God thought so highly of Him that He made Him heir of all things, and also made Him the Creator of the worlds.

All judgment is left to Him. He is the judge of all the earth. He is described as King of kings and Lord of lords. Rev. 17:14.

He is also "The faithful Witness," "The Lamb of God," and so the One who made a full, perfect, and sufficient Sacrifice for sin.

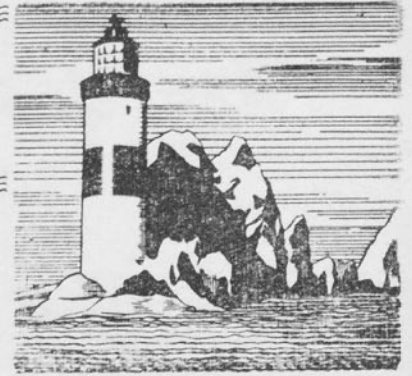
Now listen to Heaven's estimate of the Lord Jesus Christ! "Worthy is the Lamb that hath been slain to receive power, riches, and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing. Unto Him that sitteth on the Throne and unto the Lamb . . . dominion for ever and ever!"

This then in brief outline is the answer to the question of what God thinks about the Lord Jesus Christ. God's estimate of the whole position is that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Keystone of the arch. The Chief Cornerstone! The center of the whole universe! The whole universe is dependent upon the Lord Jesus Christ. Indeed, the whole world and universe are Christo-centric. He is the great central Figure, "for whom are all things, and by whom are all things."

Against such a background then rings out afresh to us His challenge:

**"What think YE of Christ?"**

# Missionary News Flashes



● It is with great joy that we hear of victorious forward advances that are being made in our fields of labor around the world. A most encouraging report has just been received from Brother Juan Zub-Zolotarow who is laboring among the Russians in Buenos Aires.

His letter reads: "It was just two years ago this month that we bought land and began building our new prayer hall. Some of the people ridiculed us, saying we would never finish it. We not only completed the hall, but we've been meeting in it for 13 months now. Praise the Lord!

"On May 25th we had a special service, which was scheduled to begin at 3:00 p. m. The doors were opened at 2:00 and the building was soon packed to capacity with crowds gathered around the open door. We estimate that about 400 people were present. The three-hour meeting came to an end all too quickly and the great throng of people outside had not diminished in the least, but continually increased. Many unsaved people were standing around the doors who previously had not been willing to come. A great work was done and we believe the results will be seen in eternity,

"We have received good news from our brethren in Paraguay. They write us that since our last visit to them, God has saved several souls and they baptized six new converts recently. The Lord was also pleased to baptize five in the Holy Ghost. They write that the blessing of God is continuing and that others are seeking salvation.

"Word comes from Misiones that our brethren visited a Ukrainian assembly near the Brazilian frontier with their choir and orchestra. On hearing the singing, three policemen entered and the brethren invited them to take seats. At the close of the meeting the brethren were astonished to receive an invitation from the police to visit Tres Capones, the town where they lived, and hold a meeting there. The next day our brethren arrived at Tres Capones with choir and orchestra. When they asked the police where they should hold the meeting they answered, 'Hold it where you wish, only not near either of the two churches here!' So the brethren held it right between the two! The church bells were ringing for the people to come to service. Our orchestra was playing and the people, on their way to church, stopped at our meeting and listened to the Word of God. Praise the Lord! As the brethren were about to leave, the police said to them, 'Now we will await your next visit.' Pray for this place!"

● Word has been received by the Missions Department that the Vivan Smiths have

safely reached Bissau in Portuguese Guinea. They now have a long overland journey of over a thousand miles before they reach their destination of Ouagadougou. They would greatly appreciate the prayers of God's people.

● A cablegram was received from the George Hemmings on June 23 stating: "Arrived safely." This means that the Hemmings have successfully reached their destination of Freetown, Sierra Leone, British West Africa. Thank God for all of these missionaries who are safely reaching their fields of labor!

● Famine is still raging in parts of India. A cablegram just received from Maynard Ketcham, our missionary in Calcutta, contains this message: "Would appreciate two thousand dollars for famine relief." Famine conditions have enabled Brother Ketcham to do a great work in Calcutta and East Bengal. Those wishing to send a contribution to meet this need should be sure to designate it for "India Famine Relief" and send it to Noel Perkin, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.

● Paul Finkenbinder of El Salvador, Central America, writes: "God is blessing us here. I don't know as ever in my life I have felt so completely in God's will as I do now. The Lord has given us many souls since we have been here. Last Sunday I had the privilege of baptizing 14 converts!"

## In Sympathy

After a prolonged silence, word has at last been received from Herbert Schmidt, one of our European missionaries. Friends in America have been earnestly praying for the safety and well-being of both Brother and Sister Schmidt, as well as their two daughters. Because of the war, the family has been separated for some time. Sister Schmidt has been in Danzig, with her two little ones, while Brother Schmidt has been in Sweden. Our hearts are saddened at the news of the homegoing of his companion, and we trust that the comforting presence of the Lord is sustaining our brother in this hour of his bereavement. Brother Schmidt's letter reads in part:

"It is sad news that I have to convey to you that my beloved wife passed away on the morning of May first, leaving behind her our two little girls, Ruth who will soon be nine and Karin, who is a little past four. The news reached me ten days later.

"This sudden turn in her illness was all the more of a shock to me, since I had had no direct word from her since October. She had written in the summer of last year that she had suffered a nervous breakdown and had lain for five weeks with extremely high fever. This left her in such a weakened condition that she was unable to regain her strength. Late in October I received another letter from her in which she told of a severe relapse, but stated that she was on the way to recovery. That was to be her last letter to me. From then on I waited from day to day. On April 30th I finally received a letter from my mother-in-law stating that Sister Schmidt had received a blood transfusion in March, but that she was unable to rally and that her life was in danger. There followed further days of anxious waiting until the tragic message reached me on May 10th. No further details have reached me, so I know nothing of her last hours on earth.

"My great concern now is to get my children out of Danzig to Sweden. It is a great trial to have my children there, knowing nothing of their welfare, and unable to help them. Although little hope is given me, still I believe that the Lord will find a way to bring them to me this summer. Will you be so kind as to inform the saints and ask them to pray that the Lord may move on my behalf?

"Thank you for your concern for me; it does lighten the burden. The Lord has stepped in and undertaken for me again and again. The other morning He gave me a promise which flooded me with His glory, and I am encouraged to trust Him alone. How mysterious are His ways and means! When I held that message in my hand on May 10th, the Lord was so near that it seemed to me that His hands were on my brow. Later in the day I opened 'Streams in the Desert' to May 10th and in the text, for that day I read: 'I had fainted unless . . . !' Then followed the words, 'Faint not!' The message could not have been more fitting to my need. What a marvelous and loving Saviour we have, who will always see us through!"

Let us continue to hold up our brother before the throne of grace, that his health may be restored and that he might have the joy of being reunited with his two daughters this summer.

Send all contributions to Noel Perkin, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri

## HEALING IN INSTALMENTS

In 1941 our baby girl was greatly afflicted. She had fallen off a bed. Three days later she ran a temperature and then her legs began hurting her. We had various doctors and X rays. It was said she had a growth pressing her backbone and that her backbone was broken. Her life was despaired of. Her body was paralyzed from the hips down. Her right arm became sore and useless. Prayer was offered many times by the pastor and the church. One day when husband and I were praying at the same time the church had met to pray in the assembly, the Lord touched her arm and she began using it. It never gave her any more trouble. The next week we called another doctor who said she had infantile paralysis and he put a cast on her legs. She got so uneasy that in a couple of weeks the cast was removed. Soon after this we took her to the church where they were having a day of fasting and prayer, and she was anointed and prayed for again. In the next few days she passed brown liquid from her kidneys. A few days later we took her to a cottage prayer meeting where she was prayed for again. From then she got better. In two weeks she was putting her toe in her mouth. She was well. Around her first birthday she began sitting alone, and was walking at eighteen months. She is now three years of age and has never had any further trouble. She is a normal child.—Marie G. Hagerman, 604 Maple Street, Three Rivers, Michigan. (This testimony is also signed by Lewis C. Hagerman, Gene S. Hogan, present pastor, and Wm. C. Richardson, former pastor.)

## PHILADELPHIA EVENING SCHOOL

The closing exercises of Eastern Bible Institute's Extension School were held on May 22, at Highway Mission Tabernacle, Nineteenth and Green Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. The 1944-45 school year will begin October 2, and end May 21.

We are happy about our growth. From a humble beginning and from a small group of students, the numbers have increased until now there is an average attendance of from 50 to 55 students each school night.

Further information about this school may be obtained by writing the Eastern Bible Institute, Maranatha Park, Green Lane, Pa.

## Coming Meetings

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 16 days before the date which appears upon it all notices should reach us 18 days before that date.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO.—July 9—; The Lummer Music-Makers.—R. M. Crenshaw, Pastor.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—First Assembly of God, July 9—; Evangelist and Mrs. Wm. D. Swanson.—S. J. Adams.

TIPP CITY, OHIO—4th and Plum Sts.; July 9, for 3 weeks; B. E. Hillman, Evangelist.—E. P. Cooper, Pastor.

QUINCY, ILL.—July 9—; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Martin, Creston, Iowa, Evangelists.—Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Davidson, Copastors.

DETROIT, MICH.—5642 Brooklyn St.; July 1, for 2 weeks or longer; N. H. Rhodes, Evangelist.—W. C. Buchanan, Pastor.

GULFPORT, MISS.—Tent revival in progress; V. R. Jackson, Springfield, Mo., Evangelist.—Chas. S. Craighead, Pastor, 2406 18th Ave.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—Capitol and Houston Sts.; July 9, for 3 weeks or longer; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon M. Murray, Texas Singing Evangelists.—E. G. Gerhart and E. N. (Dad) Richey, Pastors.

CHESTER, PA.—1139 Edgmont Ave.; July 9, for 2 weeks or longer; C. S. Tubby of Canada, Evangelist.—L. W. Shearer, Pastor.

MARSHALL, MO.—Tent Meeting, July 16-Aug. 6; Evangelist and Mrs. Don Mallough, Seattle, Wash.—V. L. Hertweck, Pastor.

LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS—June 28—; Alma B. Bryant, Tampa, Fla., Evangelist, assisted by Nola Stout and Norma Elliot, Ava, Mo.—Geo. W. Flattery, Pastor.

OHIO STATE CHILDREN'S CAMPS  
BIG PRAIRIE, OHIO—Lakeland Beach Park, Girls' Camp July 9-16. Boys' Camp July 16-23. For further information or reservations write Roy H. Wead, Secretary, 328 W. 6th St., Muncie, Ind.

MICHIGAN STATE CAMP MEETING  
GRASS LAKE, MICH.—Fa-Ho-Lo Park, July 22-Aug. 6; Wm. E. Long and A. G. Ward, main speakers. For further information or reservations write E. D. Cooley, Treasurer, 92 N. West St., Hillsdale, Mich.—Arden Ragsdale, Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT CAMP MEETING  
South Dakota District Camp Meeting, District Camp Grounds, Rapid City, S. Dak., July 20-30. C. M. Ward and party, main speakers; Christian Hild, C. A. speaker. For cabin reservations and further information write P. T. Emmett, District Superintendent, P. O. Box 1, Aberdeen, S. Dak.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOYS' CAMP  
Our Boys' Camp will be conducted on our Camp Grounds at Rapid City, S. Dak., July 12-18. Boys ages 8 to 16 inclusive invited to register. Boys from other States welcome. For further information write to P. T. Emmett, District Superintendent, P. O. Box 1, Aberdeen, S. Dak.

WISCONSIN DISTRICT COUNCIL AND CAMP MEETING

The eleventh annual District Council and Camp Meeting will be held at Camp Byron, near Fond du Lac, Wis., July 26-Aug. 6. District Council sessions open July 27. Special speakers at Camp Meeting: Robert Cummings, D. P. Holloway, and H. B. Garlock.—D. M. Carlson, Secretary.

OKLAHOMA CAMP MEETING  
Oklahoma Camp Meeting, District Camp Grounds, 4-1/2 miles north of Capitol Building, Oklahoma City, July 18-27. A. N. Trotter, Melrose, Mass., morning and evening speaker. Afternoon service in charge of District C.A.'s. Children's church, 7:45 p. m. For further information write F. C. Cornell, District Superintendent, or V. H. Ray, District Secretary, P. O. Box 1341, Oklahoma City 1, Okla.

DECATUR, TEXAS—Old-fashioned Pentecostal Camp Meeting, Reunion Grounds, two miles south of Decatur, July 28-Aug. 6. A. C. Bates will speak twice daily. Afternoons open to visiting ministers. Plenty of camping space, some private camps available. Bring your bedding.—J. T. Horner, V. C. Sparks, and W. F. Mercer, Camp Meeting Committee.—W. F. Mercer, Box 103, Alvord, Texas.

ILLINOIS DISTRICT CAMP MEETING  
Fourteenth annual Illinois District Camp Meeting, Old Salem Chautauqua Grounds, Petersburg, Ill., July 14-23. Wesley R. Steelberg, camp evangelist; Allan A. Swift, Bible teacher. Great Missionary rally under direction of Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary, July 23. For further information write W. E. Wood, Box 505, Peoria, Ill.—W. R. Williamson, District Superintendent.

MICHIGAN BOYS' AND GIRLS' CAMPS  
Boys' Camp, July 8-15; Girls' Camp, July 15-22, at Fa-Ho-Lo Park, Grass Lake, Mich. Ages 10-15 inclusive. Cost, \$12.00 per week. Religious instruction and supervised recreation under supervision of District Superintendent G. F. Lewis and a capable staff of workers. For further information write E. D. Cooley, 92 N. West St., Hillsdale, Mich.—Arden Ragsdale, Secretary.

KANSAS CAMP MEETINGS  
Attica-Sharon, July 20-30; Woodston-Alton, Aug. 3-13. T. J. Jones of England, Bible teacher in charge of 10:00 a. m. services; U. S. Grant, Bartlesville, Okla., evangelist. Brother and Sister H. B. Garlock and Brother and Sister Paul Weidman will represent Missions. For information write Paul C. Samuelson, District Secretary, 1512 S. Main St., Wichita 11, Kansas.—V. G. Greisen, District Superintendent.

ALABAMA DISTRICT CAMP MEETING  
NEW BROCKTON, ALA.—Alabama District Camp Meeting, July 26-Aug. 6. Ralph M. Riggs, day speaker; James E. Hamill, night speaker, assisted by his wife, famous pianist and singer. Three services daily. Rooms for rent. Meals served in cafeteria style. For reservations write C. W. Davis, Camp Meeting Secretary, Box 4, Kinston, Ala.—Marvin L. Smith, District Superintendent.

MARANATHA PARK CAMP MEETING  
H. Earl Winburn, Toronto, Canada, and David H. McDowell, Elizabeth, N. J., will be night speakers at the annual Maranatha Park Camp, Green Lane, Pa., July 14-Aug. 13. George B. Griffin, Montreal, Canada, Bible teacher. The camp is sponsored by the Eastern and New York-New Jersey Districts with Byron D. Jones as Camp Committee Chairman. For information write: Maranatha Park, Box 113, Green Lane, Pa.—Thomas R. Brubaker, Secretary.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT CAMP MEETING  
FRAMINGHAM CENTER, MASS.—New England Camp Meeting, July 16-30. Speakers: W. I. Evans of Central Bible Institute, and B. E. Mahan of Washington, D. C. Missionary day, July 23; Young People's day, July 22. For reservations and information write Camp Committee, 7 Auburn St., Framingham Center, Mass.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT COUNCIL AND CAMP MEETING  
The Southern Missouri District Council and Camp Meeting will be held at the District Camp Grounds, Lake of the Ozarks, near Eldon, Mo., July 4-14. Robert Cummings and A. C. Bates, special speakers. For room reservation and further information address Southern Missouri District Office, 424 Woodruff Bldg., Springfield, Mo.

TENNESSEE DISTRICT COUNCIL  
The 19th session of the Tennessee District Council will convene at Glad Tidings Assembly, 23 S. Manassa St., Memphis, Tenn., July 25-27. David Burris, Superintendent of Arkansas District, main speaker. All those applying for ministerial recognition can meet the Board of Presbyters. For further information address Pastor S. A. Merrill, 23 S. Manassa, Memphis, Tenn.—H. E. Waddle, District Superintendent; by W. T. Garner, Secretary-Treasurer.

APPALACHIAN DISTRICT CAMP MEETING  
Appalachian District Camp Meeting, Mt. Hope, W. Va., Aug. 4-13; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon M. Murray, Texas Singing Evangelists, main speakers. Other leading ministers and young people will take part. A large park, 60 x 90 ft. tabernacle, with dining-room, dormitory and some cabins. Plenty of room for tents and parking. On Route 19-21. For further information write District Superintendent M. B. Hampton, 550 Hart Ave., N. E., Roanoke, Va., or W. P. Broyles, Route 1, Box 131, Mt. Hope, W. Va.

HAMMONDSVILLE, OHIO—Good Samaritan Farm Camp Meeting, July 20-30. Fred Neubauer, Saginaw, Mich., evening speaker. Allan A. Swift, Green Lane, Pa., Bible teacher beginning July 25. Some cottages and tents for rent. Cafeteria on grounds. Ministers and families one-fourth off. July 30, Missionary Day. Can arrange to meet those coming by train to Salineville or by bus to Amsterdam, Ohio. Those coming by car, watch for sign at Bergholz and Hammondsville. For information write Mrs. Floyd McCausland, Matron, Hammondsville, Ohio.

MONTANA DISTRICT COUNCIL AND YELLOWSTONE BIBLE CAMP  
LIVINGSTON, MONT.—Montana District Council and Yellowstone Bible Camp, July 10-19. Speakers: Wm. E. Long and Ralph M. Riggs. Missionary Representatives: Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Garlock. Sunday School Representative M. L. Grable will be with us July 14-16. Presbyters' meeting July 11. District Council, July 12-13. Meals on grounds. Tents and cots for rent. Trailer parking free. Rooms available in city at reasonable rates. For further information address: Leonard Palmer, District Superintendent, 1026 Third Ave. S., Great Falls, Mont.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT CAMP MEETING AND CHILDREN'S CAMP  
The 27th Annual Camp Meeting will be held at the District Grounds, 5700 S. Broadway, Denver, Colo., Aug. 3-13. Arthur S. Arnold, main speaker. Services: 10:00, 2:30, 6:00, and 7:30. Missionary Day, Aug. 9. Brother and Sister H. B. Garlock speaking both morning and afternoon. C. A. Rally, Aug. 11; District President H. I. Maley in charge. Children's Camp Meeting, Aug. 6-13. Meals on grounds. Tents and cots for rent. Trailer parking space. For further information write G. A. Reed, Secretary, 737 Cross St., Lougmont, Colo., or District Superintendent J. E. Austell, 5700 S. Broadway, Littleton, Colo.

POTOMAC DISTRICT COUNCIL AND CAMP MEETING  
FALLING WATERS, W. VA.—Potomac District Council, July 18-21. Annual C. A. Convention, July 22. Potomac Park Camp, July 23-Aug. 13. John Wright Follette will minister during Council and first week of camp. Allan A. Swift, Bible teacher, last two weeks of camp. J. T. Johnstone of Canada, camp evangelist.

Those requesting recognition during the Council, and all wanting renewals, must have their blanks in the hands of the Secretary 30 days before Council begins.

Those desiring reservation for either Council or Camp should contact T. Burton Pierce, Glencoe, Md., as soon as possible.—O. L. Harrup, District Secretary.

LOUISIANA DISTRICT COUNCIL  
The eighth annual session of the Louisiana District Council, Bastrop, La., July 25-27. Rooms furnished to ministers and delegates as far as possible. A one-dollar registration fee charged each registrant. This will entitle them to a meal ticket good for two meals daily for the three days of the Council session. E. S. Williams, General Superintendent, will be speaking each evening except Monday. C. A. Rally, under direction of Margaret Miller, C. A. President, Monday, 8:00 p. m.; S. C. Scott, Oklahoma District C. A. President, will speak.

All ministers applying for credentials must meet the Credentials Committee of the Council, otherwise their application will not be considered. For further information write B. W. Flanagan, Host Pastor, P. O. Box 508, Bastrop, La.—W. S. Ramby, District Secretary-Treasurer.

# The PASSING and the PERMANENT

## A SEARCH WARRANT

A Roman Catholic priest in Ireland reproved a peasant for reading the Bible. "But I have a search warrant to do so," replied the man. "What do you mean?" said the priest, in anger. "Why," answered the peasant, "Jesus said, 'Search the Scriptures,' and I am doing only what He tells me to do." The argument was unanswerable.

## HELPING ORPHANED MISSIONS

Under the sponsorship of the International Missionary Council (interdenominational), a sum of about \$3,000,000 has been contributed since the outbreak of war to aid "orphaned missions"—that is, missions carried on by "stranded" missionaries from Germany, Norway, etc. who are cut off from the support of their home countries.

## PREACHING IN RUSSIA

At least one American minister is preaching in Russia. He is Army Chaplain C. G. Strippy, attached to the Eastern Command of the U. S. Air Forces. His job is to visit the various American bases recently set up in various parts of Russia, "holding services for Protestant and Jewish soldiers and assisting Catholics in their worship." It is unlikely, however, that he has any opportunity to preach to the Russian people.

## MAIL FOR PRISONERS OF WAR

According to *Watchman-Examiner*, it takes a staff of 5,200 workers to handle the mail that passes through the Central Information Bureau for Prisoners of War at Geneva, Switzerland. More than three million pieces of mail pass to and from the prisoners every month. This sounds like a great deal but when one considers the large number of prisoners on both sides one wishes it were greater. Letters mean so much to these lonely men.

## THE BIBLE ON THE BATTLEFIELD

According to an Associated Press dispatch from somewhere in New Guinea, "The corporal of an Australian unit lost in the jungle related: 'I was idly turning over the New Testament and happened upon a passage in Acts 16:13, saying, "And on the Sabbath we went out of the city by a river side.'"

"The day the corporal read that verse was Sunday. The lost unit decided to accept the advice as guidance and went to the river, found their way, and returned to safety."

## POLITICAL PREJUDICE

Manuel Seoane, editor of Chile's most popular magazine, published a book after he returned from a visit to the United States. In it he wrote that he had noticed that the influence of the United States Government was producing a return of Protestant missionaries from South America and encouraging the sending of Roman Catholic missionaries to South America. "We resent that an inquisitorial office established in any foreign office should decide whom we are to entertain as our guests and who should enter our countries."

## DOCTORS DISAPPOINTED

Says Dr. Alexis Carrell, famous surgeon and author: "Physicians are keenly disappointed in observing that their efforts have resulted in a larger number of healthy defectives, healthy lunatics, healthy criminals, and there is no progress of man." Only the Great Physician can get at the root of the trouble—the soul—and cure man's ills.

## MODERN PSYCHOLOGY TO BLAME

Judge Mark W. Rhoads, of the Indianapolis Juvenile Court, has charged modern psychology with the chief responsibility for the lawlessness of the present generation of youth. He advocates a return to the Mosaic method of strict discipline and punishment in the rearing of children, under which early America had no problem of juvenile delinquency comparable to today's.

## THE TRUE SCALE OF VALUES

Lord Stamp, British authority on economics and finance, was also a Methodist lay preacher. In one of his last speeches before he died in a bombing attack, he was talking without noticeable feeling about something connected with the gold standard. Suddenly his tone changed, and he brought his speech to a close with these words:

"Before I finish I should like to say one other thing, and it is this: I have not the smallest interest in what I have been talking about tonight,—not the slightest interest whatever in this or any other scale of values, excepting only as it may subserve that other scale of values introduced into this planet by Jesus of Nazareth. That is the one and only scale of values which ultimately matters and which no man now listening to my voice can ever afford to ignore on peril of his soul. Good night, everyone."

## RELIGION IN THE NAVY

A chaplain in the regular Navy said recently that some naval officers forbade chaplains to tell their men they were in danger of hell. The chaplain, Frederick Volbeda of Washington, has been in the Navy seven years and is a veteran of Pearl Harbor. He said his own commanding officer once heard him preach repentance and eternal punishment and swore he would "have no hell-fire preaching" on his ship.

Speaking in Montreat, N. C., at the annual general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church, to which he belongs, Chaplain Volbeda said:

"There is little real religion in the Navy.

"There are no atheists in foxholes or anywhere else, but Satan is working with tooth and claw.

"Before the war sailors made no profession of being born again except men from Pentecostal churches. A sailor would not be caught with a Bible in his hands for fear of being called 'Holy Joe' or 'Altar Angel,'" he said, but he declared that after Pearl Harbor religious services became somewhat more important."

## DRINKING IN THE MOVIES

When the American Business Men's Research Foundation checked movies some time ago for drinking scenes, it found 915 drinking episodes in 221 of the 275 films checked. In most cases drinking was presented with approval as an attractive and natural thing to do.

## IN THE PRESENT CRISIS

In the midst of dark and difficult days there are signs of life and light. Note the following encouragements:

1. The growing interest in Christ and His Gospel in many parts of the world, especially in China, India and Africa.
2. The multiplication of groups who meet for the study of Christian truth and life. Note the hundreds of missionary, church and Bible conferences held every summer in America and other lands.
3. The growing expectancy among Christians that the present world crisis must be terminated by some special evidence of God's power that will turn men to God.
4. The great increase in literature that points to Jesus Christ as man's only hope. Also the growth of Bible circulation throughout the world.
5. The growth of anti-Christian movements. The enemies of Christ realize that they are not fighting against a dead issue.
6. The still greater movement of Christians in many places—as in China, which a few years ago was strongly anti-Christian. The same is true in India, in the Dutch East Indies, in Africa and in some Mohammedan lands.
7. The failure of every other proposed remedy than Christ to cure the evils of the world.—John R. Mott.

## SIR KYNASTON STUDD

Sir Kynaston Studd, a former Lord Mayor of London, recently went to be with the Lord. He was buried from St. Paul's cathedral with very great honors. He was the oldest of three brothers whose names, sixty years ago, were famous for their prowess in England's national game of cricket. One of the brothers is George B. Studd, who is well known in Pentecostal circles in this country. The other was Charles T. Studd, whose lonely grave in Central Africa is the symbol of his pioneering missionary zeal.

The ministry of D. L. Moody had a profound effect on all three of the Studd brothers and their father. It was in Moody's later meetings at Cambridge University that George, Charles, and many other students yielded their lives unreservedly to Christ. When C. T. Studd gave away his fortune of about \$150,000, left him by his father, he sent \$25,000 to D. L. Moody which was used to open a Bible training institute in Chicago.

Moody invited Sir Kynaston Studd to come to America and tell the story of C. T. Studd and the "Cambridge Seven" (who had gone to China under the China Inland Mission). As a result of his visit, many American students caught the flame of missionary enthusiasm, including John R. Mott, who was saved in one of these meetings and later organized the Student Volunteer Movement. Thus Sir Kynaston Studd's life had a telling effect on America, as well as England, where during sixty years of youth work he influenced thousands of young men for Christ.