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NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Unbalanced Budget

The U. S. Congress has made available fifty-two billions of dollars a year for military and related purposes, as compared with about four billions which are spent each year for religion, education, welfare, and benevolence in this country.

Missionary Churches

Two local church congregations set new records for themselves in missionary giving in April. Park Street Church in Boston (Harold J. Ockenga, Pastor) gave more than \$163,000 to foreign missions, and the People's Church in Toronto, Canada (Oswald J. Smith, Pastor) pledged a total of \$225,000.

New Government Seat

The people of Israel are determined that Jerusalem shall be their government seat. An area of almost 500 acres in western Jerusalem is being developed as Israel's permanent capital site. Known as Hakiryia, it will contain the Knesset (Parliament) building, the President's house, offices of the Ministries of the Government, a convention center and an amphitheater.

Provision for Conscientious Objectors

The American Government has always made provision for sincere Christians to be exempt from bearing arms if they cannot conscientiously do so. At the present time members of the House and Senate are working out a compromise on their views concerning the new draft bill and the clause covering C.O.'s. A member of the joint committee told Religious News Service that in lieu of military service the C.O.'s probably would be required to perform civilian work contributing to the national health, safety, or interest, such as local authorities may deem appropriate.

But "conscientious objectors" are expected to be conscientious. Aaron K. Yoder, of Jerome, Mich., has been convicted of draft evasion because his conscience concerning war did not seem to carry over into other matters. A member of the Amish Mennonite sect, he claimed military exemption as a pacifist. But contrary to other teachings of his church he smoked cigarettes, attended movies, and dressed in flashy clothes. When it was shown in court that he had strayed from other teachings of his church, he was convicted of draft evasion.

A Message from the Dead

We are forbidden to consult with the dead, but when the dead speak it might be well to listen. The following message was written on a gravestone: "What I spent I had; what I saved I lost; what I gave I have."

Free Fruit Juice for Korea

Members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union were shocked when they learned that two American brewing companies were planning to send more than a million cans of free beer to the fighting men in Korea. The Ohio WCTU decided to raise money to send free fruit juice to Korea, instead of free beer. The Pennsylvania WCTU followed this example, and at last report the ladies in Pennsylvania had raised thirteen thousand dollars for this purpose.

Grain for India

In Washington, D. C., the passage of the grain-for-India legislation in the Senate and House is being hailed as a victory for American churchmen. Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish religious leaders gave strong backing to this legislation. The thousands of letters and telegrams from church people are said to have decided the issue. This was one example of lobbying in which those who took part were not motivated by selfish interests.

"Spiritual Therapy" in Philadelphia

Pathfinder magazine for June 13 gave almost a whole page to the story of Alfred W. Price, Pastor of a Protestant Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, whose custom it is to lay hands on all who come to his "Hour of Miracles" every Thursday. During the past eight years he says he has seen every type of disease healed through faith and prayer, from colds to cancer, arthritis to chronic alcoholism, earache to epilepsy.

Laying his hands on the heads of the people as they kneel, he offers this prayer: "May the mercy of God and the love of our Lord Jesus Christ and the power of His Holy Spirit, which are here now, enter your soul, your mind, and your body for healing. Amen."

As many as 200 attend his weekly healing service and kneel for prayer, and he has hundreds of grateful testimonials. "There have been too many who have received healing at the altar of St. Stephen's," he said, "to leave any doubt that any sickness is too far advanced for God to heal."

Knights of Columbus Expanding

The Knights of Columbus, Roman Catholic laymen, plan to build a three-million-dollar national headquarters building in New Haven, Conn. The ten-story modern structure will adjoin the present headquarters.

"A spokesman said the building would be designed to provide adequate accommodations for the K. of C.'s expanding activities," says *Alliance Weekly*. "This could mean more and better ads in a nation-wide advertising campaign that is winning thousands of unsuspecting Americans to Romanism."

Industry in Israel

The first production model Kaiser automobile was recently completed at the Kaiser-Frazer plant in Haifa, Israel. The four-door Kaiser Special was assembled from component parts shipped from America, using as many materials made in Israel as were available.

Financed largely by Israeli capital, the Haifa plant is the largest and most modern assembly operation in the Middle East. It will ship Kaisers and Henry J's to 28 foreign countries in exchange for foodstuffs, machinery and raw materials.

The first shipment of ladies' shoes has been exported to the U.S.A. by the American Footwear Corporation of Tel Aviv, and is on sale at Gimbles in New York, Famous-Barr in St. Louis and other large stores.

The first consignments of cactus fruit preserved in syrup were shipped to Britain and the U.S.A. recently. It is the first time that the fruit has appeared in this form on foreign markets.

A factory has been opened which will produce two million electric light bulbs annually in Israel.

"Singing dolls" will soon be produced in Israel for export. The dolls will "sing" Hebrew songs.

A \$2,800,000 sugar beet factory will be established in the Negev soon.

A slide fastener factory in Haifa is now supplying all the zippers Israel needs and enough for export as well.

The S. S. *Elath*, latest addition to the Israel-America Line fleet, left New York last month on her first voyage under the Israel flag on the direct run to Israel. Named after Israel's port on the Red Sea, the S. S. *Elath* is the fifth vessel of the Israel-America Line now maintaining direct service to Israel.

Marble quarried in Galilee and other parts of Israel is being imported into the United States. Coming in four different basic colors (white, pink, gold and gray) the marble will be used in the New York area for architectural and monumental purposes.

Jesus—Our King

A. N. Trotter

"THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS" (Matthew 27:37).

The other Gospels have the inscription over the cross worded a bit differently, but the complete inscription was on this wise: "THIS IS JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS." You will recall that when the Jewish religious leaders would have had Pilate change this inscription to read, "He said, I am King of the Jews," he rebuffed them with, "What I have written, I have written." Truly Jesus was KING.

"When Jesus was born in Bethlehem, there came wise men from the east" to seek for Him. "Where is He that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen His star in the east and are come to worship Him," they inquired. The star guided them to the place where the young child lay, and they brought unto him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh—gifts befitting the birth of a King. Unheralded and unsung by the earth, yet ushered into this world by the heavenly host, who appeared unto the wondering shepherds and proclaimed His arrival, He was born—a KING. When this Jesus, now exalted to the Father's right hand, shall come again, it shall be as "King of kings and Lord of lords" (Rev. 19:16).

I want to impress you with the fact that Jesus is really a King. Some expositors say that Jesus is never the King of the church. He is the Head of the church, say they, and the Bridegroom to the bride, but not the King to the church; they insist He is the King of the Jews. But He is, indeed, our sovereign Lord—our King. We sing:

*He's my King, and oh I dearly love Him;
He's my King, none other is above Him;
All day long with raptured heart I sing,
Hallelujah, He's my King.*

We have been delivered from the powers of darkness and translated into the kingdom of God's dear Son (Col. 1:13). We have been called unto His kingdom and glory (1 Thess. 2:12).

Jesus is not a king because of heredity or election. The old Germanic word "Koenig" means "the able one," and we derive our word "King" from "Canning" which is the Anglo-Saxon form

of the German word. Isaiah foretold that the government should be upon His shoulder. In olden times the king of the tribe was made chieftain or leader by reason of superior ability. Hence he was called the king, or the able one.

Our King is the One who is able. This expression associates itself in our thinking with Paul's acclaim of Jesus, our King, in Ephesians 3:20, 21, "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, world without end. Amen" (R.V.). Hallelujah! He is the Able One. He is our King.

He walked up and down the shores of Galilee, but He walked also upon the waves of Galilee. He showed forth His miraculous signs, which were the evidences of His sovereignty, of His kingship. A sovereign is supreme. In the dealings of Jesus Christ with the affairs of earth and His Church, He is not the head of a democracy, the president of a republic. He is an absolute sovereign, the King of a theocracy. His word is absolute. He brooks no interference from anyone, at any time, at any place. His word is supreme. He is our "Able One"—able for your sins, able for your sick-

ness, able for your poverty, able for your spiritual weakness, able for all the problems that confront you, able for the fearful uncertainty of the future. He is able! He is our King!

Let us look at some of the credentials of His sovereignty, His kingship, as recorded in the Gospel of Matthew.

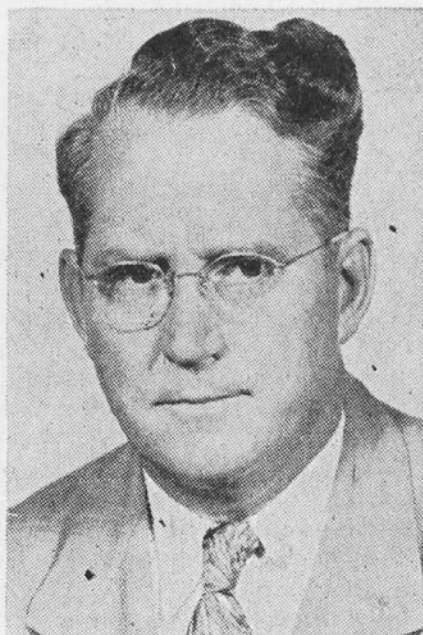
He is sovereign over circumstances. In Matthew 8:19 we read, "And a certain scribe came and said unto Him, Master, I will follow Thee whithersoever Thou goest." Jesus did not answer him: "My! you've made a fine choice. I certainly commend you for your wise choice. You've done the right thing. Come and be My disciple." No, He said, "The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay His head." Matt. 8:20.

He put that statement to the scribe as a test of his faith, as to whether he would really be a disciple for Christ's sake alone. Jesus was faithful to show him that discipleship meant the hard way, one difficult to understand, a rugged one to tread.

But the adverse circumstances which Jesus constantly faced did not disturb Him one bit. I don't know whether that scribe turned back or not. However, Jesus went on to meet the adverse circumstances day after day, week after week, and year after year as He wrought His great redemptive work. They were all against Him. The people were against Him. The demons were against Him. Everything was against Him. His background was against Him. He was born, insofar as the public was concerned, in Nazareth, and the proverb was, "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" They jeered Him and mocked Him and scorned Him, and there was a shadow over the circumstances of His birth. And in later life, they threw it in His teeth, and said, "We have Abraham to our father, but you were altogether born in sin, you were born of fornication."

But He was Master, Sovereign, King over circumstances. Are circumstances against you? If you are walking with Christ the circumstances are against you. But Jesus was born Master and King of every situation. He went to the cross and died—a King! He arose—a King! He

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EDITORIAL

"In God We Trust"

How long has it been since you examined a coin and thought about the inscription that it bears? Every American coin in your pocket or purse bears the motto, "In God We Trust," by authority of an Act of Congress. Ask yourself whether it is a statement of truth. Does America trust in God today? Do you, as an individual, trust in Him?

It is a good motto for the people of the richest nation on earth to remember and to put into practice. The measure of America's greatness in the past has been the degree to which her people have trusted in God—and the measure of her weakness today lies in the extent to which her people are trusting in earthly riches, or human learning, or military strength, rather than in the Lord.

The motto first appeared on the coins of our country in 1864, and owes its presence there largely to the strong religious sentiment which became manifest in the dreaded crisis of the Civil War. Honorable S. P. Chase, who was Secretary of the Treasury, received a number of appeals from devout persons throughout the country suggesting and urging that God be honored in some suitable manner on all our coins. Accordingly, on November 30, 1861, Secretary Chase addressed a letter to the Director of the Mint at Philadelphia directing that he "cause a device to be prepared without unnecessary delay with a motto expressing in the fewest words possible this national recognition." Mr. Chase stated that "the trust of our people in God should be declared on our national coins," because "no nation can be strong except in the strength of God, or safe except in His defense."

Several forms of motto expressing the intention were suggested. Patterns for certain coins in 1862 and 1863 read "God Our Trust" or "God and Our Country," but the familiar form of the motto was finally decided upon and it appeared in 1864.

When the Double-eagle and Eagle of new design appeared in 1907, it was soon discovered that the religious motto had been omitted, and there was a mighty protest from the people. In response to the general demand, Congress passed an Act on May 18, 1908, requiring the motto "In God We Trust" to appear on all gold and silver coins issued thereafter by the United States. It was omitted from the Buffalo nickel but was placed on the Jefferson nickel in

1938, and today it appears even on our one-cent pieces.

In attempting to meet the Communists' threat to world peace, our country seems to be looking to its money, and to the armaments that the money will buy, more than to the motto which is on its money. America needs to hear again the message which the prophet proclaimed to Israel so long ago:

"Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches; but let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth Me, that I am the Lord which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the Lord." Jeremiah 9:23, 24.

The Happy Vacationist

A paraphrase of Psalm 1.

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor absenteth himself from the Lord's house in the summer, nor indulgeth in the pleasures of the wicked.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in His law doth he meditate day and night, even while on vacation.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in every season; even in hot weather his zeal for God's house shall not wither; and wheresoever he goeth he attendeth Sunday School and church, causing his soul to prosper.

The lukewarm are not so: but are careless about supporting the Lord's work in the summer. They depart for a vacation, forgetting to pay their tithes in advance; and when they return, behold, their money is all spent.

Therefore the work of God is not advanced in the summer months, nor sinners brought into the congregation of the righteous.

For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: but the spiritual life of the careless shall perish.

Old Testament Revision

Manuscripts of the first four books of a Revised Standard Version of the Old Testament were delivered to Thomas Nelson and Sons, publishers, in New York. Publication of the revised Old Testament is expected to be completed by September, 1952. Luther A. Weigle, chairman of the Standard Bible Committee, explained the revision:

"The Scriptures were written in Hebrew and Greek, and what we have been revising is the English translation of the Bible—the English words, phrases and sentences which are used to express the meaning of the Hebrew and Greek.

Many of the old English expressions have become obsolete and have lost all meaning to us, and a great number of words and phrases have changed their meaning and now convey an entirely erroneous impression."

The Revised Standard Version of the New Testament was published in February, 1946, and is available at the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield 1, Missouri. Price in blue cloth binding, large type, \$2.00. Ask for item number 1 B 407.

Vice in Washington

America was shocked when Senator Joseph McCarthy asserted that there were a number of sex perverts in the State Department. Two newsmen pursued the subject further and "found that there are at least 6,000 homosexuals on the government payroll, most of them known, and these comprise only a fraction of the total of their kind in the city." The statement appears in a new book *Washington Confidential*, by Jack Lait and Lee Mortimer.

The State Department published the fact that they had dismissed 90 employees for this reason some months ago. However, it appears that there are still a large number of these sexual degenerates on the government payroll disgracing our national honor.

You cannot measure fire by the bushel, nor prayers by their length.—Spurgeon.

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The Gospel in the Flag

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THE LOYALTY of evangelical Christians to the principles of true democracy is unquestioned. Any adherence to, leanings toward, or suspicion of Communism within their ranks is unthinkable. Communism is totally alien, not only to all their political and patriotic, but to their deepest religious concepts.

In opposition to the totally materialistic ideology which is basic to Communism, they are followers of Him who declared, "My kingdom is not of this world." In contradistinction to rabid isolationists, they are known as internationalists because of their foreign missions program. Who have been better salesmen for America throughout war-torn lands, whether of Europe or the South Pacific, than Christian missionaries?

Tragic it is that their idealism, and that of Christ-honoring service men, should be mocked by other phases of American life as revealed by further contacts with other types of Americans. The men who made America were, in the great majority, men who worshiped God, and who prayed and read their Bibles. To those who do that still, the flag, for the spiritual ideals it emblemizes, is a sacred heritage. Take God out of the past—and the future—of America, and America will be no better than the lands where freedom is dead because those lands have repudiated God.

In our flag, Bible Christians of America may find symbolized a faith by which to live, and a standard to which to rally. In and for such a time as this, the gospel of freedom from sin is exemplified in "Old Glory."

Long, long ago the Psalmist wrote: "Thou hast given a banner to them that fear Thee, that it may be displayed because of Thy truth." Psalm 60:4. It is as if he were saying, "Lord, you have given a flag to your people, not to be hidden, or furled, or struck, but to have its folds flung ever wide, in all their holy symbolism, for the victory of your saving truth."

What is the flag—God's flag? Song of Solomon 2:4: "His banner over me was LOVE." The love that poured out all heaven in the gift of Jesus. The love of Him who, "though He was rich, yet for our sakes became poor, that we



through His poverty might be made rich." The love that on Calvary took our place, and died for us, and paid our debt. The love that for us rose again; and ascended to heaven, there to be our Advocate; and that for us is coming again to receive us unto Himself, that where He is there we may be also.

And how is our love revealed to Him who has loved us so unutterably? In John 14:15, A.R.V., we have the answer: "If ye love Me, ye will keep My commandments." You will do my will. You will be true to My precepts. "How much I love Thee my actions will show." That banner, then, must be the reciprocal love that reveals itself in sacrifice.

What does the red, white, and blue represent to those who live beneath its folds? Freedom from tyranny. So, "the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and of death" (Romans 8:2). Thus it is called "the perfect law of liberty" (James 1:25).

His banner of love He entrusts to those who fear Him. And what is the accompaniment of fearing God? "Fear God, and keep His commandments," Ecclesiastes 12:13, exemplifying in our lives and conduct the righteousness of our Lord. In the Sermon on the Mount Jesus expounded it. In His life He illustrated it.

As truly as Americans must hold in trust the meaning of their flag, so truly in Christ's own must His standards be seen, His truth be displayed, His character be revealed.

Look, then, as a symbol of spiritual freedom, to the flag we love as Americans. Look first at the RED of it. Red is eloquent of blood. Our liberties were purchased at the cost of *blood*. They were maintained at the cost of *blood*. In the great wars of freedom innocent men have died, as they are still dying, that other men who are enslaved may be free. In that tragic yet glorious picture, there has been and is before the world an illustration of the truth of the Vicarious Atonement.

"Without the shedding of blood there is no remission" (Hebrews 9:22). "It is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul" (Leviticus 17:11).

The *red* of the flag is the color of blood—the blood of sacrifice (1 Peter 1:18, 19); the blood of remission (Matthew 26:28); the blood of liberation (Ephesians 1:7); the blood of cleansing (1 John 1:7); the blood of victory (Revelation 12:11); the blood of reconciliation (Ephesians 2:13). The blood of the complete emancipation of the human spirit is in that crimson.

For times like these, Modernism's creed is too anemic to be *the* gospel. God alone knows how many a boy's life has been saved in this strange Korean war by blood transfusions, for which Americans and other peoples under other flages have volunteered gladly to give their own plasma. When our race was under the power of death, there came a Volunteer named Jesus, who gave His life for ours, and who in Calvary's tide provided a blood bank for every spiritually dying man. Red is the symbol of His atonement.

Look next at the WHITE of the flag.

White is the color of purity—of that which has never been stained, or of that which has been thoroughly washed of stain. It stands for the justification wrought by the cleansing blood of the Innocent Sacrifice. "He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him" (2 Corinthians 5:21). Queen Victoria, in a paper mill, asked what could be done with a pile of dirty rags. In a few days she was presented with a box of immaculate paper made from those same rags. What science does for soiled rags, divine grace

does for sinful lives. "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isaiah 1:18.

Our faith in that truth is as old-fashioned and as fixed as the white of "Old Glory."

Look, then, at the BLUE of it.

Blue symbolizes, traditionally, loyalty—"true blue." It is also the color of the skies, it is a bit of heaven brought down to earth; it represents the claims of the world above upon men. The ancient Israelites were bidden to wear on all their garments "a ribband of blue." (Numbers 15:38). Why? To distinguish them from the peoples about them, and to mark them as a people belonging to, and obedient to, their Liberator from slavery. That blue ribbon was a sign of *separation*, signaling a "peculiar people" (Deuteronomy 14:2; 1 Peter 2:9). From the flag the blue reminds the American fundamentalist that he is Christ's purchased possession, separated from "the world" to a life like that of heaven. "For our citizenship is in heaven, from whence also we look for a Saviour" (Philippians 3:20, A.R.V.).

The *red* of His atonement leads not alone to the *white* of our justification, but to the *blue* of our sanctification. It means not only our *deliverance* from sin, but our *departure* from all iniquity (1 Tim. 2:19); not only our *liberation* from the transgression of God's will, but *Christ's possession of our hearts* for the joyous fulfilling of His will (Psalm 40:8); not only our *exit from* the world of bondage but our final *entrance into* the Promised Land.

"The grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world, looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works" (Titus 2:11-14).

Look, finally, at the STARS in the flag.

Again in our windows and churches appear the service flags. And again those blue stars are being all too rapidly *exchanged* for gold. Seeing that, let us remember that sacrifice is the place where we come closest to our heavenly Father. God, too, had a Son in the war against human enslavement, and He, too, died on a foreign shore, giving His life to rescue its inhabitants from the dictatorship of the godless and God defying. (Hebrews 2:14, 15).

To the American Christian these stars suggest his voluntary service to save other lives—even if it be at the cost of

his own. "Whosoever shall save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life . . . shall save it unto life eternal" (Matthew 16:25).

The Father of us all has a service flag in heaven. Every Christian can have a place in it, if he will. "They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever" (Daniel 12:3).

In the Stars and Stripes, white stars are on a blue field. So in the blue heavens of eternity God shall *glorify* those

who are *justified* and blood-washed and whose *sanctified service* has brought others to eternal happiness.

This, then, is the gospel in the flag; as an old hymn expresses it:

"Reconciled by His death for my sin"—
the *red* of it.

"Justified by His life pure and clean"—
the *white* of it.

"Sanctified by obeying His Word"—
the *blue* of it.

"Glorified when returneth my Lord"—
the *stars* in it.

May we "never let the Old Flag fall"!

The Upper Window

Emil A. Balliet

I HEARD Marcus Gaston sing about the Upper Window, and the song and its message have come back to my mind many times since. The words go like this:

When God spoke unto Noah, and
Told him to build the ark,
The Lord knew well the vessel
Would cheerless be, and dark;
So God said, "Build a window
With outlook t'ward the sky,
That when it's dark and lonesome
You'll see Me standing by.

"The storms will come, but fear not,
O Christian, I am nigh;
And through the Upper Window
You'll see Me standing by.

"It may be that affliction
Will rack and rend your frame,
Until your mortal body
Is seared with fevered flame;
But do not be discouraged,
Just lift your tear-dimmed eye,
And through the Upper Window
You'll see Me standing by."

What a needed message of inspiration and faith! Every one of us needs the Upper Window, and we need to use it well.

Perhaps you are asking, "What do you mean by the Upper Window? Where do I find it? How should I use it?" Well, by the Upper Window we mean the place of Communion with God. Through this window of prayer and worship comes streaming the light of heaven. The spiritual darkness of Noah's day is being repeated in our day. In Noah's day, sin was rampant. Wickedness and violence were the order of the day. Noah's world was a doomed world. The flood of God's judgment was preceded by a flood of

iniquity. Doubt, fear, and the sense of impending disaster brought gloom and blackness. Noah needed the Upper Window!

And we need the Upper Window, too! Our day is just as foreboding as was Noah's day. Violence and iniquity stalk through the world! The only rays of light and hope come to us through the Upper Window.

A friend of mine now serving as an Army Chaplain in Korea described a service he recently conducted up front while the great artillery guns were booming in the distance. He read from the Bible where Daniel describes the course of the Gentile world governments. In the Scriptures, each Gentile kingdom is symbolized by a wild beast. Bloodshed and sorrow attend each kingdom. The only hope Daniel had was the vision of the Son of Man coming with the clouds of heaven. The Chaplain told those battle-weary G.I.s that the vision of the coming Christ is our only hope in the midst of the destruction and the desolation of war.

Where are we going to get such a vision of Christ? At the Upper Window of prayer and worship. Go to the Upper Window and the light of God's glory will shine all around, bringing courage and strength for the day.

Daniel is perhaps the most beautiful example of one who used the upper window to great spiritual advantage. Daniel was just a young man when the Babylonian armies overran his beloved Jerusalem. He was carried away to Babylon as a prisoner of war. But whether in Jerusalem or in Babylon, Daniel had already purposed in his heart to live for God. God was to be first in his life no matter what it cost. Faith in God lifted Daniel, the prisoner of war, to

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a position second to the king in Babylon. Daniel knew that prayer and faith in God had been his strength. Prayer had made him what he was, and only prayer could sustain him.

When Belshazzar was slain and Darius, the Medo-Persian, became king, Daniel was retained as Prime Minister. His enemies sought to destroy him through his religion. Daniel knew their plot! Should he, in fear, cease praying? Not Daniel! The Word of God says, "His window being open in his chamber, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed and gave thanks before his God"! Evidently he decided that although prayer would get him into trouble, it would also get him out of trouble, and so he would keep on praying!

When the pressure of persecution, of affliction, of temptation is on you, then is the time to pray more earnestly, more faithfully than ever.

There is a parable told about a spider who looked for a place in which to build his web. He found an ideal spot. To build his web just where he wanted it, he had to anchor it across the top of a great rock. Then he swung out and down from the rock. It was a fine location. Hunting was good, and soon the spider became fat and forgetful. One day as he proudly looked over his web, he asked himself: "Where does that thread go that extends up and over the rock? It doesn't appear to me that it has any useful service." The foolish spider forgot that this was the anchor thread on which the web was suspended, and so he cut the anchor thread. His little world crashed at once.

O America! O Christian! O Church of the living God! Have you forgotten that the tie which binds you to the Rock of Ages is all-important? Cut that bond and all is lost! The Upper Window is the vital spiritual connection between us and God. Have you forgotten it? Have you been neglecting it?

"Therefore also now, saith the Lord, turn ye even to Me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth Him of the evil." Joel 2:12, 13.

The Power of the Spirit

C. H. Spurgeon once preached what in his judgment was one of his poorest sermons. He stammered and floundered, and when he got through felt that it had been a complete failure. He was greatly humiliated, and when he got home he fell on his knees and said, "Lord, Thou

Worried?

Probably not, if you are in good health, and if you have a regular income, a happy family, and no disagreeable prospects for the future. But if you are older, your strength failing, earning powers almost gone, with no one on whom to depend in your declining years—then you may be the victim of a haunting fear. Correspondence with older people has proved to us that, even among Christians, financial insecurity in old age is a major cause of distress and concern. Our suggestion here will not help you accumulate a reserve against your old age. But it certainly will offer you a wise plan to conserve what you have.

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canst do something with nothing. Bless that poor sermon." And all through the week he would utter that prayer. He would wake up in the night and pray about it. He determined that the next Sunday he would redeem himself by preaching a great sermon.

Surely enough, the next Sunday the sermon went off beautifully. At the close, the people crowded about him and covered him with praise. Spurgeon went home pleased with himself, and that night he slept like a baby.

But he said to himself, "I'll watch the results of those two sermons." What were they? From the one that had seemed a failure he was able to trace forty-one conversions. And from the magnificent sermon he was unable to discover that a single soul was saved. Spurgeon's explanation was that the Spirit of God used the one and did not

use the other. We can do nothing without the Spirit who *helpeth our infirmities*.

Withdrawal from Applause

"When He had sent them away, He departed into a mountain to pray." Mark 6:46.

See how the blessed Master ever retired from human applause. When men wondered at His teaching, He said, "My doctrine is not mine, but His that sent me." When they would have taken Him by force to make Him king, He retired into a mountain to pray. Oh, to drink more into His Spirit, and walk in His footsteps! To be well content to be nothing and a nobody, so that Christ may be magnified!—C. H. Mackintosh.

"Your love has a broken wing if it cannot fly across the sea."



USKA BAZAAR

Left: Leper quarters, Uska Bazaar, U. P., India. Each person of the Leper Home at Uska Bazaar has a separate hut. Husband and wife may have quarters together. As can be seen from the picture, repairs are needed on the quarters.

Lower right: Badri, mentioned in the article with Edith Dutton, missionary in charge of the Home.

Upper photo by Kenneth E. Weigel.

Leper Home at Uska Bazaar

Edith G. Dutton, North India

I AM BACK at the Leper Home at Uska Bazaar after an absence of a little more than two years. India has been my home for the past twenty-seven years, so I am happy to be back. Katherine Cooke is with me.

Some of the faces are missing from the Home. As I went among the lepers on my return and they told me of those who have gone, it caused pain at first; then I realized that the missing ones were with Him whom they had learned to know and love. With few exceptions, through the years since the Uska Bazaar Home was opened, the lepers who have come to us have come with no knowledge of the Saviour.

When I left the Home to visit America faithful Ragnath said, "Miss-sahib, we may never meet down here again; but if Jesus comes we will go up from India, and you will go up from America, and we will all meet in the air." He is among the missing lepers. I thought back over the years to the time when he first came to the Home, and remembered how eagerly he listened to the redemption story. When his heart was "ripe," as he expressed it, he entered the fold, and he faithfully served the Lord.

Badri was one of the very first to enter the Leper Home of Uska Bazaar in 1925. His was an advanced case. The sight of one eye was entirely gone. He had no fingers and no toes, and barely was able to make his way over the compound with the aid of a crutch. Of him we used to say, "Badri will not be with us long." However, missionaries came and went on furlough and Badri was still with us, and upon my return this time he was still living. I felt certain, though, that the end

was near, and so it proved. Just recently our Indian pastor's wife, Mrs. Bannerji, visited him. He said, "Let us pray." For about ten minutes he poured out his heart in prayer, thanking the Father for all the care he had received during the years. The next day his mind was wandering a bit, and shortly afterward he was called home.

Some of those who remain show signs of age, but there is a light on their faces regardless of their misery. They stand with one another in prayer and look forward as we do to Christ's return for His own. The thought of the coming of the Lord means much to these bruised, broken, outcast ones!

There are a number of young people at Uska Bazaar. We feel the responsibility of bringing each one to the feet of Jesus. Some of the young people have children. There must be tests to determine which of the children are free of the disease. Those that do not have leprosy are placed in school.

We are encountering much difficulty obtaining clothes for the lepers. For everything purchased these days there must be a permit. It necessitates a long, wearisome journey through terrific heat, then waiting one's turn, and finally having to leave with permission to buy only a part of what is so sorely needed. Will you please pray with us that more clothing may be secured?

Permits are also needed for cement required for repairs on the buildings, and for the wells. We have had to dig three wells. Two of our wells went dry, and another one fell in.

The leper houses need repair, our church needs a cement floor, and repairs are needed on the missionary bungalow. Last year we had two floods in this district and the crops have been very short. It has made the food prices quite high. We need help with these added expenses.

NOTE: for the time being Women's Missionary Councils interested in the clothing situation at the Leper Home at Uska Bazaar should check with the Foreign Missions Department before sending clothing and yard material to the Home. Information is being obtained on the exact requirements and the matter of import license. Offerings for the Home may be sent to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, designated "For Uska Bazaar."



God Can Do Anything

Margaret E. Carlow, Japan

THE JAPANESE Assemblies of God Convention was held in Tokyo, April 12-15. A large number of missionaries from England, Sweden, Canada, and America, as well as Japanese, attended, and also some soldiers and sailors. From the very first we felt the presence of God.

Ten from Sendai, where I have been stationed, attended the meeting, and one of the girls received a glorious infilling of the Holy Spirit. Three others were under the power of the Spirit for hours. There were around twenty persons in all who were baptized with the Spirit during the convention.

After our return from the convention there seemed to be greater faith for blessings at the church in Sendai. During prayer meeting last week Miss Narisawa, in whose home I began the work in Sendai, was under the power of the Holy Spirit for more than three hours. Pray that more will yield to the moving of God's Spirit.

Christ asked the question, "... When the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith in the earth?" I have been rebuked of late for my unbelief. As I have looked at some of the Buddhist grandmothers, I have been made to question how God could save such hardened hearts, but when Marie Juergensen was here for special meetings just before the convention one woman, nearly eighty years old, made a start as a Christian. She had been persistent in her persecution of her daughter who is a faithful Christian. Then the girl from the church received the Baptism at the convention. I had worried about her. She had never talked much. God seems to be trying to show me that He can do anything.

We are having special meetings this week, and in July we are expecting to have an evangelistic campaign.

Since the Spirit of God has begun to work in the church there are some of the flock who are stumbling. Please pray that the Lord will have His way in every heart. Pray that I may have wisdom and guidance.

I have been thinking for some weeks that if Manchuria were bombed Japan might be bombed next. We need to pray earnestly that the situation will ease so that opportunity may be given missionaries to continue to proclaim the Word. I feel that it can be said of all missionaries in Japan just now, as it was said to Esther, "... who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

The day MacArthur left for America I rode

on a streetcar in downtown Tokyo. It was interesting to hear the comments of the Japanese. One woman said, "Now that MacArthur has gone away I feel so lonesome." A man remarked, "I wonder what the *occupation* is going to do now?" A student I know did not have time to go to the airport to see the plane leave, but he went to a streetcar stop and watched the people line up to go out to the airport; thus, indirectly, he felt he saw MacArthur off!

THEY WORSHIP IN A WHISPER

Mary Orphan, Greece

ABOUT TEN YEARS ago a man of Crete received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit while praying alone in his room. He did not understand the experience and was told that it was of the devil. Finally he came in contact with some Pentecostal believers in Athens and was enlightened regarding the Acts 2:4 experience. Soon afterward he began to witness to other hungry folk, and now a small group in Crete are seeking for a Pentecostal experience.

There have been appeals from Salonika, Greece, to many of our fellowship for assistance. Please be advised that all articles and supplies for Greece should be sent to our missionary in that country, Mary Orphan, Kumeion 2, Thesion, Athens, Greece; mailing address, P. O. Box 249, Athens, Greece. Offerings should be sent to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, designated for the work there.

I have had the privilege of helping these dear ones to delve into the riches of the Word. Since they are few in number the government has not granted them a permit to conduct services; therefore, they gather in a little shack and spend hours waiting on God, singing, preaching, and praying in a whisper.

How thankful Americans ought to be for the religious freedom they enjoy.

At one of the services a young girl was so blessed that she began to shout. She had to be told to *tone down* lest she be heard.

Do pray for these brave ones, that their number will be increased so they can obtain a permit for services.

We have had our meeting hall in Athens re-decorated, but we are still looking to the Lord for larger quarters.



ICHIRO CHAN—A CASTAWAY

This is Ichiro Chan, a little castaway, as he was when taken into our God's Love Children's Home in Kobe, Japan. Missionary Florence M. Byers writes that Ichiro Chan's right eye protrudes and that he has no vision from it. Healing is being claimed for him. There are five boys and seven girls in the Home. Eight of the children are saved.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Slager, who have been doing missionary work in Europe, arrived in New York a few days ago. Their address is 761 East 56 Avenue, Vancouver, B. C., Canada.

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Miss Laura K. Kritz, missionary to Mexico, is in ill health and is having to return home from the field. She needs an immediate touch in her body. Special prayer is requested for her.

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Miss Florence M. Byers, missionary to Japan, writes: "I praise the Lord that in answer to the prayers of God's people in the homeland and here in my behalf, the Lord has healed my very weak heart. I had been ill two months. I cannot tell you how much I appreciate your prayers. God be magnified!"

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Ephraim Anderson, associated with the Assemblies of God in South Africa, is now visiting in the United States. He is available for speaking engagements among our churches. We commend our Brother Anderson to our constituency. Missionary credit will be allowed for offerings given to him.

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Henrietta A. Tieleman and Alice F. Stewart have reached the States. Their address: 4422 Russell Avenue, % H. A. Tieleman, Cleveland 9, Ohio.

Send all foreign missionary offerings to
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SUNDAY'S LESSON

A PREVIEW OF NEXT WEEK'S LESSON BY E. S. WILLIAMS

JEROBOAM'S IDOLATRY

Lesson for July 8

1 Kings 12:25-33; 13:1-5

Jeroboam was the son of a widow (1 Kings 11:26), a young man of vigor and industry (11:28), whom Solomon "made ruler over all the charge of the house of Joseph." The prophet Ahijah met him one day outside Jerusalem and told him that he was to become ruler over the ten tribes, which the Lord would rend from the kingdom of Solomon because of the oppressions that had been enforced by the king. When Solomon learned of this, he sought to kill Jeroboam, who fled into Egypt to save his life. Ch. 11:40. He returned at the summons of the ten tribes to represent them in their appeal to Rehoboam (Ch. 12:3). According to the chronology in our English Bibles, Jeroboam was in Egypt for about seventeen years. He was therefore in middle life when he returned from Egypt.

1. The Calves of Gold

When the children of Israel came out of Egypt, they made for themselves a calf of gold (Ex. 32:4). Now Jeroboam, when he is come out of Egypt, makes two such calves. The effect of the idolatry of Egypt is seen in both instances. Among present-day believers it is becoming common talk that "God looks not on the outward appearance, but on the heart." The manner in which we dress is deemed of no moment, they say; we may adorn ourselves just like the people of the world, as long as our hearts are right. Let us be warned, for the outward appearance reveals the condition of the heart. God calls for separation, and heart separation will be revealed in our conduct. We live inwardly too close to Egypt when we wish to adorn ourselves with Egypt's baubles.

The calves set up by Jeroboam cry aloud to us a warning against self-interest. Jeroboam did this because he loved self more than he loved God; for selfish interest he was willing to corrupt the worship of a whole nation. Jerusalem was the place which God had chosen to be the center of worship in Israel. There the tribes were to come at set times for national worship (see Deut. 12:11, 12, 18). Jeroboam feared that, were this to be done by those under his government, their hearts might turn back to the king of Judah (1 Kings 12:27) and he would lose his prestige or position, if not his life. He would rather see the people devoted to himself than devoted to God. Did he need to have this fear? God's prophet had told him that he was to rule over the ten tribes; and if God had promised this, was He not able to fulfill it?

Jeroboam is not alone in putting self-interest first. There are those nowadays who

think more of self than of God. They would carry on a form of worship, because man is by nature a worshipping being, but they corrupt it to minister to selfish pride rather than to really honor God.

2. The Delusion of False Worship

Where God is not held in higher esteem than self, worship becomes corrupted. It may assume a semblance of spirituality, or it may descend to base idolatry, but in it man is prominent rather than God. Thus, Biblical truth, which grips the heart, is likely to be set aside for that which pleases carnal desire, and which does not disturb the conscience of the worshipper.

God had given to Israel His appointed place of worship, His appointed ministers, and His appointed manner of worship. In establishing his false worship, Jeroboam "made priests of the lowest of the people which were not of the sons of Levi." In corrupting worship, he also corrupted character. He imitated the outward form of worship instituted by God, and "ordained a feast . . . like unto the feast that is in Judah." All the trappings of religion were there; only God was absent.

God save us from putting ourselves in the place of God. God enable us to keep ourselves in His hands. If He has appointed us a state in life, we need not fear for our future. If He plans a change for us, we ought to be willing for that change to be made. Paul knew "both how to abound and how to be abased, both to be full and to be hungry." He was wholly given to God, as free from self-interest as any man that we know. The will of God, and not the will of self, was his consuming ambition.

3. God's Warning of Judgment

God sent a prophet to warn against the false worship that had been established by Jeroboam. As Jeroboam stood by the altar to burn incense, the prophet cried against the altar, prophesying that God would raise up a son of David, Josiah by name, who would destroy the false worship that Jeroboam had set up. It was a bold prophecy which waited three hundred and forty years for fulfillment. See 2 Kings 23:15, 16. While God may be longsuffering, His judgments will surely come. He does not forget.

When the prophet cried out against the altar, Jeroboam became agitated "and put forth his hand . . . say, Lay hold on him." When he did this God smote his hand so that "he could not pull it in again to him." Thus God gave a sign that the words of the prophet were true, and proved Himself to be a God of judgment against evil, as well as a God of mercy to those that fear Him.

4. A Warning To Us

Jeroboam was at first stirred when the prophet prophesied, but how soon he forgot all about it! God warns us, but often because He shows mercy we take for granted that the judgment will never come. "Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the hearts of the sons of men are fully set in them to do evil." Man may think that time will cause God to forget, but He does not forget. As certainly as the man of God prophesied against false worship, the altar of false worship fell when God's appointed time came. We are thankful that it came in a time of spiritual revival, when men's hearts were being turned to God. May we judge our misdeeds now in the day of grace, that they meet us not when it is too late for repentance and reclamation.

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

Rehoboam's Folly (lesson for Sunday, July 1). Lesson text: 1 Kings 12:1-11, 16-20.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

In traveling among the nations, John R. Mott has made it a practice to study the sources of the spiritual movements which transform whole communities. Invariably, when he could reach the source, he found it to be intercessory prayer.

"I heard of a man," he says, "who spent three hours a day in intercession."

When someone asked him, "How can we multiply intercessions?" he said, "I used to lay down a great many points on how to get people to pray, but I have made up my mind that the only way to get them to pray is to do it myself."—*War Cry*.

TWO OF A KIND

The idols of the heathen are silver and gold... They have ears, but they hear not; neither is there any breath in their mouths. They that make them are like unto them. Psa. 135:15-18



JESUS—OUR KING

(Continued from page three)

will come again—a King! He will be King over your circumstances if you walk with Him.

*In sorrow I wandered, my spirit oppressed,
But now I am happy, securely I rest.
From morning till evening glad carols I sing,
And this is the reason—I walk with the King.*

*I walk with the King, Hallelujah!
I walk with the King, praise His name!
No longer I roam, my soul faces home;
I walk and I talk with the King.*

*For years in the fetters of sin I was bound;
The world could not help me, no comfort I found:*

*But now like the birds and the sunbeams of spring,
I'm free and rejoicing—I walk with the King.*

He is sovereign over the elements. In Matthew 8:23-27 we see our Lord in a little boat with His disciples, on the Sea of Galilee. A fierce storm arose and they rowed hard to bring the boat to land, but they could not. Jesus was human, though a King. He was asleep in the hinder part of the ship, being overcome with fatigue and weariness. When it seemed that they were surely going to sink, they came and roused Him and said, "Master, carest Thou not that we perish?" And Jesus did something that doesn't sound like Jesus. He arose and rebuked the disciples. I have thought, "What else could they have done?" If we were out in a boat, and the waves beat high and the wind blew and the rain came, so that the thing was about to sink, and the Lord was asleep in the boat, I think we too would arouse Him and say, "Lord, don't you care if we perish?" But when Jesus woke up and took in the situation, he rebuked the disciples, and said, "Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith."

That seems to be a bit severe on the part of the Lord. But here are the underlying facts. Faith is always based upon the Word of the Lord. Faith that saves, faith that gets things from God, faith that pleases Him, faith that receives healing, faith that achieves is always associated with the Word of God. Jesus was the Living Word, and on the shore of the lake, before they set out, He had said (Luke 8:22), "Let us go over unto the other side of the lake." When the storm came up, in their unbelief they as much as changed His words to, "Let us get into the boat and go to the bottom."

In the disciples' question (Mark 4:38), "Carest Thou not that we perish?" there was an inference—"Jesus, you're to blame for this." Sometimes we in our faithlessness say, "Carest Thou not that we perish?" With Martha, we say, "Lord, if Thou hadst been here, my brother had not died." We attach blame to Him, but He refuses it absolutely. He says, "It's not My fault—it's your fault."

We can correctly imagine Him saying to the disciples: "You ought to know that I am the Son of God. You yourselves have acknowledged that I am the Son of God. You ought to know better than to believe that there are waves high enough and powerful enough to drown Me—and you are My disciples. Did I not say, 'Let us get into the boat and go to the other side?'"



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So after He had dispelled their unbelief He said to the waves, "Peace, be still." And there was a great calm. That sea immediately became as placid as a mill pond, for Jesus is King over the elements of nature. He can save from apparent impending disaster.

He is sovereign over sin. Matt. 9:1-8. In the unusual incident of the man borne by four friends, who came into the presence of the Lord through the roof, He demonstrated His power and authority over sin. Jesus said to the man sick of the palsy, "Son, be of good cheer; thy sin be forgiven thee." Then the scribes stood by and mumbled through their beards and said, "Who is this blasphemer? God is the only one who can forgive sins." Jesus, knowing their thoughts and hearing their murmuring, said, "Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith He to the sick of the palsy) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house."

And the palsied man rolled up his mattress, threw it on his back, and walked out. Oh, my brother, Jesus is not only sovereign over conditions, circumstances, the elements of nature, and evil spirits, but He is sovereign over sin. When He says to sin, "Go!" it has

to go. Do you believe it? According to your faith be it unto you.

Jesus is sovereign over death. Hallelujah! I have recently proved this marvelously in my own experience. Mrs. Trotter and I went to Africa early in 1949 to conduct evangelistic meetings all over West Africa and down into South Africa. We were having glorious success for eight months. Then one day I boarded a small plane. We took off from one of the improvised jungle air fields and the plane did not pick up speed fast enough. Encountering a down draft, we crashed. My head was split with a three-inch and a two-inch crack from the bridge of the nose running transversely through the cribiform plate way back through my brain—six inches straight into my head. I lost all the cerebral fluid, and bones were crushed which the surgeons said must cause my death. But Hallelujah! I'm still living!

God miraculously overcame circumstances and sent a little plane back there into the bush. The accident had occurred at an interior bush station where planes came just several times a year. This particular field was about the hardest to find in all the interior. But God in His providential care, and because Jesus is sovereign over circumstances, spoke to two pilots, who had just

learned to fly out there over that deadly bush. They said to each other, "Let's go back and see Trotter." They arrived about ten minutes after we crashed, and immediately took off for the coast for a doctor, for I was bleeding to death.

My nose was moved over under my right eye. My left cheek was completely smashed in so that there was a deep concave hole; and my eyes were crossed. They carried me back out of the bush into the mission house on a hammock. I was conscious all the time. I lay there for six hours, as far as I knew.

The doctor refused to come, so they got hold of a second plane and the two little planes from the coast flew in to take me and my companion out. They flew us to the Firestone Plantation Hospital. (Incidentally, my companion, the flyer, was not hurt severely.) They gave me shots, but I woke up about midnight. They were working on me to give me blood transfusions, but my veins had collapsed through loss of blood. There was a nurse there from one of the nearby mission stations who came and stood by my side all that night. Her name was Miss DeEtta Butler. The doctor worked over me all night trying to get my heart to pump, but it was too weak; it wouldn't take the transfusion—it wouldn't pump the blood in. The veins had collapsed and my heart was very uncertain. I woke up (about midnight, I learned afterwards) and I saw the doctor. I said, "I'm dying." I could hardly get the words out. He said, "No, you're all right." He was lying. He knew I was dying; but, of course, he wanted to encourage me. I said, "No man can lose the blood I've lost (I had lost pints and basins of blood all afternoon) and live." And just then I vomited again, a basin full of black blood.

My companion said, "Trotter boy, fight!" Miss Butler tried to encourage me. At three o'clock I started to open my eyes again, and they were all excited to think that I was still alive. She said, "He's awake, he opened his eyes." And I heard her. She said, "Do you know who I am?" And I said, "Yes," under my breath. My face was all swelled up, my lips were swelled shut. They had picked me up bleeding at both ears, both eyes, nose and mouth. The blood was gushing and they couldn't get it stopped all afternoon.

Miss Butler said, "Brother Trotter, Jesus just spoke to me and told me you weren't going to die."

I had said to my pilot friend, the time I first woke up, "Tell Blanche and the boys I died in peace." I wanted to get some word to them. I actually thought my life was gone. Why am I telling you this? To tell you that Jesus is King over death. He just stood there and told Miss Butler, "He's not going to die, because I'm holding death off." And I lived.

I flew home to the States three weeks later, but my face had set in the terrible shape that I have previously decribed. They got me into the hospital in New York, and when the surgeons saw the X-ray photos and read their meaning they said: "Man, we don't know how in the world you ever lived. There are certain bones broken in your skull and you just can't live with those bones broken. You're done. But those bones are crushed and you're still alive." They were baffled.

Yes, praise the Lord, I'm still alive, because Jesus is sovereign over death. At His

girdle hang the keys of Hades and of death. Rev. 1:18. One of these days He is going to say, "Rise," and the dead in Christ shall rise as Lazarus rose. Nothing can stand in the way of the Son of God. He's our KING. He's coming for us.

The Holy Ghost is moving all over the earth. Literally thousands are being saved. On the Gold Coast in Africa at least three thousand have been saved and two thousand baptized in the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit has been moving in the Bible Colleges, even outside of our own Assemblies of God circle. God is getting us ready either for persecution or for rapture—probably for both. After all the Communist threats have passed, and even though "the earth be removed and the mountains cast into the midst of the sea," you will find Jesus reigning as King, and Master of every situation.

*Lo, He cometh! Lo, He cometh!
Not as once He came to earth—
Poor and humble, meek and lowly,
Through the gate of human birth.
Not to walk with feet awearied
Through a world of sin and pain,
By His own despised, rejected,
Lamb of God for sinners slain.*

*Now in majesty He cometh,
Cloudy splendors wrap Him round.
Wake, ye dead; and list, ye living—
Hark, the trumpet's awful sound.
Now His face is like the lightning,
Now His eyes are like the flame;*

*Lion of the tribe of Judah
Heaven and earth adore His name.*

*Lo, He cometh! Lo, He cometh!
Bride and Spirit echo, "Come!"
Come to heal Thy hurt creation,
Come to take Thy people home.
Mount the throne, O Son of David;
Take the scepter, Prince of peace;
Come, and hush the drums loud beating;
Come, and bid all conflict cease.*

*Come, and furl the flags of warfare!
Come, and sheathe the nations' swords!
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A ND Ad'am knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.	of La'mech, hearken un I have slain a man to m young man to my hurt.
2 And she again bare his brother A'bel. And A'bel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain	24 If Cain shall be truly La'mech seventy at 25 And Adam knew h she bare a son, and call

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DEAFNESS HEALED

I am 56 years old and I have been deaf in my right ear as far back as I can remember. I had sinus trouble for years. Scabs formed in my nose. At times my head hurt so severely that I would have to hold my head backward to get ease. In the revival Brother W. V. Grant held in North Malvern, Ark. nine months ago, I was prayed for and healed. Since then I can hear a watch tick out of the ear that was deaf. I have not been bothered any more with headaches, scabs in my nose, or sinus trouble. To God be all the glory.—Mrs. M. G. Womble, Malvern, Ark.

(Pastor W. E. Hand, North Malvern, Ark., endorses this testimony.)

BLOOD POISONING

In the fall of 1949 I had blood poisoning two different times. On both occasions I went to a doctor for treatment and became well. That was before Jesus saved my soul and baptized me with the Holy Spirit.

Then in February, 1950, I got blood poisoning a third time. It was caused by a bite: I think it was a spider's bite. This time I did not go to a doctor. Instead I went with my mother to the home of our minister, Pastor A. E. Rainwater and his wife. Brother Rainwater anointed me with oil in the name of the Lord (James 5:14) and we all prayed that God would take all the poison away.

The red streak had gone up past my elbow toward my armpit, but I kept trusting the Lord to heal me. I remembered reading some Scripture that promised that poison would not hurt or kill the Lord's people so I prayed and pleaded that promise, even though I could not put my finger on the Scripture. The Lord heard our prayers and completely healed me of blood poisoning in my right arm. In a few days there was not any trace of the trouble.

I do thank the Lord for His mercy. I am glad that I am a Christian and I want to serve Him always.—Mrs. Jane Lapp, Route 2, Jerome, Idaho.

(Pastor A. E. Rainwater of Jerome, Idaho, states: "I know this testimony to be true." The promise that Christ made concerning those who believe is: "If they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them." Mark 16:18.)

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RAISED FROM THE DEAD

On October 12, 1950, the Lord raised me from the dead. I shall never forget how God's quickening power swept through my lifeless body, and also how He healed me of a sickness which I believe was a small tumor. I had been suffering for some time with pain in my side, but three hours after the Lord raised me from the dead it passed from me.



I passed away during a gospel service. As I was sitting in my seat, I seemed to have a severe heart attack, and suddenly I was gone. They said there was no pulse beat. My neck and

fingers were turning blue. My chest slumped. It seemed I was being carried through a long bright valley by a cloud of angels. I saw the shining city at the far end.

About twenty people were present in the meeting. They began to call on God, and as they continued to pray I heard a great wind in my ears. It was a swishing sound—surely it was the breath of God. It swept over me

three or four times, and each time a quickening went through my body. They said my chest heaved as though I was taking deep breaths. My heart began to beat again, and I felt a warm glow in my cheeks.

They could not tell me exactly how long I had been dead; but oh, the glory that I felt around me as I opened my eyes and realized that I had been raised from the dead! The saints were shouting the victory. Hallelujah! He is just the same today.

The Lord showed me a vision of the coming of the Lord, and a vision of Jesus on the Cross. I saw the pit of hell, and I saw the saints walking the strait and narrow way robed in white garments.

For days I seemed to be living in heavenly places. I would wake up during the night with such joy bubbling up in my soul, and with such glory all around me. I do thank the Lord for giving me back to my husband and six children.—Mrs. Leonard Baublitz, Box 784, Hilo, Hawaii.

(Sister Baublitz and her husband are held in high esteem by their pastor, Peter Funk, who supervises the assemblies in Hawaii. Brother Baublitz is a construction man who has labored sacrificially in helping to erect a number of church buildings for the assemblies in Hawaii.)



World Missions on Review

Accounts of the revival fires from many countries around the world will be given at the great missionary rally on Sunday afternoon, August 19, at the General Council in Atlanta, Georgia.

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ly at various places en route to India and on his return trip home.

An unusual presentation of the missionary work of the various fields is being prepared for the afternoon service. In many areas of our work abroad God is blessing in a signal way. Emphasis will be given to this marvelous way God is working through our missionaries and the national ministers.

As at the General Council in Seattle when more than \$10,000 cash was given for missions, time will be taken to receive a missionary offering. In view of the urgent need at present for advancing the missions program around the world, let us pray that the response will exceed that at any previous General Council meeting.

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QUESTIONS

ANSWERED BY FRANK M. BOYD

If you have questions concerning the Scriptures, send them to Questions Department, The Pentecostal Evangel, 434 W. Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri. Be sure to give your name and address, so that Brother Boyd may answer your question by letter if not in this column.

Does not the word "commit" in 1 John 3:9 mean "practice"?

The Greek word translated "commit" in this passage is from the verb *poico* (I do) or its infinitive form *poiein*, meaning "to do."

It is in the present progressive tense and is literally to be translated, "He that continues to do sin," which is equivalent to *practice*. However, the exact word for practice is *prasso*—I practice.

The meaning of the verse is that he that is begotten of God does not practice sin. In other words, it is not the habit of such and he cannot sin; though he were able to sin, he has no disposition to do so, because of the implanting of a new seed or nature—the divine nature. cf. 2 Pet. 1:4.

Was Jesus of Nazareth a Jew?

Yes, He was. It is also true that in the genealogy of Jesus there were other than Semitic strains; for example, Tamar, whose blood was Canaanitish; Rachab, or Rahab, a Canaanitish woman; Ruth, the Moabitess, etc. which does make Him the universal man. No one with much knowledge of Scripture will claim that the Jewish race is exclusively of one racial strain.

But Jesus was a descendant of that nation that came from Abraham, Isaac, Jacob (Israel), and David, known in the Bible as Hebrews, Israelites, or Jews. The fact cannot be disproved. He was recognized by the Romans as a Jew (Matt. 27:11), was born and crucified as "King of the Jews" (Matt. 2:2; 27:37), and recognized by the Samaritan woman as a Jew (John 4:9).

Please explain Luke 16:9—"Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations."

This passage has been rendered variously from the original Greek by Greek scholars, and the meaning of all of them is the following: "Make to yourselves friends by means of the mammon (or wealth) which is ever tempting to dishonesty so as to win friends who, when it fails, shall welcome you into the eternal dwellings."

The meaning of our Lord seems very clear here in His teaching on the story of the steward which just precedes that by a wise, judicious and consecrated use of money, the love of which, as Paul states it, is the root of all evil, one may make friends who, when material things, such as money, fail (as they certainly will) the reward of the right use of money will be a welcome, by those whom we have helped, into eternal habitations.

It is the purpose of Christ in giving this advice to stimulate us to a right use of our means so that those who have been blessed and helped by the money which we have rightly used may give us welcome when we reach heaven. In other words, it is an illustration

of what our Lord says in another place, "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt nor thieves do not break through and steal." There is no thought here of purchasing an entrance into heaven by the use of money, for that idea is wholly foreign to the context. But the wise use of our money here, for example, in contributing to evangelism and foreign missions, would help to bring about the salvation of many souls who would welcome us into the eternal abodes.

Some preachers say that the disciples tarried in Jerusalem for ten days until "the day of Pentecost was fully come," and some say they had to wait only seven days. Which is correct?

The answer to this question depends upon the significance attached to the expression "after His passion" in Acts 1:3. If it is taken to mean "after the passover," the day on which Jesus was crucified, then the forty-day period during which Christ appeared to His disciples runs its course from the crucifixion and includes the three days before the resurrection. In this case, since Pentecost was fifty days from passover, then the disciples tarried ten days.

If, on the other hand, His appearances over a forty-day period are numbered from the resurrection day, three days after the crucifixion, when His passion was over, then the ascension took place forty-three days after passover. Thus, subtracting forty-three from fifty would leave only seven days for the tarrying period. I think this is where the difference of opinion occurs.

AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

VALLIANT, OKLA.—We had a tent meeting (May 20—June 3) with Evangelist Harold D. Starks of Whittier, Calif. Nine were saved and one was filled with the Holy Ghost. We also had a good increase in Sunday School.—W. L. McFarland, Pastor.

BEDFORD, OHIO.—The attendance at our first Missionary Convention was very good. The speaker, N. P. Thomsen of Minneapolis, Minn., stirred our people. As a result, our missionary offerings have increased.—G. G. Martin, Pastor.

COVINA, CALIF.—Early in April an intense hunger for God gripped our people. They began to fast and pray, and prayer meetings were held nightly in the old church auditorium. The attendance grew until we moved into our new building. Night after night people groaned and travailed in prayer past the midnight hour. Backsliders and sinners slipped into these meetings, sometimes at a late hour; the young people formed a circle around them and prayed until they were saved, and many of them were filled with the Holy Spirit.

We received 29 into the membership of the church on Mother's Day. The same day we began a meeting with J. C. Miner, pastor of the Heights Assembly in Houston, Tex. A number of people were healed. One little girl, stricken with polio and wearing a brace, was healed. Her mother took the brace off and she marched back and forth across the platform. To God be all the praise!

About 40 received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and many were refilled. The last night of the meeting (May 27) we baptized 40 in water. This makes a total of 52 who have been baptized in water this year, and the total number of new members since the first of the year is 36. The Sunday School average for April was 308.—R. L. Davis, Pastor.

SANTA CRUZ, CALIF.—On May 28 we concluded a three-week meeting with Evangelist George O. Hayes of Houston, Tex. From the first the Spirit of the Lord was present in

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an unusual way. Souls were saved and believers filled with the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. Sick bodies were healed. No attempt was made to keep account of the number saved, but one Sunday night at least eight sought Christ for salvation for the first time. Attendance was consistently good with new people present at all services.

On May 28 the church celebrated its 25th

anniversary as an organized body with the Assemblies of God. Louis E. Weston, presbyter of the Coast Counties Section, spoke in the afternoon. In the evening personal notes secured at the time of the construction of the educational unit were burned. The educational building was completed in 1949. The church auditorium remains to be built.—Raymond P. Murray, Pastor, First Assembly of God.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—We had a three-week meeting with Evangelist P. T. Huffman of Granite City, Ill. Nine were saved and five filled with the Holy Ghost. The people were strengthened and encouraged in the Lord.—Glenn Gilder, Pastor, Faith Assembly.

PLYMOUTH, ILL.—Recently Evangelist Carl C. Haas of Springfield, Mo. was with us for three weeks. The attendance was good, and the people came from surrounding towns. A number were saved and some were baptized with the Holy Ghost. There were also a number of outstanding healings. Ten united with the church.—A. S. McKinley, Pastor.

VINTON, LA.—We had a three-week meeting with Evangelist L. S. Pilkenton of Houston, Texas. Twenty were saved or reclaimed and six received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. About 25 people were healed of various afflictions, including cancer, tumor, gallstones, low blood pressure, nervousness, adhesions, and weak eyes.—D. W. Fontenot, Pastor, Sabine Assembly of God.

COLUMBIA, MO.—We had Aletha Jean Sturtevant and her father, E. H. Sturtevant, with us for nine nights of services. These meetings created more interest in our town among the people outside our church than any we have had. The people came out in large numbers and God's blessing so wonderfully came down in our midst. Souls found Christ as their Saviour and believers were filled with the Spirit. We have asked for a return engagement of these workers this fall.—Chas. A. Parker, Pastor.

JEFFERSON CITY, MO.—Early this year we had one of the best revivals in the history of the assembly here. It lasted only eight nights, and the evangelist was Aletha Jean Sturtevant and her father, E. H. Sturtevant. The house was filled each night and many attended who were never in the church before. The presence of the Lord was evident and the altars were filled each evening. There were 27 saved or reclaimed, and 14 received their Baptism.—E. F. Sanders, Pastor.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—We had a six-week meeting with Evangelist Cham Livingston of Tulsa, Okla. Thirty-two were saved and 35 were baptized with the Holy Ghost. Twenty-five were baptized in water at the close of the meeting. A goodly number were healed, some of lifelong afflictions.

We have had a 24-hour chain of prayer for two or three months. As a result, God is meeting us. Our Sunday School has grown steadily for the past year. Our average for the first quarter of 1951 was 193. We have outgrown our present facilities and are planning a new church one block north of our present location.—H. H. Palmer, Pastor, Southwest Assembly of God.

COMING MEETINGS

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GENERAL COUNCIL—Municipal Auditorium, Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 16—23, preceded by C. A. Rally on Wednesday night, Aug. 15. For reservations write Housing Committee (Grover Langston, Chairman), 380 Boulevard S. E., Atlanta, Ga.

WACO, TEX.—18th and Pine Assembly of God, June 20—; Evangelist Clyde Goree.—by Hardie G. Weathers, Pastor.

ELK CITY, OKLA.—Assembly of God, July 15—; Calabrese and Duncan Gospel Team, Kansas City, Mo. (J. S. Murrell is Pastor.)

GLENN GOFF, JAMAICA—June 28—July 4 Evangelist Philip H. Hawtin, Santa Monica, Calif. (Robert Hemming is Pastor.)

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.—Central Assembly of God, June 18—July 8; the Musical Mandingos.—by E. B. Jones, Pastor.

RAWLINS, WYO.—June 27—July 15; Evangelist and Mrs. L. C. Sloan, Joplin, Mo. (Walter Ventling is Pastor.)

NAPER, NEBR.—Tent meeting, July 5—; Evangelist and Mrs. T. O. Murphy, Hutchinson, Kans.—by James D. Brown, Pastor.

BELL GARDENS, CALIF.—First Assembly of God, 6113 Clark St., June 17—; Evangelist and Mrs. Bob Sheran.—by R. M. Hargis, Pastor.

SEDALIA, MO.—First Assembly of God, meeting in progress; Evangelist F. Lamar McGown, Tyler, Tex.—by R. Von Kemp, Pastor.

TERRAL, OKLA.—Meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Glover, Tulsa, Okla.—by Billy Keen, Pastor.

LOUISVILLE, KY.—Bethel Assembly of God, July 2—22; Evangelist and Mrs. Lee Krupnick.—by W. G. Hinecker, Pastor.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA—Assembly of God, June 26—; Evangelist and Mrs. Jimmie Adams and David Lummer.—by Gerald F. Houk, Pastor.

FREDERICK, MD.—Tent meeting, Wilson and Mead Sts., June 17—; Evangelist and Mrs. J. R. Baggs.—by Arthur Sengstack, Pastor, Bethel Tabernacle.

MOUNTAIN HOME, ARK.—First Assembly of God, July 8—22 or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. Dale Starling, Tulsa, Okla.—by Roba and Pauline Harrison, Pastors.

SOUTH BEND, IND.—South Bend Gospel Tabernacle, 2315 S. Michigan St., June 24—July 8; Evangelist Bill Long and party.—by Lester Sumrall and G. A. Uldin, Ministers.

ARKADELPHIA, ARK.—Assembly of God, 1105 Walnut St., June 24—July 15; Evangelists James O. Johnson and James M. Bryan, St. Louis, Mo. (W. N. Harris is Pastor.)

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MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NOTICE—If you have friends at Rapid City Air Force Base, Weaver, S. Dak., we will be glad to contact them.—by Pastor Bernard Ridings, 730 Quincy St., Rapid City, S. Dak.

CORRECTION—Frank Isensee, Sr., author of an article which appeared in the Evangel two weeks ago, is a layman in Modesto, Calif. A footnote with the article erroneously stated that he lives in Sacramento.

RADIO PROGRAM—"Miracles of Faith," station WCAZ, Carthage, Ill., 990 kc., Monday through Friday, 11 to 11:15 a.m.—A. S. McKinley, Pastor, Assembly of God, Plymouth, Ill.

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