

To do Thy
good pleasure.
O my God, is
my delight.
Psalm 40:8
Literal Hebrew



I can do all
things through
Christ which
strengtheneth
me.
Phil 4:13

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Leaving the Choice with the Lord

MAN DELIGHTS to make his own choices in life. Self-interest largely governs his choice. He says, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain." The Lord is not consulted in the matter. Man likes to dwell in his own ceiled house, to wear fine clothes, to fare sumptuously every day. With the most there is little or no consideration of the poor around, and no thought at all concerning what the Lord wills.

A young ruler came to Christ and asked the way of life. He was bidden to keep the commandments and he replied that from his youth up he had kept them all. The Lord then bade him, if he would be perfect, to sell all that he had and give to the poor and follow Him in His pathway of voluntary poverty. The young man counted the cost from the earthly standpoint, and failed to count the gain from the heavenly. He did not follow the counsel of Him who has infinite wisdom, and so he went away sorrowful—despite his great possessions. His sorrow *in time* was but an earnest of the great sorrow *in eternity* when he will awaken to the fact that his decision on that day involved eternal loss; whereas he might, had he followed the counsel of the One who was wiser than Solomon, have had eternal gain. There is no one that has left house or brethren . . . or lands for His sake and the gospels, but shall receive an hundredfold on earth (that is ten thousand per cent) and in the world to come eternal life.

Lot made his own choice. His eyes looked covetously towards the fruitful vale of Jordan and he pitched his tent toward Sodom. See him a few years later escaping from that city as the judgment of God comes upon it. Let us put a question to him, "Lot, what did you gain by making your own choice?" "I have lost all. I had to escape at a mo-

ment's notice. I hated to leave all that I had acquired during a long life, but the angels were insistent that I stay not, nor attempt to bring any of my valued possessions with me. And alas, my poor wife! Her heart had become twined around the things of Sodom. Longingly she looked back. She was turned in that moment into a pillar of salt." There in the vale is a salty pillar, an eternal warning to all who look back to the world with all its fleshly enticements.

Abraham, what is your testimony? "Oh, I leave all the choices in my life to God. He has chosen my pathway for me and I know His way is perfect. He called me out from Ur and its idolatries to a life of entire separation, and I followed, not knowing where He would lead me, but answered that all His paths are peace. Yes, I am perfectly content with my tent and my altar, realizing that on earth I am but a pilgrim and a stranger. I do not covet the temporal but my

heart and mind are set on the eternal. If I had any desire to do so, I could of course have gone back to Ur and its luxuries, its sins, and all its abominable idolatries: but no, I am looking for something better, for a city that has foundations whose builder and maker is God. Even here on earth I have His friendship—the friendship of Him who made heaven and earth—and He has revealed Himself to me as my shield of defense and my exceeding great reward. I am perfectly satisfied with His choice. I leave with Him the choice of my pathway and the choice of an inheritance."

Let us look at that scene by the lake of Galilee. The Master has made a fire of coals, has baked bread and cooked fish for His cold and hungry disciples. After they have eaten He speaks to Peter, and they all listen. May we be allowed the liberty of paraphrasing the thought we believe the dear Lord brings home here: "Peter, do you love me more than these—this pile of fish here?" "Yes," says Peter. "Then will you do my bidding, Peter, will you take care of my lambs for me when I take my departure?" And again, "Peter, do you love me? If you do, I have a task I want to give to you, it is to feed my hungry sheep." And then again, "Peter, do you really love me? Yes, you say you do, but let me choose your task for you—it is to take care of my needy sheep."

"Peter, I know the willful and impulsive nature you have manifested from your youth. You have always chosen your own way, and girding yourself you have gone just the way of your own choice. Now, Peter, independent Peter, I want to change the whole program of your life. No longer a life of independence! You have watched my life of absolute dependence upon my Father. I want you to learn this lesson too, to henceforth stretch forth your hand and let another lead you—to be henceforth led

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"Thou shalt guide me with Thy
counsel!"

Is it not enough for me,
Just to leave the hidden future—
Just to take my life from Thee,
Day by day as Thou shalt order,
With unerring sight and skill—
Resting always in Thy wisdom—
Seeking naught beside Thy will?
—Edith Hickman Divall



Power, Love and a Sound Mind



Donald Gee at the Interstate Camp Meeting, Eureka Springs, Ark.

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." 2 Tim. 1:7.

This text contains a strong negative and a threefold positive. The strong negative—something God has not given us—the spirit of fear. And I thank God for the threefold positive—three lovely things—power, and love, and a sound mind.

God has not given us the spirit of fear. I suppose we all have moments when we are, as we say, scared stiff for a minute, when fear grips us. That is a very different thing from having the spirit of fear—something that is with us all the time, something we cannot get away from, something that when we are alone it terrifies,—the spirit of fear. Well, thank God, we know that it does not come from our heavenly Father.

I find that one thing which seems to bring a spirit of fear into God's people is the matter of keeping in the middle of God's will. They have an idea if they get out of God's will their whole future is going to be wrecked. I believe God is bigger than that. I have nothing to say on behalf of the man or woman who is definitely rebellious, who knows clearly what God wants and refuses to do it. But most of the time, when we are God's children it is not like that. You are a strange child of God if that is the attitude you have toward God's will. There are times when I make mistakes, and you make mistakes, but more and more I find rest as I lean back on the mighty power and fathomless grace of our Father which art in heaven. My life is not going to be wrecked just because I have made a mistake. God is too big for that. If you are living your Christian life in a spirit of fear that through some mistake you will wreck the whole thing, come out of that which is worrying you and come into the peace of God which passeth all understanding. Some people seem to think that keeping in God's will is like walking on a tight rope and God is waiting with a drawn sword to chop your head off if you fall. I am so glad it is not like that. Get out from under that unnecessary stress.

Everyone here knows that one of the worst things that can come to us in our physical life is to get worried about any certain disease. A physician would tell you that fear of anything opens the door to it. Lots of people contract disease because they are so afraid of it.

I learned that lesson when I was a lad. My father died when he was quite a young man. In some strange way he had a terrible fear of tuberculosis of the lungs. I remember, when a little boy, if we were on a street car and someone who had a cough that seemed suspiciously like a consumptive cough, would get into a seat near us, we all had to get out and wait for the next street car. There was no apparent reason for this fear, for there had never been any tuberculosis in the family. When Father was 29 years of age he contracted it, and when he was 31 years old he died of it. One thing I learned, and that is that it is dangerous to be afraid of anything in the line of disease. I was 9 years old. I listened to the grown-up people talking downstairs—I should not have done it, but I did it—and I heard them saying, "Ah, poor little fellow. He will die of it like his father did. It surely runs in the family. You wait until he gets 30, he will surely get it." I am now over 40, and thank God I have no tuberculosis yet. We do need to remember that fear is an enemy. Whenever I find fear coming into my mind and heart, as far as a bodily ailment is concerned, I get down and fight that fear for very life. I praise God here is a Saviour who will take us through.

So if anybody here has a pain somewhere, and you say, "I am sure it is cancer," or "I am sure it is some other thing," *resist that thing in the name of the Lord.*

I want to make application of these principles to Pentecost, and I am thinking particularly of that spirit of fear that hinders so many people when they are seeking the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. There has been a lot of literature published against this glorious revival, and they have said, "Oh, you be careful." And so when people are seeking the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, while they are asking the Father to give them the gift of the Spirit it seems they are looking over their shoulder to make sure the devil does not put something else in when they are not looking. I believe when one of God's blood-bought children is asking the heavenly Father for the gift of the Holy Ghost, that all the armies of heaven are out to defend that seeker from the evil one. I have no guaranty for the man or woman whose heart is not pure. They are not seeking the Holy Ghost; they are seeking some kind of passing emotion. They may get what

they want or they may get what they do not want. If you are seeking the Holy Ghost and you are seeking in the Bible way and in the name of Jesus, I believe you were never safer in all your life. If you find a spirit of fear hindering you when you are seeking the promise of the Father, first of all get rid of that spirit of fear and come with confidence, come pleading the promises of God, and I believe you will receive. Hallelujah!

Just the same when it comes to the gifts of the Spirit. How many are hindered because of fear even there. I believe God can give men such humble obedience to His Word, such a broken spirit, such a wisdom from God, that they need not be afraid, but can let God have His way. If we are not careful we shall get our eyes on the wrong thing and begin to quench the Spirit. I am sure we do not want to do that—we want to let God have His way. I remember an old brother in Scotland, who used to live some miles outside the city of Edinburgh where we had our assembly. He did want to come to the meetings but it was difficult for him. His son had bought a motorcycle, and when he saw his son had a motorcycle and could get around so well, he thought, "I will get one, and then I shall be able to go to the meetings of the assembly in town." He got the motorcycle, but you know the dear old fellow did not learn how to drive it. One day he got started on the road, but he went from one side to the other. He wobbled here and there, and he went clear into the bush. He picked himself up and picked the machine up. Fortunately there was no harm done. He pushed the thing home and he said, "Never again!" Every time I went to see him after that, there was the old motorcycle rusting away in the shed; and I thought, that is an illustration of some people with the power of Pentecost and the gifts of the Holy Ghost. They sought, and thank God, they received, but they have never troubled to study the Book of instructions. We have watched them wobble from side to side; they have gone from one extreme to another, and finally they have gone into the bush of fanaticism and they have said, "No more Pentecost for me!"

There is nothing wrong with God's lovely Pentecost, there is nothing wrong with the Spirit's beautiful gifts. I believe I have studied and learned the rules of guidance which God has given us in the Word concerning these things.

That motorcycle had brakes on it, and I find that Pentecost has brakes on it. I find, praise God, if you will only learn to steer you can keep in the middle of the road. I am asking God to give me more and more of His wisdom to keep in the middle of the road. I plead with you, I beg of you, never quench the Spirit because of fear, but rather let us learn the grand old Book until we can let God have His way, and we can allow the gifts of the Spirit to be exercised in beautiful and proper order for the glory of God and the edification of His people.

Then I want to spend a little time opening up the strong threefold positive—"but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." It is a good thing that we as believers look over our assets. There is a place where most of us are this morning, where we say, "O God, enrich me, give me more. O God, give me more gifts of the Spirit, more grace." Sometimes we should do a bit of stocktaking. You are rich. You have a lot already. Instead of asking God for new gifts, I am asking Him for grace to use what I have, I am asking God for grace to be a faithful steward. I believe in a day of rewards, and I believe it will be better for the man who has had five dollars and used them well, than for the man who has had ten dollars and wasted them.

But notice it says that God has given us the spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. Most of us know that the word "power" could be rendered "dynamite." God has given us dynamite. Hallelujah! What a dangerous crowd of people we are to the devil's kingdom! You have been baptized in the Holy Ghost and fire. You have dynamite inside of you; you are a dangerous company of people. If only the heavenly spark could ignite that dynamite we would shake the very foundations of the kingdom of hell. God has really given us power. It is inside. There are resources inside that can be used if we only can get in the center of God's will.

No doubt practically everybody here has read that delightful book, "Pilgrim's Progress." If you have, you know there was the Doubting Castle, and Christian and Hopeful were going through a terrible time. Giant Despair was beating them and making them black and blue with bruises. What a terrible time they were having. Christian suddenly began to call himself all sorts of names for being so foolish. He said, "Why, we need not stay here another hour. I remember I have a key in my bosom that will open every door in the castle." It was the key of promise. Taking the key out of his bosom he went to a door and opened it, and before long they

were free and on their way rejoicing. Oh, how many times we are kept in a spirit of bondage, and we are running here and there, and saying, "Where is that big speaker? Where is this big evangelist?" And all the time we have in our own bosom the key that can set us free. In our own hands we have the power that can give the victory.

Oh, you Spirit-filled people, if you will only let God have His way there is heavenly dynamite locked up in your heart. Make the power that is within you work. I believe that some of you who are in bondage and difficulty, in weakness and in trouble, can come into power and liberty. Praise God, He has given us power. I am thrilled sometimes, and I want to be more thrilled at the resources of Pentecost. But what a paralyzing thing fear is. When fear grips people, although they are able to do all sorts of things, they are terrified.

Brother Carter has told us some of his experiences in his two years of world

*'One ounce of
 "IT IS WRITTEN"
 gives more confidence
 than a ton of
 "I HAVE FELT."
 —Redemption Tidings*

travel. One of the most trying incidents happened in Java. A native chauffeur was taking him in a car to a meeting. There were four in the car. They got to a railroad crossing and as the car was right on the tracks they saw a train coming. The native driver immediately became paralyzed with fear and took his feet off everything, and the car stopped right on the track. Brother Carter said they all shouted at the same time and gave the driver a greater fright than he had already. He put his feet on everything at once, the car made one jump, and the train missed it by a matter of inches. That is exactly what happens when fear comes in. That man was a good driver. That man was in perfect control of himself and the car; but when fear gripped him, he was paralyzed and stopped. Some of us spiritually have known fear and have been paralyzed on the spot. Thank God for the precious Blood and for the indwelling Spirit, the mighty Spirit that can set us free from fear.

The second good thing God has given us, according to this Scripture, is love. And you know that it is necessary that love goes with power. If people have dynamite and have not love they are a dangerous kind of folk. When you have dynamite you need love to use

it at the right time, in the right place, and in the right way. When coal miners have dynamite and use it in the proper way, it is very useful. But when some communist gets hold of it it is a different story. We need love to go along with dynamite, God knows that. God in His wonderful wisdom caused His servant Paul to write that matchless 13th chapter of 1st Corinthians right in between the 12th and the 14th, "Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not love, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal." We need the love of God to control us. Otherwise we may not do much wrong, but we will certainly become a nuisance instead of a blessing.

When I was staying at a missionary home in London, a brother and his grandchildren were there. It happened to be dinner time and the servant maid, taking the little one up in her arms, gave him the hammer and he began to beat the big brass gong. Didn't he enjoy it? Of course we all knew dinner was ready and came from our different rooms, but you know he wanted to keep on with it. After knocking for a few seconds the maid of course took him away. Then, oh you should have heard the yells. It was a quarter of an hour before he could be pacified. He thought that was the finest thing out. God has given us so many manifestations of the Spirit and we can knock on the gong and tell people we have dinner ready—but the trouble is we keep on knocking. He wants us to feed hungry hearts. God not only has given us power but He has given us love, and love is never happier than when it is feeding the hungry and giving water to the thirsty. Love always keeps us in perfect control.

Coming over on this voyage I was watching the great new liner, the Queen Mary. It is a wonderful thing to see how they handle these huge boats. As I saw that tremendous liner being docked it seemed as if the boat was hardly moving. I watched it against some buildings on the opposite side of the Hudson river and saw it was moving just an inch at a time. That tremendous vessel was gradually being turned around and brought against the dock and tied up. I suppose it took the best part of an hour, and I marvelled at the power and the perfect control. I said, "Lord, there is greater power in Pentecost than in the mighty engines of that ship." Thank God, besides the power that God has given us, He has given us love that keeps us from doing harm and makes us do good. You say, "Brother Gee, you are quenching the Spirit." Not a bit of it. I want to tell you when you open the throttles of this mighty vessel it makes quick time to Europe and back again, and thank God

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The Task That Is Before Us

Ernest S. Williams

GOD has blessed our fellowship of Spirit-filled redeemed people with a phenomenal growth, and at present many good people outside our organization are looking toward us, conscious that God is with us. Some are pondering whether or not they ought fully to cast their lot in with us. We gladly reach forth our arms of fellowship to all who can embrace our statement of fundamentals and labor with us on the basis of our co-operative agreements. This we do, not because we wish to aggrandize our own distinctive branch of the Church of Christ, but because we feel assured that the Pentecostal Movement, of which we are a part, would be a far greater service for God were it all united "that we all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among us; but that we be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." 1 Cor. 1:10. Schisms among God's children are discouraged in Scripture and we are warned against those who "cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which we have learned." Rom. 16:17.

Whether or not the entire Pentecostal Movement ever becomes united into one Society, we wish each faithful minister and every faithful church might be united in one spirit and Christian fellowship. It may not be the purpose of Christ to unite all His children in one organization, but it surely is His desire that His great Church, His body, redeemed by His blood, should be united in Christian love and worship. Divisions through sectarian causes ought to be avoided. Divisions because of standing against doctrines which are false, or because wickedness will not be endorsed, ought to be encouraged. "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them" (Eph. 5:11), is God's commandment, and this of necessity must include contamination by association as well as contamination by personal practice. "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters saith the Lord Almighty." 2 Cor. 6:14-18. Those who would live righteously themselves, who yet wish to fellowship those who live unrighteously, must of necessity be discriminated against in order

that the Church of Christ might "keep itself pure" and "be not partaker of other men's sins." Let us therefore show Christian love and Christian fellowship to all of God's children who love and do the truth, wherever they may be, but let us continue an uncompromising stand against tolerance of evil wherever it is found "for sin shall not have dominion over you" either in personal life or in organized union.

We are in danger as we grow. With the increase of numbers there is likelihood of increase of human ideas and human methods, not all of which are sanctified to the glory of God. There is need of earnest prayer that we may be able to distinguish between the chaff and the wheat, between that which hinders the Spirit and that which brings Him nigh. We are called to a worship "in spirit and in truth" and to a ministry "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power." These cannot be substituted by something else without our suffering grievous loss. Only by prayerful watchfulness and entire consecration can we be kept where these spiritual endowments will remain with us. As there were even in Sardis those who had not defiled their garments, so there will always be those among us who will continue to live under these spiritual blessings. But will we as a people continue to live where God is best pleased with us?

The ends of the age are upon us. We have come to the kingdom for such a time as this. May we not fail. Our Lord may at any time appear. He would have us ready. Should He tarry a little longer that we may have a larger and further ministry in the earth, He wishes us to be light-bearers in the world's darkness "holding forth the word of life," watching carefully against any "spots in our feasts of charity."

Brethren, let us love one another and pray one for another. Let us try by all possible means to further the truths of God, seeking to live under the unction of the Holy One. The flesh profiteth nothing; at the judgment seat of Christ its products will prove to be but wood, hay, and stubble to be burned. That which will eternally live is that which comes through the Holy Ghost. The Latter Rain is here. Several showers have already fallen. More are on the way. May we look for fresh outpourings of the Spirit upon our lives and labors. "Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain, so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and give them show-

ers; to every one grass in the field." Zech. 10:1. "For he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month." Joel 2:23.

The uttermost parts of the earth is our motto. We have advanced well into the unexplored regions of ripened harvest. There has been a response. The labors of the missionaries are not in vain. An innumerable multitude "of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues" shall stand before the throne, people who have "washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." Those who now go forth "bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing their sheaves with them." God bless in our labors at home and to the ends of the earth. May the coming year be one of rich harvests in souls and in personal soul development.

Constraining Love

Selwyn, of New Zealand, tells of a Maori who was seen to take a front seat at the Lord's table. Suddenly he rose, retired to the back of the church, and then came forward and resumed his seat. Asked afterwards why he had done so, he replied: "When I entered, I had no idea who would be seated beside me. I saw at once that it was the man who had murdered my father; and I had sworn to drink his blood. But as I withdrew down the church, a voice seemed to say to me, 'By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another'; and as I sat down near the door, a Man upon a cross rose before my eyes, and I heard Him say, 'Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.' Then I returned, and we took the Lord's Supper together."

Pray Without Ceasing

"Speak for eternity. Above all things cultivate your own spirit. A word spoken by you when your conscience is clear and your heart full of God's Spirit is worth ten thousand words spoken in unbelief and sin. Remember that God, and not man, must have the glory. If the veil of the world's machinery were lifted off, how much we would find is done in answer to the prayers of God's children." —Robert Murray McCheyne.

"Unless we are willing to pay the price, and sacrifice time and attention and what appear legitimate or necessary duties, for the sake of the heavenly gifts, we need not look for a large experience of the power of the heavenly world in our work." —Andrew Murray.

"We have too little prayer, and too much propaganda."



The Gospel as a Trust



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The preaching of the gospel is such a sacred trust that it seems well worth the while to search the Scriptures for a pattern that we might not disappoint Him who has allowed us "to be put in trust with the gospel." 1 Thess. 2:4. A trust is "something intrusted to a person's care for safekeeping, use or management on the basis of integrity, and for which an account must be rendered." Matt. 25:14-30; Heb. 13:17.

Where such a trust has been given for "use or management," as in the case of the gospel, a proportionate authority in its "use or management" is of necessity implied. The use of such authority, 2 Cor. 10:8, may easily give way to abuse, particularly where there is a temptation to display it. The abuse of authority, which is the use of it "with bad motives or to wrong purposes" and for which there are many avenues of expression, has broken many a promising career and kept many a man from the realization of his potential usefulness. With all the apostolic authority Paul had, he made it plain that he did not have dominion over their faith, 2 Cor. 1:24, and even allowed himself a considerable margin of safety instead of going to the very limit, "that I abuse not my power in the gospel." 1 Cor. 9:18. It is not difficult to find examples of self-constituted authority in the realm of religion, an authority which was not given but usurped, frequently culminating in "traditions of the fathers" "making the word of God of none effect." Mark 7:1-13.

Ulterior motives do not play an inconsiderable part in the preaching of the gospel. Not only should the words we use in preaching be sound—"wholesome language" (Wey.) Titus 2:8—but also our motives. A true minister of the gospel is entitled to "live of the gospel," yet his motive should not be "for filthy lucre" ("base gain" Wey.), 1 Peter 5:2. So far as the hearers are concerned, they are obligated to support the ministry for "even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should also live of the gospel." 1 Cor. 9:14. Nevertheless, the minister should give the gospel freely, independent of financial consideration. Matt. 10:8. If he ministers in the will of God and the finances do not come from the source they ought to, they will come from another. 2 Cor. 11:7-9.

Far more tempting, however, than personal gain is the opportunity for personal glory with which every minister is confronted whose service is blessed of God. To be admired by some people

is probably unavoidable, but to seek it is inviting disaster to one's own usefulness. Paul did not seek glory of men, 1 Thess. 2:6, and when it was offered, refused it. Acts 14:11-18. Happy is that man who will not be deceived by the applause of the crowd in a state of enthusiasm, knowing right well that under a slight change of circumstances, their "Hosanna" is likely to turn to "Crucify him."

If the motive is not to seek glory, it still might be to please our hearers for whatever reason that may be. The point in question is not that our hearers should not be pleased, but that our motive and object should be "not as pleasing men, but God." 1 Thess. 2:4. If we can please both God and men with our message, very well; but to modify our message for their sake is displeasing to God. There is a temptation to cater to the influential, especially if they are the financial backbone of the assembly and more so if our income depends upon their support. To be true to our message under these conditions requires an eye single to His glory to the extent of personal injury and loss. May we be able to say with Paul "I have NOT SHUNNED to declare unto you ALL the counsel of God." Acts 20:27, "neither at any time used we flattering words." 1 Thess. 2:5.

Not less important than the motives, are the methods. Oratorical ability does not compensate for lack of power. When accompanied with power it is a wonderful blessing, otherwise it remains but sounding brass. Moses was not an orator, his trouble was that he thought he had to be one, Exodus 4:10, and Paul did not use "excellency of speech," 1 Cor. 2:1, though he probably could have, i. e., "high-sounding phraseology." He preferred to stay on the level with his hearers, avoiding any show of higher education. A display of human wisdom and learning would have undoubtedly appealed to the Greeks. 1 Cor. 1:22. Instead, he refused to use "enticing (persuasive) words of man's wisdom," 1 Cor. 2:4, replying on the power of the Holy Ghost that their "faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God." 1 Cor. 2:5. Paul's exhortation to Timothy to "preach the Word," 2 Tim. 4:2, implied a warning not to be sidetracked into the labyrinth of false science and vain philosophies. Although these subjects have lost much of their original charm, others have taken their place. The study of current events in the light of prophecy has certainly a worthy

place of helpfulness, but the prominence given to political speculations in search for attractive topics is to be regretted. The riches of the Word are so varied and inexhaustible, that there is no valid excuse for going outside of its realm, building upon the quicksands of sensationalism. There is still a need for the injunction "Preach the Word," but "not in word only." 1 Thess. 1:5.

To drift into mere intellectualism is a constant danger and inevitable if there is not a systematic prayer life and an intimate fellowship with our Lord. Of Him it could be said, "Never man spake like this man," John 7:46, not because He was the Son of God, but because he yielded to his Father's will, delighted in His word and went frequently into a desert place apart to pray, resulting in an unbroken communion. The failure to follow Jesus in this example is the cause of a ministry on a mere intellectual plane. Martha's mistake was that she placed service above fellowship, and that mistake is being repeated to the great detriment of the gospel. Personal growth is necessary to maintain a life-giving ministry.

Our preaching may be doctrinally sound, given with pure motives and unquestionable sincerity but—"in word only." The intellect may be enlightened, the emotions may be stirred, and the soul gratified, but remaining barren. Many are the disappointments, few the results of that man whose ministry is "in word only." Paul's preaching was "also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance" (full conviction). 1 Thess. 1:5.

Well may we ponder the words, "O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust," 1 Tim. 6:20, and "If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles (mouthpiece) of God." 1 Peter 4:11.

Bible Study

1. Study it through. Never begin a day without mastering a verse.
2. Pray it in. Never leave your Bible until the passage you have studied is a part of your very being.
3. Put it down. The thought God gives you, put in the margin of your Bible or your note-book.
4. Work it out. Live the truth you get through all the hours of the day.
5. Pass it on. Seek to tell somebody what you have learned.

—J. Wilbur Chapman

"Only those who have no theory to defend, but the Word of God to follow, may hope to see the truth clearly, even in a measure. We have sighted truth at an angle at the best. Both knowledge and experience are but fragmentary."

I Am the Lord that Healeth Thee

Testimonies of those who have proved Him

A MARVELOUS HEALING

One of my limbs was three and a half inches shorter than the other, caused by a bone fracture. The doctor in a hospital in Columbus, Ohio, after an X-ray examination showed plainly a compound fracture of the hip bone, told me the bone could not be set and that he was sorry he could do nothing. I was doomed to be a cripple for the rest of my life as a false joint would form, which would prevent my straightening up. In time it developed much as the doctor had stated. I remained in this hospital for a few weeks then was taken to my home in Springfield, Ohio. I procured an eight-inch shoe with an extension of three and one half inches on the sole. Thus I walked with difficulty. I could not straighten up, as the false joint had formed, and I had to use a cane. I went to Pasadena, Calif. in 1918. There a lady asked me if I believed in prayer for Divine Healing. I replied that I had never heard of healing, and she told me about a mission in Pasadena where they believed in healing of the body, and said many had been healed. She advised me to go. She told me to read Mark 16:17-19 also Mark 5:25-34. In my desperate need, God made me willing to go and ask for prayer.

The pastor asked me if I was saved, and I replied, "I think so, as I am a member of the Baptist Church." He anointed me with oil according to James 5:14 and prayed the prayer of faith. Then he arose and shouted, "You are healed." He told me to praise and thank the Lord; but I didn't feel I was healed. However, I learned that feeling was not faith, but believing God's Word.

During three weeks after prayer, the Lord gave me a dislike for my big shoe. Everytime I took it off and put it on I felt like discarding it, and finally one morning I heard a gentle voice saying, "Your foot is healed." I looked to see who was speaking. No one was in sight, and as I meditated, the voice said again, "You are healed." I arose and said, "Lord is that You speaking?" and as faith came into my heart the work was done. Praise God forever!

I went into the house, remarking to the landlady, that I was getting ready to go to town and get some low shoes. She said, "Have you lost your mind?" I said, "No, I have just got my mind. Praise God!" So she went with me to a Los Angeles shoe store and I asked for low shoes. The clerk said, "You cannot put that extension on a low shoe." I said, "I am healed and don't need it." The expression on his face indicated that he thought I didn't know what I wanted and he hesitated about bringing any shoes. I told him to bring them or I would go to another store. Still he was reluctant to get them. Finally he brought several pairs, but didn't offer to assist me, thinking I didn't know much. I found a pair I liked, unlaced my big shoe, put on a low pair and got up Oh, Hallelujah, Praise God! I walked as straight as anybody. The hip joint went in place, the limb lengthened out, the false joint disappeared. Oh, words fail in which to

praise Him, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Hebrews 13:8; 11:1.

I walked up and down the rug, with my arms extended heavenward, shouting praises unto my God. The landlady who was with me told the clerk I had been prayed for and that I believed God's Word. He picked up my big shoe holding it up so all in the store could see, as they had noticed me when I walked in a cripple. They could not deny it, saying, "That is marvelous." I could not talk as there was such an inexpressible joy in my heart, and praise to my dear Redeemer for His wonderful mercy to me. So the words of the Pastor came true. I was slow in believing 1 Peter 2:24.

This healing led me to the salvation of my soul. Although I had been a church member a number of years, I have now a real salvation and have received the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. Jesus has now been my only Physician for over fifteen years. Praise unto my God for His abundant mercy.—Mrs. Florence Rivpel, 1306 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona, Dec. 11, 1936.

Ed. note—The above testimony was sent in by Evangelist S. B. Shaw, 2138 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona, and he vouches for the truth of it.

HEALED OF A CANCER

In October, 1931, a small pimple came on my forehead. Instead of going away, it kept getting larger. Dr. House gave me a written statement (Nov. 4, 1932) that it was a cancer. I told him I didn't want any treatments because I was trusting God. I began to seek God for faith to trust Him. I asked the saints of God and ministers to pray that God would increase my faith.

I would awake in the morning and find blood all over my pillow. It would bleed until I would almost faint. I would sit in the rocker in pain and call on God. I would say as David did in the Psalms, "Oh Lord, don't put me to shame."

One time when I was to be prayed for I went early in the morning to church to fast and pray. About one o'clock one of the sisters came in to pray with me. It seemed as though I was covered with rays and rays of sunshine from heaven. The light around my body hurt her eyes. I was singing in the Spirit. I was prayed for that night. But I had to keep trusting Him two years longer. Reader, don't turn back to man if you don't get healed right away. Just keep trusting God.

Many times I would go to pray and the cancer would start bleeding. The devil would try to get my mind off God. I would get up from prayer with blood all through my hair. But God was with me.

In 1933 I began to have heart attacks. It looked as though I was going to die. One night I had one attack after another. The Lord sent down His power and delivered me, but the cancer continued to pull the flesh around my face. My ears and eyes hurt so that it was almost unbearable. I could never tell anyone the pain I have gone through.

Then I began to break out in black spots.

I went to Dr. Schroeder to find out the cause of these spots on my body. He said the cancer was poisoning my blood.

In the summer of 1934 the cancer began to have an odor. In 1935 there were times when I could not walk across the house because of my weak heart and the loss of blood.

I decided to go to the camp meeting at Lincoln to be prayed for. At the altar call I would go to the prayer room and seek God for faith. The night Dr. Price was to pray for the sick, I sat in my seat and talked to God. The Lord showed me He was going to heal me. It would dry up and go away. The rest of the time at camp meeting I was free to worship God.

However, after I came home from camp meeting, I had my worst test. I suffered all night with the cancer. But I was not to be defeated. God had shown me He would heal me. I got up on the edge of the bed and defied the devil. I told him that God had healed me, and that he was not going to defeat me.

God kept His promise. Wonderful Saviour! The cancer did dry up. As it fell away, new flesh filled in. It took almost a year for the cancer to leave. Now the only way one can tell I ever had a cancer is by the new tender flesh. How wonderful it is to be free after being tormented for five years.—Mrs. Jeanette Wilkins, 2465 Center Street, Granite City, Ill.

Ed. note—Accompanying the above testimony are the signed statements of W. W. Shouse, M.D., Pastor E. H. Chamberlain, and District Superintendent Arthur Bell. Dr. Shouse says he examined Mrs. Wilkins in 1932 and she had a cancer on her forehead; but that although he never treated her she had no cancer in 1936. Her pastor, Brother Chamberlain vouches for the truth of her testimony, as also does Brother Bell.

GOD STILL HEALS GRACIOUSLY

On the occasion of his recent visit to Cape Town, South Africa, according to the *Cape Times*, Smith Wigglesworth from the platform called upon those who wanted healing and believed God would heal them through faith, to stand. Almost half the great congregation of about 2,000 leaped to their feet. He prayed for them, telling them to place their hands on the part of their body that needed healing. Then he said, "In the name of Jesus you are healed."

Among those who had stood was a cripple boy in the back of the congregation. Seeing him the preacher said,

"In the name of the Lord I command you to run."

Down the aisle dashed the youth to the place where the preacher was standing, and then ran back to his seat. With tears in his eyes he declared, "I am cured."

The preacher demanded to know who of those standing besides the boy, had been healed. He told them to sit as a sign that they had been healed. Thereupon hundreds among them sat down. He then called those who still stood to the platform, and prayed for them again one by one.

If preaching is to reach the unchurched, it must begin by reaching the unsaved already within its reach. The most effective preaching for reaching the outsider is the preaching that converts every insider into a missionary, and sends every hearer to tell others the things he has heard.—Samuel Chadwick.

The Passing and the Permanent

A Review of Current Life and Thought in the Light of Scripture

ISRAEL'S HOPE

Declared Dr. Hertz, Chief Rabbi of Great Britain: "As Jews, we cling to the divine promise of Israel's resurrection in the Holy Land, the hope that has been the spiritual lodestar of Israel's wanderings during 1,800 years."

PALESTINE'S POPULATION

According to the British Colonial Secretary, the number of Jewish immigrants to Palestine registered in 1935 was 61,554. Of these 8,630 came from Germany and 27,843 from Poland. There are in Palestine 848,000 Moslems, 370,000 Jews, and 106,000 Christians. This excludes the nomadic Bedouins, who according to the 1931 Census, amount to 66,000. In all, this gives a population of just over 1,335,000.

CRIME

The magazine *This Week*, is quoted as stating that America's current annual crime bill is fifteen billion dollars. Stated simply, that amounts to \$120 a year or \$10 a month for every man, woman and child in the United States. Every year our prison population increases by 25,000 inmates. Felonies now number 5,000 a day, or more than 1,500,000 annually. The federal government records 5,000,000 persons in its criminal files, and estimates that 500,000 professional criminals are at large. According to one authority, 135,000 murderers are at large, or more than all the policemen in the land.

THE PALESTINE DILEMMA

The Arabs protest that they are being forced out of their land and that they are battling for their homeland. The Jews protest that Gentile lands are turning against them and they must have some place to go, and what better country than the land of their forefathers? Such is the Palestine problem. Mr. Edwyn Robert Bevan, English historian, makes the suggestion that the present dilemma in Palestine might be solved by having large numbers of Palestine Arabs migrate to Iraq where there is room for millions, thus adding to the development of Iraq, which needs both men and money, and at the same time making room for more Jews to come to Palestine.

CHRISTIANITY'S PROSPECTS IN JAPAN

"Because there are but 350,000 Christians in Japan out of a population of 65,000,000, many count the work of Christianity in the Rising Sun Empire a failure," writes Elmer E. Elms. "One of Japan's leading dailies recently said editorially: 'The question is moral rather than numerical. Christianity is giving to the nation a new conscience.' A high official said Christianity has rendered a service far out of proportion to the number of its adherents."

"In 1873 there were signs on the roads running out of Tokio, 'Death to all Christians,' 'Death to Christ himself if he comes this way.' Now Christianity, by Imperial edict, is one of the three official religions of Japan—Shintoism, Buddhism and Christianity. Last year a Christian daily was launched at Tokio, named, 'The Christ Religion Newspaper.'"

FILMING THE BIBLE

It is reported that a retired Presbyterian minister of Los Angeles is undertaking a campaign for the filming of Biblical stories. We have no sympathy with Hollywood thus making merchandise of the gospel.

It is our conviction, that the Bible incidents, preached in the power of the Spirit, are indeed already moving pictures. They move the soul!

WHO RULES RUSSIA?

Writes Keith L. Brooks in *Prophecy*: "As for the story that the chief officials of the Soviet government are all Jews, *Current History* (November), shows that of the ten members of the Politburo, only one is a Jew—Kaganovitch—while the rest, (Stalin, Ordjonikidze, Voroshilov, Kalinin, Molotov, Andreev, Kocior, Mikoyan and Tchubar), are pure Russians, Ukrainians, or Georgians. As for the Council of the People's Commissars, who were elected in 1935 by the seventh Congress of the Soviets, the president and the vice president are not Jews, while the four Jews among the sixteen commissars are in no way identified with Jewry. Even in the Comintern (Communist International) itself, the number of Jews is very small."

Questions and Answers

Do the terms "born of God" and "begotten of God" in 1 John 5:18 mean the same?

We believe they do.

Does "casting lots" in Matt. 27:35 have the same meaning as in Acts 1:26?

We believe the methods used were similar. In the latter case, however, God was asked to direct the voting.

Does "the chariots shall be with flaming torches in the day of his preparation," refer to the automobiles of today? Nah. 2:3, 4.

The Scofield Bible says the entire prophecy of Nahum had reference to the destruction of Nineveh. Many believe, however, that the verses describing the chariots which "run like lightnings" and "jostle one another in the broad ways" has a specific application to the days in which we live, announcing to us that we are now in the days of preparation for the coming of Christ. Since much prophecy has both a near view and a far view interpretation, it is probable that the Spirit saw the mad rush of modern vehicles as far back as Nahum's time, B. C. 713.

Does Jonah 2:2 mean that Jonah was literally in hell, or was he in the body of the whale?

In answer we quote from the note on Hab. 2:5 from the Scofield Bible. "Scripture reveals hell (*sheol* in O. T., *hades* in N. T.) as a place of sorrow (2 Sam. 22:6), into which the wicked are turned (Psalm 9:17), and where they are fully conscious (Isa. 14:9-17), see, especially John 2:2; what the belly of the great fish was to Jonah, that *sheol* is to those who are therein." Jonah was not literally in *sheol*, but was in the fish.—E. S. W.

EVIL COMMUNICATIONS CORRUPT

Commenting on the abdication of King Edward VIII, the London *Times* says concerning this monarch: "He was unfortunate, no doubt, in some of his intimates; but he also had advisers who served him with courage and prudence, and it would have been well if he could have brought himself to prefer them to the others. . . ."

"His Majesty's circle was too largely composed of men and women, some of them of high birth and all of them remote from 'the people,' who cared far less for his welfare than for their own amusement."

It reminds us of the story of Rehoboam who forsook the counsel of the old men and took that of his young and foolish companions instead. The result was that he lost most of his kingdom, ten of the twelve tribes revolting. King Edward has lost his entire kingdom. And yet how many today are rejecting the counsel of God and choosing instead the pleasures of sin for a season, and are thereby forfeiting that wonderful inheritance, the kingdom of God. Gal. 5:17-21.

SOVIET HYPOCRISY

The Soviet contention that religious liberty exists in Russia is a hypocritical pretense. The government apparently permits churches to function but passes laws that makes it impossible for them to exist.

"Generally churches are closed on one of three pretexts," we read in *Revelation*. "The congregation may be told that traffic is increasing to such an extent that it will be necessary to remove the building. This, at times, occurs in side streets where no other building is touched, and where there is no traffic problem. Or the local Soviet may increase the taxes on church property again and again so that the group of believers is utterly unable to pay them. The Soviet then says that there is not sufficient interest in the church and it is evident that it is no longer needed. The third method is a variation of the second; the local Soviet orders repairs and improvements on the building at prices that are so high, since the government must furnish the materials, that the congregation is unable to meet the bill."

PERSECUTING JEWS

One of the outstanding signs of the times is the growing world-wide antipathy to the Jew. Two countries, Spain and Italy, bid fair to join the anti-Semitic combination against Israel.

Gen. Emilio Mola of the Spanish rebel army, is quoted as saying,

"Spain will be governed in a fashion which will make it impossible for power ever again to fall into the hands of dirty politicians, Free Masons, Jews and similar parasites on human society."

The first intimation that anti-Semitism may be used in the future by Italian Fascism is contained in an anti-Semitic editorial published recently by *Regime Fascista*, in Cremona, Italy. It attacks Jews for "supporting" Bolshevism in France and Spain.

The editorial could not, of course, have been published without the approval of Mussolini's severe press censors. It "expressed agreement with Goebbels' anti-Bolshevist and anti-Jewish declarations," according to universal News Service, "pointing out that Il Duce had voiced similar view more than a decade ago."

The Gospel in Foreign Lands

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BIBLE SCHOOL IN NORTH CHINA

After receiving rich blessings during the native fellowship conference, which was held on the premises of the Bible Institute and was attended by a record crowd of native workers, the Bible school commenced in real earnest on September 15, 1936. Many precious young men and women have come from various provinces of China to dedicate their lives to the Lord and to prepare themselves for future service by studying God's age-abiding Word here at the Truth Bible Institute.

There is an enrollment of nearly fifty students, for which we surely praise the Lord. The students are kept busy not only with their study periods and seasons of devotion and prayer, but the Lord has graciously opened many doors for them to go out and preach to others this wonderful gospel with its life-giving power. Some of the students, especially those who had not received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit, have felt their great need of spiritual power. The Lord has started to pour out His Spirit upon them and four have thus far been filled. Praise God, His promises are sure: "I will pour water upon him that is thirsty and floods upon the dry ground." We are looking to the Lord for great things and we know He is able who has promised also to do it.

We know that many of you in the homeland are standing with us in prayer and support and we greatly desire that you will continue to remember the Truth Bible Institute with its great spiritual need before the throne of grace.

Yours for a Bible-trained ministry,
Brother and Sister Bard

A NEW POSTER!

We are glad to announce that we have another new poster ready for a prominent place on the wall of your assembly hall or class room. This is a large poster, made up in two colors, and one of the most appealing we have ever sent out. We believe it will be of great value in stimulating interest in missions and an inspiration to all to send the Bread of life to millions

of hungry, perishing souls for whom Christ died.

We are not making any charge for this poster, but are sending it out to all who would like to have it. There is, however, considerable expense in connection with the printing and mailing of it and we should appreciate it if those writing in for the poster would enclose a dime or ten cents in stamps to help defray this expense. We also send out missionary tracts and such literature as we have regarding our work free upon request and are always grateful for small offerings for our Missionary Literature Fund.

Address your request to FOREIGN MIS-

work here in Cairo still goes on in soul-saving power, especially in the women's meetings. These women know no half-way measures and show forth reality in their home life. In and around Cairo we have sixteen women's meetings.

"At Papadoublo three years ago a young missionary opened a small school. We have at present about 75 children, the most of them being between the ages of five and seven years. They receive an ordinary education, have an hour daily in the study of the Scriptures and open school in the morning with a good season of prayer. Then Sunday morning there is a good Sunday School. We expect to open meetings in this place in the near future, as the school is only a means to an end. A women's meeting has already been asked for.

"Our Arabic paper 'The Morning Star' published since 1920 has a greater demand than ever. The monthly issue of 3400 papers is unequal to the demand. It reaches the remotest parts of Egypt, also the Sudan, Palestine, Syria, and Tunis."

At a later writing Brother and Sister Randall report: "A report comes from the pastor of the Assiut Church that a revival started in a village near there and that now a church has been opened under the direction of the Assiut Church. Already twelve men

have received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, besides the women and children. Some have been saved and baptized in Cairo and a woman, who had three devils cast out of her is now saved and filled with the Spirit. The women's meeting that was asked for at Papadoublo where the school is, has now been started with a weekly attendance of twenty-five."

"A CERTAIN MAN WENT DOWN"

Miss H. A. Tieleman

The two accompanying pictures tell a story better than words can describe of the misery, poverty and degradation of the narcotic victims, of which Shansi Province has more than her share. The first picture was taken by myself and is by no means an exceptional case; there are literally thousands just like him.

After taking this picture I learned that



Student body and faculty of the Truth Bible Institute, Peip'ing, China. Brothers W. W. Simpson and B. T. Bard in middle of front row

SIONS DEPARTMENT, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.

GOSPEL SPREADING IN EGYPT

An encouraging report comes from Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Randall concerning the growth of the work in Egypt. They write: "The greater part of Egypt consists of the narrow, fertile valley of the Nile between two mountain ranges, the total length being about 740 miles. We can now claim to have reached 430 miles of the entire length. The way has been opened to press on and with our good facilities the goal can be reached in quick order. Money will wonderfully help in this noble purpose.

"Our dear Egyptian ministers are shining examples of sacrifice. During many years of trials they closed their ears to tempting offers from other societies, saying, 'We'd rather starve than give up Pentecost.' So we have a ministry to be relied upon. Our

this man was related to one of our Christians, named Wong. Mrs. Wong, herself, was a victim of this terrible evil at one time, but has been delivered and is now a believer. She and Mr. Wong devote practically all their time to helping just such people to believe on the Lord and consequently to be rid of this terrible habit. Naturally, they wanted to help their own cousin, whose picture accompanies this account, but twice they have taken him into their home and helped him, out-fitted him with clothes, but all in vain, for he pawned the clothes and went back to his old habit again.

The second picture shows the same man, less than eight years before. At that time he was prosperous and was the village Elder. It was about that time that our tent went to this village. Had he only accepted the Lord then, what a difference it would have made in his life. Beloved, won't you take this man, and many like him on your heart, so that we may be able to print another picture of him, redeemed and delivered?



Eight years before as a prosperous Village Elder.

Beginning with January, 1937, the death penalty will be meted out to all engaged in the use or sale of narcotic drugs. No trial will be granted them,

but offenders will be killed on the spot. All victims are strongly urged to cure themselves before the new year. If this is really carried out, it will mean that more than half of the population will be killed. I was told that in Ta Ch'ang cheap coffins are being made already to take care of those who will be executed. Will you pray with us that this will be the time when many of these poor souls will turn to the Lord?

Unwanted!

Besides the evangelistic work, we also have a small orphanage, consisting of sixteen children. Many girl babies are unwanted in China, the reason for this being that the Chinese feel that it is a losing proposition to keep them. Boys carry the family name, and even after their father gets them a wife, they continue to live at home bringing the bride into the parental home. There she becomes the servant to the mother-in-law and to the family in general. Although the parents of the girl usually get a dowry at the time of the engagement yet even so to raise girls is not profitable.

Therefore many girls are discarded as soon as they are born. Often the young child is given to a beggar for him to dispose of in any way he sees fit, and for this service he is given twenty or thirty cents. Some of the children we have in the orphanage have been brought here by beggars, others by some relative or friend of the family. One baby was brought here by a stranger who came upon our place one cold morning. He had wrapped her in his own coat and

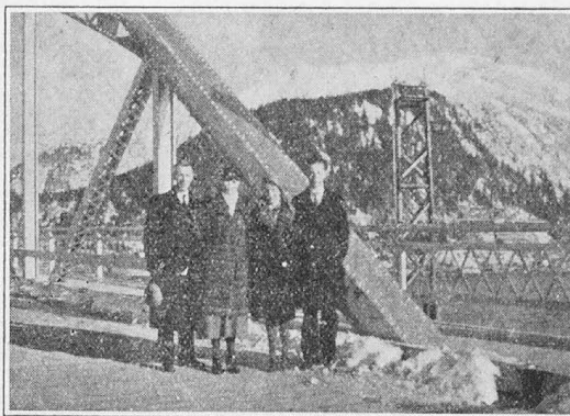
brought her to us, saying that there were three big dogs waiting near by for her to breathe her last and then pounce upon her when he found her.

We do not have the time or the money



Stripped of clothing, robbed of health—a victim of the narcotic habit

to take in all the babies we are asked to take, and although it is heart-rending, many times we just have to turn them away. Out of our sixteen children only four have regular support. We should appreciate your prayers in behalf of this need. It costs only three dollars a month to support a child, and even less is acceptable. Maybe the Lord will speak to someone reading these lines to do something for these children in a financial way. Also pray that each one of them may have a real born-again experience as they become old enough to understand spiritual things. Offerings for this work should be designated "For Stephany Orphanage, China" and sent to the Foreign Missions Department, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Personeus and children, Anna Mae and Byron

WITNESSING IN MONGOLIA

Miss Marie Stephany

The Mongolians are very superstitious people, making it very difficult for the gospel messenger to gain entrance into their homes. When finally given the privilege of entering, he finds many strange sights and customs. The house is very dirty, the fuel used is cow dung, the dishes, instead of being washed, are licked, each member of the family licking his own bowl. When tea is set before the guests, it is not always the most appetizing, but the host is greatly offended if his guest does not drink, so it must be done. Every home has many idols, some similar to the Chinese gods.

Mr. Ren, our worker in Mongolia, was once welcomed into a home because he was taken to be a doctor, and the man in question had two very bad sores. Mr. Ren told him that he had no medicine but said he would pray for him in the Name of Jesus. After telling the man how the Lord healed all manner of disease when on earth, he prayed for him. For three days he prayed before he saw any improvement, but having asked the Lord to perform special miracles to convince the superstitious Mongolians, he believed the Lord would do so. After three days the sores dried up. Praise the Lord.

Mr. Tai Dia was blind in both eyes. After Mr. Ren prayed for him he could see a little and from that time on his eyes improved gradually until he regained normal sight. Because of this manifestation of the reality and power of God, he and his entire family believed on the Lord. Now this man goes with Mr. Ren into Inner Mongolia, driving the ox cart. Another man, who had been a hopeless cripple for many years was entirely healed after prayer. For this he is so grateful that he gave his own ox and cart and driver, and he also goes along with Mr. Ren to help preach the gospel. This man, since he speaks both the Chinese and Mongolian languages, is very profitable for our work in Mongolia.

Strange Customs

Instead of burying the dead as is the custom in China and most other countries, in Mongolia the dead are cast away for the dogs and wolves to feed upon. After three days, if the corpse is still there, a priest is called to offer special prayer for the deceased, as it is then thought that he must have been unusually wicked since even the animals won't eat him. Another very peculiar custom is that the family of the deceased gives each of the friends and neighbors who come to console the family one dollar. Thus quite a bit of expense is attached to a funeral, so the poorer people in order to stretch the money, cut each dollar in two, and so it serves for two people instead of one. Another way of disposing of the dead is to pour kerosene over the burial clothes and then burn the deceased in an open field. This custom is not used very often, and then only by the rich.

ALASKA MISSIONARIES ATTEND CONVENTION

"The first consolidated convention of the Canadian-American Pentecostal Assemblies of the northern district was (Continued on Page Eleven)

The Sunday School Lesson

Noah and the Ark

Lesson for January 24. Lesson Text: Genesis 5:1-11:32.

Walking with God. From the beginning there were two classes of men on the earth, the seed of Cain who "went out from the presence of the Lord" to live in complete independence of Him, to go his "own way," which is the very essence of sin; and the seed of Seth who began "to call upon the name of the Lord," realizing their need of Him, and living in dependence upon and in fellowship with Him. Enoch was an outstanding example of this class. "Enoch walked with God." Instead of going "own way" he went the way God wanted him to go, keeping close to Him who is the great Shepherd of the sheep. One day Enoch was translated. Before this he had the witness borne to him that he had pleased God. Heb. 11:5. Enoch was conscious of his need of his divine Guide and he discovered that He is a great rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. "Those that seek ME early shall find me." Prov. 8:17.

No longer separated. There came a time when the godly seed of Seth no longer maintained their separate walk but became unequally yoked with the unbelieving seed of Cain. Scofield tells us that some believe that the "sons of God" spoken of in Genesis 6:2 were "angels which kept not their first estate." Jude 6. But this he shows to be a great error, for the angels, according to Christ, are never married nor given in marriage. Matt. 22:30. When men come out from the present evil world and become separate unto God, He will receive them, and be a Father unto them (2 Cor. 6:17, 18), but when they deliberately refuse to continue in the way of separation, failure and disaster will inevitably follow.

"As it was." The world became corrupt, violence was everywhere, every imagination of the thoughts of man was only evil continually, until there was but one remedy—judgment. "As it was in the days of Noah," our Lord warns us, and "as it was in the days of Lot"—corruption and violence everywhere—"so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man." Sure and certain judgment must follow. Men sneeringly ask, "Where is the promise of his coming? You folk are always talking about the coming of Christ, but we reject all you say as nonsense. All things continue as they were." Peter charges these scoffers with willful ignorance—they willfully reject the story of the Flood. He warns us that the day of the Lord will surely come with judgment and fire, when the heavens shall pass away with a

great noise, and the earth also and the works therein shall be burned up. And this certain knowledge, he shows us, must be to us an incentive to holiness, urging us to be diligent, that we be found in Christ, without spot, and blameless.

"Noah found grace . . . was a just (righteous) man, and perfect" (upright or sincere.) He was conscious of his need of grace, and he discovered a way of coming to the throne of grace, to receive from the God of all grace, His all sufficient grace. Grace to live uprightly! Not to be a stumbling block to others by an inconsistent life. No unpaid debts. No borrowing and forgetting to repay—which is simply one way of disobeying God's command, "Thou shalt not steal." Peter cried, "Save yourselves from this untoward (literally, crooked) generation." The Lord means all His people, especially those who are His ministers, to live as examples of honesty and righteousness. How awful it is when a saint has unpaid debts, or has borrowed money and not repaid it.

Warnings. Noah did not walk with the crowd. He walked with God. God caused him to know what was going to happen and showed him what to do. He also will show us by the Spirit what will happen and also what we should do. "By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his house." Heb. 11:7. When Noah

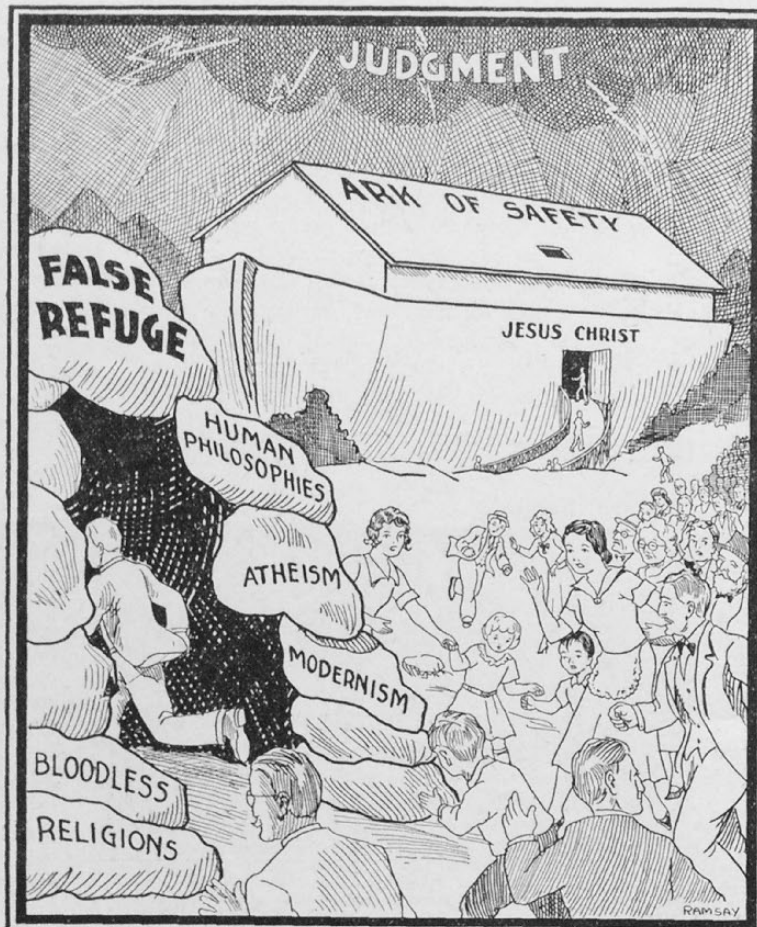
built that ark according to the minute specifications God gave him, it spoke loudly to all around that a great judgment was coming, and that unless they repented they should not escape. There comes a time, however, after men have deliberately and persistently rejected the strivings of the Holy Spirit and the truth He brings, when they are turned over to strong delusion and they believe every lie of Satan which contradicts the Word of God.

The invitation. The day came when Noah, that "preacher of righteousness," had sounded out his last warning and God bade him, "Come thou and all thy house into the ark." That word "Come" suggests that God was already in the ark to welcome him. Centuries later we hear the word, "Come unto me," from the lips of the matchless Son of God. He is the Ark in which God dwells, for God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself. In Him we are perfectly safe. Preserved in Jesus Christ! Jude 1. This preservation is not only for ourselves but for our whole household. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." Acts 16:31.

Utter destruction. That ark was a floating zoo. We are not told that Noah had to make any cages for the birds or animals—earnest of that day when the curse shall be removed and they shall not hurt nor destroy in all His holy mountain. Isa. 11:9. "It came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth." Gen. 7:10. The Lord will take care of His own in plenty of time before the floodgates of judgment come upon the earth. Then came that tremendous flood and the utter destruction of the ungodly, prophetic of that day of impending judgment when the Lord shall come with flaming fire taking vengeance on the wicked, who shall be punished with utter and eternal destruction. 2 Thess. 1:8, 9.

Not forgotten. "God remembered Noah." "Jesus will bless you," said a tiny tot to a missionary setting forth. "But maybe He will forget me," said the missionary, wondering what the child would say. "Jesus never forgets!" said the little one. The Lord will not forget to keep us and to preserve us unto the end, for He has our names engraved upon the palms of His hands. Those nail prints in His palms are to Him an eternal reminder of those He has redeemed. He has for them an unfading inheritance reserved in heaven; and He further says, "The meek shall inherit the earth." He whom God has appointed "heir of all things"—that is, of the entire universe—will share His inheritance with His redeemed. Noah came out to inherit the judgment-cleansed earth; and yet how soon we see unrighteousness once more asserting itself. But after God's final judgment, He will bring in a new heaven and a new earth in which righteousness shall dwell eternally.

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The Way of Salvation

AFTER MANY DAYS

About seven years ago with Mr. Arthur McKee, the Gospel singer, I conducted a union revival meeting in the city of St. Paul, Minn. During that campaign, one Sunday morning we were invited to take a service at the Stillwater penitentiary. When Mr. McKee and I arrived, there was a large orchestra playing just in front of the platform. The musicians were all prisoners. They were playing one of the old hymns of the church. After we had taken our places on the platform, the prisoners came filing in under the leadership of their guards—about 50 in each group. The auditorium was very quickly filled, indeed, it was only a matter of minutes until every seat was occupied. Apart from the striped suits, and the paths of the whole thing, they were just about the finest group of men that I had ever addressed.

After a brief word of prayer by the chaplain, Mr. McKee sang a great Gospel hymn about a world where hearts grow weary and tired, and about a Name that can set that world on fire. While he was singing, there came that sense of Divine Presence that all true believers experience from time to time when assembled in His Name. I preached that morning on the power of the Gospel to deliver, from Romans 1:16. I did not stress the fact of sin, for there was no need of that under those conditions. Those men recognized that they were sinners, but I did emphasize the power of the Gospel to deliver from both the guilt and the power of sin through the redemption which we have in Christ Jesus.

Just three years later I was speaking at a Bible Conference, and the closing evening I spoke to young people especially. At the conclusion of the address a large number went into the prayer room for definite consecration of life to God. I noticed a young man who had been ushering on one of the aisles taking a great interest in all the young men, seeming so happy as they went forth to that place of prayer. I said to him at the close of the service, "You seem to be enjoying yourself very much tonight." He said, "I certainly am. But I think I shall tell you who I am. You know," he said, "we have met before. Indeed, I was converted through hearing you preach a sermon on Romans 1:16." When I inquired as to where we had met, he remarked, "Oh, you wouldn't know me. I was not introduced to you, I wasn't dressed like I am tonight, indeed, I did not have a name that morning when I heard that sermon, I was just a number. It was in Stillwater Penitentiary. I sat right down before you about half-way back in that auditorium, and my heart was filled with *hell* and with *hate*. I only had about three months more to go, and I lived in the thought of returning to this city as soon as I was free, to get even with three men, and then I would be perfectly prepared to come back here and 'burn' for it all. That was my attitude towards society as I sat in that Sunday morning service. But while you spoke of the redemption which we have

in Christ Jesus, what it cost God to make possible our deliverance from the power and guilt of sin, there came a great change over me. I could not understand myself. I was at the point of tears a half-a-dozen times, but you know," he said, "a fellow wouldn't dare do any weeping before that bunch of men, and I was glad when I could get away by myself in the little cell, and there beside my cot I knelt before the God of my father, and called upon Him in the Name of Christ to deliver me from the thralldom of sin, and I know that He did it right there, for oh, the change that came over me was so great! My heart was now filled, not with hate, but with love for men. I wanted then to come back to this city not to get even with somebody, but to show my friends how great a change God can make in a life when we give Him the chance to do it.

"I did not know how I would be received here where the people knew so much about my life of sin, but, do you know, the officials in this church, where my father was once a worshiper, received me with an open heart and a glad hand, and they have actually given me something to do in connection with the Lord's house here."

The gospel of Christ is still the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. Put your faith in the Christ who died for your sins, and now lives to be a Saviour indeed to you.—P. W. Philpot.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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The raven and the dove. Noah sent forth a raven, an unclean bird, and this bird did not return. Like Satan it would be ever "going to and fro in the earth"—a picture of utter restlessness. Then he sent forth a dove, but there was no place for it to rest, and so it returned to the ark. There was no permanent abiding place on the earth for God's heavenly Dove, the Holy Spirit, until a day, when John was baptizing by Jordan's banks, and there came One of whom God bore witness, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Upon Him the heavenly Dove abode. He was the solitary Olive Branch that ascended to glory after He was raised from the dead. But on the day of Pentecost, the heavenly Dove, the Holy Spirit, was poured forth—to remain with His church until the end.

God's promise. God entered into a new covenant with Noah and his seed. And God has a new covenant, of which His Son is the Mediator, a covenant to put His laws in our hearts and minds and to remember our sins and iniquities no more. It is a covenant of eternal grace, bringing to all those who enter it an eternal redemption from all evil.—S. H. F.

WANTS OLD PICTURE ROLLS

Brother James Salter, Mwanza Mission C. E. M., Sac Priv., Elizabethville, Congo Belge, Africa, would greatly appreciate it if assemblies who have Sunday School picture rolls in good condition, dealing with the life of Christ, could mail them to him. He would especially like used rolls for the second quarter of 1936. If you send these rolls see that they are well wrapped.

Seed Thoughts

Gathered by Alice E. Lyce

Where you turn your eyes, there will your whole body be turned.

Someone has said, "Look up, and your feet will follow your eyes."

Certain it is that as Christian workers the first thing we need is a vision.

When we look *around* we see nothing to inspire but everything to depress us.

When we look *inside* we see our many failings, and we are tempted to be discouraged.

When we look *up* we catch the vision of what God can do, and are lifted away from ourselves and our failures to anchor our faith on HIM.

But the vision alone is not enough. It must be followed by a life of *obedience*, or it will only add to our condemnation.

Can you say with Paul, "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision"? Acts 26:19. Where the eyes are fixed let the feet follow.

ALASKA MISSIONARIES ATTEND CONVENTION

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held in Prince Rupert Pentecostal Assembly, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. There were present workers and delegates from various points, including Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Personeus from Juneau and Josephine Gilmore and Berta Vaughn from Ketchikan. The names of the above appeared in the Prince Rupert Daily News.

Mrs. Gilmore writes: "Indeed it was a great time of blessed fellowship, with some saved and some filled with the Holy Spirit. I stayed over for some special meetings and two were saved. Then I came to Terrace for a meeting and last night a goodly number were present, several raised hands for prayer and four girls gave their hearts to Christ. Several are tarrying for the Holy Spirit.

"Please pray for Alaska in general. The strike has tied up all our American ships and the territory is suffering for the want of food. Potatoes, fruits, and green vegetables were long ago exhausted; eggs, butter, and milk are not to be had."

Brother and Sister Personeus write: "It was a blessed privilege to meet some Pentecostal brethren in this northland. Those few days in Prince Rupert were the first time we had been out of Alaska for thirteen years. We returned to Juneau Thanksgiving day and were glad to be back for the anniversary service. We held our first service in Juneau nineteen years ago."

DARDANELLE, ARK.—We have just closed a 4 weeks' revival conducted by Evangelist W. A. Lawson. His old-time, straightforward gospel messages drew large crowds to the services each night. Twelve were saved in the old-time way. All departments of the church were built up. The C. A. class reached its largest number in the history of the church, there being an overflowing crowd of 128 young people in the class.—L. R. Hampton, Pastor.

In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

NEWCASTLE, TEXAS.—Carl Alcorn and Party, Oklahoma City, Okla., closed a revival here December 6. Several were saved or reclaimed. The town was stirred. The Word of God was preached in Spirit and power.—C. R. Ferren, Pastor.

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.—We have just closed a 10-day meeting, H. E. Shaw, Evangelist. Our church was greatly benefited. Paul V. Chambers also spent a week-end with us and was a blessing, especially to the C. A's. Our church and Sunday School are growing.—Rob't. C. Sellers.

FLOYD, ARK.—We praise the Lord for a 10-day revival campaign conducted by Carroll F. and Althea L. Grady, Evangelist-Singers, of Monette. We have been without a pastor for some time, and although we were greatly handicapped by the weather, Brother and Sister Grady's services were uplifting to all of us.—C. J. Fansler, Secretary.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.—Brother and Sister William Panos conducted a revival here, in which 10 or 12 prayed through to salvation, 8 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, and 8 said they wanted to join the church. These times of refreshing surely do encourage us to press on.—W. A. Vanzant, Pastor.

FORT COLLINS, COLO.—We have enjoyed the blessings of the Lord in our revival efforts here. In the month of October Thomas Mendenhall, Des Moines, Iowa, was with us 2 weeks. Then on November 24, Brother and Sister Vernon M. Murray, Dallas, Texas, began a campaign which continued 3 weeks. Many sought the Lord and good crowds attended. God blessed the messages in sermon and song. Some were added to our fellowship. We broadcast the "Gospel Half Hour" each Sunday morning over Station KFKA Greeley, 880 kilos., 9:00-9:30 M. S. T.—R. A. McClure.

KERMIT, TEXAS—September, 1935, Sister Massey came here and began prayer meetings in the little trailer houses, commencing every morning at 9:30. There were only four to pray, but God began to move and to send help. In June, 1936, she began to build. The Lord was in the work, and on September 19-20 Brother A. C. Bates set the church in order. At the present time we have our church completed, size 24x36, and a parsonage has been built at the back of the church. October 11, Sister Massey resigned as pastor, and the church called J. E. Young, of Snyder, to take the work. He began a revival, and the Lord wonderfully blessed. Eighteen were saved, 3 received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, and 14 names were added to the assembly roll. Among those saved was a man 73 years old who had not been to church for 12 years. He gave a wonderful testimony. All Council ministers passing this way will find a hearty welcome.—Mrs. Fronia Bivins, Secretary-Treasurer.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—We are grateful to the Lord for the good revival which He has just given us. Mrs. Edith Brown, of Springfield, was the evangelist and was with us 4 weeks. Twenty-two were saved, 8 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and 9 were baptized in water.—J. E. Wilson, East Side Mission.

TERRELL, TEXAS.—We have just closed a 3 weeks' meeting, J. Horace Williams, Evangelist. God's blessing rested upon every service. Many were convicted and over 20 came to the altar and gave their hearts to God. The church as a whole was greatly blessed and taken deeper with the Lord.—L. W. Suter, Pastor.

KANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

The 19th Annual Council of the Kansas District was held in the Kansas City Full Gospel Tabernacle. God's blessing was felt throughout the services and the time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord will long be remembered. Brother J. R. Flower was the main speaker. The messages he brought from the Word were rich indeed and meat to our souls.

Visiting brethren ministered in most of the evening services. A precious ordination service was held on Thanksgiving morning, at which time Brother P. C. Nelson brought a message on "Abide in Jesus." The predominant note of this Council seemed to be the "Deeper Life," and our attention was constantly called to consecration. The last meeting closed with a precious altar consecration service.

These days of fellowship meant much to everyone present. God has been blessing the District through the past year.—Claude J. Utley, Secretary-Treasurer.

LAKEPORT, CALIF.—A 4 weeks' campaign has just been conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. E. Wm. Anderson, with the blessing of God resting upon each service. A number came forward for salvation, and several testified to definite healing of the body. There were two outstanding healings. A baby had been given up to die by one of the local doctors; the prayer of faith was prayed, and the Lord instantly healed. An elderly woman was healed of rheumatism. She had used a cane for years, but when prayed for the Lord definitely touched her and she threw her cane away. The crowds throughout the campaign were encouraging, some nights there being a record-breaking attendance. Brother Anderson's messages were very inspiring and uplifting to both saved and unsaved, and the revival closed with a splendid spirit existing and the tide running high.—Arthur Hyland, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—The 42nd Annual Thanksgiving Convention of Highway Mission Tabernacle concluded, on December 6, a 3 weeks' revival campaign, of which we may truthfully say, The days of refreshing were upon us. H. Earl Winburn, Winnipeg, Canada, was the evangelist, and the fruit of his ministry certainly commends the efforts expended. Over 70 found their way to the altars in repentance, many weeping and others making strong cryings unto God for mercy. Among those who found the Lord was a dear little Catholic girl who was saved and filled with the Holy Spirit within half an hour, her face radiant with joy and peace, and she scarcely knew how to express herself after rising from prayer. Four were filled with the Holy Spirit. Among them was a Methodist sister, whose testimony has since aroused considerable interest in her home church. Many testified to wonderful healings. One sister who a few months ago was sent home from the hospital to die, informed by the doctors there was no hope for her, and in constant pain for over three years, now praises God for complete healing. She now walks to and from her home to the church several times a week.

The spiritual tide engendered by the convention is reaching out through all departments of the church. We have been privileged to serve as pastor here for only 10 months but we rejoice to report progress in many ways. The Lord has enabled Highway Tabernacle to take over the full support of another missionary, making 7 adults and 4 children now fully supported. Both the Sunday School and the Young People are completely reorganizing their departments. November 21, we began a series of radio programs scheduled to run for a year. The program is known as "Voices of Peace," and is conducted from the church from 11:00 to 11:30 p. m. over Station WIP, on Saturday evenings. The blessing of the Lord is upon us, and we are confidently looking forward to a New Year productive of glorious results.—Wesley R. Steelberg, Pastor.

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Power, Love and a Sound Mind

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when I am in God's Atlantic and there is nothing in front, I can go full speed ahead, but when I get in to dock I slow down. Praise God for the power of love.

I like that last thing in this threefold positive. It says He has given us a sound mind. They tell us we are mad, they say all sorts of things about us, but I say this Baptism in the Holy Ghost and the grace of God gives us a sound mind—spiritual sense. Thank God for lots of men and women today who have come to their spiritual senses. In other places the same thing is described as being sober-minded. I like people who have warm hearts but cool heads. I believe that is an ideal combination.

It does not say God has given us a brilliant mind, it says God has given us a sound mind. Some people are anxious for cleverness. There are lots of things better than cleverness. Cleverness may sometimes be a dangerous thing, and it does not always get you very far. We are learning more and more that wisdom is the principal thing. Knowledge is fine but wisdom is better. Some of our people can have lots of knowledge and yet they do not always have wisdom, and then some have not much knowledge according to this world's standards, but God is giving them wonderful wisdom and a sound mind.

One of the greatest attributes of a sound mind is the fact that it gives us a true perspective, a true sense of values. In reading the Gospels about our Lord Jesus Christ, what a marvelously sound mind He had, what a true sense of values. People were making an idol of the sabbath day and He said, "The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the

sabbath." When He healed on the sabbath day they wanted to persecute Him because He actually healed a man on the sabbath day. He said, "What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift it out? How much then is a man better than a sheep?" We need to get the mind of Christ to have a true sense of values. If we are not careful we can make much of things that do not matter, and can miss things that do matter. God give us a true perspective. I thank God for the scripture which says, "We have the mind of Christ." I believe the sound mind of Christ can control me and guide me in everything.

So I thank God that He has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Leaving the Choice with the Lord

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by the Spirit. You will be led where otherwise you might not go, but it will always be in the pathway of my choice. Ever remember that I am your Shepherd, and, Peter, follow me, even though the pathway may lead to a cross."

Paul, what is your testimony? We can remember you when you sat at the feet of the great scholar Gamaliel. You were his most promising pupil. But somehow you have become attached to those followers of Jesus of Nazareth. You were a man whose scholarship was so promising that today you might have sat in the highest seat of learning in Jerusalem; but here you are with chains on your hands and your feet, a prisoner of Rome!

What is the answer? "I am ever rejoicing, for I have learned in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. I was at one time willful and headstrong and went my own way, breathing out threatenings and slaughter against this sect that is everywhere spoken against.

On my way to Damascus, with authority to arrest any of this way, I myself was arrested. I saw the pierced One, Jesus of Nazareth, and that vision has been ever with me, yea, He Himself has ever been with me. Yes, and He has been in me and I can say that from that day to this I have had one motto in my life, 'For me to live is Christ.'

"Yes, there have been testings and trials in the pathway of His choice, but there is one thing I know, that all things work together for good to them that love God, and His grace has been sufficient all along the pathway. It has been a joy to follow Him, to ever choose the pathway of the cross, and I know that this is the way that leads to eternal joy. So I am bidding others to follow me as I have followed Christ. For the path of His choice is perfect. There is a crown ahead. It will prove to be abundantly worth while to let Him choose the pathway. Yes, I know there have been afflictions, but they in themselves are working for me a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, for I look not at the things seen—these chains upon my wrists and ankles, and these dingy prison walls—for they are only temporal. But the things not seen, the glories of that home He has gone to prepare for us and the glories of that fellowship with the Father and the Son, these are eternal. And so my counsel is, do not tenaciously grasp the paltry things of time, but lay hold on that which really counts—eternal life."

Happy they who let the Shepherd choose the pathway and all the experiences along the road of His choice. The Shepherd goes before and all who follow Him will be able to testify that all His ways are pleasantness and all His paths are peace.—S. H. F.

"Criticism from our enemies is good for us. They will find out our weak spots for us."

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The back page of this issue is devoted to the interests of the Sunday Schools. We are listing nine schools which have recently advanced to the rank of First Class Sunday Schools, and their names have been added to the Honor Roll.

We tell of the large Sunday School Map which is being made at the Gospel Publishing House and hope to indicate the location of each school on this map. A Report Blank will be gladly sent upon request to Superintendents or Secretaries so that each school may be properly reported.

Pictures are shown of two schools which have made exceptional gains. If your school has met with marked success you may advise us to this effect and limited space in the Evangel will be devoted to telling of such gains. We trust that your report will be an inspiration to greater consecration in Sunday School work.

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MISSIONARY STORY

Sister Agnes N. T. Beckdahl, one of our missionaries to India, has written her life story. Sister Beckdahl was one of the pioneers in Pentecost in Norway in 1907, and in her book, "A Witness to God's Faithfulness," she tells of the early days of the Pentecostal revival in Europe. She went to India twenty-six years ago. Since that time she together with Brother Beckdahl have been doing pioneer work on the Nepal border.

This life story can be obtained from the Missions Department and all proceeds from the same will go to Sister Beckdahl. She does

not suggest a price on the book, but we recommend that all those who would like the same should send \$1.00 for the cloth bound copy, and 60 cents for the paper bound edition.

AN AGE OF MARTYRDOM

"In many parts of the world it is as dangerous to live and worship as a Christian as it was in the days of the catacombs," observes *Living Church*. "It is estimated that there were 129,000 martyrs among the ancients and 187,000 in modern times. During the 129 years of early persecutions, about 1,000 members of the church died at the hands of

those who feared Christianity. Today Russia alone probably has had as many martyrs as the entire Roman Empire from Nero to Constantine. Added to this the martyrs among the Assyrians, Armenians, Greeks, Chinese, Mexican and Spanish, it seems a fair assumption that the number who gave their lives for Christianity from the time of the World War to the present far exceeds the number in the age of persecution."

A DEPOSED ARCHBISHOP

"The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Rouen has been deposed by the Vatican in extraordinary circumstances," according to *Revelation*. "The venerable and saintly Archbishop had as one of his assistants a Canon Bertin who embezzled several million francs belonging to various religious organizations that were under the Archbishop's control. When his eyes were opened to the crime of his assistant, the Archbishop had Bertin tried before the ecclesiastical court and deposed from his precinct. On appeal to Rome, Bertin was re-instated. Immediately the French government arrested Bertin. It was discovered that the Archbishop had given the information to the secular government. For this crime Rome deposed the Archbishop."

It is a bad sign when the church is more afraid of scandal than it is of sin. Paul the apostle said, "Put away from among yourselves that wicked person." Woe will come to those who condemn the righteous and justify the wicked.

Forthcoming Meetings

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—Assembly of God, 11th and Garfield Sts.; Jan. 22-Feb. 7; Guy Shields, Evangelist.—J. K. Gressett, Pastor.

CORNING, N. Y.—Full Gospel Assembly, 27 Wallace St.; Jan. 17—; Marie Wilson, Evangelist.—Albert D. Skyner, Pastor.

OCALA, FLA.—Assembly of God Tent Meeting; Jan. 19, to continue indefinitely; I. J. Bolton, Evangelist.—C. H. and Myrtle M. Snair, Pastors, Box 624.

LINDSAY, CALIF.—Full Gospel Tabernacle; month of January; Evangelists Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter.—Fred P. Leonard, Pastor.

MIAMI, FLA.—First Pentecostal Church, 7th Ave. at 36th St.; Jan. 10—; S. Clyde Bailey, Evangelist.—Chas. O. Neece, Pastor.

LAGRANGE, GA.—Church Dedication and Rally, Jenkins St., Jan. 24; W. A. Robinson, Pastor.—S. W. Noles, District Superintendent.

SHAMOKIN, PA.—Gospel Tabernacle, Anthracite and Water Sts.; Jan. 3-31, or longer; May Louise Paige, Girl Evangelist, Uhrichsville, O.—H. E. Hardt, Pastor.

TORONTO, CANADA—Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 833 St. Clair West; Jan. 3-24; Charles Shaffer, York, Pa., Boy, Evangelist.—H. R. Pannabecker, Pastor.

ELIZABETH, N. J.—Ebenezer Pentecostal Church, 856 E. Jersey St.; Jan. 24-Feb. 7; Brother and Sister Lloyd Shirer, Evangelists. Young People's Rally, Jan. 30.—Ferdinand Ewald, Pastor.

TORONTO, CANADA—The Bethel Pentecostal Tabernacle, near Danforth on Euston Ave.; Jan. 17-Feb. 14; Otto J. Klink, Evangelist.—Howard A. Goss, Pastor.

JOHNSON CITY, TENN.—East Tennessee Fellowship Meeting, 524 Wilson Ave., Jan. 29-31. Our District Superintendent is expected to be present. John E. Rogers is Pastor.—C. D. Truitt, 1005 Montgomery St.

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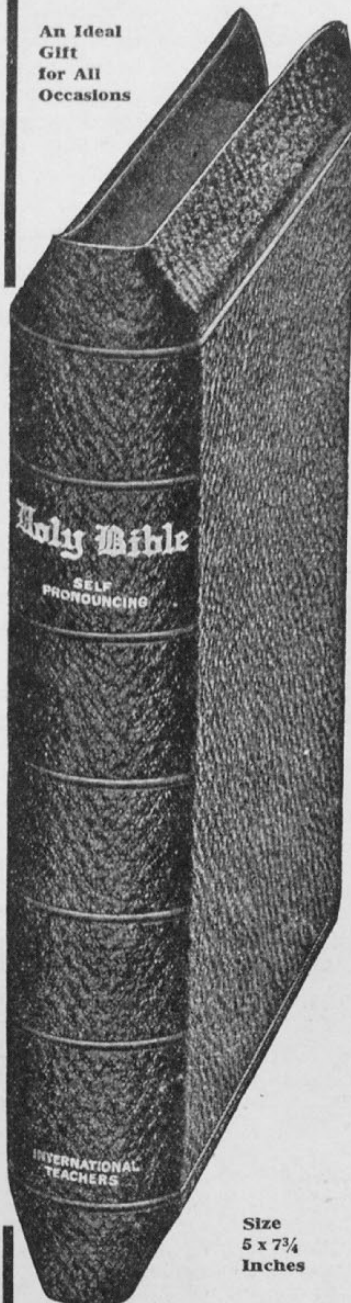
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LAGRANGE, GA.—Jan. 19—: William A. Cox, Evangelist.—W. A. Robinson, Pastor.

WINCHESTER, ILL.—Full Gospel Assembly; Jan. 15, for 3 weeks or longer; Mayme E. Williams, Tampa, Fla., Evangelist.—C. M. Hicks, Pastor.

WILLOW SPRINGS, MO.—Mid-winter Bible Convention with Assembly of God, Jan. 26-29. Rooms free to ministers; meals on freewill offering plan. For information write Raymond B. Noland, Pastor, or S. L. Johnson, District Superintendent, Dexter, Mo.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE
HATTIESBURG, MISS.—Second Quarterly Conference, Assembly of God, Bernice Ave. and Edwards St., Feb. 2-4. All District ministers urged to attend. Free entertainment to all Council preachers. Some very important open discussions are on the program.—James E. Hamill, Pastor and District Secretary.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT COUNCIL
The 19th Annual Convention of the Rocky Mountain District Council will be held in Denver, Colo., at People's Tabernacle, 2th and Lawrence Sts., Feb. 9-12. C. A. Rally Feb. 9, President L. R. Faith in charge. Elder J. R. Flower, Main Speaker. Free entertainment to ministers as far as possible.—F. C. Woodworth, District Superintendent, 5700 S. Broadway, Littleton, Colo.

OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL MEETINGS
Talihina, Jan. 11-12; Bristow, Jan. 18-19; Miami, Jan. 25-26. Each meeting will begin at night. Those wanting license or ordination will please appear in person, recommended by an ordained minister of our faith. Ministers will be cared for as far as possible. James Hutsell, District Superintendent.—Wallace Bragg, Secretary-Treasurer, Box 128, Okmulgee, Okla.

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS, S. S. AND C. A. RALLIES
MACON, GA.—Church Dedication and Rally, 140 Knott St., Jan. 16; Doreen Justus and Loraine Oliver, Pastors.—S. W. Noles, District Superintendent.

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—Arizona State-wide Fellowship Meeting, Jan. 26-27. Day meetings at Bethel Assembly, 9th and Oak Sts.; night meetings at Assembly of God, 11th and Garfield Sts. Entertainment furnished for all out-of-town workers.—J. K. Gressett, Presbyterian, Northern Arizona.

MICHIGAN STATE FELLOWSHIP PRAYER CONFERENCE
FLINT, MICH.—Riverside Tabernacle, 2215 Lewis St.; Jan. 18-20; Chas. W. H. Scott, Pastor. Services 10:00, 2:30, and 7:30. District Superintendent G. F. Lewis will be present. All Michigan ministers urged to attend. Accommodations for ministers, missionaries, and families as far as possible. Write for reservations to Pastor Chas. Scott, 1321 Mabel Avenue.—S. R. Fostekew, Secretary.

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NEW ADDRESS—Port Orford, Ore. "We have just opened a work here. This is a new field."—J. H. Carver, Pastor.

NOTICE—I have resigned my pastorate at El Reno.—D. B. Jagers, 508 W. Owens St., El Reno, Okla.

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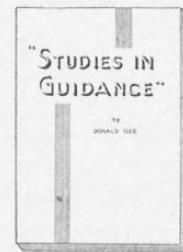
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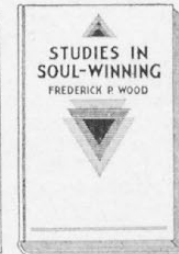
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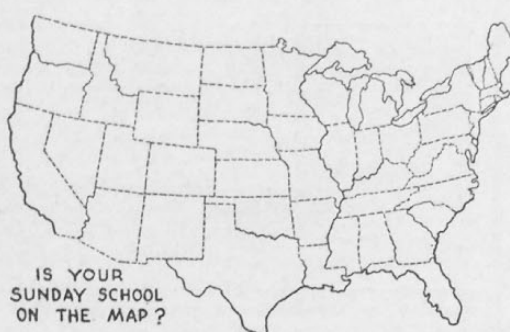
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Is Yours a First-Class School?

The Sunday Schools listed above have recently been added to the Honor Roll, having attained at least 81% of the points of "Our Sunday School Goal." They have already received First-Class Sunday School Banners, which are awarded without charge to schools of such rank. These schools have not engaged in contests or used methods causing abnormal growth which are often followed by a slump. They have earnestly sought to develop their schools along balanced, normal lines as outlined in the program known as "Our Sunday School Goal."

The twelve points of the Goal are as follows: 1. Growth in Attendance. 2. Sunday School Enrollment Equal to Church. 3. Regular Attendance of Pastor in Sunday School Sessions. 4. Regular Attendance of Superintendent in Sunday School Sessions. 5. Regular Attendance of Teachers in Sunday School Sessions. 6. One Teacher Training Subject Completed. 7. Emphasis on Church Attendance. 8. Scholars Won to Christ. 9. Increase in Regular Offerings. 10. Increase in Missionary Offerings. 11. Cradle Roll Ministry. 12. Home Department Ministry.



Is Your Sunday School on the Map?

The Master's command is "Go Ye and Teach." The extent of Our Going may be revealed in a glance at the huge Sunday School Map which is now being prepared at the Gospel Publishing House. Sunday School Report Blanks have been mailed to school Secretaries with the request that they be carefully filled out and returned to us. All schools reporting will be shown upon this map. Bright-colored arrows will be used to designate the school locations, New Schools, First-Class Sunday Schools, Enrollments, etc. No school is too small to report. The cooperation of Pastors and Superintendents in seeing that their schools are reported will be greatly appreciated.

When the map is completed, the Lord willing, it will be taken to the next General Council Meeting. The success of the map depends upon each school reporting. A complete report will reveal that our Movement is well established in some states while others are almost untouched. This we trust will influence workers to enter these "whitened fields" and establish our work therein.

If your school has not been supplied with a Report Blank, one may be had upon request and without cost.

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This school began with an open-air Revival Meeting on a vacant lot. At the close of the revival an auditorium was secured over an implement store. The opening date (Oct. 18) showed an attendance of only 40. During this two months period the school has grown to the high mark of 161 with an average attendance for the month of December of 133. Pastor H. A. Brooks and family have established this Pentecostal work in the more prosperous section of Springfield, Missouri, which is a newer field for our ministry. The success of the school may well be attributed to: An incessant burden of prayer that the LOST may know GOD, sound adherence to the Word; and the untiring efforts of those who are sponsoring the school. The marked success of these two schools has attracted our attention. They have, incidentally, shown the same numerical gains for December without thought of contest or rivalry.

In looking at the picture below one could scarcely believe that this striving school has grown from the adverse picture which might have been presented on July 19th, last. It was upon that date that Pastor and Mrs. W. B. Brown entered the North Side District of Springfield, Missouri, with an attendance of only 33. The almost miraculous growth from this number to a high mark of 157, with an average attendance of 132 for the month of December, should be a challenge to Sunday School workers. The growth can only be attributed to prayer and earnest endeavor upon the part of the Pastor and his consecrated helpers. This growth should be permanent and lasting since there were no methods used such as contests and prizes. Increase in membership is by far the least item of consideration in this school. The revival spirit is upon the people and numbers have been reclaimed, healed, saved and baptized with the Holy Spirit.

