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The Prince of Peace.

While we do not know the particular day nor month of the birth of the Lord Jesus—even the year is very uncertain—yet the fact is clearly recorded in the gospel of Luke, where it is stated that His advent into this world was announced to a company of shepherds who were watching their flocks by night, by an angel, who said unto them, "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people, for unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

This angel was accompanied by "a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace good will toward men." This joyous message reached forward to and embraces that day of glad release for Israel and for all the world at the second advent of our Saviour.

Jesus is called the Prince of Peace. But has His coming, His life and ministry, His cruel death on the cross for the redemption of mankind, or His glorious resurrection and ascension brought peace to this sin-wrecked world? No! Although for centuries, both the religious and secular world have commemorated His birth and have outwardly paid homage to the Saviour, endeavoring in His name, and by other means, to bring peace on earth and good will among men. Their efforts have all been in vain, yet, in the face of this awful absence of peace, optimistic leaders still voice the cry of "Peace, peace," when there is no peace. "But when they shall say, Peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them," 1 Thes. 5:3.

But was the coming of Christ a failure, and did He bring no peace as promised? He brought that internal peace which He said would be realized by His followers, who, in this world (outwardly) would have tribulation, but in Him they would have peace. And millions have, and millions are still enjoying this peace.

Let all who have not done so, make their peace with God through Christ today, and receive and know that peace which passeth all understanding which He alone can give.

The short intervals of what the world considers peace, have been very few and far apart, and will grow less till the Babe of Bethlehem comes as the King of Kings and Lord of Lords to subdue all things unto Himself and take up His reign as the Prince of Peace on the throne of His father David.

Let Him reign in our hearts today as Lord of Lords and King of Kings, so that we shall ever reign with Him, the Prince of Peace, upon His throne.

J. P. Roddy

-:- The Preparation Call. -:-

Many are observing the signs of these times with almost bated breath. Rightly or wrongly, thousands have been led to believe that they portend the speedy close of the "Times of the Gentiles." If so, they will usher into time a series of events more wonderful than any that have been since the creation of the world; with gladness inconceivable to all who love the Lord Jesus Christ, and bitterness beyond all that has ever yet been known in the records of human misery to the despisers and rejecters of God's great salvation.

Rejoice with Trembling.

With such things before us, even if there were but the barest possibility of their taking place within a very limited time, it becomes us to cherish a spirit of the deepest and most reverent humility. We need to rejoice with trembling—not with the trembling of cowardly fear, but the thrilling sense of the narrow ledge on which we have been standing, and the awful danger which all who are truly saved have but just escaped.

The glory and gladness to which grace has brought us are truly great, but not less great is the terrible nature of the wrath from which by the same grace we have escaped.

"Wrath to Come! Wrath to Come!" Let us bow our heads and lowly worship God for our safety. Let us also ponder more deeply on the sad and terrible condition of millions of our fellow men, who, in their callous indifference to these things, or in their ungodly love of sin and worldly pleasure, are madly rushing forward to the darkness of the terrible tribulation.

There may yet be time for much compassionate, tender prayer to God on their behalf—time for more earnest effort to win many of them to the grace and safety of God in Christ Jesus. Let the days be full of prayer then, and Christ-like endeavor on the part of the people of God on behalf of those who are coming so close to unseen and unbelieved-in catastrophe.

What Manner of Persons ought we to be?

Every true believer, from the youngest to the oldest, should ask himself what he can do in such a crisis as this. The time may be so short that something more than the ordinary methods of seeking to reach the unsaved ought to be planned and carried out. We are persuaded that the more habitual modes of work have a tendency always sooner or later to be taken as matters of course, both by believers and unbelievers. When we have had widespread and startling revivals, ordinary methods have always, for the time being, had to take the background. The new wine has ever required new bottles. What can we do? Let there be much prayer, and God will guide.

There can be no doubt that on all

sides men and women are becoming more and more uneasy in spite of all the efforts to drown the Holy Spirit's convictions by all sorts of new and sensational pleasures. In many cases they are only waiting to be spoken to in order to unburden their minds and hearts. These are not ordinary circumstances, and we think that opportunities may be found frequently at present, such as have not occurred for long. Let us "buy up opportunities because the days are evil" (Eph. 5:16, margin). Kindly visitation among neighbors may be suggested as a plan which the Spirit of God has often used in times of special inquiry. This always requires great wisdom and tact, with a lowly and kindly mien, very much opposed to anything like meddling interference. When the compassions of Christ are prompting to such modes, the right behavior is sure to be given.

Let it not be forgotten that the return of our Lord, which we are doing much to make known, is the one truth most likely to startle multitudes out of apathy. Though spreading fast among the Lord's people it is as yet the teaching of which most professing believers are sadly ignorant. The great majority of pulpits are till now guilty of silence on a subject of which God's Word is full.

On this account the subject affords a good introduction often to conversation which may be used to win many souls.

Be Sober; Be Vigilant.

In an honest effort to reach the unsaved around us, another thing is of great importance. They must see that we ourselves believe really and truly that the Lord is coming. Unbelievers generally are keen observers. They have no difficulty in finding out whether all this teaching about our Lord's speedy coming is mere wordy sentiment on our part or whether it is held as a bit of our very life. "What does it make them?" is sure to be asked by many; and we are more and more convinced every day that it is the desire of the Holy Spirit of God that a much wider margin should become apparent between all true saints and the world about to be judged for its iniquity.

This is an additional reason why our way of life must consist in something more than the ordinary church attendance, prayer meetings, occasional attendance at conferences, and our usual contributions to missionary enterprise. All such is quite consistent with a very pleasurable, worldly mode of life among our unsaved neighbors, with never a word about Jesus Christ or the dread solemnities of coming judgment. In their estimate of Christianity the unsaved seem to have not infrequently a higher ideal than have true believers. Such have no faith in meeting the world halfway by a compromise of truth or righteousness or godly living. If, therefore, we would not only seek to be our-

selves in happy readiness for our great change, but in compassion on the erring would wish to save and help some of them, we must live day by day in everything in such a way as to commend to them our teachings.

It is no easy thing to be in this world, and yet not of it. There is a subtle attractive power of which we are often unconscious, which, but for the Spirit of God constraining our will and affections, would alienate us from the things of heaven, and make us content with the present. Now one token that we are in these days being prepared for our Lord, is that there is a growing want of content for the children of God in the ways and things of earth which are losing their power to please, and to make us feel at home. It is the voice of our Beloved calling us to come to Him, and the feeling will grow upon us till it culminates in the shout of our descending Lord. As we yield to this, the world will increasingly lose its charm. Our wondrous future, our homeland, our Lord's interests, all lie within the region of things regarding which the Word alone can instruct us. All that is within the ken of natural sense and which appeals to unregenerate nature is passing away; and our affections, if we would be ready to welcome our Lord with gladness of heart, must not be set on them. "If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the eye, the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life is not of the Father, but of the world." We are thus warned of all that attracts the eye from the things of God, all that feeds the carnal nature within us, and all that the ambition of the present life seeks after and glorifies in pursuit of; and contentment with the world, thus defined, wars against the Spirit of God in preparing the Church for her Lord's coming. Therefore, against all this we must watch and pray, and yielding ourselves more fully to the Holy Spirit's persuadings, we shall be kept true to our absent Bridegroom Lord till He come.

Thus shall the heart of our blessed and coming Lord be drawn more and more towards us in longing desire to have us with Him in the glory, and thus shall we more and more gladly anticipate His coming.—Selected.

TESTIMONY.

I am a child of God, and much desire to have a part with the saints in the Lord's work. I have been in the Holiness movement for 24 years, and a Gospel Trumpet preacher for 14 years. About five years ago I withdrew from that people, and stood firm for all the word of God, except the speaking with other tongues. A precious brother and sister of the Pentecostal faith sent me an Evangel paper, for which I subscribed at once, and find it the best thing we have gotten hold of outside the Word of God. We enjoy reading it; accept its teachings, and expect to preach this faith as long as it remains in harmony with the Word of God. We are seeking the baptism of the Holy Ghost; but there are no Pentecostal saints here, and we desire to locate where there is a congregation of Pentecostal saints, where we can get in the Lord's work. Pray much for us.—J. T. and Lula Holland.

-:- The Mark of the Beast. -:-

In the Book of Revelation we are told of a time coming when men can neither buy nor sell unless they have a certain mark, and while this will not take place until after the catching away of the Bride, and the time when the Great Tribulation sets in, "coming events cast their shadows before," and we need to watch lest we be partakers of the spirit that will make us eligible for this mark, if we are unfortunate enough to be left behind at the time when the Lord comes to raise His special, select saints from this earth.

In the Book of Zechariah we read of a woman being carried in an ephah, or measure, to the land of Shinar. And we are also told that in the ephah was wickedness, and upon it was a talent of lead. We know that the ephah was a measure, and lead is a universal weight in the so-called civilized countries, so these things indicate commerce. The angel in dropping the lead upon or into the ephah, said, "This is wickedness." This shows that the commerce which will be the outcome of this organization in the land of Shinar will be ruled by wickedness.

Note also that Babylon, in Old Testament times, was built in the land of Shinar, and we are also taught that it will be rebuilt during the Great Tribulation.

Putting all these things together, we inquire if there are not signs now of a worldwide organization to control the commerce of the earth. There are many organizations springing up, fraternal, political and commercial, to bind people together, or at least that is the avowed purpose of them, and by whom are they controlled? The Christians? No! Who then? Some of the most ungodly, infidel, and anti-Christian men in the world.

In many cities, a man can not get work in certain lawful trades unless he belongs to the labor union. I have lived where they had such control of even religious publishing houses that a Christian could not work in them because he did not belong to the union, while a union Christian Scientist could do so.

Not only are the trades being unionized, but even there are movements growing to organize the farmers, and strange as it might seem, some Christian people are so blind to the Bible command that they will sign agreements to sell or not to sell their produce, which agreements are made by ungodly men who are looking out for themselves and as many as they can bind together to further their selfish interests and fight some other class, in the face of the plain Scripture: "Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers." Men will testify that God has saved them from sin, and go right out and get into these demon-controlled organizations in order to keep them from financial ruin,

when God has given His own word that they shall be fed.

The very minute you sign up with any organization that has not the glory of God for its purpose, and surrender your right to act as your Bible instructs you, that moment you have sown the seed of the spirit that will develop into the application of the mark of the beast, and if you do not free yourself from the one, get ready to accept the other, for it is coming.

I have had a close friend who occupied official positions in the labor union, and he used to argue with me that unions were a necessity, but experience taught him that they were controlled by the spirit that is absolutely antagonistic to the Holy Spirit, and he got out.

In a late issue of a leading agricultural paper, the farmer who will not do as the Farmers' Union dictates in regard to selling his crop is called a "scab." Think of one Christian belonging to such a union calling his conscientious brother who does not belong to it such a name as that!

Well, says one, we must do something to protect ourselves. Certainly. But it is not necessary to go contrary to the Word of God to protect yourself. If you obey Him, He will bring you out all right, in spite of all the unions in the world and the devil at the head of them.

The church to which I belonged in 1904, before its consolidation with another, had some union men in it, and in a general council I raised the question about their being members, as we had already barred lodge members. An official brother withstood my position, stating that these men knew how to do nothing else than what they were doing, and that they were compelled to belong to the union or quit work, so the decision was made to let them remain in the church, but before long the last one of these men had left the church, so we would have lost nothing had we taken the stand then against the unions.

If you don't want to be left to go through the Great Tribulation, and have the mark of the beast put upon you, keep out of every organization which will place your conscience in some one else's keeping.—A. E. R. in "The Apostolic Evangel."

ECHOES FROM THE CAMP MEETING AT DURANT, FLORIDA.

We can truly say the Lord was in our midst from beginning to end, in mighty power. We held four meetings a day for ten days, and we never saw such a sweet spirit as prevailed. Only eternity will reveal the good that was done.

On the way back to Miami we stopped at Tampa, and Kissimmee for a brief time of fellowship with the saints, and here at home we found the Lord had been with the flock during our absence and is still blessing. Souls have been saved, reclaimed, and some are seeking the Baptism. We need a larger place of worship as our tent cannot accommodate the crowds; so help us pray to this end.—Isaac J. Bolton and wife, Miami, Fla.

"FOR THEY WERE PARTNERS."

Two Men in a Boat.

It was in one of the old Liverpool docks, some thirty-three years ago that I saw them one cold winter's day, and anyone who remembers that dock, knows well that it was not a BOTANICAL GARDEN or a FLOWER SHOW—that is, the old "Salthouse Dock." But there they were, those two men in a boat, in one of the most uninviting and uninteresting places imaginable, turning what seemed to be the wheel of a pump, with a boy of ten years being their only spectator.

As they turned and turned and turned, for it was certainly humdrum work; there arose in the distance the sound of martial strains. Off went the boy immediately as fast as his legs could carry him; but not so the two men in the boat,—though they too liked music and were interested in regiments. THE REASON? THIS. In the power of their hand was LIFE and DEATH and they looked upon themselves as their brother's keeper, as in the depths of that Liverpool dock the DIVER searched for HIDDEN TREASURE.

Supposing that those two men in the boat had gotten into a RELIGIOUS ARGUMENT—as to whether it was in the ORIGINAL or not—and stopped turning the pump wheel!!!! Or suppose that on the spur of the moment they had joined the "BOLSHEVISTS" and with Religious Clubs had run riot, knocking down the other fellow who had something in his possession that they did not have—and stopped turning that pump wheel! Or suppose that just as the DIVER had reached the HIDDEN TREASURE PLACE, those two men in the boat suddenly decided that he did not believe exactly as they did, and on account of it would stop turning that pump wheel!!! HORRIBLE you say!!! Yes, HORRIBLE INDEED!!!

Have You Stopped Turning That Pump Wheel?

Once, long ago, that pump wheel was stopped. See the record in NEHEMIAH 13:10-13. Not so those two men in the boat, for they turned and turned and turned, and of them can it be written as in verse 13: "THEY WERE COUNTED FAITHFUL, AND THEIR OFFICE WAS TO DISTRIBUTE UNTO THEIR BRETHREN." In the knowledge of the faithfulness, in assurance of that distribution, the DIVER of thirty-three years ago stepped over the side of the boat and disappeared—to seek and to save that which was lost! Believing that I and many of my brethren shall yet continue to see the pump wheel turning by the many relations of the TWO MEN IN A BOAT, I am, yours,

THAT ONCE SMALL BOY,
WM. J. TAYLOR, Kobe, Japan.

OUR GOD ANSWERS PRAYER.

We just have word from Bro. Rik Field, of Portland, Ore., that his case has been dismissed by the Courts, and he is once more a free man. Bro. Field was arrested for praying for the sick at West Plains, Mo. Praise God for His faithfulness.

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WORDS OF JESUS.

And these signs shall follow
them that believe; In My name
shall they cast out devils; they
shall speak with new tongues.—
Mark 16:17.

The Joy of the World. At this holiday season there is much apparent rejoicing and manifestation of good cheer throughout the world, which will, however, quickly subside; because, being largely spasmodic and transient, 'tis but

The forced and superficial flow
Of empty sounds which only prove,
That they who voice them do not know
The higher strains of love.

But it is quite befitting, for those who truly know and love the Christ, whom the world professes to honor, to rejoice in the Lord and joy in the fact that He came and fulfilled all that was prophesied concerning His birth, life, ministry and sacrifice on the cross for the redemption of mankind, and to look forward with glad expectation to His coming again to consummate the salvation of His people, overthrow forever the present rule of wrong in the earth, and set up His own glorious kingdom of righteousness and peace.

This joy is inspired by the Holy Spirit and is only experimentally known to those who have been born of the Spirit. It is a supernatural joy, and is absolutely essential to the Christian, and no amount of joy in the natural can be made a substitute for it. It is remarkable how much is said in the Word of God about this joy—"the joy of the Lord which is our strength."

Note the emphasis laid upon this grace of the Spirit by Jesus, where He tells His disciples, "These things I have spoken unto you that My joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full." And again, "Ask and receive that your joy may be full," assuring

them that this joy no man is able to take from them.

John in his first epistle, 1:4, also says, "And these things write we unto you that your joy may be full." Peter, in his first epistle cheers us with the same message, and assures us that in the midst of the severest trials and tests, (through belief in Him whom having not seen we love), we may rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory. And Paul who admonishes believers to rejoice always and evermore, declares the possibility, through grace, of being "sorrowful, yet always rejoicing."

Jesus, Himself, is the great exemplification of this, who, though "a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief," was nevertheless "filled with the oil of gladness above His fellows," because "He loved righteousness and hated iniquity." And the impartation of His joy to us depends upon the same conditions on our part. We may, and should covet this joy, but if we regard iniquity in our heart in the least degree, the Lord will not hear us; for gladness is sown only for the upright in heart. Let the righteous rejoice, for praise is comely for the upright in heart, but is unbecoming for those who are otherwise. And it is revealed to us in Rom. 14:17 that the elements which constitute the spiritual phase of the Kingdom of God are "righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost, and in Psa. 85:10, we read, "Righteousness and peace have kissed each other." They are eternally wedded, and what God hath joined together let no one undertake to separate. There is no real peace or joy possible apart from righteousness; but, "shout aloud all ye that are upright in heart."

Rejoice in the Lord; not in anything outside of Him, then everything legitimate will be truly enjoyable.

"Behold My servants shall sing for joy of heart," saith the Lord, for "He giveth the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness," and the meek shall increase their joy," making it possible to rejoice always, and to rejoice evermore.

Seek then that transcendent peace and joy which the presence of the indwelling Christ alone can bring, and you will have the blessed experience of knowing for yourself that "the joy of the Lord is your strength," and that "in His presence is fulness of joy and at His right hand there are pleasures forevermore."

Let no one flatter himself that he is innocent, if he loves to meditate upon anything which he would blush to avow before men, or fear to unveil before God.—Francis Wayland.

PICTURES OF PENTECOST.

We are glad to recommend this book to all dear saints as a book that will prove a blessing to readers and especially helpful to Bible students. The types of Pentecost in the Old Testament are blessedly brought forth. Unbiased minds will recognize the true teaching.—Bridegroom's Messenger.

WAITING FOR THE KING.

Let the weary heart be strengthened,
Let the lips of sorrow sing,
Let the eyes of grief look upward,—
We are waiting for the King!

Past the night of sin and sorrow,
Past the trials of the way;
Glory breaks beyond the portals
Of the everlasting day.

Can it be our eyes shall see Thee?
Can it be our lips shall press
Those pierced hands that tell the story
Of Thy love and tenderness?

Shall the feet that long have wandered
Walk forever at Thy side,—
Where the trees of Eden blossom,
And the living waters glide?

Soon with thorn-pierced brow of beauty,
And with smile so wondrous sweet,—
We shall see Thee, we shall know Thee,
And our joy will be complete!

Woods and vales, lift up your voices!
And ye weary-hearted, sing!
Soon the morn shall break upon us,—
We are waiting for the King!

Louise M. Chenoweth.

NEED OF AN EDUCATED MINISTRY.

Some conscientious people look upon education as a drawback to the gospel ministry, on the ground that the Holy Spirit will furnish the necessary education.

Christ said to His disciples: "Ye shall have power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Acts 1:8. Here Christ refers to power and not to knowledge, for Christ Himself said in John 7:39, "Search the Scriptures." Search means study. Paul told Timothy, a young minister, to study. The Bible places no premium on ignorance of the word. God chose Paul, a man of ability and scholarship, an apostle to the Gentiles.

Take for instance, the great reformers, they were nearly all college men.

The reason today that we have so few in our ministry that are willing to become pastors and teachers is because they feel their inefficiency to feed the flock of God from want of the knowledge of the word. They are babes instead of teachers.

God in His mercy has opened the way for them to obtain such knowledge of the word that will enable them to become competent pastors and Christian workers. In the past they had no Pentecostal Bible School to attend, but since these schools have been established there is now no excuse for their further inefficiency. The Mid-West Bible Training School offers just such an opportunity. We are not emphasizing a college course, but only such English education that will enable the pastor and evangelist to use the English language correctly.

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S. A. JAMIESON, Principal.

-:- **Rock of Ages.** -:-

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee; because he trusteth in Thee. Trust ye in the Lord for ever; for in the Lord Jehovah is the Rock of Ages." (Isaiah 26:3, 4).

These are days of change and unrest. Crowns and thrones totter and fall; democracies arise in a day, and are overthrown with equal suddenness; one political party is defeated, to give place to another; and the vanquished one begins at once to make plans for the day in which it will again be victorious in its turn. Jesus described with exactitude the condition of humanity in the last days of this age when He said, "Upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth." How comforting then to read of God as our **ROCK**: that only strong, self-existent, unchangeable One in all the universe! The storms may come and go, the winds of Satan and all his hosts may blow with their utmost fury, the waves of volatile and changeable humanity may dash themselves to pieces in their impotent rage, but nothing can move our Rock.

Change and decay in all around I see:
O Thou who changest not, abide with me!

Far back in history's early ages, the dying Jacob blessed his sons, and prophesied of the coming of "The Shepherd, the Stone of Israel." (Gen. 49:24). Moses too, before his death, repeatedly spoke of God as the Rock (Deut. 32:4, 15, 18, 30, 31). The Israelites as they passed through the wilderness, had this blessed type ever before them in the smitten Rock, from which the stream of living water flowed along their pathway: for "they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them; and that Rock was Christ." (1 Cor. 10:4). David and other psalmists sang of this Rock, as the fortress in which they took refuge at all times (2 Sam. 22:2, 32, 47 and 23:3; Psa. 18:2, 31, 46 and 31:3 and 61:2 and 62:2-8 and 71:3 and 73:26 and 89:26 and 92:15 and 95:1 and 118:22). Isaiah prophesied of the precious corner Stone which was to be the sure Foundation of all who should believe in Him (8:14 and 28:16); and Daniel interpreted the smiting Stone of Nebuchadnezzar's dream to be the Christ of God, as Stone cut out without hands from the Mountain or Rock of the Eternal God, whose Kingdom shall eventually fill the whole earth. (2:34, 35, 44, 45).

We may note three clearly-marked divisions in the work of this Stone, as it affects the three classes into which God divides humanity, viz. (1) The Jews, (2) The Gentiles, and (3) The Church:—

1. **The Stone of Israel.** There was something marvelously solid and stable about the religion of the chosen people of God. Other nations had their gods, whom they propitiated through fear or

supplanted for favors; but it was always an uncertainty with them whether they would obtain the coveted boon and win the desired victory or not. Their gods, according to their own showing, were capricious and uncertain, never to be depended on. Well might Moses sing, "Their rock is not as our Rock, even our enemies themselves being judges."

But Israel's God was a Rock indeed: unfailling, eternal, and always to be depended upon by those who trusted in Him. How sad then is it to record that when the Rock became incarnate and came unto His own people, "His own received Him not." "This Jesus is the Stone treated with contempt by you, the builders," said Peter, addressing the religious leaders of the Jewish nations. (Acts 4:11, Weymouth). They rejected the Stone, the precious corner Stone, which had been promised them, and it became instead a Stone of stumbling and a Rock of offence to them. They were looking for a Messiah who should come as a mighty Conqueror, in worldly pomp and power; and when He came lowly and despised, with the Gospel of peace and purity instead of martial conquest, they refused to accept Him. "For they stumbled at that stumblingstone; as it is written, Behold I lay in Zion a stumblingstone and Rock of offence." (Rom. 9:32, 33; Isa. 8:14).

Yet Israel will one day recognize Him. Blindness in part is happened unto them, until the Fulness of the Gentiles (the Church) is gathered in; and then shall the day dawn when the Jews shall look upon Him whom they pierced, and shall mourn with true repentance and heartfelt contrition. Then shall be opened unto them the Fountain of His precious Blood, shed for sin and for uncleanness; and with joy will the redeemed remnant acclaim Him as their Messiah and King. "He shall bring forth the **Headstone** thereof with shoutings, crying, Grace, grace, unto it. The Stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the Head of the corner." (Zech. 4:7; Matt. 21:42).

Dr. Seiss describes it thus: "Common architecture furnishes no one preeminent corner or cornerstone. There is no head corner without the pyramid. That alone has such a head at the head, or a cornerstone uniquely and indisputably the chief. It has the usual four at the base, alike in shape, place and office, but it has a fifth different from all others, and far more exalted. It is at the top, and properly the head one. It is the last to come into place, and so may be long rejected while the building still goes on. The base cornerstones must be laid at the beginning. Work cannot proceed while either of them is disallowed. They are also of such regular

shape as renders them capable of being worked in as well at one place as at another. They furnish no occasion to be disallowed. Not so the head cornerstone. The head of that is altogether peculiar. It is five-sided and five-pointed. From foundation to summit there is no place at which it will fit till everything is finished and its own proper place is reached: till then it is, naturally enough rejected by the builders. They have no place for it. To those ignorant of its purpose it is only in the way—a rock of offence, and a stone of stumbling. With one sharp point always sticking upwards, anyone falling on it would necessarily be "broken". And when on its way to its position hundreds of feet in the air, were it to fall on anyone, it would certainly "grind him to powder".

But though rejected to the last, it finally turns out to be the very thing required, and reaches the place to which it alone fits: a place above all others, where it sublimely finishes out and binds together everything in one glorious whole. It is itself a perfect pyramid, the original model of the edifice which it completes and adorns. It is emphatically the Headstone of the head corner. It is at the head, and not at the feet. It has its own peculiar angles, and they are the angles of the entire structure. There is but one stone of that shape, and it is the shape of the pyramid complete. It is the Stone which stands towards heaven for every other one in the building. Every other stone in all the mighty construction stands in it and has place with reference to it, and is touched by its weight and influence, as well as sheltered under its lines, and honored and perfected by its presence. It is indeed the "All in all" of the whole edifice. To its angles is "all the building fitly framed together." And in it every part and particle that belongs to the structure from foundation to capstone has its bond of perfectness, its shelter, and its crown."

2. **The Stone that smote the image.** A careful study of Daniel 2 will reveal a wonderful panorama of the whole course of the "times of the Gentiles." To the heathen king, by means of the youthful prophet, was pictured the rise and fall of the Babylonian, Medo-Persian, Grecian and Roman Empires; special emphasis being laid on the "latter days," when the Gentile government should consist of ten kingdoms, largely democratic ("brittle clay"), but still retaining in their rule something of the iron firmness of the Roman imperialism. It is in the days of these kings that the Second Coming of Christ is to take place, as the Stone cut out of the Mountain without hands. This time He comes not in humility and lowliness, but as the King of kings and Lord of lords, with His saints following Him on white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. (See Rev. 19:11-16).

The first Coming of Jesus had nothing to do with destroying the governments of the earth. He came as the Saviour, to die for our sins, as the Smitten Rock, from whose cleft flowed the life-giving

River of the Spirit's fulness. But when He comes in glory the second time, He will come as King and Ruler, to destroy every form of human government, whether autocratic, oligarchic, hierarchic or democratic, and to establish in its place a theocratic kingdom which shall abide forever. "Thou sawest till that a Stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away that no place was found for them; and the Stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth. And in the days of these kings (that is the ten contemporary rulers in "the latter days," verses 28, 41-43), shall the God of heaven set up a Kingdom, which shall never be destroyed; and the Kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever. (Dan. 2:34, 35, 44, 45).

How clearly we see in the dealings of the Stone with the Jews and Gentiles, the fulfillment of the prophecy of Jesus in Matt. 21:44, "Whosoever shall fall on this Stone shall be broken; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder." The Jews fell on that Stone, they stumbled through their unbelief, and as a result, they were broken, rejected as God's husbandmen or His builders. But their fall was not hopeless nor irremediable; and God has overruled it for marvelous blessing to the church, as Paul shows in Rom. 11:11-15, 25-32. The Gentile nations, on the other hand, have absolutely refused to retain God in their knowledge, and they have taken and will yet take counsel together to break His bands asunder, and cast away His cords from them, and the outcome of all will be that on them that Stone will fall, and will grind them to powder. "Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron, Thou shalt dash them in pieces, like a potter's vessel." (Psa. 2:9).

3. The everliving Stone . . . held in honor. From the sad spectacle of Jew and Gentile rejecting the Stone or Rock of their salvation, we turn to His relation to the Church, that blessed company of believers in Him, gathered from Jew and Gentile alike. "Unto you therefore which believe He is precious." Jesus gave the promise, "Upon this Rock I will build My church" (Matt. 16:18); and the details of that glorious "mystery" were revealed to Paul and the other apostles and prophets by the Spirit. Eph. 2:10-22 and 3:1-10; 1 Pet. 2:4-10). Two of the most common words used, both in the Old and New Testaments, for believe mean "to take refuge in" and "to rest or depend upon." How beautifully these correspond with the twofold aspect of Jesus Christ as the Rock: (1) Smitten on the Cross for our salvation, and (2) The Foundation of His church.

To those who reject Him not, He be-

comes in all ages their refuge and fortress, making atonement for their sins, sheltering them from the wrath of God, and setting them on high above the attacks of their spiritual enemies. He is indeed the Rock of the ages, for there is no age in which He has not been the one hope of salvation. There never has been and never will be any other way of eternal salvation but the Rock smitten on Calvary's Cross. And this glorious plan of salvation is eternal: it abides, and is efficacious to the ages of the ages. (Ex. 17:6; 1 Cor. 10:4; John 3:16-18 and 4:13, 14 and 7:37-39; Acts 4:10-12).

This Living Stone also becomes the Sure Foundation for those who rest all their hopes and dependence on Him. "Other Foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." (1 Cor. 3:11). The believer in Him becomes a partaker of His nature, a living stone united to the Foundation, and to all the other stones; and thus the whole structure, fitly framed together, grows into a holy temple, and is builded together for a habitation of God through the Spirit.

Dear reader, on whom do you trust? Have you become united with Christ by a living faith, and proved how precious He is to them who believe? If not, come to Him today, and accept His salvation. The time is drawing near when the Stone will descend in judgment, and you may not have another opportunity to be saved. "Behold, now is the accepted time, behold NOW is the day of salvation!"

Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.
Let the water and the Blood,
From Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure;
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labor of my hands
Can fulfil Thy law's demands.
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone:
Thou must save, and THOU ALONE.

Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to Thy Cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress;
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;
Vile, I to the Fountain fly;
Wash me, Saviour, or I die!

—Alice E. Luce.

MOUNTAIN MOVERS.

In Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress, Interpreter brings Christian to a place where he sees a man tossing mountains into the sea with words!

Do you understand it? Are you there? Are you a Mountain Mover? You may be. God will have your name written down in the Great Book of Remembrance that He is having composed now in heaven, as "John Smith—Mountain Mover", or "Mary White—Mountain Mover", if you will it so. Earthly potentates know nothing of the luxury of wielding such power, now open to the humblest

child of God, through the blood of the Lamb.

Moses was a Mountain Mover when he stood on top of the hill with the rod of God in his hand, and caused that the whole force of Amalek—"a people who lick up all", and that means the whole force of the world, the flesh and the devil—be vanquished by the power of Joshua, the Great Captain of Salvation! For when Moses held up his hand Joshua prevailed and when he let down his hand Amalek prevailed! Such is the power of your prayers and mine. By them our Great Joshua—Jesus—prevails, and without them He suffers defeat, for Amalek prevails.

God says you and I stand over against the satanic powers that wage against our flesh, in our circumstances, in our loved ones, in the work of God in the whole earth, and we may say to these various mountains, "Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the midst of the sea" and "he shall have whatsoever he saith." Are you saying? If so, then indeed you are the believer "out of whose belly rivers of living water" are flowing—the believer who is turning deserts into fountains of living water. "The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad" for these believers and "the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose," because the believer is having whatsoever he says! Isa. 35:1.

"Oh, yes," I hear somebody groan, "but that 'say' is for the Christian who does not doubt in his heart when he says it. I could never get there." What's the matter with letting Jesus bring you there? Don't try to be a faith manufacturer, but let Jesus be in you a Faith Creator. You can never make something out of nothing. Manufacturers need lots of material to work with, but a Creator speaks the word and it is done. God thus spoke creation into existence, see Gen. 1, and Jesus the Faith Creator, will speak the command of faith in your heart, if you will lean on Him to do so. God says, "Concerning the work of My hands, Command thou ME! ! ! ! " And in order that you may do it—"Look off (of everything, your difficulties, God's enemies, your little faith, etc.) UNTO JESUS, the Author (Great Creator) and Finisher of YOUR faith." Sit up! Stop! Look! Listen! Use your mighty power in prayer. Jesus wants to make a Mountain Mover of insignificant you.

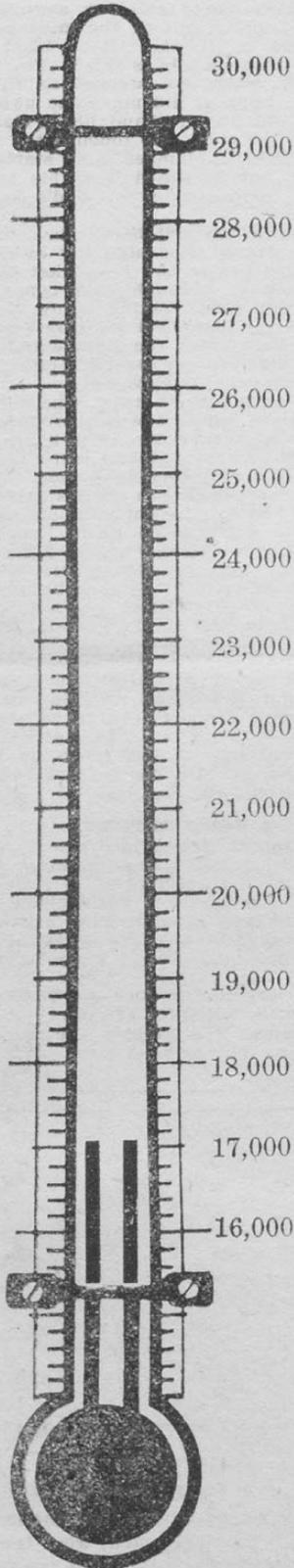
These are the last hours in which this class of Mountain Movers are going to speak a universal outpouring of GOD'S SPIRIT upon all flesh. They are going to cast into the midst of the sea mountains of difficulties that to-day oppose the going forth into the needy mission fields of the earth of thousands of new missionaries. They are going to pray thousands of thousands of money into the support of these new workers. God says, "Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time (date's on now!) of the Latter Rain, so the Lord shall give showers (cloud-bursts) of rain; to everyone grass in the field."

Well, are you a Mountain Mover? Do you want to be? Tell Jesus, He waits to make you one. Elizabeth Sisson.

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They are not so unwise as to undertake to bear their sins, but they do try to bear their sicknesses.

God hath laid upon Him the sin of the world making Him our burden-bearer, who hath taken upon Himself the infirmities and borne the sickness of His people.

The one borne down by sin gets rid of it by coming to the cross; but when racked with pain and sickness attempts to get rid of them himself or by appealing to the human for help. He goes to the Great Physician with his sin, but to the little human physician with his sickness.

Every time a saint neglects to appeal to the Great Physician, and calls in a human one instead, he insults the Lord.

Christ is touched with the feeling of our infirmities, and since He feels, He desires to deliver us from them, as well as our severer ailments and chronic diseases. He is touched in order that He may touch us. He touched the leper and he was cleansed, He touched blind eyes and they were opened. He has not lost the art of touching. He can touch a severed ear and replace it. He can touch away any disease, visible or invisible, external or internal.

If He puts secret sins in the light of His countenance, hidden sickness can also be exposed. All internal complaints,

chronic or malignant diseases, are all open before Him, whose eye can see, and whose hand can touch and heal.

God anointed Jesus to heal all that were oppressed of the devil, and the anointing has never been removed from Him; but God hath supplemented it with "the oil of gladness above His fellows." While God gave not the Spirit by measure to Jesus (John 3:34), yet the Spirit was not fully given to believers till Jesus was fully glorified, and had ascended to the right hand of God, and there received (officially) of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost to shed forth on believers. (See Acts 2:33).

The baptism of the Holy Ghost not only gives power to witness, but power for healing. The healing of the lame man at the Beautiful Gate of the Temple was a natural sequence of the upper room experience, as likewise was the conversion of the three thousand.

If Christ did so much as a man on earth, how much more can He do now since He has gone to the Father?

Magnify the offices of Jesus Christ as Saviour, Baptizer, and Healer, able to deal with diseases when doctors all fail. We need to see Him not only as the Anointed One, going about doing good, but also as the One anointed to destroy all the works of the devil.

Welcome Him in the fullness of His fullness in all His offices. Glorify Him by acknowledging Him in all the Father has done for Him and through Him.

REMARKABLE DELIVERANCES.

I would just like to give a personal testimony about God's faithfulness to us, that others whom the Lord may be calling to the fields beyond may be encouraged to trust Him who is mighty to keep, and strong to deliver. About five months after our arrival on this station the Lord gave us our first child, a beautiful son. The one who cared for us was a trained nurse, and also a missionary, and she said son's birth was supernatural and that he never could have been born but by the power of God. The thought of a doctor never entered my mind and the day stands out in our memory and praises, because God was in our midst.

Later the Lord blessed us with a daughter, and her birth was said by the nurse to be just as supernatural as our boy's birth.

About three months before our girl was born, we had an accident while going from our station to another, a distance of about eight miles. Our carriage was upset and drawn over my body. My son was thrown from my arms out of the front of the carriage right by the horse's hoofs. I saw the horse kick him, sending him many feet. On picking him up it was found that he had been struck over the left temple, which bore the imprint of the horse's shoe. I am sure from the expression on the face of a white man who came to assist husband in raising the carriage, that he thought there was no hope for our little one. As we had been thrown into a mud hole, we went into a nearby farm house to get washed. The old mother of the home told my husband that he must not think of taking me back to the station within two weeks, for in the natural my case would have been very critical. But after husband had prayed for us at the time of the accident, my son and I were absolutely healed and

there was not a shadow of a result from that time. We returned home the following day and I never felt better in my life. Praise be unto His name!

Later I was poisoned from eating fish which had stood in the tin after being opened. I did not know for a time whether I was not going to be with Him, the One who is the object of our love and praise. Again He wonderfully healed me. Time and space will not permit me to tell of all His wondrous love and care, His keeping and delivering power. We live in a bad fever district, but my husband and I have never had an attack of fever, and in the few cases of testing with our children, the dear Lord alone hath delivered and that very speedily.

Recently I have had two very marked cases of the manifestation of the keeping power of God. One was when I came within a few feet of a very large snake which spit all over my face. This is said to be very painful causing much swelling. I immediately looked to the Lord and I had neither pain nor swelling. This happened on Sunday and the following Tuesday I met with what would have been a very painful accident had it not been for the power of God. Through play my dog tore the flesh from one of my fingers, leaving the bone bare. I never had one throb of pain in it from the time of the accident until it was completely healed only one week later! I never lost the use of my hand for one hour. This is the greatest miracle of healing I have had in my life. I have had wonderful deliverances from pain; but to have the flesh torn from the bone and never a dart of pain nor a bit of soreness, was a real miracle. I asked the Lord for a miraculous healing of the

wound as well, but He withheld it for a week; I believe for the reason that He might get greater glory, for during that week many people, black and white, saw the wound and realized the miracle God had performed. They continually told me what a terrible thing a dog bite was. It is only a few weeks since the accident, and I have not even a scar to tell the tale—healed in less than a week's time. The natives said: "We are now ready to believe that God can keep and heal."

About two weeks ago our son stepped on a night adder, one of the most poisonous snakes of Africa. Both black and white say that its bite is fatal. The snake was asleep when son stepped on it, and, praise the Lord, it did not wake up! But son cried out and husband being close by hurried to the spot. He touched the snake with a stick; it jumped and started to run away, but he killed it. This is just one more manifestation of God's keeping power.

"There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling." Let me also praise our Lord that though influenza swept through this community two different times, taking many victims, both white and black, yet we were kept, not one of us contracting the disease and there was not a death in our assembly either time the "flu" passed this way.

Do not be afraid to trust God even in heathen lands, where one is surrounded by the power of the enemy as nowhere else. I could tell you many, many more cases of God's healing and keeping power, but let us each one prove God in all His power for body, soul and spirit. Let us abide in Him and let His words abide in us, then shall not only the works that Jesus did follow our ministry, but also "the greater works" that Jesus said would be done because He was going unto His Father.—Mrs. G. Guthrie in The South African Pentecostal Herald.

PARALYTIC HEALED.

At Bart, Okla., where Brother Lindsey was holding meetings, an old man, a paralytic, who for eighteen years had not been able to walk or stand alone, was anointed and prayed for, when he arose and lifted up his hands and walked, glorifying God.—W. T. McGill.

A GOOD REPORT.

Glad to report victory in my soul, that I am still fighting sin and winning souls. I just returned from a precious revival at Benton, Ill., with Bro. Bailey; also had delightful fellowship in meetings at Marlon, Creal Springs and Cairo. Since returning to Chicago I preached over at Watseka where the saints are pushing things for God. An on my way to San Antonio, Tex., for a meeting with Bro. F. D. Hare, Pastor, thence to assist Bro. Perkins, the pastor at Mountainair, N. Mex.—Evang. Wm. F. Kirkpatrick.



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Where Are We Going?



At the last General Council Bro. J. N. Gortner of Cleveland, O., made the following remark, "There is more danger of the Pentecostal people becoming Methodists than there is of the Methodists becoming Pentecostal." The speaker did not intend, by this, to discourage those of us who are hoping that our Methodist friends will accept pentecost, but it was meant as a warning to the Assemblies of God against the danger of drifting into a powerless form. We heard others express themselves, privately, as seeing the danger ahead. Not that anyone fears form, or that order which is necessary to intelligent co-operation, but it is the absence of power that is feared.

The pentecostal movement has been distinguished, from the beginning, by spiritual manifestations. And those of us who have come into it have done so because of those manifestations. We had many attractive things in the churches which we left; an eloquent and educated ministry, fine churches and schools, and above all, popularity and respectability. But we counted the reproach of Christ to be greater riches than these. We were enticed by the manifestations of the Spirit and what they represented, and left all to seek "the promise of the Father," the "Gift of the Holy Ghost."

Some of us had a hard time getting it and it seemed, at times, that God was determined not to give it to us; but like the Syrophenician woman, we would not take no for an answer, for we were so hungry that we could not be satisfied with anything less than the baptism in the Spirit with the signs following according to Acts 2:4. Oh, how we did love all the manifestations of the Spirit then, how it did rejoice us to hear someone speak in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, and how our hungry spirit would drink in the wonderful interpretations; and when the Spirit would fall on some one and they would shake under the power and perhaps dance or fall prostrate in a trance or vision we would say, "Lord, give it to me also."

Then when the Lord, in spite of our unworthiness, poured out His Spirit upon us and sent us out with the message, how our grateful hearts would swell almost to bursting when we saw the power with which He blessed our ministry. We were not ashamed of the manifestations of the Spirit then, we had no desire to be popular or to move in the best society, we were not concerned about our food or clothing or shelter. Our companions and associates were the saints of God, we had blessed fellowship with our Lord Jesus Christ, we were clothed in His righteousness, fed on the bread from Heaven and sheltered by the precious blood of Christ. What more could we ask? We were satisfied that we had found the right

way at last and determined to stay in it to the end.

"But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ." (2 Cor. 11:3.) Not all at once but gradually has the enemy worked to turn us aside from our former simplicity and trustfulness until we are now told that manifestations, when allowed at all, should be kept in the background, that they are calculated to drive sensible people away from the meetings, (which is not saying much for our own good sense, when we thought they were so wonderful,) and that they don't do anybody very much good anyway; people who are seeking the baptism in the Spirit should be kept in a back room so no outsiders may see them, and if anyone should speak in tongues in the public assembly it should be done in a most "decently and in order" way, according to the letter of the law and not the spirit.

This teaching has made little headway but has become noticeable enough to arouse a fear of its consequences. The thing that was responsible, more than any other one thing, for the phenomenal growth of the movement is being attacked and it is evident that the enemy is now going to give us a battle along this line. The attack is not being made through obscure and insignificant channels but through big "guns" who have nibbled at the bait of popularity and whose ambitions have been stirred up to reach the masses; forgetting that it is God who must reach the masses and who must become popular, and not themselves. The great apostle to the Gentiles said, "And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith might not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God." (1 Cor. 2:4.)

The objection is made that the people cannot understand the manifestations and will not accept something they do not understand. This was not the case when you and I were seeking the baptism. It is true that we did not understand the manifestations but there was something in them that appealed to our faith in the supernatural; we saw God behind them. If we could have understood them they would not have appealed to us so strongly, and we could not have gotten that spiritual vision of the invisible God and His nearness to man that won our hearts and caused us to present our bodies unto Him to be indwelt by His Spirit. And even now there is an element of mystery about the manifestations of the Spirit that reminds us that "The Lord said that He would dwell in the thick darkness." (1 Kings 8:12.)

Another objection is that there are

counterfeits, and manifestations in the flesh. Certainly there are counterfeits in spiritual things as in things material. And as we are not deterred from the use of good things, in the natural realm, because of Counterfeits, so we should not permit ourselves to be cheated out of spiritual blessings because of others. Manifestations in the flesh presents a serious problem in many assemblies and are the cause more than anything else, of the present temptation to put the ban on all manifestations. They are indulged in often by honest but misguided and overzealous Christians; sometimes they are the result of a natural tendency to excess; and where the case is stubborn it is occasioned by a desire to exalt self and manifests an unteachable spirit.

Each of these cases should be dealt with after its kind; it being first necessary to determine which class it belongs to. Only in extreme cases should hypocrites be made a public example; but all should be first dealt with in private, in a spirit of meekness, and with due consideration of the feelings of the offending one, and of their future welfare and usefulness. And where the case is stubborn, a little fasting and prayer will bring good results. Where these things are dealt with publicly it has the effect of discouraging those who are really filled with the Spirit, and this is something we wish to avoid.

Now as to the benefits of Spiritual manifestations. The Bible says, "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself;" and this may truthfully be said of all physical manifestations of the Spirit. All operations of the Spirit, manward, are for our edification; but it is only in physical manifestations that we are permitted to actively cooperate, as one, with the Spirit. And this physical touch has its resistance. It is a "Sign to the unbeliever" in ourselves as well as in others, and fortifies us against the paralyzing attacks of doubt and strengthens us to lay hold of things that are yet invisible.

Are we going to surrender this for the sake of popularity? Or to escape persecution? Or because it offends our wise and respectable neighbors? When we went forth unto Him without the camp, bearing His reproach, which we counted to be the greatest riches we could obtain in this world, were we disappointed? No. But "Having begun in the Spirit," we propose going on in the Spirit until we are made perfect. "Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy and forbid not to speak with tongues. Let all things be done decently and in order." (1 Cor. 14:39, 40.)—F. A. H., in "The Pentecostal Messenger."

ANOTHER MISSIONARY LAID TO REST

Wm. H. Johnson writes from Liberia, "Last Tuesday, Aug. 17th, Mr. J. M. L. Harrow passed away. He had turned the work over to me at Barrobo and on request of the chief people I took possession of the station. This doubles my duties and necessitates a complete change in the line-up of workers, but inasmuch as we consider the work as a whole, and not each one for their individual station, we will be able to make the changes necessary. Pray much for us at this time."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

CONDUCTED BY E. N. BELL

923. In Isaiah 65:17-18 the Lord says He will create new heavens and a new earth, and create Jerusalem a rejoicing. Does this refer to the next world?

This refers to the new heavens and the new earth which follow the final great White Throne judgment, and is the same new earth as is referred to in Rev. 21:1.

924. Is there any scripture that says one will not go up in the rapture unless he has the baptism in the Spirit? I pray for it but do not get through?

All those are overcomers who walk in the light which God gives them, and all overcomers will certainly go up in the rapture. But every one who earnestly walks in the present day light will receive the baptism of the Spirit. Either there is something wrong in your life which you must make right, or you do not earnestly enough seek the Lord to get close enough to Him to have a living faith in the promise, or you would receive the baptism. Get in earnest. Make this matter your first business continually. Actually repent of everything wrong, and count the blood to settle every shortcoming, then look up, believing the promise and claiming it, expecting it to be fulfilled in your life, and then begin to praise the Lord because it is coming. If you will do these things with all your heart, you will have the baptism in less than one hour.

925. Does Mark 9:1 mean that some of those people who were before Jesus when He spoke shall be here still on earth and alive when Jesus returns?

No, this refers to the transfiguration of Jesus on the Mount, and is explained immediately in the verses which follow. If you will turn to 2 Peter, 1st chapter, verses 16 to 18, you will find that Peter refers to the transfiguration as "The power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." To make sure that he does not refer to the second coming of the Lord, he says in verse 18 that this happened "When we were with Him in the holy mount". The word "coming" in this passage simply means the presence of the Lord.

926. In Rev. 2:10 it says: "Ye shall have tribulation ten days." What is the meaning of the ten days, and when does this ten days' tribulation occur?

I think this refers to the period of tribulation that followed shortly after apostolic days in the second of the seven church periods. If this is correct the time has already passed.

927. In Rev. 2:17 it says of the overcomer, "I will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name, which no man knoweth save he that receiveth it." What does this mean, and when will it occur?

Inasmuch as the passage says that no man knoweth it, save he that receiveth it, I do not feel like talking upon it. While the overcomer will probably have in himself on earth what is symbolized by these things, yet no doubt the fullness of all this will be in the new kingdom with the Lord.

928. In Matt. 5:25 Jesus says, "Agree with thine adversary quickly, while thou are in the way with him." Now, how, when and where can we do this?

This refers to any one who has a dispute with you; it means that we should not oppose or resist or fight at persons who are opposed to us. It means to make peace with them, and not to resist until we get into a scrap with them, and they go to law with us and have the sheriff arrest us and put us in prison. If we do act so foolishly Jesus says we shall not come out until we have paid the full penalty of our error.

929. Why should we condemn Judas for betraying Jesus Christ when he was necessary to God's plan?

If the Lord had compelled Judas to be a hypocrite, and a lover of money more than a lover of God, then we might lay the responsibility all on the Lord. But such was not the case. Judas had the same chance to hear the truth, and be a good man that the other disciples had. It was necessary that Christ be crucified, but it was wrong for men to hate God and hate the truth, and hate holiness so to be anxious to try to put it out of existence by killing Jesus Christ. It is wrong for any man to be wrong or to do wrong, no matter how God may turn their evil doing into His praise. The trouble with Judas was that he was a devil, instead of a saint, and was willing to do the devil's work. Jesus gave him the job because he was suited by nature to do the devilish work. But the work which he did was evil in purpose, and was done out of the love of money, and was done in hypocrisy. Judas is condemned, because his purpose was all wrong.

930. Has a preacher called of God to preach the Gospel but not yet ordained through prayer and the laying on of hands, the right to anoint with oil and pray for the sick?

Anybody who has faith to do so may pray for the sick. Jesus said these signs shall follow them that believe. He then mentions the laying on of hands on the sick and their recovery. He did not say anything about ordination or laying on of hands by the presbytery. Praying for the sick, and laying on hands for healing are not restricted to the ordained ministry. Any believer who has faith for such things, and whose prayers God answers, may do this. Any such as

this can pray for me when I am sick, Hallelujah!

Now in the case of anointing with oil, we read of it having been done by the original disciples whom Jesus sent out before His face, and then in James 5:14 we are told to call for the elders and let them anoint with oil. Hence we are certain that the elders were authorized to anoint with oil. No one else can prove by scripture any special authority to do so. But there is no scripture that says only an elder can anoint with oil. So, while it is certain that the elders are authorized to anoint with oil, and it is uncertain that any other has this right, yet, the Pentecostal people have never been particular about these matters. It is not customary among us to have strife over such things. Usually no objection is made to anybody anointing with oil if the Lord backs it up by healing the person anointed. A person who is not an elder should be modest, and not thrust themselves forward to do the things that the elders are told to do, when elders are present to do these things, and will do them as the Lord directs.

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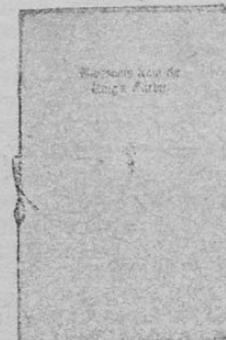
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As Christmas time draws near, the hearts of several hundred missionaries will be drawing toward home and loved ones. Memories will crowd one another, and if there is any one time in the year that a missionary might be tempted to home sickness, it is at Christmastide.

There are no regrets in the hearts of the missionaries, however. They have counted the cost and counted it all joy that they might minister to those in darkness, to those who have not yet heard the glad message of "Peace on earth and good will toward men." The bridges have been burned behind them and they have cut loose from home and friends forever, not counting their lives dear for the Gospel's sake.

And does the Lord take note of this spirit of sacrifice? He most certainly does, for even a glass of water given in the name of a disciple merits its reward. Therefore God will see to it that there are joys with the sorrows, pleasures with the distresses, victories in the battles and peace forevermore.

But how about us who remain at home? Do we appreciate the sacrifice of the missionaries, do we appreciate that they are deprived of pleasures which we enjoy daily with little or no thought of their value? May God help us to have a deep appreciation of those who have dared to forsake all and go out on the mountains and plains in search of the "other sheep". The members of the Assembly of God in San Antonio, Texas, appreciate the missionaries. These are Mexican brethren who have been washed in the blood of the Lamb and have been filled with the Spirit as the disciples were in the beginning. Brother Ball writes, "Christmas Eve we expect to have a little programme in the church, and we will take a Foreign Missionary offering. We will send the offering to you for any needy missionary in the world-wide field in fellowship with the Council."

The hearts of these dear Mexican brethren have been touched and the need of the world evangelization is pressing upon them. What more appropriate act could there be than that they should give for the cause of Christ on the eve of the day on which Christ was given to the world. The suggestion is a good one. The missionary treasurer will be glad to receive for the missionaries a good offering from your assembly also.

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MAY OPEN A NEW OUT-STATION.

Miss Mae F. Mayo writes, "I went to the country the other day and we had a large street meeting and scattered the seed and gave out tracts. We may open an out-station there. It is six miles from Klang Pu Shien. We are praying and looking up and expecting to see God work for us."

MISSION STATION NEARLY COMPLETE

Mrs. H. M. Turney writes concerning the new church building in Middleburg, Transvaal. "Some few months ago it became necessary for us to have a new church building. The very thought of such an undertaking appalled us, but there was no help for it as the owners of the place we then occupied wanted it for other purposes. After a good deal of prayer and somewhat anxious consultation, we decided to make a beginning. The walls are of stone, of which material we have abundance close at hand. They are very nearly finished, but now we are confronted with the necessity for providing roofing material. We will probably need \$150 to \$200 as there are windows and doors to buy also. So please pray over it and ask the Lord how much you may give. Send your gift to the Missionary Treasurer and clearly designate what it is to be used for."

SACRIFICE FOR MISSIONS BEARS FRUIT IN PRECIOUS SOULS.

Bro. J. H. Chenoweth writes from Western China, "While the saints are sacrificing daily that the heathen might hear the Gospel, I am glad to state that the heathen are coming out for God in a blessed way. August 15th we had a most precious day in the Lord. In the morning service we enjoyed preaching after which we had the Lord's supper. In the afternoon, after the preaching was over, we gave an altar call and a goodly number came forward. One man was particularly in earnest. He had previously been possessed with a demon and had been divining for people. But for the past year or so he says the demon has been angry with him and as a consequence many things have happened to his family. He has truly repented and God has gloriously saved him. He burned his idols and sent one to me, thinking I would like it.

"As he came forward, I laid hands on him in the name of the Lord, and almost immediately he was speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Another bright young man who had often heard about Jesus and wanted to repent, came with this man, and not only was blessedly saved but received his Pentecost at the same time, speaking clearly and fluently in an unknown tongue. Still another young man, who had previously been saved and received his baptism but who had afterwards backslidden, came forward and the Lord not only reclaimed him, but poured him out such a blessing he could not contain it. A dear old woman, who my wife has been ministering to lately, came forward to repent and received His peace in her heart. Others of the saints were greatly revived."

Wm. F. P. Burton of Congo Belge writes: "We praise God for mighty blessings here. In January of this year we had a blessed outpouring of the Holy Spirit when scores received Him within a few days. The result has been a great reaching out after lost souls, so that I have been enabled to occupy five new out-schools in as many months.

"Among other places, our native Christians made a raid on the Kisale Lake villages, and I have been able to place two native teachers there. The young chief, who is a man of considerable authority, attends services with his counsellors, and on Sunday mornings the crowds often number over 500.

"Last week one evangelist wrote of forty-five natives awaiting baptism, while the evangelist at the other end of the lake has this week visited us with an equally encouraging report."

Forrest G. Barker writes that he is opening up a new station at Yungay, Peru. He writes: "We are well pleased with our change and feel that the opportunity is great in this section to scatter the good news of salvation.

"Just after we came they got out a tale that I was fixing to dynamite the church. I do not know just how far this was scattered but a woman came to the man from whom we are renting rooms and told him this and that the Indians, who were to have a big drunken feast the following Sunday, were going to enter the house and take us out and kill us. The man was very much excited and said the proper thing for me to do was to go to the Sub-Perfector, the highest officer here, that the Indians were likely to do whatever the priests tell them as they are always very drunk during these feasts. This officer is a real friend to us and has guaranteed us protection. Of course, we are looking to God as our greatest Protector."

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Mrs. Nettie D. Nichols writes: "Three new most needy ones have just been rescued from lives of cruelest suffering. One, our dear Eng-seng's boy who has at last been restored to his mother. This has almost been a miracle. Imagine the joy of this mother in having her first-born restored to her after five years of separation.

"Another case is that of a fifteen year old girl who was most cruelly burned and otherwise mistreated by her opium-eating mistress to whom she had been sold while very small. We have named her Do-eng (great grace) for it was God's great grace that followed her.

The day the matron and I went to the Yamen, several miles across the native city, was a scorching hot one. So intense was the heat as we journeyed through the dirty, narrow, smelly streets, that it seemed one would be overcome several times. But a soul was at stake. While we were gone on that errand, a young woman of twenty years was brought to the home for refuge. She had been married at the age of thirteen and had been most cruelly treated by the husband and his mother and father. Her bitterness was eaten to the full so that the only thing for her to do was to make an escape from their clutches. She is safe here in the shelter of the Home where God alone is our Protector and Keeper in this heathen land. She is beginning to show some interest in the Gospel and already her expression is changing. She had been so cruelly beaten that upon first coming to us she seemed dazed. The influence of work of this kind is indeed far-reaching and no better investment could be made in souls than where they are daily under the influence and training of the Gospel."

THE LAND OF PALESTINE.

The land of Palestine offers peculiar possibilities for missionary work at the present time. It is a land of many peoples. Besides the Arabs who claim the land as their own, there are the Mohammedans, the Greek and Roman Catholics and Jews. Missionary work must be done among all these people.

Since the land has been opened for the Jew, thousands of Jews are pouring in from all quarters of the globe. This condition is precipitating a crisis. It is now almost impossible to secure any kind of living quarters and the natives of the land resent the invasion of the Jews. Only the presence of armed authority prevents trouble and bloodshed.

Sister Elizabeth Brown has been laboring in Jerusalem for many years and God has given her souls for her hire. She writes,

"It thrills our hearts as we think of the actual returning of the Jews to the land promised to Abraham and his seed, but we are suffering some of the inconveniences incident to the first influx which has found a serious state of unpreparedness in the matter of houses. We are facing a serious situation. The house we are in was German property and now belongs to the government, which needs it for the use of its officers. Hence we must move out September 15th. I have searched, tramping through the broiling sun till I have had a low fever for a month. So today, nine days before we move, finds me with no prospects of a shelter from the elements. **But God!** I can do nothing but stand by and see how He will fulfill Phil 4:19 this time. Hallelujah and again hallelujah! He has never failed yet.

"We need helpers and will heartily welcome the right man and his wife as soon as he can be found and can reach us. God is blessing in the Prison work. Several bright, happy faces testify to the real change of heart the men have experienced through believing in Jesus. Yesterday, every man in the room held up his hand and some of them both hands, for prayer. The prison authorities have given us a nice large room for our meetings where we may use as much of the morning as we wish and be undisturbed."

A VISIT TO THE HOLY LAND.

Bro. and Sister C. W. Doney have had the privilege of visiting the Holy Land on a little trip of rest, recently. Brother Doney writes, "Greetings from the Holy City, Jerusalem. At Sister Brown's continued appeals for help, Mrs. Doney and I responded. I have baptized seven of her people in Solomon's Pool, and we are helping her in her meetings.

"We have visited some of the sacred places: the garden of Gethsemane, Calvary, and the Tomb where it is believed Jesus was laid and from which He rose again. We have visited the tombs of the Kings of Israel and have been over the mount of Olives. I have been over the temple grounds and inside the Mosque of Omar. It is built directly on the Temple site. I have visited the Pool of Siloam and Solomon's three great pools and the Sealed Fountain that supplies abundance of water, sending the water through several runways under solid rocks. See Solomon's Songs 4:12.

"We visited Rachel's Tomb and Bethlehem. Was in the room where it is believed Jesus was born and where the manger was. Like nearly all ancient houses and stables, it is built in solid rock. I have also seen the Dead Sea and Jordan River flowing into it. It is a wonderful place and one never tires visiting the places where the Saviour's feet have trod. "I preached Sunday morning in the prison. One man was saved. This makes a conversion in the prison services for several Sundays past. Greetings to all."

Rightly dividing the word of truth, according to some is to give 99% to the Jew and about 1% to the child of God. when "all things are yours."—S. H. F.

"'The Lord is my Shepherd.' Not was; not may be, or will be, but is. Is my Shepherd on Sunday, Monday, and every day of the week. In January as in June, and in every month of the year. My Shepherd in China as at home. In time of war as in time of peace. In penury and in abundance." —Hudson Taylor.

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BIBLE SCHOOL AND EVANGELISTIC SERVICES, EARLE, ARK.

Beginning Dec. 23rd to last as the Lord leads. Evang. Fred Lohman will be with us after Dec. 27th. All invited. Come praying.—Pastor W. H. Copeland.

OPEN FOR CALLS.

Evang. Wm. F. Hurley and wife, Bristow, Okla.
Pastor Elmer E. Gore, 1413 Gribble St., Gainesville, Tex.

If failure comes to us it is either from incomplete consecration or lack of trust. It is never either the strength of our enemies nor our own weakness that causes us to fail.—Sel.

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J. R. Jamieson & workers, W. Indies ..	55.00
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Noel Perkin, Argentina,	55.00
Chas. Personous & wife, Alaska,	25.00
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M. M. Pinson, native worker,	20.00
Total, November funds,	\$7381.67
Belated November offering,	58.00
Plus October balance,	285.00
Plus amt. from Dec. funds,	100.00
Total for November,	\$7824.67

**BRIDGEPORT, TEX.**

Well, praise the Lord; He is blessing Bro. Tommy Griffin in meetings here. Last night had two saved and three reclaimed. Feel God is going to give the victory.—Frank House.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Wife and I are still in the battle for King Jesus. A good deal of our time is devoted to prison work; God is blessing in this much neglected work, and He is setting His seal upon it. We have cared for several fallen girls also. Pray for us.—Oscar R. Crews, Evang.

FOWLER, COLO.

We are just a little band here, average attendance sixteen, with three baptized saints, and several seeking the Baptism. We have meetings Tuesday and Friday nights, preaching Sunday afternoon, and a Sunday School, and God is blessing. Please pray that God may pour out His blessing upon this little band in a wonderful way.—Miss May Strader.

MALVERN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The power of the Lord was wonderfully in evidence at the District Council held at Malvern recently, and a blessed spirit prevailed throughout. Bro. W. J. Walthall was elected chairman for the coming year, and we feel that he is God's man for the place. There was a goodly attendance from adjoining states, Texas, Arizona and the Northwest being represented. This is just a note of praise from one who was at the feast of good things.—Wm. Burton McCafferty.

ROCKPORT, TEX.

I want to report that ten or eleven saints in Rockport are still holding on to God's unchanging hands. We are all babes in Christ, all received the Holy Spirit in the same meeting this last summer, and want the prayers of the readers that we may be true until the Lord's soon coming. If any Spirit-filled person feels led by the Lord to come this way, that is in full fellowship with the Council, he will be heartily welcomed. Meetings Sunday and Thursday night.—Chester Hurst.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the ministers, assemblies and saints of Arkansas District Council, greeting in Jesus' worthy name. You remember at the recent Council session held at Malvern I was elected chairman, with the understanding that I give my entire time to the Council interests on the field. I entered those duties without delay, and with all the energy and resources at command, but in order to perform them successfully I must have the prayerful co-operation of all in the Council fellowship.

I feel that special features of my Council duties are to be helpful to ministers whose time is not wholly given up to their calling, and as speedily as possible hope to enlist them; then to render all possible assistance to isolated, pastorless and confused missions, and with this do everything possible in a co-operative way to get this Gospel to unevangelized fields.

My permanent address will be Carthage, Ark., and I earnestly solicit correspondence with such ministers and missions as may need co-operative help. Write me fully as to your desires and needs, and I will endeavor to put willing ministers in touch with needy fields.—W. Jethro Walthall.

DOUGLAS, ARIZ.

We have with us Bro. and Sis. Hale of San Antonio, Tex. The Lord is putting His approval on the meeting, confirming His word with signs following. A number have been saved and one received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, as in Acts 2:4. Praise God.—Pastor John Elting.

CAMPVILLE, MO.

Just a few words to let you know that Campville has finally awakened for God. We have bought a property, paying cash for it, have new seats and the Lord is blessing. We need your prayers.—E. E. Burkheimer.

WARREN, OHIO.

Just a line from Warren. The fight is on, and God is leading on. There has been a real outpouring on the children. One little child about nine years of age spoke in the Chinese language. Sister Plymire of China was here and understood the child.—John Waggoner, Pastor.

THAYER, MO.

The meeting closed with great victory. People say this is the best meeting they have had for years. Between 35 and 40 saved and 34 baptized with the Holy Spirit. The large house was filled every night, and we closed the meeting with 17 at the altar. Bro. Veney L. Clark, of Florida, helped in the meeting. He goes on to Couch, Mo., for his next meeting. The people have elected me pastor. Please pray for me and mine.—W. J. Higgins, Pastor.

GLENWOOD AND TROY, ALA.

God has been wonderfully blessing in this part of the country this year. We have been able, by the assistance of Bro. C. L. Duck to set in working order two assemblies, one at Glenwood, Crenshaw Co., with a number of newly baptized saints; the fire continues to fall and people continue to get saved. Another fourteen miles from Troy. God is blessing there—a number of them newly saved. We request prayer for these precious souls, that they may be strong in faith and not be soon shaken.—Evang. S. W. Noles and wife.

COMMERCE, OKLA.

God is still saving souls and healing diseases here. One man saved and instantly healed of spinal trouble which often threw him into convulsions. One woman healed of rheumatism, two children of diphtheria. One girl of sixteen years, living in the country delivered from insanity. She was strapped to the wall with hand cuffs. After fasting for six days, prayer was offered; the girl fell to the floor, then arose, with uplifted hands, praising the Lord. Prayer was offered for a little girl of twelve years, whom the doctor said had been dead for fifteen minutes. The girl seemed to be lifted by an unseen Power from the bed and stood in the middle of the room. When the ambulance came the girl was sitting in the rocking chair eating biscuit and beef steak.

We are still feasting on the good things we heard at the General Council meeting.—Mother (Francene) Dobson.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We will begin our Christmas meeting Saturday night, Dec. 18. Any Spirit-filled minister in good standing with the General Council, who feels led to come this way, please write me at Woodville, Texas. Pastor Doyle Davis.

CONVENTION AT FRANKLIN, NEB.

Dec. 26 to Jan. 2, inclusive.

Elder S. A. Jamieson, principal of the Mid-West Bible School, will be in charge. A bible lesson each day. Evenings will be given to evangelistic services. All are invited.—Roy E. Scott, Pastor.

REVIVAL AT INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Come to the Holiday Revival Services at the Woodworth Etter Tabernacle, 2114 Miller St., Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 25, 1920, to Jan. 2, 1921. Meetings three times each day. Come and have a feast with the Lord. Special ministers are expected to be with us.

CANADIAN PENTECOSTAL TESTIMONY

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CONVENTION BETHEL PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLY.

4th and Dickerson Sts., Newark, N. J.

Dec. 26th to Jan. 2nd. Several able teachers and preachers of the Word will be present, as well as a number of returned missionaries. For information write Pastor Ernest Hooper, 61 Fourth St., Newark, N. J.

A TIME OF PRAYER.

A subscriber writes us requesting us to urge upon our readers not to fail to meet together for a time of prayer on New Years eve, as is a custom in many churches. The need is great. Let us heed the admonition.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER.

Please pray for the Healing of Myself; O. R., Coalinga. A sister of 84, from rheumatism and deafness; Grandma D., Ft. Ritner. Nervous breakdown and other troubles; S. H. N., Elgin. From a troublesome rash, and that I may keep true; M. T., Luling. From the itch; Mrs. M. E. L., Waldron. From grip; Sister Mildred. Of my lungs, and for the Baptism; S. E. W., Gravenhurst. Husband and me of a skin disease, and keep us in His will; Mrs. L. L. E., Mabank. My sick baby; Mrs. J. C. H., Devalls Bluff. My husband from rupture; Mrs. D. S., Grand Saline. My children of bladder weakness; my self of corns; Mrs. S. W. W., Attica. A sister from consumption; she is trying to exercise faith; Mrs. H. F. M., Marion. My son from tuberculosis; also myself; Mrs. M. M., Cushman. An only lady from paralysis; my left side and left ear; for a pastor who is sick; N. S., Sanger. From piles; J. T. T., Lake City. Strength to work, that I may have more to give to Him; A. A. My wife of eczema; my boy from kidney trouble; myself of heart and stomach trouble; W. L. T., Advance. Mrs. R. V. W., Hollis. Am almost helpless; K. W., Spader. From stomach, liver and kidney troubles; I. B., Troy. From gall stones; L. P. S., Coombs. A Pentecostal pastor from goiter; C. E. H., Bellingham. From hardening arteries, high blood pressure and heart trouble; L. E., Spangle. From rheumatism; O. C. M., Alleville. From deafness and rheumatism; Mrs. C. D. H., Santa Cruz. My family from itch; J. B. D., N. McAlester. A sister from catarrh and gall stones; a little girl from catarrh; Mrs. H. W., Dixie. My husband from dropsy, myself from tumor; Mrs. L. P., Buffalo. A weakness that keeps me from work; J. M. S., Richland Center. My family and myself from lung trouble; Mrs. O. W. P., Coalinga. My little boy with weak eyes; J. B., Meridian. My baby of tonsillitis; Mrs. A. N., Cement. From tuberculosis, floating kidney and other ailments; Mrs. A. T. T., Bomarten. My sore eyes; Mrs. J. C. McN., Whigham. For my insane brother, my mother from nervousness and stomach trouble; P. H., Marthasville. My entire family from chills, and that they may be in His will; Sister, Eagle Mills. A growth on my ankle; Mr. M. D., Hightower. My mother from deafness and pain in her back; W. A., Giddings. Rheumatism and lung trouble; K. D., Sparta. Mrs. B. C., dying of cancer; our daughter afflicted with tonsillitis, and convulsions; another daughter, indigestion and nervousness; Mrs. R. C. S., Williston. From impaired eyesight; M. G., Cairo. I have been sick four years; I believe God is able; Mrs. R. E., Scranton. Of cough; P. P., Trinidad. Mrs. M., sick for two years with nervous prostration; A. H. My father and sister; G. M. S., Joplin. Heart and kidney trouble; Mrs. G. F. M., Williston.

Pray for Work and Workers at Cumberland, Md.; J. E. K., McCurtain, Okla.; J. M. Ronda, W. Va.; S. M. Harrington, Wash.; Bro. & Sis. McD. Harrison, Ark.; P. P.

Florence, Ala.; C. W. Yantis, Tex.; J. M. G. and wife, Nevada, Mo.; B. H. C. St. Joseph, Mo.; H. F. Boulder, Colo.; A. H. Thayer, Mo.; W. J. H. San Diego, Calif.; P. D. M. Sanger, Calif.; Cleburne, Tex.; R. W. G. South Bend, Ind.; Algona, Wash.; Mrs. J. S. T. Brooks Station, Ky.; H. L. D. A revival at Bowie; T. S. M. Hoxie, Ark.; H. A. D.

Pray for the Salvation of My family; Mrs. C. H. B. Ganado. My husband and children; Mrs. J. A. D. Tullia. My mother, two sisters and two brothers; E. B. J., West Lebanon. My wife; J. L. P., Rosboro. My wife and two boys, and reclamation of my three girls; E. S. McC., Spring Hill. My family; Mrs. J. O. Creal Springs. My husband; Mrs. A. McC., Farmers Exchange. My son and daughter; Mrs. M. E. L., Waldron. My husband; M. G. Jasonville. My husband, boy and girl; Mrs. E. C., Harrison. My parents, three children, brother and sisters; Mrs. Mary, Belle Plain. My husband; Mrs. A. N., Cement. My dear ones; L. G., Helena. My husband; Sister in Christ.

Pray for a Deeper Place in Him for Mrs. C. T. McF.; Hansonville. My husband and I; Mrs. G. M., Zumwalt. Mrs. I. D. E. and family; Sumner. And give me the work He wants me to do; S. Z., Chicago. Mrs. F. S.; Galena. B. W.; E. Ellijoy. T. R. O'B.; Hopkinsville. Mrs. M. C. A.; Palacios, L. L.; Pangburn. My family and me; O. H., Emery. Husband and me; Mrs. G. F. M., Williston.

Pray for the Baptism in the Spirit for Mrs. J. A. D.; Tullia, J. T. T.; Lake City. P. P.; Harrison. Mrs. L. P.; Buffalo. Mrs. B. W.; East Ellijoy. K. D.; Spadra. My entire family; Mrs. A. T. T., Bomarten. Mrs. E. C.; Harrison. L. G.; Helena. Mrs. A. C. M.; Palo Alto.

Pray for these Hungry Souls, far from any Place to Worship; My sister at Dean, La. and two sisters near Lawson; Mrs. G. E. E., Malvern. I am the only Pentecostal person here; L. K., Smackover.

Pray God to keep me in the center of His will. E. W., Truman.

Pray we may sell our place and move to a place where we may go to church. Mrs. M. M. J., Boonville.

Pray I may overcome some trials hard to bear. E. S. McC., Spring Hill.

Pray God to convict a woman, who by her attitude toward another woman's husband is causing many heart aches. Also, that the man may see the evil of his ways, and that God may right these wrongs and save both. L. E. S.

Pray God may reclaim two backslidden baptized children, save and baptize a sixteen year old boy, and keep him from joining the army. Also two sons-in-law, and reconcile a daughter to her father, and that I may know God's will and do it. G. W. N., Springfield.

Pray for our health, harmony and fuller salvation. R. D. P., Coalinga.

Pray that I may secure a position. A. L. L., Gloversville, N. Y.

Pray God's blessing on our home, and that I may have grace to stand. Mrs. I. P. H., Monroe City.

Please pray for my people, the Armenians. R. S., Los Angeles.

Pray God will send our three little boys, husband and me, clothes that we may go to church. Mrs. W. S. Hambrick, R. I., Ida, La.

Please pray for healing of wife from pneumonia. Seven in family have trusted God for healing for seven years. Three of our children have never tasted medicine. T. F. C., No. Little Rock.

A saved sister asks prayer for delivery from tobacco habit. Mrs. S. M. S., Crowley.

Please pray I may go through with the Lord. Mrs. M. L., Arbyrd.

Sometime ago we asked prayer that God would heal our baby, and He has completely healed him. Now please pray He will deliver us from the itch. V. T. M. and wife, Woodville.

Please pray that I may feel and know that I am saved, and that the Lord will fill me with His Spirit. G. M., Oilton.

Please pray for my 15 year old daughter Virginia, now in hospital with appendicitis. She asked the Prayer Band to pray for my healing last May, and your prayers were answered. Mrs. L. C., Canute.

Pray I may be where God wants me to be. M. P. S., Montwait.

Pray husband, daughter and I may grow in faith, love and grace. O. R., Coalinga.

Pray I may obey my Lord and King. Mrs. M. M. J., Boonville.

An unspoken request. A Sister in Christ. My husband, who is a godly man, and who has been seeking his baptism, has gone insane from ill-health. We can't stand to see him go to the asylum. Pray God's will be done at any cost. Mrs. M. S., Kansas City.

Please pray God will regard my soul, and

pardon my sins, and give me liberty in Him to do His will. D. W., Tolar.

Pray my wife may be restored to me. R. M., Waxahachie.

Pray God will give us a place of worship. B. T., Kennett.

Pray God will deliver me of terrible suffering, and save my husband. G. M., Allenton.

Please pray the demon may go out of my brother, that he may be healed from nervous breakdown in brain and body, and saved. N. S., Sanger.

I sincerely request the prayers of the Evangel Family that I may gain my health again, as I have some unfinished business that I want to accomplish for the glory of the Lord. H. C. H., Earle.

Pray that a preacher may come into this community, and that mother and I may go deeper in the Lord and do His whole will. C. R.

Pray the Lord may make me a bright and shining light for Him. C. B., Los Angeles.

Pray for a very sick boy, hurt six months ago, whose suffering is very great, that God may heal him. Coombs, B. C.

Pray for my daughter of twenty for deliverance from rheumatism. Mrs. G. H. R., Boise, Idaho.

Pray for a sister who believes herself called of God to preach, that His will may be done in the matter. M. A. R., Hurray.

Pray for a sister sick in body, that she may be healed, she may get to hear the word preached, and serve God with an honest heart. Also that God may help them financially. Livingston.

Pray for a brother and sister called to the foreign field, that God may make the path very plain. W. M., So. Bend.

Pray that I may be an overcomer. J. B., Alma.

Pray for a revival in Crowley, and for me. S. M. S.

Pray that God may help in financial strain. T. R. O'B., Hopkinsville.

Pray for our little Sunday School; and that a mother may get back into God's order. Mrs. G., Meridian.

Pray that our family may take the Lord Jesus Christ as their healer. P. H., Marthasville.

Pray for a sister baptized and set apart to His service, just now confined to her home, that God will be glorified in her at this time. Mrs. E. S. L., Northfield.

Pray for a mother and several children all with lung trouble. Pray that God may heal and save them. A. B., Teague.

I sent in a request for prayer for my nephew at the State Hospital. Praise God, he came home one week ago to-day. Pray that God may give him more physical strength, deliver him from something that seems to cause him worry, and may the family all dwell together in peace, and know more of our blessed Saviour. I am feeling stronger, and am still trusting my head may get healed. C. G., St. Marys.

Pray I may stand true in a great trial. Mrs. A. N., Cement.

Husband and I are in trouble. Pray God may deliver us from the snares of the devil. H. A., Maypearl.

My parents are each in poor health and blind, and UNSAVED. Please pray for them. A. R., Evansville.

Pray the Lord to help us sell our farm, and draw us closer to Himself. Mrs. R. C. S., Williston.

Pray God to provide the money for me to go where I need to go. G. S., Patterson.

Believe it is God's will that I sell my place. Please pray I may. Mrs. R. E., Scranton.

Pray God may lead some Spirit-filled preacher our way. Mrs. F. M. H., Cash.

Please unite with me in prayer at 3 o'clock, P. M. on Dec. 19th, that God will completely heal me of paralysis, for His glory. J. A. Brown, Bayminette, Ala.

Pray God to send a Spirit-filled man to Ashland, Ala. W. J. Williams.

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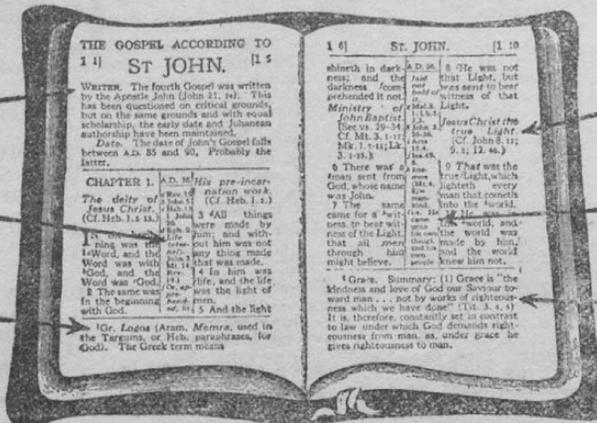
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