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The Mistakes of Man

GOD never apologizes to man, because He never makes mistakes. The sun does not apologize to the wax dip for putting it out of commission. God never apologizes for man's mistakes, which man in his error attributes as His mistakes, or the mistakes of God. God does not condescend to correct man of his incorrect judgment of God or God's word. Every word of God is pure—and that is sufficient. "The mistakes of Moses" men speak of—it is a veiled reference to what they would like to call "The mistakes of God." Those who make that statement are in themselves a huge mistake. They are so crooked in their lives, they themselves are so crooked, as to form a living query—a question mark. They call themselves inquirers and they are labeled in the library of heaven as queries, questionables. If there was a joke book for the angels, these men and their writings would be considered a huge joke. Prating about things they know nothing of—blind leaders of the blind. They need a daily dose of the book of Job to see the insignificance of man and the majesty, glory and omniscience of God their Creator.

Modern explainers of the word of God are these men, and they glory in the title of being "up-to-date." Yes, they are getting up-to-date, for the day of the Lord is fast approaching, the day of His anger, wrath, indignation and trouble. But the true saint is not looking for the "up-to-date." He is looking for the former and the latter rain together in the same month (Joel 2:23). The true modernist goes back to the old-time scene of the upper room when there were ten days of waiting, humiliation, confession and getting together in one accord, and where the eternal God manifested Himself in a modern way by fulfilling an old-fashioned, ancient prophecy. The latest fashion for the new church was the old word of the old prophet Joel made new, made life, by the living Spirit of the living Word sent forth by the living Son who was reigning on the throne.

It is not the word of God that needs revising; it is the men who are trying to revise the unrevisable who need revising, reviving, quickening by the word of God, which is life, and which to them is only words or letters.

God makes no apology to any man, and accepts no patronage. He lends breath to man and that breath should be given back in praise, not in detraction of the One who gave it, nor of His word. A breath from the mouth of the Lord is His Word made real. The Word tabernacled in our midst, became flesh, dwelt among us, and is no less than the Son of God.

Man has to apologize to God for rejecting the Word, for crucifying the Word. The written word and the living Word are synonymous and are to be the ultimate Judge of mankind.

To question God's written word is to question Christ, the living Word.

He is a brave man who questions or attempts to question the great Questioner, the Judge of all the earth. The glowworm is not brave enough to glow when the sun is in his meridian glory, but our modern glowworms are bold enough, and they will suffer for their bravery. Amen.

THE CALL OF CHINA

George Kelley, of Sainam, S. China, at the General Council

One thing I know, and that is, "God answers prayer." When I was a little boy of three years, wearing blue overalls, a man in China began praying that a missionary would come to his village. God began to work on my heart and saved me from many an accident and sent me to China in answer to that man's prayers. It seems to me that God could have done better but I have no objection to what God did.

There is one thing that is impressed on my heart and that is this, God loves China. One reason why I know that He does is because right now He has 6,250 missionaries laboring for the salvation of souls over there. If God did not love China He would not call 6,250 missionaries to give their lives for Him in China. If I had some enterprise which I wished to recommend to you, I would tell you of some of the best business men in the world and how they were investing in it. God is investing so heavily in China that I am convinced that God loves China.

In the year 1900 there were 221 of our missionaries who laid down their lives for the salvation of China; not only 221 missionaries, including children, but 2,000 Chinese Christians refused to accept natural life, but accepted martyrdom instead and let the very last drop of their blood pour out into Chinese soil that China might some day be a Christian nation. God is not forgetful of these sacrifices. If He did not love China He would never have allowed such a tremendous price to be paid that China might have the gospel. If God is your Father, and He loves China, I think it a pretty good reason why you should love China. Are you in love with your Father? Well, your Father loves China. We love everything He loves.

You may ask what is being accomplished over there. I want to say that precious, definite results are being reaped over there. We are praying for a world-wide revival. It may come in the Methodist or Baptist church, but we have had a part in praying it through. If God is pleased to save souls in another denomination I am going to get my share when I get up there. The Christian constituency amounts to eight hundred thousand; that many have professed Christ. This is a fulfillment of the promise of God to Isaiah when he said, "These shall come . . . from the land of Sinim." That word Sinim is an old name for China.

There is another reason why you should love China. Do you not love your brothers? Don't say you are not a brother to those yellow Chinese, for Acts 17:26 tells us that God "hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth." I want to ask you to pray more for your brothers than you have ever done in the past. God is answering the prayers of the martyrs who laid down their lives in 1900.

From a political, social and religious standpoint, China today is in a state of turmoil. We call China the modern Rip Van Winkle; she has been asleep for all these years. Someone has said that China will not awaken and leave the rest of the world unaffected. The opportunities we have in China have been brought to us at a terrible cost and I ask you to accept this thing and make up your mind to do your part in bringing the gospel to that land. Chinese Christians are being added to the church at the rate

of thirty thousand a year; but the birth rate of China has an increase of one million a year. At this rate China will never be evangelized unless we make a greater effort and treble the number of converts.

Do we appreciate the missionaries who gave their lives for China? I hear you say, "Yes." Then let us act like it. Do we appreciate the sacrifice of Calvary? Then let us act like it. Missions were started in China as far back as 1807, and in the year 1907 the first Pentecostal missionary went to China. Just one hundred years from the time that Morrison went, we Pentecostal folks had a missionary land at the very same spot. One thousand Chinese Christians have been added to the Pentecostal ranks. It is estimated that over five hundred have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and, without a single exception, every one of them spoke in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.

There was one elderly Chinese man that was rather skeptical about some things. One night he was in the room where a little boy came under the power of the Spirit. The boy was sitting in a chair, his head back, his mouth wide open. The old man thought something terrible must be taking place so he walked over to where the boy was sitting, took a light, and looked down the boy's throat as if to examine the boy and see if he were dead. Just then the Holy Spirit began to speak through the boy, and the old man walked off as good as to say, "It's done all right." Sometimes they receive the Holy Ghost when taking up the collection. One woman was struck by the power of God and baptized before she could get her little offering on the plate. She sang in other tongues, but she sang one sentence in the English language. It was, "The angels are surrounding me." There is no sound in the Chinese language equal to the "R" sound. This Chinese woman was able to say the "R" sound. God taught her in five minutes more than the university professors can teach in five years.

Pray that the blessed revival now on in China shall continue. Brother Spence writes that at the different stations in the South China work fifty-four have been swept into the kingdom during the last two weeks. One evening, at the Bertha Milligan Mission, the Holy Ghost came down while they were singing and ten were baptized in the Holy Spirit. And every one of them received the Bible evidence, just like at the Day of Pentecost.

When I went to China I did not have any outfit but He gave me a pretty good outfit. That was the Holy Ghost. God has supplied our need for twelve years and not one time have we ever lacked anything. Sometimes we have come down to the place where we needed, but just in the nick of time God would supply our every need. One day we got a letter saying that a man had a piece of property for sale. This man said that if God would send a buyer for the land he would give the proceeds to the work of God. You had better be careful about what you offer to God, for God will take you at your word. God sent a man to buy that property and the proceeds came to twelve hundred dollars. Then the man got to thinking that he could buy an automobile and ride in and out from the city. But while he was praying the Lord said to him, "You promised that money to Me and I want

you to send it to Brother Kelley." The man got up and sent it right off to me in a letter.

When we were building the missionary home, one day the contractor came round and said to me, "Brother Kelley, I want my money for that building over there." I said, "Here are ten dollars, come back tomorrow and I will give you the rest of it." I did not have another cent in the world. The next morning after breakfast the man presented his bill. Did I have the money to pay for it? Indeed I did. Just before breakfast the postman came with that check for twelve hundred dollars in a letter, which netted twenty-four hundred dollars in Chinese currency. So I had the two thousand dollars to pay the bill and four hundred dollars extra.

God does not have to depend on American letters. One morning we lacked in our food supply and my wife and some girls began to pray that the Lord would supply the need for our table. Right after prayers we got up and went to the table. A boy came in and said a man wanted to see me. There was a man outside with three of the nicest chickens, and we had one of the biggest chicken dinners we had had in twelve years. The Lord answers prayer before we pray sometimes.

We are personally responsible for six mission stations which are conducted from Sainam. We have a corps of workers, amounting to about twenty-one, who look to us and we take care of them. God has helped us in China to work amicably with the missionaries of other denominations. That is, we are not quarreling with the Baptists or Methodists but each is separated to a different part of the province. If the Holy Spirit leads us to go to some other place we are free to go, but we prefer not to build on another man's foundation. Without your assistance we are unable to enter that land and take it for God.

In order to evangelize this district we need at least fifty missionary workers. We are asking for ten men. Women are doing practically all of the evangelization of the foreign fields. They say the woman is the weaker vessel. Well, God bless the weaker vessel. One of our South China missionaries was on a station all alone, out in a very hot district. She has been laboring there for three or four years and has gone from village to village; sometimes going distances that would take a whole day. She would carry a pack of literature over her shoulder and her feet would be sore and blistered. Just recently she prayed through till a revival started in her station and eighteen have been baptized there. She is a Canadian girl, laboring absolutely alone. When these eighteen were converted one young man confessed that he had put a dagger in his belt and started for her house, intending to stab her if she woke. He knew that she had a gold watch and sixty dollars and he wanted that to buy a pistol. As he went into the door something stopped him. He could not go further than the door. What stopped him? Perhaps it was your prayers; somebody was praying. What I solicit more than anything else is your prayers for if you pray we will get all the money we need. We don't want your money without your prayers, it would be a curse to us.

Some of our women missionaries come back and are timid about making an appeal for men to come to China for fear they will be misunderstood, but I am a man and can make the appeal. Our sisters are out there doing men's work, and here you are riding around in your cars, going from one picnic to another. Young men, put yourselves on the altar of sacrifice.

The American Tobacco Company can get all the men they want to go to China to sell cigarettes. Our young girls are making the sacrifice. Sometimes the Chinese ask me if our nation is made up of ladies. The next question they want to ask is, "Then why don't the men come to China?"

In a certain crowd of young men there was one who seemed to be quite timid. The others noticed this and decided to give him a good scare. They carefully planned it all out; one young man was to die and the rest were to watch all night by his dead body. One by one through some excuse or other they were to all slip out and leave this timid fellow with the corpse. Then the corpse was to slowly rise up. Every thing was carried out as planned and a white sheet was thrown over the supposedly dead body. In the middle of the night one by one they all left the room and the timid fellow found himself alone with the corpse. It began to rise. Springing up, he grabbed it by the throat and pushed it back on the couch, saying, "If you're dead, act like it."

If you are ready to sacrifice and go to the foreign field, act like it.

A beautiful young English girl said goodbye to her parents and started for China. One day the Boxers came to the place where she and a number of others were staying. Knowing what they had come for she stepped out boldly and said, "If you want to kill anybody, kill me first. There are missionaries in there who are my friends, and there are children too. Take me." They lead her to the place of execution and on the way she emptied her purse, giving the contents to the beggars along each side of the road. She knelt, and her head was severed from her body. Standing watching that terrible scene was a man in whose breast conviction began to burn. It became so strong that he finally gave his heart to God and confessed Christ. That man is General Feng. Through General Feng's ministry eight thousand Chinese soldiers have been saved and we are told that he is supporting fifty-seven young men who are preparing for service all over China. Did that beautiful young girl give her life in vain?

Let us be consecrated to go God's way, and if He says by the martyr route, let us go that way. If that frail young girl was willing to go are there not some young men who will be willing to place themselves on the altar and go, to live or to die for Him? My route to heaven is via China.

"There is no testimony to God's hatred of sin like the Cross of Christ. There are testimonies thereto above, around, and beneath us; but in the Cross, and that only, we see to the full God's hatred of sin."

"Many there are who can talk well of the truth of the Gospel, but who, when called to self-denial, taking up crosses, suffering for Christ's sake, prove sounding brass and tinkling cymbals; knowledge puffeth up, but love edifieth (buildeth up)."

If you be not converted to God, you have not to be doing good works, but to learn that you can do none, and that you are to come empty to receive God's gift of eternal life by faith in Christ Jesus. Your best prayer for mercy is the true confession of your sin. Made alive in Christ, you are to bring forth fruit to God. That fruit will not be apples of Sodom or grapes of Gomorrah: such are all your good works in your natural state — your fruit will be from Jesus, the true and living vine.

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OUR FAMILY PHYSICIAN

Elder D. W. Kerr at the General Council

In every well-ordered family there is a family physician whose services have been retained on certain conditions, possibly at a stipulated salary. I have no fault to find with that at all. But the Scriptures tell us very plainly that we as God's people have a family Physician.

In the second chapter of Hebrews we read, "For both He that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brethren, saying, I will declare Thy name unto My brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto Thee." The Lord Jesus Christ declared here that He is not ashamed of His brethren because of this relationship existing between Himself and His brethren. This has been a safeguard to me when I have been tempted to be ashamed of my brethren, that is my brethren of the Pentecostal movement, because of many irregularities and distempers which were imputed to us. I was tempted to be ashamed of them and would have been ashamed of them to the extent that I would have run away. but the Holy Spirit checked me by bringing this scripture, and I said, "What right have I to be ashamed of folks of whom my Lord is not ashamed?" Jesus said He is not ashamed to call us brethren, so I am not ashamed to call those who are related to me my brothers, full brothers. "For both He that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brethren." Now that is a cause of rejoicing on our part. There are a lot of folks ashamed of us but there is One who is not ashamed of us no matter how many things they may lay to our account. The Lord says, "That's all right, I have fixed that all up."

He is our family Physician and I have retained Him. I retained Him more than thirty years ago when I was looking round for somebody to help me, for I was afflicted with rupture from youth up and I wanted someone to help me out of this fix. When I heard of Jesus I said, "That's the Man I want." He healed me. He is still in the healing business, still practicing. He healed me while I was sleeping. Yes, He worked while I slept. I found Him first as my personal Physician, then I felt deeply moved to take Him as my family Physician. The rest of the family had to agree to that, but thank God we finally reached the place where we were all joined together in the same mind and all agreed to retain Him as our family Physician.

Our family Physician is a wonderful physician in this respect, that He is not in competition with any other physician, for He is not practicing on the same

plane as others are practicing. So He stands out all alone, the practicing family Physician of God's people.

There was a great family of people called the children of Abraham. They went down into Egypt and multiplied and multiplied for about four hundred and thirty years. The time came when the children of Israel were to be taken out of that place and put into their own place where they belonged, the land that God had given to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. But there was a very important condition laid down upon which they would be delivered from the bondage of Egypt. They must separate a lamb from the flock and set that lamb aside for a certain number of days as a consecrated lamb. That typical lamb was offered up and the blood sprinkled on the door post, and the lamb was eaten. Then the children of Israel started on their journey across the Red Sea, and this is what the Scripture says, "He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and there was not one feeble person among their tribes." Surely He is a wonderful Physician, for He brought out about three million people and not one of them was feeble.

Well, if He was so successful in His practice at that time He is just as successful now in His practice at this time, no matter how many children God may have. I believe God the Father has appointed Him as His family Physician, that is, the Physician of His own children. It is wonderful. Any family physician on this lower plane must have a license to practice; if not, he is arrested. The rest of the doctors will be after him.

Has our family Physician a right to practice on the plane where He is? Undoubtedly He has. There came a time in the history of this great family when they needed a family Physician. Up to that time He had not so announced Himself. They came to the bitter waters and drank and took sick. These people who were well and strong, brought out of Egypt with all diseases left behind, drank this poisonous water and took sick and cried unto Moses. Moses did not run to the library and take down one of his books on materia medica (though probably he took a course in Egypt, for he was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians). No, Moses went to headquarters, went to God and asked Him about it, and God told him what to do. He cut down a tree, cast it into the waters, and there he made for them a statute and covenant forever. I have never read anywhere in the Old or New Testaments where that was revoked. Here it is:

"If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee." There is the contract. The legal status of His practice is fixed, and the license has never been taken away. Some would have us believe that it has been taken away in part, but I don't believe it.

Have you this family Physician? If you have not already engaged Him you can engage Him right now. He will heal you quick as a wink. While you sleep He practices on you. He is not only a Physician, He is a Surgeon. Before God created woman He made an incision in the side of Adam, took out the rib, closed up the incision while he slept, and built a woman, then wakened Adam up. Take Him as your Surgeon. I don't know how He did it for I wasn't there. But I was there when He closed up that rent in my body and it has been closed ever since, about thirty-three years.

When He came to this earth in the form of man He went into the synagogue and the book of the prophecy of Isaiah was given Him. He opened to the place where the prophet had spoken concerning Him, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He hath anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent Me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord."

One of His patients one day got to questioning. He was very sure that Jesus was the Son of God, but somehow he got into a strange mood and began to question in his mind as to whether he was right or wrong. So he sent two disciples to Jesus to get this matter settled afresh. "Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto Him, Art Thou He that should come, or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: the blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them." Here we find Him recommissioned. There is not a revocation or recall of that license, but there is a renewing of that commission and a special preparation of the God-Man by the Holy Ghost.

He healed some that the doctors on the other plane had given up. Some of them continued so long with the doctors that they had spent all they had, yet grew worse and worse. Every doctor carries a medicine chest around with him. Our family Physician has His own medicine. Peter tells us that He "Bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed." His stripes are the medicine. And the message which we have in God's Word, the gospel of healing, contains the remedy, the medicine, for all our flesh. It is health to the navel, it is medicine to all our flesh. It is good for contracted diseases, it is good for hereditary diseases. He is a practicing Physician, Surgeon, Bone Setter. He specializes along every line that concerns you, from the crown of your head to the soles of your feet; internal troubles, external troubles, behind, before, right hand, left hand. Let us give our family Physician a chance by calling on Him.

If anyone is afflicted with rupture he can go to his Heavenly Father as I did, and say a prayer about a half-inch long. I said, "Father, I can't preach any longer this way. If you want me to preach you have to heal me. Amen." I was surprised at myself. I went to bed and fell asleep and it happened. My family Physician never slumbers nor sleeps. He is always on the job.

THE HOLY SPIRIT, HIS OFFICE AND MINISTRY

Elder Joseph Tunmore at the General Council

"In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. He that believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake He of the Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified)" (John 7:37-39).

I believe that the greatest need of the individual and of the church of the Lord Jesus Christ today is the Holy Spirit. If we understood Him better, and

who He is, and what is His office and ministry, it will help to solve many of our difficulties. You will notice that the Lord did not say much to His disciples about the Holy Spirit until right at the very last of His ministry. He said, "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now." They could not understand them. The time had not yet come for the gift of the Holy Spirit to be given to illuminate their minds and be unto the disciples the very same that he was to the Lord Himself. And therefore, while the Lord was the Word, the living Word, He could not get into those disciples and illuminate their minds and open up their vision to eternal things until the Holy Spirit had come.

You will notice that there is no place in the Old Testament where the Holy Spirit takes the name of the Holy Spirit. I do not speak of this to raise technicalities, but just to draw your attention to the special ministry of the Holy Spirit of God. In Psa. 51:11 and Isaiah 63:10, 11 you will find the term Holy Spirit used, but by looking it up in the original you will find that the correct translation is not "Holy Spirit," but is "the Spirit of His holiness." So in the Old Testament He was known as the Spirit of God. In the New Testament He is known as the Spirit of the Father. In John 7:39 the word "given" is not in the original manuscript, and so that verse would read, "For the Holy Ghost was not yet; because that Jesus was not yet glorified." That is, He had not come or been poured out upon the individual or upon the church as such, to perform the ministry in the design and purpose of God. This could not be done until Jesus Christ Himself had come down and made it possible. In other words, Jesus Christ came down in order that He might bring back and restore the fellowship and communion with the divine. It had been lost in the fall; man had lost it because he had sinned, and the Holy Spirit could not come into a sinful life or a sinful heart. Therefore God made a body for Himself and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. And the blessed, divine Spirit entered into that body and sanctified it and enabled the Lord Jesus Christ in His humanity to go through this world, to resist every temptation, to give Himself a ransom for the sins of the whole world. He died on Calvary and was resurrected by the same divine Holy Spirit and was exalted to the right hand of God the Father.

There is a longing in my heart that somehow the Holy Spirit might be given His right place among us. It would solve the difficulties of the church and of the individual. There is no one upon this earth, and no amount of missionary work, that can take the place of the divine Spirit of God. Though the disciples had sat in the school of Christ for three and a half years and had received from Him the living word, yet they might have said, "We have sat at Thy feet and have seen Thee do these mighty miracles, but how are we going to impart this knowledge that Thou hast given us?" The Lord knew that they could not do this until they received the Holy Spirit. Christ was the living Word, but He said, "When He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth." The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of truth.

Some people put an emphasis on the Word. But the danger there is of getting into the letter of the Word, and the letter kills and does not make alive. I remember starting out to preach and was hounded round afterwards with Bibles under their arms, tried to get me into an argument. I said, "Lord, how is it that these peo-

around trying to get people saved with a service of their own?" And the Lord whispered, "They have gotten into the letter of the Word instead of the Spirit." It does not make any difference how much of the letter we have stored up in our minds; unless we have the divine Spirit of God down in the recesses of our soul it will be dead.

Sometime ago there was a large Bible conference in the city of Rochester. A large hall was engaged for the purpose, and men of international reputation were scheduled to speak. As far as the revealed truth is concerned they had all the Scriptures on the Second Coming. But Sister Susie Duncan said that there were not more than three hundred people in that hall and she was ashamed to take her students there because of the small attendance, and they had spent thousands of dollars in advertising. Along came a little, Spirit-filled woman with a simple message of salvation, told in a simple way, and in a few days that hall was so crowded that you could not get in. Thousands stood outside. What was the difference? The Spirit was there as well as the letter. We need to have as much of the Word of God as we can get and then just as much of the Spirit as we can get.

It is not another Holy Spirit or some other spirit that Jesus pours forth, but it is this same, identical Holy Spirit. And this Holy Spirit that came into the Lord Jesus Christ and became the power of the personal life of the Lord Jesus Christ is the very same Spirit that God pours out upon you and me—not as lots of God's dear children seem to think, that the Holy Spirit comes and takes a place along side of our spirit to prompt or impress us. That would be bringing God and the Holy Spirit on a level with the human, and He will never take any such place. Just as the Holy Spirit was the root of the personal life of the Lord Jesus Christ, so He comes to the very root of our personal life. This blessed divine Spirit of God is the Spirit of the incarnate, crucified, resurrected, glorified Lord Jesus Christ. When Jesus prayed, saying, "The glory which Thou gavest Me I have given them," He meant that the same divine Spirit that glorified Jesus Christ would come into our humanity and become the root of our personal spirit and conform us to the image of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We want to see the place the Holy Spirit should have in our lives and I believe the very best way to do this is to look at the Lord Jesus and see what He was to Him. Born of the virgin Mary, He walked in obedience to His parents. Because of His obedience He was baptized with the Holy Ghost, and He received a fuller measure or a fuller revelation of the Holy Spirit in His life. The Scriptures tell us that Jesus learned obedience through suffering, and so there was a sense in which in His humanity the Lord Jesus had to go through things in order to receive and take the titles as the Christ of our salvation. You remember how the Holy Spirit lead Him into the wilderness, and that is about the first place that He leads us after we are baptized in the Spirit. Through the Holy Spirit He did all those mighty works.

Let me call your attention to a few sentences in regard to the utter dependence of Christ. "For I have not spoken of Myself; but the Father which sent Me, He gave Me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak. . . . Even as the Father said unto Me, so I speak." Would to God that that were true of us. There would be less debate in our Council meetings if we would let God help us along this line.

"I came . . . not to do Mine own will, but the will of Him that sent Me." We could put our hands in our pockets and we would not care what happened if we could just get to that place.

The devil is blamed for a lot of things he does not do. Self is a million-headed monster and when you think he is dead he bobs up somewhere else. Our greatest enemy is our self, our own personality. Jesus Christ took the flesh to the cross, and we forget that it is not only necessary for us to see that our sins were taken to the cross, but it is necessary to see that we ourselves were taken there and that it is necessary for us to stay there. As a result of the death of Jesus He became the seed corn; in a sense the seed corn of a new race.

The receiving of the Holy Spirit means far more than the majority of us seem to grasp. It is not just speaking in tongues. That is just a manifestation of His presence. All of us are taken up with manifestations for some little time, and it is all right, for we are yet babes, and you know how babies love a rattle. When they begin to bawl just let them hear the rattle and it is all right again. But the Lord does not want us to live too much in signs and manifestations and impressions. I am not casting any reflection on speaking in tongues; my thought is that the children of God live too much in feelings and signs and impressions. Receiving the blessed, divine Spirit is a thousand miles beyond that. The Holy Spirit does not lodge in our reason or feelings, but He takes His abode down in the holy of holies of our being, and there He lives to bring forth the very thing that we need, not so much in impressions and feelings but in a life that is right.

The office and ministry of the Holy Spirit is to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ, and so He is right there in the very substrata of our being to supply our need every moment. In the early stages of our experience the trouble is that we are so guided and led and taken up with our feelings that we fail to recognize by faith that the Holy Spirit is there even when we feel badly. We are so foolish that when we feel badly we act badly. We do not speak in the right manner to wife or the children or anybody else. God wants us to get beyond that place, wants us to realize by faith that the Holy Spirit is there, no matter how we feel.

Two years ago they all thought I was going to pass away. A specialist in Savannah said, "Unless you immediately have an operation you will never live to see home." I dropped out of bed and said, "Oh, Lord Jesus, if ever I needed You I need You now." I telegraphed to Robert Brown to pray for me. In one week's time I was so completely healed that I have never had a touch of that disease since and God has put forty-six pounds of flesh on my body, and here I am with the goods. Let us by faith realize that the life-giving Spirit is down in our being, that the crucified, glorified, resurrected Lord Jesus Christ is down there. How in the world can any misfortune come upon us as long as the Lord is on board. The disciples cried out, "Lord, save us, we perish." But how in the world could the boat sink with Jesus on board! The glorified Jesus is in us now, in the person of the Holy Spirit, and all we need to do is to loose that power and life by our faith.

I find the greatest battle in my life is to keep in touch with God. One thing and another crowds in. The devil does not seem to care how much I read, go to service, sing or read the Bible, but every single day of my life that I get on my knees to try to touch God I have a battle. But as we keep in touch with the

divine Spirit of God He will supply all our need. He will take the things of Christ and reveal them unto us.

Somebody asked me about the leading of God's Spirit. There are many who seem to think that the leading of God's Spirit is just God speaking and saying, "You go and do so and so." Sometimes it is a voice like that, but you want to watch very carefully, for the devil can imitate that very closely. The voice of God in the soul is the Holy Spirit fight down in the life; and when you come to get the mind of God about anything, if you have no bias of your own and self is not in it at all, you cannot help but get the mind of God. But if you have a bias of your own, it is just like trying to pour water through a pipe that has milk in it, every time the water comes out it will be colored with milk. But when you have no will of your own and can say, "Oh, Lord, I don't care what You do with me," then He will move you right in the direction you should go. He is in your heart, your being, your mind, your feet, your hands, and whenever you step on the train you will know it is God.

For the last twenty-five years God's children have been emphasizing experience. You will notice it in all hymnology. We have been singing, "I am saved, I am sanctified, I, I, I, I, I." Don't you see that in that period of time God was emphasizing experience and we evidently needed it, but we got centered round our experiences, got looking at ourselves, thought we had a little reservoir of holiness, and got self-centered. We got emphasizing experience too much and we brought the walls and roof down. Then the Lord came along with Pentecost and took that all out of us and showed us that Christ was in us the hope of glory. In Pentecost God has been glorifying the Lord Jesus Christ as never before.

Lots of people think if they had a better wife or a better husband they could live better. The chances are you just got the right kind. You are likely a pretty hard case and God had to fix something to fit your case. You say, "My wife doesn't agree with me, etc." and try to put it off on your wife. You are likely to blame just as much as she. Stand right by her; you married her, and now stick to your vow. If you have not grace enough to live with your wife, you have not grace enough to get to heaven. Possibly God let the thing come to pass to help you. Sometimes you see a man bossing everybody else, and the chances are God will let him marry a woman that will make him walk the chalk line. Don't let us be foolish any more. We must be willing to die, willing to go down, willing to live Christ right in our own home. I had a large motto hanging on the wall with beautiful words on it. When I came home one time wife said, "If you don't take that motto down I will break it." The first thought that came to me was, "Well, this is my house," but the Word says, "Humble yourselves." I said, "Pray, dear, where shall I put it?" She replied that she did not care where I put it. (Don't pay any attention to what they say, because they don't mean what they say.) I got a ladder and took the motto down and put it behind the door. After about three days, when I came home she said, "Joe, you can put that back on the wall again." There is nothing that will conquer but love. Nothing will win the battle but obedience to God. Stand still and see the salvation of God.

There is only one thing to do when the Holy Spirit comes in, and that is to step down and out. Paul did not only come to the cross with his sins, but he realized that the wisdom of the world was not sufficient and he said, "I am determined not to know anything

among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified." "When I am weak, then am I strong." I wonder how many of us pray, "Oh, Lord, make us weak." We say, "Oh, Lord, make us strong." He takes the weak things, the base things, and the things that are not, to bring to nought things that are. It is because we are so strong that God cannot help us. But we may come to the place where we have no confidence in the flesh, saved, baptized or any other kind of flesh, and we sit down at the feet of Jesus and simply say, "Oh, Lord, I love You." Then He will take us through, no matter how hard a case we may be. We may cry and kick, but He will take us through, and will not leave us till He has placed us on the throne of Jesus Christ, just as He placed Jesus Christ on the throne of His Father.

"Faith looks straight to the command in order to obey it, and takes the promise for her support. She pushes on her way, regardless of dangers. Moses must 'go forward,' though the next step lead the people into the sea. Whatever appearances may say to us, it is by advancing in the narrow way of obedience that we prove the truth of the promises; and the faithfulness, the wisdom, and the power of our promise-giving God."

Humility is perfect quietness of heart. It is to have no trouble. It is never to be fretted, or vexed, or irritated, or sore, or disappointed. It is to expect nothing, to wonder at nothing that is done to me, to feel nothing done against me. It is to be at rest when I am blamed or despised. It is to have a blessed home in the Lord, where I can go in and shut the door, and kneel to my Father in secret, and be at peace when all around is trouble.—Andrew Murray.

"When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they were DISMAYED and GREATLY AFRAID" (1 Sam. 17:11). But this desperate state of affairs only opened wider the door of opportunity, to the one who was ready to meet the need, to demonstrate his fitness to be the leader of God's people. So the Captain of our salvation had to prove His fitness to be God's King over all, by meeting and overcoming, single-handed, the great enemy who had terrorized every other son of Adam. And every one of His followers must prove fitness to reign with Him. This is one of the purposes of trials in the life of the Christian (1 Peter 1:6,7).

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We are printing a large number of our special Pentecostal edition of August 11. All the messages that deal with our distinctive testimony are collated into an eight page edition that can be distributed by individuals and assemblies. Every Pentecostal assembly ought to send for at least 1,000 of these special numbers and distribute in their vicinity. It sets forth our Pentecostal testimony in a very strong and certain way. You can print an invitation to your meetings on these papers with a rubber stamp.

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THE VIRGIN BIRTH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Pastor S. A. Jamieson, at the General Council

The virgin birth of the Lord Jesus Christ is one of the fundamentals of the faith most strongly and severely attacked by unsaved men in the pulpit and out of it. During the last two or three months I have received letters from men who want to argue on the subject of the virgin birth of Jesus.

I find some young people, contemplating going to Bible School, are asking if church history is essential. By all means it is. In looking over the pages of church history I find that the Gibeonites were the first company of people that denied the virgin birth of Jesus. I found that Cerinthus, who lived in the days of John the apostle, took a positive stand against the virgin birth of Jesus; and we find that his position was endorsed by Payne, Voltaire and others. There are some very wise men connected with Chicago University that disbelieve in the virgin birth of Christ. They say they cannot understand it. They may not, but Matthew, Mark and Luke understood. We believe it because God's Word says so.

In the first place, the Word of God says that Jesus Christ was born of a virgin, "Therefore the Lord Himself shall give you a sign: Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." Now, according to the Word of God, Jesus Christ had to be the son of a virgin. Anselm says there are four ways that God can make a man. First by natural conception; second, God made a man without the help of man or woman, as He did Adam; third, God made the woman without the help of man, as He did Eve; fourth, He made another Man without the help of man, as He did Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ had to be the son of a virgin in order to be the seed of the woman. Had Joseph been His literal father, Jesus Christ would not have been the seed of the woman but the seed of man. We find that the Messiah was to be the Son of God; not only the son of a virgin, but also the Son of God. "And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God" (Luke 1:35). This is a plain statement of fact.

As I study the Word of God I find that Jesus Christ has a fourfold relation to us as revealed in the four gospels. I turn to Isaiah 11:1 and I read, "And there shall come forth a rod out of the STEM OF JESSE, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots." This is the aspect given by Matthew in his gospel, who shows us that Christ is the kingly Son from the house of David.

In Zech. 3:8 we read, "Behold, I will bring forth My SERVANT the Branch." This is the aspect that we have of our Lord Jesus in Mark's gospel.

In Zech. 6:12 we read, "Behold the MAN whose name is the Branch." This is the aspect of Christ that Luke gives us.

In Isa. 4:2 He is referred to as the Branch of Jehovah, and the prophet speaks of Him, saying, "In that day shall THE BRANCH OF THE LORD be beautiful and glorious." This is the aspect that John gives us of Jesus Christ.

God so arranged it that Jesus Christ was a Branch, and as a Branch He was grafted into the human fam-

ily. Following the natural course of nature, the branch that is grafted in bears its own fruit and not the fruit of the root. I was in California and saw men grafting orange stock on to lemon trees and the trees bore the oranges and not the lemons. Jesus Christ became a Branch in order to be grafted into the human tree, and He bore His own fruit and not the fruit of the human family.

I find in Him the seed of the woman; I find the Second Adam. How did Jesus become the seed of the woman? His conception was supernatural and He as a Branch was grafted into the human family. We need to teach the world and the church that Jesus Christ was "the seed of the woman" and all the rest of us are the seed of man. That is the reason that Jesus Christ as the Second Adam was enabled to undertake what He did. The Messiah had to be the legal heir of Joseph. We find that Joseph and Mary were of unbroken descent from David and were the legal heirs of David; Joseph from Solomon and Mary through Nathan. I have carefully gone over the whole range of the genealogy from David down, and I find it is clearly stated. In the 3rd chapter of Luke Joseph is called the son of Eli. He became the son of Eli because he was engaged to Mary and that brought him into that family. A Jewish rabbi told me that according to Jewish law (Deut. 22:23, 24), "Betrothal under law involved the legal status of wedlock." When Joseph found out the condition of Mary he was going to cast her aside, but Gabriel had the law on his side when he said, "Fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost." Now we find that Jesus Christ was a descendant of the house of David through Mary and Joseph.

According to the genealogy we find that in Joseph He was a Son of David; in Mary He was a Son of man; and in the Holy Ghost He was a Son of God. In Joseph He is the heir of Israel, in Mary the heir of the world, and in the Holy Ghost the heir of all things. I met four men in Chicago and gave them this simple outline and three of them said, "I understand, I will never again doubt the virgin birth of the Lord Jesus Christ."

Why did Jesus Christ become the seed of the woman? God had said the seed of the woman would bruise the serpent's head. Jesus Christ as the seed of the woman had to pay the debt that the first Adam contracted. He satisfied the divine law as the seed of the woman. He had to do what the first Adam could not accomplish because he fell. In Jesus Christ, the seed of the woman, we have the Second Adam. The question comes, "What is the supreme reason for the virgin birth?" The body of Jesus Christ was offered to God the Father as a whole burnt offering. It was a Godward offering. He offered Himself as the Lamb of God. In order to be able to do this He had to take upon Himself a human body.

Why was Bethlehem a necessity? Because Calvary demanded it. The reason He came to Bethlehem was that He might go to Calvary.

I had a vision of the whole world embraced within four walls, and Mercy, with a company of angels, was walking along the walls. They looked over the walls and saw the world in terrible agony. Some of the

angels said to Mercy, "Why don't you step in and bring relief?" Mercy replied, "I cannot, the gate of brass is locked." There came from the opposite direction an individual, a type of divine Justice. He looked over the scene with a stern countenance. Then an individual asked the question, "What are your conditions for opening the gate?" and the answer came back, "Life for death." Someone stepped from the company and said, "I accept the conditions." A contract was drawn. On the morning of the crucifixion Divine Justice met Mercy and said, "Where is He that is going to fulfill His contract?" Mercy pointed to the cross of Calvary and said, "Yonder He is." The contract was presented to the One who had made it and Jesus Christ said, "I will fulfill that contract at three o'clock this afternoon." The holy fire came and consumed the sacrifice. Jesus Christ, the seed of the woman, fulfilled the contract and the brazen door was opened and Mercy came in and people received Mercy.

I am glad that I can preach to the lost world that we have the Second Adam, the seed of the woman, and that we have access to God and can approach the Father through Him. Let us EMPHASIZE THAT. God the Father could not die, God the Holy Ghost could not die, but Jesus Christ took upon Himself the human body that He might be able to die. Let us praise God for the Second Adam, the last Adam. First, He is the Son of a virgin according to prophecy; and He had to be that, for if Joseph had been His literal father He would have been the seed of man. His miraculous conception makes Him the seed of the woman. He bore His own fruits and not the fruits of the sinful race. He was descended from the house of David. This holy thing born of Mary was the Son of God, and through Him, "the seed of the woman," we have access to the Father and become members of the family of God.

"Soon after Abraham had greatly trusted God, he through unbelief denied his wife. Moses, the meekest of men, spake unadvisedly with his lips. David, the humble, forgiving man, was moved to proud wrath by the words of Nabal. 'Let him that thinketh he standeth, take heed lest he fall' (1 Cor. 10:12)."

"We please God by trusting Him; trusting His grace, His love, His wisdom; trusting without limit: but it is only by little and little that we come to account our own wisdom folly, and God's wisdom true wisdom—WISDOM INFINITE; then we are able to yield up ourselves unreservedly unto Him."

"Communion with Christ can only be kept up by constant watchfulness. Where there is much love between friends, a cold look is matter of complaint. Let us be very jealous over ourselves for the Lord; watching against the least shyness between the soul and Christ. Keep up constant intercourse with Him; be quick and dexterous in taking small matters to Him; and the fruit will be growth of communion."

"We must not be deceived by appearances, but be sustained by promises. When Jacob looked upon Joseph's coat, which had been brought to him, he should have said, 'I SEE the coat that is covered with blood; I HEAR the report of the death of Joseph; but, Lord, I BELIEVE Thy word—Thy promises concerning the greatness and the glory of my son: what Thou hast spoken Thou wilt perform.'"

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS IN HEAVEN!

"Some day you will read in the papers that D. L. Moody of East Northfield is dead. Don't you believe a word of it! At that moment I shall be more alive than I am now. . . . That which is born of the flesh may die. That which is born of the Spirit will live forever!"

December 22nd will mark the beginning of Dwight L. Moody's twenty-fifth year "absent from the body, and present with the Lord." Should not the day, and indeed the entire year, be observed in some manner befitting the memory of this greatest Nineteenth Century soul-winner? But how? Perhaps some suggestion of Moody's own may be inferred from the following impassioned appeal:

"I believe if an angel were to wing his way from earth up to heaven, and were to say there was one poor, ragged boy, without father or mother, with no one to take care for him and teach him the way of life; and if God were to ask who among the angels were willing to come down to this earth and live there for fifty years and lead that one to Jesus Christ, every angel in heaven would volunteer to go. Even Gabriel, who stands in the presence of the Almighty, would say: 'Let me leave my high and lofty position, and let me have the luxury of leading one soul to Jesus Christ.' There is no greater honor than to be the instrument in God's hands of leading one person out of the kingdom of Satan into the glorious light of heaven."

Would that EVERY READER OF THESE LINES might be such an instrument—an instrument in God's hands of leading AT LEAST ONE SOUL TO CHRIST, even before the close of 1923! Make this month, THIS VERY DAY, memorable in the eternal annals of some soul! You MUST do it. (See Prov. 27:1; Heb. 3:15.) (Perchance God would have you begin with your own soul.)

Would that in memory of Moody's life, nay, in memory of Moody's Saviour and in the power of the Holy Spirit, a wave of personal evangelism might sweep afresh over the whole Church!

Would that the first ten days of Moody's twenty-fifth year in heaven (which will be the same as the last ten days of 1923), would that these might be days of intensely earnest prayer for world-wide revival in the body of Christ!

Would that Watch Night might THIS YEAR be observed in EVERY evangelical church throughout the world—not in sermons or addresses, BUT IN PRAYER FOR REVIVAL!

Would that a mighty volume of prayer might ascend to God for EVERY evangelical agency and movement and church—that through them there might come a revival of old-time, soul-saving religion such as would bring the Church back to God and multitudes of sinners to the Lamb of God!

"Oh, that Thou wouldst rend the heavens, that Thou wouldst come down!" Oh, that Thou wouldst "revive Thy work in the midst of the years"! Oh, that the ascending prayers of Thy saints might speedily mark the descending pathway of the freshly out-poured Spirit of God! Wilt Thou not put a sense of intercessory responsibility upon added numbers of Thy followers, constraining them, not for Moody's sake, but for the love of Christ, to

PRAY FOR REVIVAL!

THE TITHE IN RELATION TO THE KINGDOM OF GOD

AND TO OUR COUNCIL FELLOWSHIP

Elder Frank M. Boyd at the General Council

Looking back to our annual church meetings I can remember seeing a general scurry and scramble, and then somebody would ask us to make a pledge to meet certain deficits in the church budget. We thought we were doing wonderfully well if we gave twenty-five cents a week according to the envelope system, for the support of the church. Later the Lord really got a hold of my life, and I went to California where, on one occasion, I attended a Christian and Missionary Alliance convention. There my eyes were opened to what real giving is. In this convention I was asked to pass the hat, and as it went in and out of those aisles I was amazed to see dollars and gold pieces therein. I said to myself, "What does this mean? Something must inspire this tremendous giving." It was the spirit of love for Christ and His work. It was then that I began to see the possibility of the support of the work of God without suppers, bazaars, and pull-and-tug methods at the end of the fiscal year.

We know that giving finds its root in the heart of God Himself for "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." It is clear from 1 Cor. 16:1, 2 that giving in the New Testament covenant is to be systematic. What guide did the New Testament church have along these lines? They had the Old Testament Scriptures. "Now concerning the collection for the saints . . . upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God has prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." What is the meaning of this expression, "As God hath prospered him?" What was the basis of their giving? It must have been the Old Testament standard, for the Old Testament Scriptures were their Bible and their giving must have been on the principle of the tithe.

Going back to the Old Testament it is clear, first, that the tithe was **holy unto the Lord**. "And all the tithe of the land whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord. And if a man will at all redeem aught of his tithe he shall add thereto a fifth part thereof. And concerning the tithe of the herd or of the flock, even of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord. He shall not search whether it be good or bad, neither shall he change it; and if he change it at all, then both it and the change thereof shall be holy: it shall not be redeemed" (Lev. 27:30-33).

Second, we further see that the tithe was not instituted by the Mosaic law but was perpetuated by the law. The law did not create tithes, it recognized them because they were previously in force. "Law does not create facts, it recognizes facts. For a man to say that he will not pay tithes because he is not under law simply means that as an American citizen he has the right to steal, kill,

commit adultery, etc. because he is not under Hebrew law. The laws that recognize eternal righteousness in the relations of life abide because they recognize the nature of things. Right was before law; law recognizes the fact."

Third, the tithe is as binding as the marriage relationship, as binding as the principle of rest for one day in seven and as binding as the principle of capital punishment laid down in God's covenant with Noah, because all were equally fundamental in the covenants of God with the human family. In the days of the French Revolution they changed from one rest day in seven to one day in ten, and before many years they realized the deterioration of the nation physically because they broke God's law. God's covenant people forgot to bring the tithes into the storehouse and His blessings were withheld.

Fourth, the precepts of the gospel sustain the tithe. "Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel" (1 Cor. 9:13, 14). If the religious worship and the priestly family were supported under the old covenant by systematic giving, are we to understand from the comparison in the foregoing verse that the work of God and the ministry under the new covenant are to be supported by helter-skelter, hit-or-miss, slipshod methods and not systematically? The inference in 1 Cor. 9:13, 14 is clear that the principle of the tithe prevailed in the early church.

Fifth, we have in the fact of Abraham's paying tithes to Melchisedec long before the law was given a type of the "children of faithful Abraham," the Christians, paying tithes to Christ, who is the anti-type of that unique character, Melchisedec.

Let us now look at the history of giving. We can go back to Abel's offering, to Abraham's acknowledgment of the superiority of Melchisedec (Gen. 14:20), and to Jacob, who gave a tenth of all he possessed (Gen. 28:22). But outside of Scripture history we find that the principle of the tithe lay at the very root of the worship even of the heathen nations. "The picture writings of Egypt, the cuneiform tablets of Babylonia and early writers of Greece and Rome inform us that before the Bible was written and apart therefrom, it was an almost universal practice among civilized nations for people to pay tithes to their god. On the pages of Arabian, Carthaginian, Greek, Roman history one finds the payment of tithes to the gods they worshipped. It was far more widespread than the law setting apart one day in seven for rest. None tell us when or

where the practice began or who issued the law for observance." Was it not that this principle of tithing was inherent in the life of the human family before their departure from God and that man instinctively recognized his obligations to God in acknowledging His sovereign ownership and control?

Going to the early church, we find that the tithe was declared a Christian duty by the early fathers from 30 A. D. to 430 A. D. Clement, Justin Martyr, Irenaeus, Neander, Origen, Cyprian, Jerome, Ambrose, Augustine, all affirmed this; and the tithe for the support of the ministry and the work of God was perpetuated by a number of prominent church councils. Were they all wrong?

Under the law there were tithes for the feasts (Deut. 14:22); for the poor (Deut. 14:28, 29); the corners of the field were left for the poor to glean (Lev. 19:9); the first fruits were given as a thank offering to the Lord (Deut. 26:1, 10); there was the free-will offering for the feast of weeks (Deut. 16:10); the first born was to be redeemed (Ex. 13:15); all debts were remitted on jubilee year (Lev. 25); and the land was allowed to rest every seventh year (Lev. 25). When this is all computed the tithes and offerings would aggregate about forty per cent of the Hebrew's income. Let those who object to the tithe because they claim it is legal, and who say that all they have belongs to the Lord, give according to this Old Testament proportion and we will say nothing more to them about the tithe. Certainly we ought not, under grace, to object to paying the Lord our just debt of one tenth.

Let us see if there is any blessing in obedience to the principle of tithing. A godly uncle of mine, when first beginning his business career, made a contract with the Lord that if He would prosper him and give him Christian partners with whom he could conduct the business on principles of honesty, he would give the Lord one tenth of his income. The Lord prospered and blessed him richly, both temporally and spiritually. Later on he gave one fifth of his income to the Lord's work, and finally there came a time when he gave everything over and above his living expenses to the work of the kingdom. God continued to smile upon him. It was a benediction to be in his presence, for his very countenance radiated a kindness which was divine in its source. Can we not see that it was God's blessing upon him because he met God in the covenant relationship of the tithe.

Colgate, the famous soap manufacturer, began his business career by saying to his bookkeeper, "We will keep a separate series of books, and one tenth will be placed on the ledger to the Lord's account." He gave that money to the missionaries, and the Lord prospered that

concern which today stands in the vanguard in this line of business. Allow me a word of personal testimony. When I began to see this truth in the Word of God I covenanted with the Lord to tithe, and I found that always the nine-tenths that I had left went farther than the ten-tenths had gone before.

Some say, "We are not under the law. Everything that we have and all that we are belongs to the Lord." That means, I suppose, that everything that comes into their hands will immediately be turned over to the treasury of the Lord. It is true that all does belong to Him, but when it comes to the practical application of the truth of stewardship, we are on solid ground when we follow the Old Testament teaching. One has aptly said, "A Christian who refuses to give a tithe of his income to God is not in grace but in disgrace." Another has uttered the truth in these words, "There is probably no other simple test of whether love of money or love of God is stronger in a man's life, than a willingness to give God a tithe of all his income." You have probably heard the story of the old negro preacher who said, "If the church becomes impoverished and dies of too much giving I will go to the empty building and stand in the pulpit and say, 'Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.'"

I believe the thing which most concerns us is how to apply this stewardship practically to the work of the kingdom. Where shall the tithe be paid? In the Old Testament it was brought into the storehouse to be administered to Levites for their support and by them, under God, for the maintenance of the worship of Jehovah. In the New Testament arrangement the minister is to be supported by the gifts of the people. We have clearly seen the need of a forward step in our Council work. We have come to the broadening of the road, not to the forking of the road. Now what shall be the marching order of this great fellowship, as far as our financial program is concerned, as we go forth into this broadening of the road? How shall we support the new officers, the need of whom we have realized, and whom we have authorized? I believe we have the secret in the tithe. Many of God's people have been accustomed to give the tithe for the support of the ministry in the local assembly and this is right. How shall the needs of our large fellowship be met? How shall the field representatives be sent out? How shall those who are serving the Lord and us in the General Council office be supported? I believe, by the tithe of the ministry, the eldership. Where should your tithe and mine as ministers go? Certainly not back into the local assembly again. We have a larger fellowship in our District and General Council into whose treasuries the tithes of the ministry ought to go. And if we are conscientious and consistently do this without quibbling, I believe our financial program can be carried out without any difficulty at all. "Well," someone says, "perhaps we may run up against that unfortunate situation that occurred among a certain body of Christians

where money was misappropriated." But there is this difference. The money in this case all went into the hands of an individual.

I believe our Council fellowship is built on a foundation of confidence in our brethren. Just as soon as that goes down, the Council fellowship and the work of the Council is going down with a crash. The books of the General Council are always open for inspection. If there should be a surplus I believe we can trust the brethren we have elected to see that it goes into the proper channel.

(The above message will be reprinted in pamphlet form; 10c per dozen, 50c per hundred.)

HEALED OF SUMMER COMPLAINT

I wish to thank God for His wonderful goodness to us in healing our little daughter, Mabel Marie.

On September third, she was taken with summer complaint and for a week it seemed as if she would not live. This was a new trial for us as she had always been so healthy. The saints here prayed for her, she was healed at once and has been gaining strength every day since.—Mrs. Leo L. Cox, Welty, Okla.

THE HEALING OF A LITTLE BOY

When my little boy was about four years old he was taken suddenly ill and grew worse rapidly until he was in such pain I could scarcely hold him on my lap. He was screaming and throwing his arms about violently and to all appearances was suffering from acute indigestion. The neighbors who had come in to help were so frightened that they all fled so that I was left alone with my poor boy. I said, "Oh, Floyd, ask Jesus to help you." He said, "I can't mamma, you ask Him!" So I called upon the Lord to heal him. The Holy Spirit came upon me and rebuked the pain and began to sing, "Nothing but the blood of Jesus."

While I was singing he turned over and fell asleep. A neighbor came in and I asked her to sit by his bed while I went to the grocery. When I returned he was up, and while we ate our lunch he said that he had seen the Father and Jesus and the angels, and Jesus laid His hands upon him and healed him. All glory and praise be to Jesus!—Mrs. L. E. Willis, 1414 East 57th Place, Cleveland, Ohio.

A GOOD TESTIMONY

For five years I was unable to do anything; 3 years I was bedfast. I had eight different doctors at one time, at another 16 were in consultation, and operations, spending large sums of money in trying to get better and suffered things impossible to describe. One day a sister handed me the Dallas Daily paper which mentioned the healing of a little 9-year-old girl that had not walked any for 7 years. That testimony encouraged me and I was prayed for, and anointed in Jesus' name. He saved, healed and baptized me in the Holy Spirit and fire. Now I am going on with Jesus. Praise Him for what He has done for me.—Mrs. Delia Turner, Frost, Texas.

HEALED THROUGH A HANDKERCHIEF

(Acts 19:12.)

I want to praise the Lord for defeating all of my enemies. My soul is rejoicing in Him. I received the anointed handkerchief for which I thank you. God wonderfully healed my body and all in the house were blessed. My 2 children had boils and my husband was feeling very poorly but we are all well and praise God for it. Please keep on praying for me.—Mrs. H. F. Ecker, Ruxton, Md.

HEALED OF HEART AND KIDNEY TROUBLE

The doctors said my little girl was afflicted with heart and kidney trouble also tonsillitis. She could neither walk nor raise her hand, and was not able to feed herself. We called for the elders and they prayed for her and anointed her in Jesus' name. God wonderfully healed her in fifteen minutes. She was able to feed herself and amuse the baby. She was perfectly healed and has been well ever since—about a year ago.—Dave Rose, Red Ash, Virginia.

SIGHT RESTORED

About forty years ago I suffered a severe strain of my optic nerves, which left one eye nearly blind, so that I could only tell dark from light with that eye. In February 1922, Evangelist Geo. L. Rose was holding revival meetings in our town, and at an afternoon meeting, I felt impressed to ask for prayer for my affected eye. Brother Rose and Sister Ferguson (our pastor) laid hands on me and prayed the prayer of faith, and the Lord restored my sight, so that I am able to read good print with that eye alone. To Him be all the glory.—Mrs. M. E. Pollock, Fowler, Colo.

A WONDERFUL HEALING

The days of miracles are not over! Several years ago, in Kentucky, at an old-time campmeeting, God for Christ's sake, saved my soul.

In 1915 I had a severe attack of rheumatism which almost paralyzed my left side, rendering me almost wholly useless—unable to do any housework at all. Haven't swept the house in 8 years and could not walk without the aid of a cane and leaning on the arm of my husband. But thank God, on September 7, 1923, in a revival held at Chaffee, Mo., I was anointed with oil as in James 5: 14, 15 and prayed for, and Jesus wonderfully and instantly healed my body confirming His Word. Praise the precious name of Jesus! On September 15, 1923, He wonderfully baptized me in the precious Holy Spirit and fire, as on the day of Pentecost as in Acts 2:4, speaking through me in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, for all of which I ascribe all the honor and glory to Jesus my Saviour, Healer and Baptizer. I have a husband and three daughters who are 100 per cent Pentecostal. Anyone wishing to write me regarding this testimony, may do so. I will gladly answer. I am 76 years old! Hallelujah!—Mrs. J. E. White, 319 North Main St. Chaffee, Mo.

-:- The Multiplication of the Loaves -:-

A Personal Testimony by Pastor John B. Gordon.

In 1906 when Dr. Dowie's industries collapsed in Zion City, Mrs. Gordon and I went to Chicago where we opened a restaurant. Numbers of persons who had come from Zion City to Chicago, having suffered the loss of property, got their meals with us. A little later we were led to go to Waukegan where we started a bakery and grocery business. Here the Lord wonderfully blessed us spiritually; but we were not prospered in temporals. Our patrons praised our goods, but when they learned that we had come from Zion City, they ceased to buy from us because of the stigma of Dowieism.

Though to a certain extent we were boycotted, others came to the store and we were able to carry on the business. At this time we were seeking the Baptism according to Acts 2:4. We lived above the store. I started work at 2 o'clock a. m. and quit at noon.

On a particular day, I paid all bills for groceries to a traveller from Chicago and all that we owed to another firm for dairy produce. On that day, we had barely a dollar left in the till with which to make change. I had on hand 49½ pounds of wheat flour, some graham flour and whole wheat and some rye flour also. I knew that this amount was altogether insufficient for my orders; because I had to bake upwards of one hundred loaves of white bread, not to speak of a considerable quantity of rolls, fancy cakes etc. We had hoped that the delivery man would bring back from his daily rounds some loaves unsold, but he had all sold out. When night came there was no bread in the store. We had no money to purchase more flour. To add to my embarrassment while I was resting up stairs, my wife sold 24 pounds of white flour to a customer whom she did not want to disappoint. This left me with 24½ pounds of white flour. It takes 12 ounces of white flour to make a single loaf; and so I had not quite enough flour for 31 loaves.

I said nothing about my predicament to anyone. The chapter that day for my meditation was the sixth of John, which contains the record of the miracle of the loaves. While I was walking between the bake house and the store, the Lord said to me, "What is the difference between multiplying flour and multiplying bread?" I said, "Lord, I can't see any difference. If you give the flour I will bake it." I proceeded to make the dough as usual. About 7 o'clock in the evening I put in an amount of water needed for 120 loaves of white bread, and emptied from the sack the 24½ pounds of flour into the trough and began to mix it. And as I was mixing, I said, "Lord, increase the flour. Lord, increase the flour, Lord, increase the flour," until the dough was well mixed. I continued to say, "Lord, increase the flour." The devil wanted me to look at the flour but I took no notice, and kept on asking the

Lord to increase the flour. When I emptied all my pans, I got 120 loaves of white bread, 20 dozen sweet rolls, about 14 dozen fried cakes, the same number of bismarcks, about 12 to 14 large cakes and about one and one-half dozen pies; all this out of 24½ pounds of flour. And I had as much flour left over as would make five loaves of bread. In addition to this lot of baked goods I made about two dozen loaves each of graham, rye, and whole wheat bread; or about 72 loaves in all. The proportion of white flour needed in the second lot was about half and half.

The following Sunday, I witnessed to what the Lord had done. In the meeting there were present about a dozen Pentecostal people who had come from Zion City. I told them that God multiplied flour. Later I got a letter from Zion City asking me how much flour was multiplied. The devil thought he had got me. The Lord told me that it was more than doubled. When I began to count up, I saw the Lord was right and the enemy was wrong.

How the Lord Multiplied the Coal

A friend of ours was agent for a coal dealer. One day we gave him our order for hard coal that was needed; but he forgot to put in the order. It was 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and there was no expectation of delivery that day. There was only one scuttle of coal in the house and I needed three to heat the oven. I said, "Lord, multiply the coal. You can cause this one scuttle of coal to do the work of three, and make the oven hot enough to fire all my bakery goods." I expected the heat would be enough, and it was so—A repetition of the miracle of the loaves.

There came a time when we knew it was the Lord's will for us to close up the bakery and grocery business. After paying all our bills, we did not know where the Lord wanted us to go. In a meeting in Waukegan a lady gave the following testimony about guidance. She said she had shut herself up in a room until the Lord spoke to her plainly. I made up my mind to do the same thing. I said, "Now Lord, make our way plain." In ten minutes time, the Lord showed me what we were to do. He impressed upon my mind Hebrews 11:8, and said to me, "Arise, and go up to the city." I knew He meant Zion City.

On the Monday following we went to Zion City to look for a house, but found nothing suitable. On our return home a friend in Waukegan said to us, "I have a house in Zion City at present unoccupied which you can occupy free of rent." We thanked her, and on Wednesday went to Zion City to look at the house. The Lord said, "This is the place." After paying all our bills, we had enough left to pay our fare to Zion City. We had at this time on hand some groceries and a small sack of flour weighing 24½ pounds, having given our delivery man

who had a family a large sack of flour.

The first work on our return to Zion City which the Lord gave us to do was to look after an insane Jewess who had no food. So we had to supply her and ourselves. We prayed the Lord to send in people, and for six weeks there were fed at our table never less than seven persons and at times the number rose to fourteen. The bread supply all came from that one sack of flour weighing 24½ pounds.

In course of time we found our stores diminishing. I had no work at this time, and without money we were unable to buy fresh supplies. My wife on a particular day made a list of the groceries we required for the needs of our large household composed mostly of Dowieite refugees who had lost their little all in the industrial collapse. On this day I had occasion to do something in another house; and I prayed as follows: "Father, I have done my best. You must supply the need." Before I returned home a rap came to my wife's door and a man said, "Your groceries, ma'am," and handed her a slip marked, Mrs. J. B. Gordon. She looked over her list and in this order found everything she had listed including a sack of flour, some milk tickets and a box of crackers, extra.

(Brother and Sister Gordon are now in charge of a beautiful home in Elyria, Ohio, —144 E. Bridge St.—that the Lord has given them in answer to the prayer of faith. Many a sick one has gone to this home and has come forth blessedly healed of the Lord. At some future date we trust to tell the wonderful story of how the Lord gave this home.)

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REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

BRAGGS, OKLA.—God has been giving blessing everywhere we have been. Many people have been saved, healed, and filled with the Spirit.—W. E. Whelchel.

PERKS, ILL.—A note of praise and thanksgiving to the dear Lord for the way He visited us with victory. A number got saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit with the evidence of Acts 2:4. The Holiness people who opposed us for many years have now given their church over to us and we are now having twice a week preaching.—W. F. Lankston and wife.

CHAFFEE, MO.—In the name of our Lord Jesus, we report victory in a 20-day revival meeting. God wonderfully blessed. Fourteen professed conversion; 12 received the Holy Spirit Baptism with the evidence of speaking in tongues (Acts 2:4); 4 backsliders (or lukewarm ones) were revived by the Spirit. All came the Pentecostal way—by "praying through." Eight were buried in water baptism. More will follow next Sunday—ages 10 - 76 years two of 63 years—all caught in God's net! The one 76 years of age was healed also of rheumatism—couldn't walk—now walks. One of 55 years was blind—now sees. Brother Marvin Hartz helped the last week. Regarding healings. One woman was paralyzed on right side. Now walks and talks and gives God the glory. Mrs. Mary Bannaky had been blind over a year. Doctors said she could never be any better; the Lord healed her!—Basil E. Hillman.

NEBRASKA STATE CAMP MEETING

The District Camp held at Franklin, August 19, to September 2, was well attended. Brother Watt Walker's powerful "Four Square" messages did much to remove misunderstanding and prejudice from the minds of many. There was quite a stir and many enquired, "What meaneth this?" Some were saved and received the Baptism in like manner to the one hundred and twenty in the upper room. A number were healed of bodily ailments, Praise God. Six were baptized in water, three were ordained to the full gospel ministry, three were licensed to preach, about one hundred and eighty-five dollars in pledges and cash was raised for the Bible school at Springfield.

One feature worthy of note at the camp was the children's meeting. God blessed in a wonderful way. One afternoon several were saved, some received visions. The same evening one received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues, and making signs, that Jesus was coming soon, and for us to preach the gospel. The saints were refreshed, the unanimous decision was, that we secure Brother Walker for State Camp next year.—John Crouch, Secy.

BENTON, ILL., (WEST CITY)—We have resigned from the Benton, Ill. assembly to take charge of the West City work. The Lord has opened up a new work. We need the prayers of God's people.—Brother and Sister Kullman.

SILOAM SPRINGS, ARK.—We are now having a fine series of meetings and great interest with Brother J. A. McPhail doing the preaching. Large attendance and hungry souls for the true gospel. People getting saved and afflicted bodies being healed. Ask the prayers of all God's children that the Lord will continue to bless His children at this place.—B. P. Mabry.

KEYSER, W. VA.—I have taken charge of the work at Keyser and New Creek and the Lord is working. I have found some precious saints of God in this place. Four have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and several have been saved. I feel the Lord is calling me to new fields near this place, as I find many hungry people who must be gathered from the highways and hedges who have been purchased with the precious Blood of Jesus. Any of the brethren coming this way filled with the Spirit and with a burning love for God and lost humanity, call on me at Gilmore, Md., or write me at Midland, Md.—J. W. Tanner.

HOW TO INCREASE YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Greetings in Jesus precious name! We are praying for a mighty revival here as Sister Herrell is here and God is using her in a wonderful way. Sick are being healed, the deaf hear, the dumb speak and the blind are seeing. Praise God.

We are going to canvass our neighborhood to build up our Sunday School and we would like to get a thousand copies of Our Pentecostal Boys and Girls, so I am sending you \$10.00 for these papers. We will distribute these next Saturday or Sunday if possible.—Chas. Vanderploeg, Toledo, Ohio.

HEALED OF ABSCESS

I want to praise the Lord for raising me up from a severe illness and restoring me to my family. I have 4 girls and one boy so I am needed.

Last January I was taken ill of pneumonia and was very ill. The doctors declared that an operation was necessary but I put my trust in the Lord and He over-ruled and brought me through. An abscess formed on my right lung. After the saints prayed for me it burst that very day and I began to get better though I was in bed 3 months I just trusted in the Lord and the Lord brought me through. Now I am walking and doing my own work. Pray for me that I may receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.—Mrs. Ethel Moody, Gosnell, Ark.

JENNY LIND, ARK.—Brother Sam Padgett has been pastor of this assembly 2 years and has surely fed us the Word. Work has been scarce here for nearly 2 years and times close with most of the saints, as they are mostly miners and the mines have been idle most of the time. So our pastor shared hard times with his flock. Although during the 2 years we have built an addition to our place of worship and finished paying for our parsonage and are practically out of debt, for which we praise the Lord and thank the saints; also outsiders for their liberal donations.—J. A. Webb, Deacon.

FRANKSTON, TEXAS—With deepest interest we looked forward to our campaign season. Every other Friday night we preached at Pine Forest, four miles and a half north of Frankston, and Brother Joe Webb, one of our Frankston preachers, preached Tuesday nights each week at Kicapoo, two and a half miles south of town. When the fire began to fall, when people began to get saved and filled with the Holy Spirit, at Kicapoo, the crowds became immense. Including reclamations, seven professed Christ, and two were baptized in the Holy Spirit. Pentecostal standing was advanced. A school teacher, from an adjoining neighborhood, came forward, and said, "I have appreciated all the services, and I want you to come and preach at our school house. etc." We had secured Brother T. D. Thompson, of Quanah, to hold the Frankston meeting; and in order to hold him in this section till we could reach Frankston (Three denominations preceded us in meetings at Frankston, and we have a large union shed), we put him to work at Pine Forest. Prejudice was overcome; Pentecostal ground gained. We do not know the number saved. Sometimes there would be as many as 15 at the altar. It is sad that the writer was called off just as the Frankston battle began; and as meetings had been running about two months, and Frankston is not large, our people ran only 10 nights. Of course good was accomplished. They say the crowds were large. Doubtless people who will not come ordinarily, came, heard and were impressed; but we need about three weeks' meeting. The most encouraging thing to me is to see recruits coming from these outside stations, and testifying to salvation.

We now plan to enlarge the church; and have another meeting in December, with strong help, hoping to see signs and wonders follow. We are not satisfied to stop short of God's best. We are to baptize in water next Sunday, Sept. 30.—Pastor S. C. Johnson.

EYES HEALED

I praise the Lord for healing my eyes. I was blind for one year last June. The doctor said I would never see any more but the Lord healed me and now I can see. My healing came at Chaffee, Mo. on the night of September 18, 1923, and I am praising the Lord for it and for full salvation and the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and fire.—Mrs. Mary Bannaky, Chaffee, Mo.

Forthcoming Meetings

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL will hold their second annual Council from October 30 to November 4 at the Full Gospel Tabernacle, 2938 Thirteenth Ave., South., Minneapolis, Minn. Further particulars from Chairman C. M. Hansen, R. 3, Box 7, Dalton, Minn.

REVIVAL CAMPAIGN AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Elder Hermon L. Harvey, of Springfield, Mo., will be with us for a 3-weeks campaign, beginning October 14. The meeting will be held in the Full Gospel Tabernacle (Assembly of God), 2938 Thirteenth Avenue, South.—Paul H. Ralstin, Pastor, 2822 Cedar Avenue.

REVIVAL CAMPAIGN IN FULL GOSPEL TABERNACLE, CHICAGO, ILL.—From October 16 to November 4, Evangelist John Goben, of Iowa, John Olsen, Chicago Chorister, and William Kitchen, of Tulsa, Okla., will conduct evangelistic services in Full Gospel Tabernacle, 1665 N. Mozart St., Chicago. Pray much for these meetings, come expecting great things from the Lord. For further information write to Adolph Peterson, Pastor, 1826 N. Mozart St., Chicago.

MEETING FOR THE PENTECOSTAL SAINTS IN NORTHERN KANSAS, beginning Oct. 20, D. V. Evangelists in charge, Earl W. and Beula O. Clark. Held in big tent in Jacob's woods, the same place the Clarks meeting was held two years ago. Come praying and bring the sick to be healed through faith in Jesus Christ, and the saints to be baptized in the Spirit. This grove is just 12 miles from Agra, Kans., and 12 miles from Kensington, and also 12 miles from Naponee, Nebr.

CLEVELAND CONVENTION—The tenth annual Missionary Convention of the Pentecostal Church of Cleveland will be held in the church, corner East 57th St. and White Ave., October 18 to 28. Able Pentecostal preachers will minister in the Word and numerous missionaries from various mission fields will present the needs of the heathen world. The services the last Sunday of the Convention will be held in a large Lutheran Church which has been secured for that purpose. Free entertainment will be provided for all ministers and missionaries in full fellowship with the General Council, but financial remuneration for services rendered can be guaranteed only to those ministers and missionaries engaged as special workers. Further information can be obtained by addressing Pastor J. Narver Gortner, 11603 Tuscora Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Mississippi District Council of the Assemblies of God will convene with the Assembly at Whistler, Alabama, Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, November 6, 1923, and will continue in session until all business matters are disposed of. All those desiring endorsement for credentials will avail themselves of this opportunity to secure same by presenting application to the License and Ordination Committee. Let all the local churches send at least two duly elected delegates, and be sure to send your pastor. Rooms and meals will be furnished free by the Whistler Assembly. Those coming by Mobile will reach the church by Whistler street car getting off at the schoolhouse. For further information write Elder M. T. Hays, Pastor, Whistler, Alabama, or Jas. O. Savell, Chairman, 905 Arledge St., Hattiesburg, Miss.—Jas. O. Savell, Chairman; D. P. Holloway, Sec'y.

OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL

The Oklahoma District Council of the Assemblies of God, D. V., will convene at Collinsville, Okla., Nov. 13 to 17, on Tenth and Center streets, one block and a half west and one south of the Depot. We hope to be able to take care of all the ministers and one or two delegates from each assembly.

Those wanting license or ordination, bring sufficient recommendation to satisfy the mind of the Presbytery.

Those ordained or licensed in the Council who expect to be in the state the coming year, who cannot attend the Council, send your name and permanent address to the secretary in time to be in the Minutes. As there are several that have failed to get their mail and some that neither the chairman nor secretary have heard from, we especially desire to insist on this.

Plan to come and stay all through the Council. For further information write Pastor R. V. Freeman, 1008 Oak St., Collinsville, Okla., Chairman or Secretary.

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