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The Fruits and Gifts of the Spirit

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GREAT deal of misunderstanding is abroad in the land to-day even among people who have professed the Baptism in the Holy Spirit regarding demonstrations, manifestations and the operation of the Holy Spirit's presence and power. There seems to be quite a difference of opinion regarding what occurs when the Holy Spirit comes in and what happens after the Holy Spirit has taken up His abode in our hearts.

I want to deal to-day not so much with the Holy Spirit's incoming and what constitutes the evidence of His incoming; I want, rather, to develop the theme of what happens after the Holy Spirit has come in. Let me remind you first of all, that Jesus does not deal with externals, He deals with internals. In the wonderful glorious experience of Salvation He does not change the life of man—He changes the heart. A good many people are struggling to live Christian lives who have never experienced a change of heart. It is a constant battle. There is no joy in it; no real happiness and no abiding peace. They see the mountain peaks of ideal living and they are conscious of what Jesus taught relative to Christian experience and life.

But, Oh! how miserable is their lot and what struggling and agonizing fills their days. I have often stated that I preach no sermons on popular amusements. The reason is that if you are genuinely born again the amusement question will take care of itself. Get the experience in your heart, and the life as a natural result will be changed. That is true in the case of conversion. Glory be to Jesus! Some of us have found it to be wonderfully and marvelously true. When we seek the Baptism in the Holy Spirit we do not seek power or ecstasy, or joy, we seek a Person.

One of the greatest mistakes that people make in waiting before the Lord for the incoming of the Holy Spirit is that they anticipate and wait for demonstrations and manifestations. I am not stating that the manifestations will

not come. I am not stating that the demonstrations will not occur, but I most emphatically believe that many of the people who have sought manifestations and demonstrations have found them and yet have not found the Holy Spirit. Just as the heart of the disciples yearned for Jesus and longed for His presence, so there comes into our hearts a yearning and longing for the abiding presence of the Comforter. In other words, a conviction comes upon us

that there is something lacking in our ministry; some power that we have never received; some joy that we have never experienced; but the Bible teaches us that we should not seek the power and we should not seek the joy, *but we should seek Him*, who brings the power and who brings the joy when He comes.

When the Baptism in the Holy Spirit in all its glorious fullness takes place you are not merely endowed with power from on high; your very bodies become the temples of the living God. Glory be to the name of Jesus. It makes us shout for joy; it makes us want to dance like King David before the Ark, to think that these poor mortal bodies of ours can become the temples of the living God and our hearts can be the dwelling place of the Most High. It makes us shout in glory, and praise Him with all our heart when we think of the possibilities of this marvelous experience. So, dear, hungry Christian friend, when you seek the Baptism in the Holy Spirit do not seek a manifestation, but seek Him. Forget demonstrations and focus all your prayer and all your praise on the coming-in of the Holy Spirit, the blessed promise of the Father, the one whom Jesus Christ referred to—"Who will abide with you forever."

Now when He comes in, what happens? First of all, He takes control of your life; He assumes authority over all that you do and all that you say. The flesh becomes subordinate to the Spirit until your very bodies are the temples of the living God. From that moment the fruit of the Spirit begins to grow on the tree of your life. It is not hard, now, to show forth, to the waiting world the fruit of the Spirit. It grows easily, naturally, just as naturally and easily as apples grow on an apple tree; whereas it was once natural for you to give way to the flesh, and fruits of the flesh were constantly exemplified, and anger and jealousy and envy and malice and strife kept asserting themselves in spite of your better desires and your nobler purposes, now,

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DO AS IT WAS DONE TO YOU

Did you spend years under preaching that failed to bring you into living touch with the Lord Jesus? Were you ignorant of the fact that Jesus not only forgives sins but makes us desire good things instead of our having to helplessly struggle against the old evil things? Were you ignorant of God's promise to heal, and was it the best you knew to turn your most precious treasures over into the fallible hands of the doctor, well-meaning though he might be? Were you ignorant of the fact that the mighty Baptism with the Holy Ghost which revolutionized the lives of the apostles and filled their world with wonder, is for us to-day? Were you ignorant of the fact that Jesus is coming back in visible, personal presence after His own, and that He may be expected at any time? I suppose you were. It was so with multibled thousands of those who are now happy Pentecostal saints.

How much then did it mean to you when some one told you these great truths? You wouldn't go back to your old-time ignorance and helplessness for—what shall we say? The wealth of Henry Ford wouldn't tempt you an instant would it?

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God's Conditional Covenant to Heal His People

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(Continued from the last Evangel)

The Law of Rest

I want you to notice with me now the Law of Rest. Now at this point all the lazy people will have their innings! Certainly here I will give a little comfort to those who are fond of rest. Not that I would wish any one to carry this to extreme—especially in connection with church work. I do not want to advocate that any one go as far as the old gentleman down in Virginia of whom Dr. Hawthorne (that noble man of God who baptized Mrs. Straton and me) told me. He had a country friend in one of the back counties of the state, and one day he asked him the secret of his long life. The reply was, "Well, I'll tell you! I have made it a rule of my life all the way through. The first thing I do when I get out of bed in the morning is to sit down and take a *good long rest!*"

I don't want to advocate that program for any one, yet I do want to say a practical word on behalf of rest and the law of rest. Divine wisdom understood that the human frame is a delicate mechanism and that it is dangerous to overstrain it in any way. It is known that in a mere mechanical machine overdriving or too constant use brings ruin. It is a well known fact that if a razor is not constantly used, but has periods of rest, it will remain sharp longer than if used constantly without periods of rest.

That is surely a very significant thing. Engineers tell us that even a locomotive—an engine as powerful as that—will wear out more rapidly if continuously used than if given periods of rest. We know also—even those who drive a Ford—that if you overdrive and do not properly tend the machine, you will injure it and destroy it. Not even steel and copper will stand abuse and neglect and loss of rest.

Certainly, then, my friends, we would anticipate that that would be true of the wonderful mechanism, the vital machine called the human body. God in His wisdom and love provided such periods of rest from the ordinary tasks of life, and the right observance of His commandments brings with it the promise of temporal as well as spiritual blessings. In the ten commandments, in enunciating that moral law that is the foundation code of all civilized nations, God incorporated as one of the ten the law of the Sabbath. He said, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Now it was something that was already in existence. It seems to have been one of those fundamental commandments that God gave to the whole family of man before ever a law was given from Sinai, and He emphasizes it as of vital importance by bringing it into that code.

Not only did God direct, however, that one day in seven was to be set apart for rest and worship and to honor Him, but God also directed that the seventh week and the seventh month likewise be set apart for physical and spiritual rest, in connection with the sacred feasts. Also the seventh

year was to be a Sabbatical year, and seven times seven—the forty-ninth and fiftieth years—were to be observed as years of rest. The land itself was thus to be rested, and the people were to find relief from the strain of ordinary and continuous duties.

The Need of Our Modern Age

That is a marvelous thing. How our modern age needs just such provisions for rest. We are driving so fast, we are on such a strain, we will not even keep the law of the Sabbath. Even church people will not properly obey that fundamental law that God ordained for our own good as well as for His glory.

No people can prosper who violate the Lord's Day. We need to take that truth to heart here in America. The incoming of the Continental Sabbath has been a terrific blow to our country. Health and happiness go side by side in many ways. We have to face this fact, that our modern rushing age needs precisely these practical things that God has commanded. We have paid in our happiness and our health for these glittering external things which are not of abiding help to the human family.

When Jesus Christ comes back to earth, every man will sit under his own "vine and fig tree." If any one imagines that this modern Babylon—New York—is going to continue indefinitely in the future, he is greatly mistaken. We are burrowing in the earth, climbing into the air, and spreading out on every side, and yet we scarcely have space to exercise our elbows without getting into trouble with our neighbor! It is not a normal way to live. I do not think much

of it. It is utterly contrary to the teachings of this old Book.

Professor Lovejoy, Professor Kellog and I had an article in the *Times* on some issues of to-day. These gentlemen were arguing for more "evolution," but I was saying that the supreme need of America is a revival of old-time religion that will bring back a right observance of the Sabbath Day, a revival of true home life, etc. That is the supreme need. We must get back to God's way, and to God's Word to find God's way, if we expect to have real happiness and blessedness in our modern life. The moral and spiritual losses we have sustained are nothing like compensated for by the material splendor and the sensuous satisfactions of which they have been the price! When Jesus comes back to earth we shall certainly see the banishment of all this vain show, this pomp and glitter on which we so pride ourselves, and yet which is doing nothing but grind us to pieces. We boast of our time-saving devices, yet we have less time than we ever had. We have the telephone, telegraph and wireless, and yet we are rushed as we never have been rushed before. Every time-saving machine that has come in has taken away more time from the human race. No time for family life! No time for correspondence—that very beautiful art of the former generations that produced such literary grace and skill! To-day it is: "Hello, Bill, I am going so and so. Good-bye, Jim." That is where we have got to to-day. That is the result of all our labor-saving, time-saving devices! And so it goes.

Thank God, there is a better and wiser way for life upon this earth, and God in His wisdom and love has shown it to us. We need to get back to His way, and particularly to these outstanding laws of health that He has provided for our happiness and peace. In this age of doubt, and of the moral and physical distress that follow disobedience, we need to recreate the atmosphere of the age of faith in a living God.

I have found, in my own experience, since I learned the teaching of God's Word upon the subject of healing, and since I have definitely taken Jesus Christ as my physician, and laid aside all drugs, that I am far more thoughtful and careful in connection with bodily needs and appetites. When I become conscious of the least physical indisposition, instead of going to doctors and resorting to drugs, I seek to conform more closely to the divine laws for health, laid down in Scripture. I have found that with more care given to the nature of food and drink, and with obedience to the teachings of Scripture concerning these matters, I am in far better health than when I was constantly drenching my system with drugs, or dosing even with home-made nostrums, used merely as crutches upon which to get by. Thus I have found at this point that the Word of God has taught us all that we really need to know about the most practical and prosaic interests of life, and when we heed that, instead of following

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fallible human knowledge, we are much better off.

I take my stand with Jean Paul—that great mind—and say deliberately with him that “the first leaf of the Mosaic record carries more weight than all the folios of men of science and philosophy combined.” When it comes to real influence upon the living and thinking and happiness of the human race, the first leaf of this old Bible has exercised more real influence, and today exercises more power, than all the sciences and philosophies down the ages. So some of us, thank God, are not in any haste to put the Bible in the discard and throw it on the junk heap, in order that we may take up the blasphemous modern philosophies and “science falsely so called.”

Mercy When We Fail

God has enunciated these laws and principles and put them here for our guidance to-day. He is not going to do anything for us He can get us to do for ourselves. That is true because He is a loving and wise Father.

But, my friends, this is *not the end of the story*. If we stopped here we would have to say that wherever man violated these laws, even through individual ignorance, he would have to suffer the penalty of such violation without hope. But such is not the case. God is a God of mercy, love and wisdom. He has given us wise, loving commandments and statutes, and through them He encourages us to develop strength and vigor for health and happiness; but, praise His holy Name, we can go further than that. He has recognized that we are dust, that we are frail and fallible and, therefore, even when in the weakness of the flesh and the follies of our minds we either forget His statutes or transgress His commandments, there is a means provided for cleansing and health.

Because it all involves disobedience, both sin and disease undoubtedly come from Satan. But while God is waiting for the fullness of His own time for the final casting out of this great adversary and the complete purification of the earth, He has so overruled human affairs that the very curse of the adversary, like the wrath of man, can be made to do good and to issue in praises for God.

When judgment because of wrongdoing was sent upon ancient Israel in the form of plagues it was through God's permissive decree, just as in the case of His servant Job. For the sake of high and glorious spiritual ends and deeper blessings, Satan was permitted to send disaster and suffering upon Job. So it seems that all diseases that are visited as judgments upon the race come from Satan through the permissive decree of God, but God has made provision by which the whole disaster, as in the case of *Job*, will only work out a greater blessing.

Therefore, when the sins of Israel brought divine judgment, as when the fourteen thousand perished through the plagues, it is written in Numbers 16:41-50 that Aaron “made atonement for the people and he stood between the dead and the living, and the plague was stayed.”

And again, when because of their sins the serpents became a plague among them and were stinging the people to death, when they

admitted their sins Moses prayed to God on their behalf, and God Himself directed the making of a Brazen Serpent—a clear type of Christ, as He Himself declared—to be lifted up in the midst of the people, and God promised that through the look of faith on the Brazen Serpent He would heal the bodies of those who had been bitten and were dying from the deadly poison.

Let us here just in passing, note that while sickness does not need atonement, because sickness alone does not of necessity sever the soul from God, nevertheless there is manifestly a sense in which atonement must be made for sickness, especially when the sickness results from individual sin and disobedience to God.

And certainly it is true that just as through the sacrifices of the old dispensation provision was made for the healing of the people, as well as atonement for their sins, so also in the mercy and love of God in this new dispensation of grace God has made abundant provision through Jesus Christ, the true antitype of the Brazen Serpent, by which He may not only bear all our iniquities, but heal all our sicknesses and diseases. We are standing, therefore, on the solid rock of God's promises when we come to Him in faith for healing.

Often in our ignorance we transgress laws—in our haste and in our folly. And if God were not merciful, if He held an iron rule over us, and said there was no forgiveness or healing, how hopeless would be the position of the human race.

But God is a God of mercy. God is a God of love. I shall never forget an incident in Toronto when Dr. Shields and I, Mrs. Shields and Mrs. Straton went down to a home for fallen girls. I had preached on the dance. Even some of the rectors challenged what I said about the evils of the dance, and had written letters in the papers saying their young church people danced in their churches and that there was no harm in it. We were called on the telephone by the superintendent of the home for fallen girls. She said, “I am calling up to congratulate you, and to praise God, for the message you have given, and this city needs it despite all of its pride.”

Then she told me of her work for the Presbyterian denomination in their homes for fallen girls throughout the Dominion. She invited us to come, and when we went down there she told us some distressing incidents. There was one dear child wrecked and ruined *in connection with a church dance*. And that poor little girl (a girl who came from a good family, beautiful still despite hard usage and suffering) sat, with great tears welling through her fingers as with her hands she covered her eyes, and told the story of how, in connection with so-called “recreations” in the church itself, she had fallen. In the name of love and in her ignorance she had been deceived; and then, in horror and despair she had drifted from bad to worse. She was drawn down into the dark waters of the underworld and was almost ready to end her life, when Miss Ratte, the Superintendent, in the providence of God stumbled upon her and stretched out a hand of Christian sympathy and love and lifted her back. As she sat and talked, she said to us, “Oh, I did not know! I did not know!”

Thank God there is mercy! Thank God that He deals with us upon that plane and not according to the hard, cold letter of the law. If we were measured by the inexorable laws of righteousness, then who could stand? I am happy to say that healing came to that child as well as salvation. She was given a new start and a better chance in life. And so we should thank God for this wonderful covenant that He has left. “I am the Lord that healeth thee.” We may turn to Him for salvation. He will never fail us, but will save us with an everlasting salvation. And when we turn to Him for healing, His mercy, love and power will flow out for the blessing of our bodies, even as it flows out for the saving of our souls!

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FAITH FOCUSED

I suppose that if all the time I have prayed for *faith* were put together, it would amount to months. I used to say, “What we want is faith; if we only have faith, we can turn Chicago upside down,” or, rather right side up. I thought that some day faith would come down and strike me like lightning. But faith did not seem to come. One day I read in the tenth chapter of Romans, “Now, faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.” I had closed my Bible and prayed for faith. I now opened my Bible, and began to study, and faith has been growing ever since.—D. L. Moody.

FAITH INCREASED

When I first began to allow God to deal with me, relying on Him, taking Him at His Word, and set out fifty years ago simply relying on Him for myself, family, taxes, traveling expenses and every other need, I rested on the simple promises I found in the sixth chapter of Matthew. Read Matthew 6:25-34 carefully. I believed the Word, I rested on it and practiced it. I took God at His Word. A stranger, a foreigner in England, I knew seven languages and might have used them perhaps as a means of remunerative employment, but I had consecrated myself to labor for the Lord, I put my reliance in the God who has promised, and He has acted according to His Word. *I've lacked nothing—nothing*. I have had my trials, my difficulties, and my purse empty, but my receipts have aggregated thousands of pounds, while the work has gone on these fifty-one years. My beloved brothers and sisters, begin in a little way. At first I was able to trust the Lord for ten pounds, then for a hundred pounds, then for a thousand pounds, and now, with the greatest ease, I could trust Him for a million pounds, if there was occasion. But first, I should quietly, carefully, deliberately examine and see whether what I was trusting for was something in accordance with His promises in His written Word.—George Mueller.

In proportion as we see the King, have much to do with Him and understand His mind, just in that proportion shall we grow into His likeness.

The Gifts of the Spirit

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ABUSES: THEIR CAUSE AND CURE

It is a pleasant dream held by some people that all exercise of the gifts of the Spirit is necessarily perfect, and beyond abuse or mistake.

Such an idea can only come from a very careless reading of the New Testament. Unfortunately it may have serious results. In those who are prejudiced *against* the subject it makes them label the slightest error or imperfection they may run up against as a sure sign of a "counterfeit" that justifies them in condemning the whole. In those who delight in the gifts of the Spirit it places them beyond the reach of teaching and correction,—they regard their experience on this line as infallible.

The New Testament Records Imperfection.

Now nothing can be more certain than that the New Testament reveals that the exercise of Spiritual Gifts can be imperfect. Paul's treatment of the subject in 1 Corinthians 12, 13, 14, arises solely out of the Corinthian Assembly's using certain gifts of the Holy Spirit wrongfully.

Note particularly that he never questions the genuineness of their gifts. There is not one single line in which he suggests (as so many hastily do to-day), that they had "counterfeit" gifts inspired by deceiving spirits. All through these 3 chapters he proceeds on the assumption that *they had right gifts, but used them wrongly.* The fact that this is not only possible, but actually occurred in the Early Church, is thus established beyond argument.

What are the reasons for these abuses? They are admittedly not in the Spirit of God. Neither are they in the nature of the gifts themselves, for coming directly from the Lord they would necessarily share His perfection. We are shut in to the obvious fact, which is exactly what the Scripture teaches, that the imperfections in their exercise spring from the "earthen vessels" through whom the manifestation flows.

There is another unscriptural and mischievous error held by certain earnest people that the Baptism in the Holy Ghost makes the believer sinlessly perfect—or ought to, and that those especially who possess and exercise any of the gifts of the Spirit can only do so by virtue of being absolutely sanctified. The blunt facts of the New Testament are that some *very* imperfect people possessed and exercised some wonderful and genuine gifts of the Holy Spirit. We are afraid that even the apostles themselves could be taken as examples of this point.

Now Holiness is essential to an edifying exercise of any Spiritual Gift, and we are placing no premium on an unsanctified character; but what we *are* seeking to establish is that it is possible for genuine gifts of the Spirit to be wrongly used through the imperfection of the believer to whom they have been given.

Some Particular Abuses Noticed.

It will be necessary to get down to principles; but first, what were some of the specific abuses at Corinth?

First of all, and right on the surface,

there was too much speaking with tongues in the public meetings (1 Cor. 14:23, 27, etc.). Secondly, there was speaking with tongues in the assembly without interpretation (verses 5, 9, etc.). Thirdly, it would appear that those who exercised the gift of prophecy were claiming that their inspiration was beyond criticism, and moreover that it placed them beyond self-control and obedience to government.

Paul met these particular abuses by giving particular commands. Thus speaking with tongues was to be limited to two or at the most three at any one meeting of the assembly (ver. 27): audible speaking with tongues in public was ruled completely out of order unless there was interpretation, and such interpretation was to proceed on orderly lines (vers. 27, 28). Prophets were sternly reminded that their utterances could and should be "judged" by others, and that their inspiration in no wise robbed them of self-control, or gave them any excuse to despise government (vers. 29-32).

It must not be supposed that these are the only gifts of the Spirit liable to abuse, or even that these are the only abuses these particular gifts are capable of. Thus there is a strong indication that the assembly at Thessalonica erred in the opposite extreme of suppressing and despising inspired utterances (1 Thess. 5:19-21). There are also hints that the word of knowledge could be vitiated by the believer who exercised it becoming puffed-up (1 Cor. 8:1; 13:2): and that even the gift of faith could amount to "nothing" in practical result through lack of love. It does not take much imagination to realize how the gifts of healing, and indeed each and any gift of the Spirit, could be easily spoiled and fail of its divine purpose.

A Golden Rule and a Golden Principle.

There is a Golden Rule governing the right exercise of Spiritual Gifts; it is found in 1 Cor. 14:26,—**LET ALL THINGS BE DONE UNTO EDIFYING.** And there is a Golden Principle which alone can make them really profitable, the Principle of LOVE—enunciated so exquisitely in 1 Cor. 13,—a chapter, be it remembered, written especially in connection with Spiritual Gifts.

Observance of this Rule and Principle would cure practically every misuse of the gifts of the Spirit. Thus those people in Corinth would never have spoken in tongues more than was fitting, or without interpretation in the assembly, if their eyes had been only on the greatest possible benefit for the greatest possible number. It is true, as Paul admits, that they were edifying themselves (ver. 4); but Love will never be satisfied unless somebody else is sharing the edification (ver. 17); and still more, Love will never edify itself at the expense of stumbling others (ver. 24).

As an illustration, we noticed on the great liner when writing this study that some people would play the piano in the Lounge at all and any time, just to suit their own pleasure, without consulting in any way the wishes or comforts of others.

Others always had an eye to the fitness of the occasion, and the pleasure of everybody concerned.

A great many abuses of Spiritual Gifts spring from mere selfishness, and this applies perhaps especially to the gift of tongues. In public and assembly meetings the one who has a gift must always remember, with a practical love, the presence of other people; and must always have an eye to the effect, helpful or otherwise, which the exercise of his gift will have upon them. He cannot act the same as when alone with God.

It is this consideration which lies at the root of the final commandment of the apostle,—**Let all things be done decently and in order** (ver. 40); NOT the order of a graveyard, but the order of a corporate life performing all its functions with ease and effectiveness to all concerned.

Inspiration Never Robs of Self-Control.

The mistake which some of the prophets at Corinth made really went far deeper than the mistakes of those who spoke with tongues, and was capable of far more serious results, indeed it lies at the root of the errors which have wrecked most inspirational movements.

Without repeating what we have referred to before, the heart of this error is the idea that utterances through Spiritual Gifts are of the same infallible nature as the Scriptures.

Leaving this on one side for the moment however, we especially notice another phase of this mistaken idea, namely that when speaking by the Spirit of God they had lost self-control and were not responsible for their actions, and that also they therefore could not come under the government of the assembly. Now this is a great mistake. Demons may drive along the unfortunate persons they possess in a frenzy or a stupor; but the Holy Spirit will never operate through a believer except along the line of his willing, active, and intelligent co-operation.

Paul necessarily takes this for granted in 1 Cor. 14. What would be the use of giving directions to people to "keep silence" (ver. 23) and to "hold their peace" (ver. 30) if the Holy Spirit really rendered them incapable of self-control? What is the use of the apostle talking about a preference in the way he shall address them (ver. 19) if the Spirit of God left him no choice in the matter?

So many people shelter behind a mistaken plea that they "were moved by the Spirit," and "could not help themselves," when brought to book for disorderly behavior concerning Spiritual Gifts. All such excuses are utterly without weight, and only betray a deep lack of understanding in the individual who makes them.

The Holy Spirit Does Not Work Against Himself.

It is absurd to suggest that God will work against Himself, and that the Spirit of God first of all inspire a commandment for order, and then move believers to disorder!

The great work of the Holy Spirit should be carefully studied, and then it will be seen that to the believer this will be his *Sanctification* by the Revelation of Christ; and that to the unbeliever it will be his *Conviction* by the Revelation of Christ.

The Spirit of God will not, therefore, work against Himself by an operation of gifts that draws attention to the one who is exercising them rather than to the Lord: neither will He, generally speaking, operate gifts in a way that will provoke to fear, disgust, or distraction,—especially in dealing with an unbeliever who is coming under conviction. Those who exercise Spiritual Gifts should be more than ordinarily careful that they are really moved by the Spirit of God when unbelievers are present.

Neither will the Holy Spirit work against Himself in the government of an assembly. If the government of a meeting is in the hands of men called and equipped by the Lord (and ideally all meetings should be), then He will make known His mind and will through the offices of His own appointment, and will never move to a spiritual anarchy or rebellion, however attractive such may be to restless spirits. *GOD* will respect an office of His own "setting" in the church, however men may sometimes seek to set it aside; and the man in the office is always to be respected for the sake of the office, even though he is bound at times to show the imperfections consequent to all that is human.

We make no plea for carnal ordinances of men seeking to control the things of the Spirit; though even then graciousness and courtesy will usually mark the behavior of the man really controlled by the Spirit of God, and he will withdraw (like Paul from the synagogues of old) if the testimony of the Spirit is being purposely quenched. Exhibitions of rudeness and fanaticism never do the cause of truth any service, and must not be confused with a quiet, courageous declaration when the occasion demands it of that which is surely believed.

The Real Cure for Abuses of Spiritual Gifts.

This can be nothing else but growth in grace. We are reminded of a notice we once saw in the gardens of a fashionable watering-place in the South of England,—**"LADIES AND GENTLEMEN WILL NOT—AND OTHERS MUST NOT—PLUCK THE FLOWERS."** The Lord wants us all to be spiritual "ladies and gentlemen."

There may be a stage, first of all, where the believer is like a child and has to learn the right exercise of Spiritual Gifts by implicit obedience to Government, whether the reason is always understood or not. But if there is a true spiritual growth this should quickly become unnecessary, the Gifts will be exercised rightly almost by instinct, as it were.

Paul puts it this way on the matter, "Brethren be not children in understanding; . . . in understanding" (concerning Spiritual Gifts) "be men" (1 Cor. 14:20). "I would not have you ignorant" (Chap. 12:1). So that if the first essential for the right exercise of any Spiritual Gift is a *heart* that is right because it is controlled by divine love, then the second essential is a *mind* that understands because it is instructed by divine light.

Yet the "understanding" of their right use which Paul urges so strongly is based after all upon what we may justly call "sanctified common-sense," to judge from his blunt language about being called "mad"

(ch. 14:23), and his homely illustrations from musical instruments, etc. (vers. 7-11). The understanding of the correct use of even such a mysterious gift as "tongues" does not apparently demand any special revelation, nor even any particularly painstaking study of the Scriptures, but merely the application of ordinary principles of expediency! To such simplicity is the question finally reduced.

In conclusion we must remember that the directions given to the assembly at Corinth, while divinely intended for the church of all ages, were originally called for because these things had got out of the divine order locally. Happily they do not represent the normal condition of a spiritually healthy assembly or believer.

The human spirit is the root of the trouble, when it becomes self-assertive, rather than self-effacing. The only cure is at the Cross, and on the Cross.

The perfect exercise of a Spiritual Gift is achieved when the Holy Spirit has unhindered control of spirit, soul and body of the believer. Then the child of God can truly sing: "My freedom is Thy grand control." Men, seeing the outward result, say rightly that such an one is "Full of the Holy Ghost." Under such circumstances anything may happen!

THE LOS ANGELES REVIVAL

The great revival campaign conducted by Stephen Jeffreys, assisted by Brother Thomas Thomas, who led the singing, Sister Jeffreys, and Sister May Jeffreys, started in Los Angeles, August 2nd, and is now in the final stages. Everything is on a large scale. When we mention that the lumber alone for the great platform cost nearly a thousand dollars, it will give some idea of the size of things. The length of the tent is 400 feet, which has necessitated an amplifier system costing \$10.00 a day. Brother A. G. Osterberg, the district superintendent, has had an immense amount of work to do, and many a hard battle, chiefly getting the necessary permits, etc.

The first Sunday afternoon the huge tent was practically filled. Brother Jeffreys presents Christ as we have never heard Him presented, and it is Christ, the first and the last, the Alpha and Omega. He mentioned to the writer that he had never preached under a greater unction of the Spirit. One feels the might of the Spirit behind the simple message. There have been daily healing services, and we have seen the lame walk, the cancer patients healed, and all kinds of diseases removed in the mighty name of Christ Jesus. Hundreds have been saved, and many backsliders restored. More as to this at the close of the campaign.

Brother Swanson, the field evangelist of the District Council in speaking, said he had had such a wonderful touch from the Lord, and a desire to fight the enemy with a new zeal. He said many no doubt were inclined, as he was, to feel a bit sorry, if that were possible, for the devil, for he is going to have such a hard time as the saints renew their fight against his kingdom.

Two testimonies in brief. A woman who was healed said she had been a Catholic,—that she wore the cross outside, and had the devil inside. She believes in restitution,

and paid up her many debts. The last one to be paid was the doctor. She told the doctor, "But for salvation, you never would have been paid this debt; so, doctor, when you get saved, you also pay your debts." A man from Missouri came with his wife to the meetings. He had been a trouble in his home, tried to break up the Pentecostal meetings in his home town, and beat up the preacher. He was saved Monday, and baptized in the Spirit Thursday. When asked to testify, he said he was so hoarse from praising the Lord that he could hardly speak. He wound up by saying he was going back to Missouri telling them that he had found in Los Angeles something they had not in Missouri, the state that had to be shown.

Brother Jeffreys is to be at the old Lincoln Theater, Glendale, Sept. 9 to 23; Long Beach, Sept. 24, 25; Bakersfield, 26-28; San Francisco, Saturday, Sept. 29 to Oct. 2, and sails for New Zealand on October 3rd. He expects to return to this country in 1930, and those desiring meetings should notify the writer at 721 Wing St., Glendale, Calif.—A. W. Frodsham.

APOSTOLIC RESULTS

Pastor C. M. O'Guin, of Granite City, Ill., writes: "Our tent revival now in progress is a marvelous one. The power of the Holy Ghost is being poured out in the same way as seven years ago in that epoch-making revival with Brother Argue of Winnipeg. Crowds numbering thousands are thronging the grounds. Miss Nola West and her mother, Mrs. Grover C., are doing the preaching. To date about 80 have been saved. Some of the most marvelous Baptisms that I have witnessed in 10 years have occurred. True Pentecostal scenes have reappeared,—preaching in tongues when the Holy Ghost filled, visions, interpretations, discernments, and trances. The Holy Ghost is beginning to fall upon the Serbian and Croatian people. We've had fierce opposition as these people are coming out of the darkness, but God has given us the victory. There is a tremendous awakening among the people, with confirmations of His Word and Baptisms from heaven."

CONTINUOUS REVIVAL

Sister Clara Ostrom says: "We want to thank and praise God for ever sending His Word to us here at Dripping Springs, Ark. Two years ago Brother Turley Young came to this place to preach two weeks, and he is still here. Twenty-six were baptized in the Holy Ghost inside of two months, and there were many marvelous healings. One sister who could not sit up and who was hauled to the meeting on springs was wonderfully healed of T. B., and that healing still stands. She works and makes a living for herself and two children. The Lord has healed me of eczema, and also healed my eyes when I could hardly see to read. Brother G. W. Danks is with us in a revival here now, and the Lord is still blessing and baptizing souls. Four followed the Lord in water baptism last Sunday, and nine have received the Holy Ghost. The altar is full nearly every Sunday night."

Visiting Heaven

True Stories by Martin Gensichen, the
"Hallelujah Pastor" from Berlin

In Mulheim-ruhr I had a Sunday school of four hundred children which I taught without the aid of any others. We would begin by singing Hallelujah choruses and for about fifteen minutes would praise the Lord in song. Their little hearts would open up to the Lord during the singing, and oh, how they would praise Him with uplifted hands and with shouts. Then would follow a story from the Bible, a lively one that they could understand and appreciate. When I told the story the five-year-old boys were the most attentive listeners that could be imagined. One of them often interrupted me by crying "Hallelujah!" It was a wonderful joy to my heart to have meetings with these children; it was so easy for them to believe God, so easy for them to respond to His Spirit.

Little Heinz was one of these five-year-olds, and his simple childheart so readily absorbed the teaching on faith which I gave them. One March, just at the close of the winter, his mother promised to take the children to see their auntie. That was a rare treat for the little ones, for their auntie always gave them coffee and cake when they came, and to go to visit her was as good as a picnic.

When the morning of the promised day arrived, that wonderful day when they were to walk over to auntie's, the whole heavens were black with clouds, and the wind was swirling the snow madly through the air. Little Heinz' mother said, "I am very sorry, but we cannot go out in such a storm, it is too cold and snowy."

Nothing daunted, little five-year-old Heinz said, "I am going to ask the Saviour to stop the snow, and He will stop it. Don't you think so too, Mother?"

"Yes, Heinz, ask Him if you wish," replied the mother.

Down on his knees went little Heinz, and said, "Saviour, please take the snow away. Amen." Without further words Heinz jumped up and went about the room whistling the Hallelujah chorus, perfectly happy in the confidence that the snow storm would cease.

After dinner he said, "Now Mother, dress the baby, for it is time to go to auntie's."

"But Heinz, don't you see how it is storming and the snow is falling? The weather is worse than it was this morning; we cannot go out this kind of a day," replied his mother.

"But I have asked the Saviour to take the snow away, and He will," said Heinz, a little impatiently.

The mother felt she could not disappoint the faith of her little boy and so she would try to manage to go somehow. Perhaps they could go by bus or by street car. So she dressed the baby and they all started toward the door. As she reached the corner where the umbrellas stood, the mother picked some up.

"What are you going to do with those umbrellas?" asked Heinz. It was the mother's turn to be annoyed, and she answered, "My boy, don't you see how it is snowing all the time? I am making an effort to take you to your auntie's in spite of the storm; of course we have to have these umbrellas."

"But Mother, if I have asked the Saviour to stop the snow, He will do it," said little Heinz.

Astonished at the child's faith, the mother said, "Well, you go on first and we will follow."

Heinz opened the door, jumped off the three steps of the porch, and shouted, "Hallelujah! the snow is gone! See Mother, it's gone!" The mother stepped outside; and sure enough, it was not snowing there. But at the back of the house the snow was still falling.

Not until they were safely inside the auntie's home did the snow begin to fall again. While they were there it continued to snow for some time, but when they started for home the snow had again ceased to fall.

Before the mother of little Heinz was converted she was a great sinner and was looked upon as the worst woman in the city. When her temper was aroused she thought nothing of throwing a plate, or anything else she could lay hold of, at the head of her husband. But when she was saved she thoroughly repented of her evil ways and the Lord did a mighty work in her. She received the Baptism in the Spirit and God gave her the gift of prophecy.

Heinz had an older sister, Lina, eleven years of age, who was also baptized in the Spirit. One day in school the teacher said to Lina, "I hear you are one of those people who speak in tongues. I want to hear you do it." Lina put her head down and said nothing. Again the teacher said, "I tell you to speak in tongues, I want to hear it." But Lina still kept silent. Then the teacher said angrily, "If you will not obey me and speak in tongues I will give you a bad mark in the record book. Why don't you want to speak in tongues?" Summoning up all her courage Lina innocently replied, "Because the Lord Jesus has told us not to throw our pearls to the swine."

The teacher became furious and said, "So you call me a swine, do you? Now you will get three bad marks in the record book!" This was considered a great punishment indeed, for usually a scholar did not get over one bad mark. Lina wept bitterly at the thought of it. When recess time came every one left the room except Lina; she remained at her desk weeping and weeping. After a while the principal of the school came around, looking through all the rooms, and saw Lina at her desk. "Why do you sit here and cry?" he asked. Between sobs she told him the whole story. His heart was deep-

ly touched at the sight of her misery, but when she came to the part where she told the teacher the Lord Jesus had told us not to cast our pearls before swine, the principal threw back his head and laughed heartily. Laying his hand tenderly on her red hair, he said, "Never mind, little girlie, don't cry any more, I will speak to the teacher and he will take those bad marks out of the record. Just run out and play with the other children." And Lina did. The Lord Jesus had won the victory for the child who dared to obey Him.

On Wednesday afternoons I had special meetings for the children who had received the Baptism of the Spirit, and none others were allowed to attend. About thirty children would be there each time, and we would have wonderful times in the Spirit. God had given them various gifts; and it was wonderful to see them prophesying, or speaking in tongues, or interpreting. How they glorified and praised the Lord! Some received visions and revelations. Some saw the Lord Jesus, and the love of God was brought into their hearts by the Holy Ghost. By exercising the gifts which the Spirit had given them, they were wonderfully edified and built up in the Lord.

They learned to have a very simple faith. When a difficulty arose they prayed about it. If some one was taken sick they asked the Lord for healing for that one, and immediately the answer came. Sometimes during prayer the children would become lost in God. I remember one time when I had closed the meeting three of the children did not leave. I told them again it was time to go home but they did not move a muscle. I called them by name, but they did not answer. There was a rapt look on their little faces. I went over and shook them, trying to waken them, but all to no avail. For three quarters of an hour I called and shook them, and at last I said, "O Lord Jesus, wake them up; I can't." That instant they opened their eyes and laughed at me, all three of them. I said, "Where have you been?" They answered, "In heaven." "What happened there?" I asked. "Oh, Jesus took me with His hand," said one little girl, "and we walked around heaven and saw the glories, the beautiful trees, the river of life, the fine golden castles and the new Jerusalem. Oh, it was so beautiful. And Jesus called me by my name." She had made a mistake, I think she heard me calling her and she thought it was Jesus.

I was passing through Grosspzellemk, East Prussia, one day and we had a children's meeting there. I asked the children how many of them had been saved. Most of them had been, but Emma Neumaan, twelve years old, had never been converted. We were singing a beautiful song, "My Jesus Lives," so I said to Emma, "Now you must not sing this song with us. You cannot say that Jesus is your Jesus because you have not given your heart to Him." The rest of the children and I sang the song over and over, enjoying it so much. But poor little Emma bowed her head and was silent. When we had finished I said to her,

"Now wouldn't you like to join in this sweet song, too?" She answered, "Yes, I would like to." "Then you must give your heart to the Lord Jesus. Are you willing to do that right now?" I said. "Yes, I am willing." We knelt down and asked the Lord to save Emma. She wept and called upon the Lord, before all the children. They were all deeply touched. After a while she confessed her sins to me, saying that she had been disobedient to her mother. I told her to ask her mother's forgiveness, and she said she would. Emma was truly saved. Then we sang the song again, and this time Emma joined in it. I found that a very effective method of bringing the children to the Lord.

One day after I left there I received a long letter from Emma in which she told me of many wonderful things the Lord was doing. She wrote that one of the girls had had a vision in which she saw angels coming down from heaven carrying large golden basins, as large as a bath tub, and of pure gold; and the message came that the Lord wanted these children, and some of the grown-ups, to be baptized in water. When I read that I planned to go and have another meeting with them at Easter time. And on Easter Monday, twenty-five were baptized in water.

One time Emma's mother sent her behind the barn to look for some goslings, but when she reached the place she could not see them. While there she saw a dazzling, heavenly light. At first the light was so strong it fairly blinded her, but when she became accustomed to it she saw a strong angel standing before her. He wore a long white garment, a golden girdle, and had golden shoes on his feet. His wings seemed to be of very fine white wool. In sweetest tones the angel spoke to her, saying, "My dear Emma, the Lord Jesus has sent me to tell you that He loves you very deeply, and that He died for you on the cross of Calvary; that He has fully redeemed you and made you free from all the powers of sin and you ought not to sin any more." Emma watched the angel as he ascended, until he disappeared behind a cloud. For six weeks her eyes were affected, then I came and prayed for her and she was healed.

In Lichtenberg, the suburb of Berlin, a young boy was taken with diphtheria and died. Soon his little five-year-old sister, Gertrude Ludiger, was taken with the same disease. The father was a drunkard but the mother was a true child of God. When the mother saw that her little girl was also dying she cried out desperately for God to spare her. But the little one suddenly drew her last breath and was gone.

In spite of that the mother did not stop praying, but she began to plead with Him to give her little one back to her. After about a quarter of an hour little Gertrude drew a breath and raised herself up from the bed, saying, "Mother, I am all well and I want to play with my doll. Please give it to me, Mother." The mother was amazed, she could not believe her own senses. She began to hug and kiss the child, but Gertrude refused her caresses,

saying, "I want to get up and play with my doll, and have something to eat, I am so hungry." For several days the child had been unable to eat.

When the child was dressed and had eaten, she began to tell her mother what she saw. She said, "Mother, when I was so sick I could not breathe any more, an angel came and took me in his arms and flew up to heaven, and I looked down on the earth and it looked so very muddy. I was glad to go away from this muddy earth. The angel showed me the castle of Jesus. Oh, it was such a fine golden castle! I clapped my hands and wished to go to that castle. But another angel came out of the castle of the Saviour and said to my angel, 'The Saviour has said you are to take the little child back to her mother because she is weeping and praying for her return.' Then the angel brought me down to the muddy earth again." Little Gertrude began to cry, covering her eyes with her baby hands, and sobbing out, "I don't want to stay on this muddy earth. I want to go to heaven again, Mother." The mother hugged her little girl, and with tears said, "Oh, little girlie, you are the only one I have on earth. Wouldn't you like to stay with me and make me happy?"

In a few weeks Christmas-time arrived, and Gertrude's mother asked her what she wanted for Christmas. Gertrude did not answer; she had a far-away look on her earnest little face. "Would you like a new doll?" asked the mother. "No!" was all the child answered. "Do you want a new dress?" "No!" "Well, what do you want? a nice ball?" asked the mother. Looking wistfully at her mother, Gertrude replied, "To die."

Gertrude is now twenty years of age and she told me these things herself. Her mother also told them to me.

THE OPPORTUNITY IN TACHIKAWA

Within an hour's wheel ride out of Tokyo City is Tachikawa, where the soldiers' barracks are situated. It is also a training camp for teaching military flying. There must be at least 300 young men in training, besides the officers. The officers are allowed to live in the town with their families and are quite free to come and go, but the young men in training are strictly confined within the barracks; and are allowed out only on alternate Sundays. Then they must return before six o'clock. There is also in the town a large boys' high school which is one of the schools for Tokyo-fu (district). For this reason the young men come from all the surrounding villages and country places. There is also a private girls' high school which draws students from all the surrounding country.

As you walk through Tachikawa you will see innumerable small restaurants (so-called). You would wonder why the people of such a small town (ten thousand) should need so many public eating places. You will be shocked to learn that every one of these eating houses is an unlicensed house of ill fame in disguise.

Things about to come to pass in Tachikawa:

(1) A big factory for the manufacture of aeroplanes. It will double the population of the town.

(2) A large training school for "geisha" girls (dancing girls). These girls are not professedly bad; but they are all without one exception, actually bad. They are taught to dance and sing and play string instruments. Then they are invited out to men's clubs and parties where they entertain the men until all are drunk.

There is a river running near Tachikawa and on the high embankment over it are the beautiful summer homes of many of Tokyo's richest men. Here the "geisha" girls will find employment.

One more feature of Tachikawa—here and there (and every day increasing) rather large-sized dwelling houses, with the sound of boyish revelry and fun issuing from them. What are these? Young men's dormitories. For at Kunitachi, within a mile of Tachikawa, is a large men's university, set down in the woods, and many of the young students live in Tachikawa.

In this town of unattached young men (soldiers and students) with its devil's traps on every corner to catch them, where is God? One small Pentecostal assembly in the center of town, upholds the light—small, but praise God, every meeting night it is filled with young men. The only church in Tachikawa! For the past three years we have held the fort in this rented building. I have seen there twelve to fifteen young men all seeking the Baptism of the Spirit at once. On Easter Sunday, twelve were baptized in water, five young women and seven young men. More are waiting for Baptism, but we do not hurry them.

Only one church in such a wicked place! but because we have a rented building and no lease, it is in danger of being taken away from us. Because it is a nice building, and in a prominent position, many want to buy it to use as one of those abominable restaurants. So far the owner has been good to us and refrained from selling it. But there is danger unless we can buy it ourselves. Shall the house of God be turned into a devil's house of ill fame? Shall the room made holy by the birth of many souls, be made into a trap to drag young men to hell? If we can buy this building we are safe to keep the Light burning here until Jesus comes. It is an S. O. S. call. Will you let this Light go out? Help us in prayer both for the money and for God's Holy Spirit upon the work.

Harriett Dithridge

WONDERFUL VICTORY

Brother T. T. White, of Chaffee, Mo., writes: "The revival has just closed. The dear Lord was in our midst, giving us wonderful victory. About 10 were saved, and 5 received the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4. Brother C. M. Love and wife did the preaching. We are asking God to enlarge our receiving capacity, so that He shall be able to let fall upon us *still greater* showers."

THE FRUITS AND THE GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT

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praise God, *those things are gone*. Once they were perfectly natural, but no more are they so because we are not walking in the flesh, we are *walking in the Spirit*. Oh! Christian hearts, I know you love the Lord. I do not doubt the sincerity of your experience. I do not doubt the fact that in contrition and humility you once came to the foot of the Cross and gave your all to Jesus. But have you never felt the need of the deeper work of grace? Have you never felt your need of an endowment with power that you have never experienced? Has your soul never cried out for the living God? I am sure it has.

Many, many times people have approached me and told me of their difficulties. With tear-stained faces they have poured out into my listening ears the story of what they would like to do for Jesus, but what they have been unable to do. They have told me of how, in moments of passion, they have said things and done things that have brought later the bitter scalding tears of regret. They have told me how many times they have had to go to the Lord in prayer and ask Him to take out of their hearts feelings of jealousy and malice and envy that have entered there: "I do love the Lord, Mr. Price. I am doing my best to serve Him. I am doing my best to walk with Him, but, oh! my life seems so empty and my heart just cries out for a power I have never known."

A minister came to me the other day and said to me, "Mr. Price, will you pray for me? God knows my heart and He knows I love Him with all my heart, but it is so hard to preach. I do not seem to be able to bring conviction into the lives and hearts of my congregation. I preach the truth; I am true to the Cross and the Blood and the Virgin birth, but many times I have gone to my study straight from my pulpit and wept before God because there seemed to be no power behind my words; no spirit of real conviction in the meetings. I have been listening to you preach and I am convinced that what I need is the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Brother, please pray for me." I grasped his hand and told him that while I would pray, he must also pray for himself. I assured him that no heart ever cried to God in vain and that no minister could ever come to the place in his experience that he had arrived at who coming to the Lord empty would be turned empty away. *The promise is unto you and to your children and to them that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.*

My one prescription for every sin-sick soul that comes to me with difficulties and heartaches and troubles like these is, "Tarry . . . until ye be endued with power from on high." That includes *all of us* and no one is more favored than another in this respect. You want joy, seek the Holy Spirit; you want peace, tarry for the Baptism; you want power, pray in your Jerusalem until He comes; you want faith, faith is a fruit of the Holy Spirit; seek Him and greater faith will be yours. Let me repeat it; let me shout it; let it echo and re-echo through the very corridors of your soul; let the morning stars sing it; let the trees of the field clap their hands and pro-

claim it; let the thunders of the seas roar out their testimony; *the Holy Spirit has been promised and the Holy Spirit is here to fill God's hungry children with all the glorious promises of our Lord.*

Love is a fruit of the Holy Spirit; not a fruit of your own endeavor. Joy is a fruit of the Spirit's indwelling presence, not something that you can work up within yourselves. The fruit of the Spirit is natural and the inevitable result of the presence of the Holy Ghost in your heart. You can no more exemplify the fruit of the Spirit, unless the Holy Spirit be in you, than you can lift yourself out of the mud by pulling at your own boot straps. These things are the fruit of the Spirit. *They are not the fruit of your endeavor, except as the Holy Spirit be in you.*

Now listen, my friends. I want to bring another truth into your hearts and to stamp it indelibly on your minds, viz., All people who have received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, every one who has experienced the glory and the majesty and the power of His blessed coming must live the life of the fruit of the Spirit, no matter what your testimony might be, no matter what manifestation you might have had. If you gossip and speak evil about each other and back-bite and fight the preacher and get mean and envious and jealous, you cannot tell me you are led and controlled by the Holy Spirit. When you tell me you have the Baptism, and then live as people live without the Baptism, I say that the testimony of your life robs the experience of its power. Of what use is it if it does not transform you and work the change in your hearts that will naturally bring about a change in your life. The Baptism in the Holy Spirit really works.

Paul distinctly tells us what it means to live in the flesh and he enumerates very clearly the works of the flesh. Now if you can live in the Spirit and still give the world the fruits of the flesh, the teaching of the apostle along this line would be absolutely untrue. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles; can you pick strawberries from an apple tree? Can you get from the same fountain both salt water and fresh? No, absolutely not! Can anger become a fruit of the Spirit? Can jealousy emerge from a heart that is completely surrendered to the praise of the Lord? You see what I mean, don't you, brother? So many of you have been struggling and striving to live the life of the Spirit without the Holy Spirit's presence. I am sorry for you. It is a hard job. I once heard a preacher say that the hardest thing in the world was for a man to live the Christian life without Christ; but it is the easiest thing in the world to live the Christian life with Christ. Hallelujah!

Our hearts should rejoice in the great eternal ever-abiding truth that the Holy Spirit is to take charge of these bodies of ours and absolutely and completely control us as over Life's pathway we go. "But, Mr. Price," somebody says, "there are times when I exemplify the fruit of the Spirit, and times when I do not. There are times when I love with all my heart and there is no bitterness, no animosity, no envy there at all. But there are other times when I am unable to stop the flood tide of anger that

rises within my breast. How do you account for that?"

Let us take for just a moment or two, Love as the fruit of the Spirit. I say to you that it is no credit to you, neither does it exemplify the transforming power of God when you merely love the people who love you. The people of the world do that; men who have never darkened the door of a church for years will return love for love. But the love of the Christian is a love that loves always. It is a love that will make you love your enemies and do good to them that spitefully use you. It will put blessings in your mouth instead of curses. It will put forgiveness in your soul instead of hatred. But you immediately reply: "That is not natural, Mr. Price," and I answer, "No, it is not natural. It is not part of our flesh to do that and in ourselves we could never do it. But, glory be to Jesus, *it becomes natural when the natural and the flesh is controlled by the Holy Spirit.* In other words, you are no longer controlled by the flesh, you are controlled by the Spirit.

Love, joy, peace—what wonderful fruit, longsuffering, meekness, kindness; do you not want them in your lives? Oh, my dear brother, struggling and fighting to live the life as best you can; give up your struggles and get on to your knees. Forget your fightings and pray *until you pray through*. Wait before God until you receive the fullness of His presence and the blessed Holy Spirit will fill your heart with the glory of His presence and power. It was not long after my conversion in San Jose that I became hungry for the in-filling of the Holy Ghost. For three days and nights, practically without cessation, I waited before the Lord until He came with tongues of living fire and filled my soul with His glory, and He spoke through me in a language I had never used before. I was prostrated under the power of God and helpless before the glory of His presence. What a change He wrought in me. Hallelujah!

From a cold, formal up-to-date preacher He transformed me into a man with an evangelistic message. I feel my unworthiness and I tremble at the responsibilities that have been placed upon me, but I do know the marvelous transforming, changing power of the Holy Spirit's presence. Glory, be to the name of Jesus for all that He has done!

I want to emphasize another thought and it is this: A good woman came to me the other day and said to me: "Mr. Price, I would like a word with you. I have been listening to your messages and I am absolutely convinced that God has the experience of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit for people to-day. But, brother, I am so unworthy. I have not lived the kind of life I should have done. I have been asked to teach a Sunday-school class and I refused. You see, I am naturally retiring and timid. I never testify, because I am afraid and I have often felt condemned because I have not done so. I could not lead in public prayer; I should be afraid of my life." I looked at her for a moment and then said: "Well, sister, what do you want? What are you going to do about it?" Suddenly she burst into tears, and then she said, "Brother Price, I want you to pray

that God will give me strength to do these things to-day, so this man-fearing spirit can be taken away. I do love the Lord Jesus, indeed I do love Him with all my heart, but, oh, Brother Price, I am going to work for Him more and I want you to pray that the Lord will help me and then when He sees that I am really in earnest, maybe I can have the experience, too." She dropped onto her knees and started to sob.

Poor soul, I knew just how she felt. She felt like hundreds of you do, and yet you have not come to the breaking point as she had. Remember this truth; remember it now and remember it always: You will never, never in one year, never in ten thousand years receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit because you deserve it or because you have earned it. You do not receive the experience because you have testified. *You will receive it because you want to testify.* You may have preached a thousand sermons. You can never receive the infilling of the Holy Spirit because you have preached those sermons. You will receive because your heart is crying for power to preach, as you have never preached before. I said to that dear sister, "I wish everybody in this building could feel like you. I wish that everybody could come to that same broken-up condition in which you are now. You have got to the place where God can do something for you." A few nights later we held a meeting for the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah! What a meeting!

One Anglican preacher was on his back at that meeting. His wife received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost a few days later while praying in her own home and the dear brother, the Anglican pastor himself, is determined to go through. In that same meeting the power of God came as on the day of Pentecost and many were stricken down before the glory of His coming. Hallelujah! In that meeting the woman about whom I have just spoken, received her Baptism. The glory of the Lord came upon her and her heart was filled with the radiance of His Divine presence. Does she testify now? Is she willing to lead in prayer? Does she want a Sunday-school class and is the man-fearing spirit gone? She said to me just a day or two ago, "Mr. Price, I just can't keep still. Oh, this is so glorious *I have to tell it.* I have been to my pastor and testified there. I have been to my neighbors and testified there, and I feel that God is calling me into His service. I want to act sensibly and I do not want to run ahead of the Holy Spirit, *but I simply have to tell the story.* I cannot help it." Now isn't it wonderful? Isn't it glorious to feel a real endowment with power? Yes, praise the Lord. It is glorious, it is wonderful, it is far beyond any dream of our hearts; far in advance of anything that we have ever imagined:

People have sometimes objected to the manifestations of the Holy Spirit; they have criticized severely the demonstrations of the Holy Ghost, not only at the time of the incoming, but on subsequent occasions. I want to admit that I have seen demonstrations that were not inspired by the Holy Spirit, but because somebody put a spurious counterfeit half dollar in the collection pan the other night, am I going

to throw away every half dollar that I have received? How foolish. Wherever there is a counterfeit, there must of necessity be a genuine. Wherever there is the real thing, the devil will often make the spurious. Then again, I don't blame those things all on the devil. I think sometimes people try to run the Holy Spirit, instead of *letting the Holy Spirit run them.* They get the idea that because they have received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost that they can do what they want to and exercise any gift at any time, at any place, in any way. That leads to fanaticism and wild fire will burn and burn, and a great smoke screen will be created that will blot out the real issues and the real power. Please listen carefully. There never has been a work of grace coming from our blessed heavenly Father but what the devil has very closely imitated it. But, on the other hand, no one need to be afraid of coming to the Lord and asking Him for what He Himself has promised. Glory to Jesus, the Baptism in the Holy Spirit was promised by our blessed Saviour and I am not afraid to claim His promises.

If I come to the throne of grace and with sincerity of purpose and singleness of heart ask my heavenly father for bread—will He give me a stone? If I ask Him for a fish, will He give me a scorpion? *No, no, no, ten thousand times no! I am not afraid of what will happen when I come to Him.* He will give me what He has promised to give me and I am not afraid of the demonstrations and manifestations that may come. We pray for power and what kind of power is it that we want? Of what use is power unless it does something? Of what use is power unless it makes things move? What do you want the Baptism for, "if you are going to be afraid of every manifestation of the Baptism that occurs?" What are you praying for; if you do not want something you have not had before, why come? Why pray? If you want the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and expect to continue in a formal, cold, lifeless profession, then you will pray in vain. No, never be afraid of the power; never be afraid of the manifestations of God; never hesitate because there are things occurring that you have never experienced before.

What would you think of a conversion that would not make some change in your life? If you have not received it, well, then, do not sing as you have been singing, "O Lord, send the power just now," and when the Lord sends the power, get scared and run away. Lord send the *power.* Holy Ghost Power. *Power* to move things. *Power* to rock things, *power* to testify. *Power* to bless and power to pray. *Power* that is mighty. *Power* that is increasing. *Power* that is God's power. *Power* that is divine. Hallelujah, I want the *power.* "You shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be My witnesses, both at Jerusalem and in Judea and in Samaria and to the uttermost parts of the world."

We do not want wild fire. We do not want fanaticism, but we do want all that God has for us. My friends, if there is a lack in your lives, if there is a void in your hearts, *seek the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.*

Get on your knees and stay on your knees, perhaps hours; perhaps days; perhaps sometimes for weeks until you are endued with power. "Oh, but," says some one, "you don't have to do that, Mr. Price, you can just come to the altar and take the Holy Spirit by faith." If you want to receive that way, you can. I am not going to be dogmatic. I want to state, however, that I have known hundreds of people who professed to have the Holy Spirit come into their hearts in that way, but there was no visible change in their life; no additional power in their ministry. If you can receive an experience and not know when you got it; *you can lose it and you will never miss it.*

I admit it is possible for you to come to the altar and kneel before the Lord and in two minutes be filled with the Holy Ghost. No certain time is necessary for you to tarry, but I want you *to be sure that the work is done.* Glory be to Jesus, when He comes in, you will know it. No preacher will need to tell you, no friends will have to persuade you. How I covet this experience for you all, and how I pray God that the fullness of the Pentecostal blessing may enter your hearts.

Have you ever stopped to think of what happened on the day of Pentecost? The crowd that gathered around the disciples thought they were drunk. Why did they say that? If the disciples were sitting as quiet as mice and receiving the Baptism in the Holy Spirit as some people tell me in these days they have received, *why did the crowd think the disciples drunk?* There must have been *some demonstration;* there must have been *some manifestation;* what there was we do not altogether know, but we do know that those men left that upper room filled with the Holy Ghost and they went out as flaming evangelists of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to tell the story of His love. Wherever they went, north, east, south and west, they preached the gospel of the kingdom, and with the rapidity of a prairie fire, Christianity blazed its way; the Lord Himself confirmed the word with signs and wonders that followed and thousands upon thousands were born again. The sick were healed; people were baptized and the Lord manifested Himself in a marvelous way.

I pray God that every one of you will wait in your upper room until ye be endued with power from on high. That like the disciples of old, you will go out as flaming evangelists of God's truth, proclaiming His message wherever the Lord may call you. At home and abroad; in mission and in church; on street corners and in prison there is a great call for workers who have a message that is not spoken with the enticing words of man's wisdom, but a message that will be delivered in the demonstration of the Spirit and with power. Unto you will the Comforter come. Unto you. Unto you. Unto you. I pray God that none of you will go away when you might be filled, but that above all the noise and tumult of the wild, restless seas of life, you may hear the voice that is divine calling to you: "Tarry . . . until ye be endued with power from on high."

The Gospel in Foreign Lands

A CONGO BIBLE CLASS

Night settled down quickly last Thursday as night does in the tropics. My police whistle pierced the darkness with a shrill sound. The headsman at the boys' compound answered by taps on the wooden drum,—“Come, come, come,” said its voice, “Come to prayer and Bible study!”

There are many voices in the world and none without some significance but the two pitched voice of the Congo drum wields a strange and subtle influence wherever it falls on human ears. On the mission station its chief work is to call to morning prayers, and every morning in the year except Sunday it peals forth at 5:30 with resonance. It throbs and vibrates and speaks till scarcely a sleeper is left undisturbed on the station.

It had its effect on Thursday evening for, within a few minutes a dozen or more stragglers appeared from out of the darkness. Their approach was undetected till they were actually on the threshold, because bare feet on an earth just softened by warm rains, make no announcements beforehand of their arrival.

All chairs had been removed except the one to be occupied by the writer. Mats offered all the class ample seating room. Only three of the dozen possessed the Old Testament extracts because the supply was long ago exhausted. (Thank God before many months we will have an entire New Testament and the edition will be large enough to last for some years.)

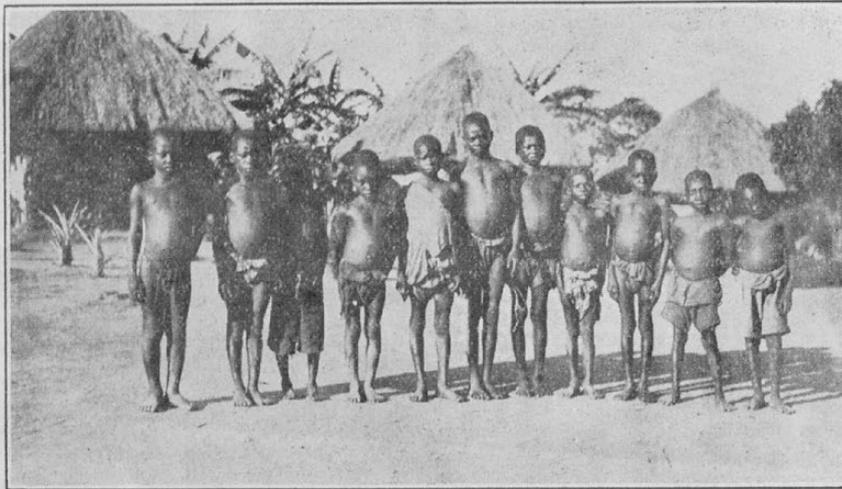
The subject was Esau selling his birthright and Jacob receiving the blessing. Those who had Bibles read the story in turn. Every one of the three who read so well, were taught by me some years ago, when they could not tell “a” from “z.” I showed them from Hebrews that Esau did not change his heart while Jacob did; that it is no small thing to ignore God's laws as Esau did in selling his birthright; that God honored Jacob for Christ was born of that line.

This class represents the cream of the Gombari work. And this is the very thing that some of us have labored for for years. We are beginning to see some fruitage, though at times it was looked discouraging. Some of these have been here five years or more. Only two of the class have been baptized, the others are candidates. Three of them are teachers in the school, others are house boys, evangelists who go out each Sunday, while others tend gardens, etc.; blood-washed souls endeavoring to walk in the foot-

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steps of the Nazarene, the nuclear infant church of Christ at Gombari.

Brother Johnson has the happy privilege of ministering to them but because he was absent from the station, I had this little view of them. Pray that they may be deepened and filled with the Spirit. The hope of Christianity in the Congo rests upon such as them. Yours in the service, J. A. Barney.



Recent Additions to the Family

FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH

By W. W. Simpson

With mingled feelings of pain and pleasure I now write of the public execution of one of our promising young evangelists. Chang Yong-siang was saved while a soldier in the Kansu army. He received the Spirit in our Titao assembly, obtained his release from the army and spent three years in the Minchow Bible school. After some experience as a traveling evangelist he was persuaded by a nominal Christian officer to join Marshall Feng's so-called Christian army, but was rejected by the inspector. He then joined the Kansu army and took part in the fighting between that army and General Feng's army in the summer of 1926. Seeing the Kansu army defeated he fled home, returned to God and was taken on as an evangelist.

From March to May of this year he itinerated in several countries of Central Kansu. Returning home he was arrested by order of the military and without knowing what charges were against him, imprisoned. Still ignorant of the charges against him he was suddenly called before the magistrate on June 18 and sen-

tenced to be shot. When he asked on what accusation and who was his accuser, he was told the military governor had ordered it. He said, “I am ready to die and hope all present will repent and believe on the Lord Jesus and be as ready as I am to meet Him.” Being led forth he went smiling and singing to the execution ground. Passing our front gate he called, “Brothers and Sisters, I am going ahead: you will come later.” Arrived at the place of death he preached Christ to the large crowd, witnessed a good confession, saying, “You have seen many people die but none so fearless and happy as I.” He requested the firing squad to let him pray. They said, “All right; kneel down.” He knelt and called out, “Lord Jesus—” when they fired the volley which sent him into the presence of the Lord. He leaves a widow and four children, the youngest a babe of two months. How sad! yet what a victorious testimony he gave! May his death result as did Samson's! We hear over a score in the prison have believed.

POSSESSING NEW TERRITORY

Sister Emily DeGroat writes from Liberia:—“Within a week after I came to Newaka I was on my way to Bwahbo. The natives said the rivers had gone down and by taking a round-

about trail to a far crossing we could get across. From Newaka we were two days getting to the first Bwah town. The second day was the hardest. We reached the large river in the morning. There was a fallen tree which reached about two-thirds of the distance. At the other end where the tree did not reach, the water was very deep, too deep to walk. The men and boys were quick to see what could be done. They soon had tie-tie (a vine) cut and a small tree. I wish the people at home could have seen them as they were swimming about tying this small tree, about five inches in diameter, to the other tree. One end they tied to the other bank. The tree, when finished, was way under the water and as the men walked across to see if it would hold, the water came up to their shoulders. Finally they said they were ready to help us. It was a dangerous crossing but God was with us. Crossing this end of the river we were almost to our waist. They carried our tin boxes over on their heads and we had dry clothes to change to quickly. We reached the first Bwah town that night about five o'clock, and were most cordially greeted by the people.

"We had good meetings night and morning, after which, we moved on to the Paramont King's town. The district commissioner's assistant is stationed near and he, with the district clerk, came to town to see us soon after we arrived. The district clerk was able to give us the word that letters of permission had been sent to us, but we had not received them. We knew we were out in God's time for even the district clerk was returning the next morning. The letters came after I returned and when the rains were on heavy.

"There are several towns close to the Paramont King's town and the people showed in every way they wanted a missionary. One old king asked us to pray for him as he wanted God in his heart. There are a number of people in one town who are trying, as they said, to do "God-way." One man who had been down coast was trying to lead them. They have a little bamboo church and have services. A mission site was given me and they are building my mud houses. As soon as the houses are finished they are coming here to Newaka for me.

"I was gone about a week and we had nine meetings in all. There is the greatest joy in our hearts as we tell them the 'old story,' realizing it is the first time many have ever heard."

A GRACIOUS VISITATION

Bangalore, S. India

It is with grateful hearts we write to tell you how graciously the Lord has wrought here. It is now six months since we definitely started work in Bangalore. There was much to discourage us and to hinder from opening a work, but the call of God for us to come to India had been heavily upon us for a year, so we knew the Lord would work in His own way.

There was blessing in the meetings from the time we began and souls were saved. A few desired to be immersed. This led us to ask Brother Stoddart from Poona to come for a baptismal service. We were obliged to have a baptismal font built for the baptismal services. This work was about finished when Mr. Maltby was taken down with fever. He became very ill and one night was very low but we prayed desperately for his recovery, then went to rest. The next morning he was much better though he was frail for some days.

During the convention I, too, was taken very ill one evening and was very low, but the dear ones gathered around and prayed and deliverance came. How we praise the Lord for these victories in the midst of the conflict for souls. Brethren Stoddart and Evans came in the blessing of the Lord and the convention began.

From the outset the Lord gave us the hearts of the people and the presence of the Lord was manifest. There was a good attendance throughout the thirteen days of the convention. Souls were saved and in several instances such a definite work was wrought upon them by the Holy Spirit that they cried out from conviction of sin and called upon the Lord Jesus to have mercy upon them and forgive them. This was followed by a

sweet peace and a real change in those thus wrought upon. The Spirit continued to work and much blessing followed. One received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Eleven were immersed on Sunday morning. To the Lord be the praise!

Those who attended the meetings were much edified and quickened by the messages for the unsaved as well as by those for believers. We are grateful for the ministry of our brothers while here and know it was owned of the Lord in our opening a work to be a settled Pentecostal work in Bangalore. We had the joy of seeing the Lord bring back some who formerly were full Pentecostal members as well as add new ones to our ranks.

Pray for a solid, permanent work here which shall be to His praise and glory. Hallelujah!

Mrs. Lillie Doll Maltby



*Hon Sz To, a converted Taoist
He wears a smile that comes after hours
of communion with the Lord.*

A TAOIST'S TESTIMONY

"Oh, that I had accepted Him earlier in life," is the mournful regrets expressed by the Taoist of seventy-nine years, whose picture we have here shown. It was on May 22nd, 1928, that he was touched by the Holy Spirit and he asked one of the Christians to come with him to our home to have the way of life explained more clearly. He is seen in this picture dressed as he used to dress, before May of this year, when out taking money from the people who had been brought under his bewitching power. The cap on his head, the brass instrument in his hand, robe with sleeves one yard long, are only a few of the necessary things for his nights of work during which he is supposed to have expelled plague demons, and delivered persons, houses and other places of the lurking imps that injure and hurt people.

He and his ancestors have been Taoists for three generations—he has taken in fees to the amount of \$30.00 for two nights, but when business was good he

accompanied with those of bad habits so was taught to smoke opium, the habit having clung to him for these fifty-nine years. I cannot better express his present determination than he has already done in a little testimony written with his own hand during the early hours of the morning when sleep had fled from his body, broken and wrecked by that evil habit of eating drugs. The following is a rough translation of this testimony:

"May 22, 1928, I went to the Sainam Mission and heard the gospel. I was touched by the message and I asked Mr. Tong to please take me to the missionary home where I might ask Pastor Kelley if he would accept me as a Christian. Ten years ago I heard the gospel here but was unable to make a decision. I have prayed that the Lord would take all of my many sins away."

Then follows a little song, of his own making:

"Oh, that I had known ten years ago what I know to-day—that God had sent His messenger to show me the way through love. I know of Jesus' blood being for body and soul shed, so I have left all the evils of the world below, and have started on the road of life eternal."

He brought nine idols and placed them at our disposal, some of them having been his companions for these fifty years. He asked that we take them back home with us.

We know the angels and the heavenly host rejoice with us at the return of another lost son, though it be in the late years of his life, and we are encouraged to keep up the battle, for we know that our labor in the Lord is not in vain.—George M. Kelley.

PREACHING THE WHOLE GOSPEL

Pastor Paul B. Peterson, Gen. Sec'y of the Russian and Eastern European Mission, writes: "Our missionaries preach salvation through the shed blood of Christ (1 Peter 1:18, 19), the absolute necessity of a holy life (Hebrews 12:14), baptism by immersion (Matt. 3:16 and Acts 8:38, 39), healing of the sick and afflicted (James 5:14, 15), Baptism of the Holy Ghost as in the first century (Matt. 3:11; Acts 1:5; 2:1-20; 10:44-48), and the second coming of Christ (Acts 1:10, 11 and 1 Thess. 4:16-18).

"The Russian and Eastern European Mission, which is working in close cooperation with the General Council of the Assemblies of God, is the *only* organization working exclusively for Russia and Eastern Europe that brings the Full Gospel to the people. Because we do not abbreviate the Gospel, our teaching is called a 'dangerous doctrine' and a 'damnable heresy' by one missionary society operating in the same field, and other American missionary enterprises working in eastern Europe strongly oppose our workers for this reason alone. We trust that all people standing for the Full Gospel will remember this. Why should we aid the opposers? All they want is our money and they have received far too much of that already. Please don't assist them in fighting our missionaries and in confusing the poor people."

In the Whiten'd Harvest Fields

WONDERFUL BLESSING

Brother G. W. Barnes, Frisco, Okla., writes: "The Lord has wonderfully blessed this place. Brother Ben Gray just closed a 17-day revival here, in which 16 souls were saved, and the whole country was stirred."

GOOD RESULTS

Brother Wade Andrews, of Bonifay, Fla., writes: "A two weeks' meeting closed Sunday night, with 24 saved, 2 baptized in the Holy Ghost, 14 added to the church, and many stirred for the Lord. Brother Earnest Corbin, a 16-year-old boy, did the preaching."

GOD IN THE MIDST

Evangelist George Kasparian writes: "God was surely in our midst at Mossy Rock, Washington. Just closed a three weeks' revival campaign there. A few gave their hearts to the Master, and we were all drawn nearer to Jesus."

WORK STEADILY GROWING

Brother Chas. A. Rufrow writes from Fayetteville, Ark.: "We are in a revival here with Brother Burl Dodd, and God is blessing. A number have been saved, some have received the Holy Ghost, and there have been several wonderful healings."

BLESSING IN A HARD PLACE

Brother Garnett Gunter writes: "I am in Clarksville in a tent meeting. This is a difficult place for the message of Pentecost, but God is blessing; 17 saved so far, one Baptism in the Spirit, and enormous crowds of people nightly. I have come here alone, but am praying the Lord to raise up and establish a work here."

EXPECTING GREAT THINGS

Pastor D. M. Rice, of Lufkin, Texas, writes: "Have just closed a revival, held by Evangelist M. E. Stubblefield, in which 10 were saved, 9 received the Holy Ghost, 9 baptized in water, 7 added to the assembly. We have bought a lot, and hope to have the new building started by Sept. 17."

STIRRED AS NEVER BEFORE

Pastor J. E. Matthews, of Graham Assembly, Los Angeles, writes: "We have just closed a six weeks' revival with Brother Wilson and family. Several souls were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Graham was stirred as never before. The hall was filled every night, and sinners crowded around windows asking questions."

CONFIRMING HIS WORD

Evangelist L. E. King writes: "The Lord has visited this town with a gracious revival meeting. About 23 were saved, and four baptized in the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. There were also several remarkable healings during the meeting. Truly the Lord confirmed His Word with the signs following, for which we give Him all the praise."

OLD-FASHIONED SALVATION

Brother and Sister Draper, pastors of El Sereno Tabernacle, Los Angeles, write: "We closed our tent meeting last Sunday evening with great success and victory, the Lord saving a good number in the old-fashioned way. Divided homes were united, people saved, and baptized in the Holy Spirit. Many were healed, and about 15 were baptized in the Holy Ghost."

REVIVAL TIDE STILL RISING

Brother J. H. Wells, Sugar Grove, Ark., writes: "Brother James M. Fouts of Booneville, Ark., just closed a 2 weeks' revival at Brown Schoolhouse, where 14 were saved, 16 reclaimed, 6 baptized in the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4, and one followed the Lord in water baptism. There were also some healings during the meeting. The revival tide is still rising; the community is stirred more than ever before."

GOOD MEETING

Evangelist Shelt. Webster writes: "I closed another three weeks' meeting at West Cabin Schoolhouse, near Vinita, Okla., in which 9 were saved, 5 baptized in water, and some very definite healings. A woman and a little 11-year-old girl were both instantly healed of tonsillitis. Any Spirit-filled minister affiliated with the Council will find a hearty welcome with us."

A NEW FIELD

Brethren K. C. and F. D. McGarity write: "We just closed a three weeks' meeting at Whitesboro, Okla., in which 9 were saved, 2 baptized in water, and 4 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and we are now engaged in a revival meeting at Muse, Okla. It is a new field where Pentecostal doctrine has never been preached. The Lord is wonderfully blessing; the people heard the Word with gladness. We are praying for an old-time Pentecostal revival. Would be very glad for help from any one affiliated with the Council; would also be glad to hear from any of the saints who wish to correspond with us. We may continue the meetings for 3 or 4 weeks, just as the Lord leads."

REVIVAL IN PLEASANT VALLEY

Pastor T. C. Ponder, of Calhoun, La., writes: "Just closed a meeting at Pleasant Valley. God wonderfully used Brother W. C. Aytes in giving out the Word, and set His seal on almost every message with messages in tongues and interpretation. Thirty-eight prayed through to victory, 10 baptized in water, and the devil was mightily stirred. The Word of God ploughed deep. Oh, I praise God for His Word that is so powerful. Brother Aytes gave us Bible studies in the daytime, and they were very rich. Brother Walthal was with us at the close, and gave Bible studies which mightily encouraged the new saints to go on. Any one wishing to get in touch with Brother Aytes, please write to me, as I am in constant touch with him."

SHOWERS OF BLESSING

Brother L. J. Weddington, of Meads, Fla., writes: "The Lord wonderfully opened the windows of heaven, and gave us showers of blessing at Elbethel Church, where Pastor C. L. Duck was in charge of a 2½ weeks' meeting. About 20 were saved, 4 or 5 received the Holy Ghost, and 15 went down in water baptism. There was weeping, praying, singing, and rejoicing on the banks of a beautiful pond near the church. The meeting broke up in a great revival."

AN INSPIRING C. A. RALLY

Sister Nannie Edwards of Houston, Texas, writes: "We are glad to report a splendid rally of the Christ's Ambassadors of the southeast section held at Brother E. M. Yeates' church, Magnolia Park, Houston, August 11-12. Brethren Ott and Hawkins were with us. There was a fine spirit of fellowship among the young people, and all seemed to gather inspiration from the services. Brother Floyd Gressett was elected sectional superintendent, and the offerings for the general office amount to \$21.10."

DISTRICT AMBASSADORS ORGANIZED

Ambassadors of Iowa, North Missouri, and Northeastern Nebraska District, convened at Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 15, and District Ambassadors were organized. W. E. Long, Creston, Ia., president; T. Tremran, Des Moines, Ia., vice-president; Ruth Corneli, Creston, Ia., secretary-treasurer. Pray much for this District Ambassador Movement, that every young person may be awakened and see his need for more of God. I would like to hear from every ambassador president.—W. E. Long, president, Box 199, Creston, Ia.

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT

District Superintendent D. P. Halloway writes: "The sixteenth annual District Council of Mississippi, which convened at Crichton, Ala., Aug. 14-17 inclusive, was the largest and best ever held in the district. The entire Council meeting was characterized by a sweet spirit of love and unity. Even in the business transactions, the brethren seemed to be of one accord. The messages given by the various speakers were along old-fashioned Pentecostal lines."

"The District Council has launched a constructive home missionary program, in order to reach new and neglected fields in the district, and Brother J. O. Savell was chosen as field evangelist. Since the work of the district superintendent is to be along the same line, it is hoped that, should the Lord tarry and we be again privileged to assemble, we may be able to report the establishment of several new assemblies. We believe that many rededicated their lives and said, 'Here am I, Lord; send me.' Brother J. R. Evans was with us, and his presence and advice, as well as his ministry, was appreciated."

FINE MINNESOTA WORK

Pastor Bert F. Webb writes: "Just one year ago Brother D. E. Collins and I began a tent meeting in Granada, Minn., which continued for three weeks. Then a church was organized with about thirty charter members and I was elected pastor. We continued to have meetings in the tent because we had no other place of worship. Then a storm came and blew the tent down and we rented a hall in one of the business buildings downtown and continued our regular services, in which several people were saved from time to time. Then the State fire marshall condemned the building we were renting. Thereupon the Lord moved upon the heart of the manager of the local theater and he quit his Sunday night picture shows to rent us the hall at a low figure. Praise the Lord.

"God has graciously answered prayer for the sick and afflicted in this community as they have heard for the first time that the Lord heals people nowadays. People have been healed of severe ruptures, those who were compelled to wear glasses or endure excruciating pain were healed and have put on glasses no more. There have also been other healings in which the Lord has proven Himself to this community. Also, after hearing that the Baptism of the Holy Ghost is for us to-day, more than half of the church have received that experience as in Acts 2:4, and are earnestly seeking more of God. Ten or twelve have received the Baptism in the last few weeks.

"We called Evangelist Floyd L. Hawkins for a revival. Much good was done and the people determined to build a place of worship of their own. Last Sunday Brother F. J. Lindquist, our District Superintendent, was with us and preached the dedication sermon for the new \$3,000 church which we have just completed, for which we praise the Lord. We are only in debt \$1,500, all covered by pledges to be paid within the next two years. Our number has been doubled in the one year of the organized existence of the assembly."

GOOD MEETINGS IN TEXAS

Evangelist C. O. Brown of Austin, Texas, writes: "Wife, daughter, and I began an 18 days' meeting at Daisetta, June 3, in which reasonably good interest was manifested. We conducted a two weeks' meeting at Moss Bluff, which the Lord blessed in a most wonderful way. There were from 7 to 15 tarrying for the Baptism every night. God's approval is upon this work led by our dear Brother R. P. Whittington.

"We also had the privilege of conducting a two weeks' meeting at the Smithfield assembly, Brother R. J. Walters, pastor. The Lord was there in a most wonderful way, souls were convicted, 14 saved, 8 baptized in the Spirit, and 8 baptized in water. We found the church in good condition, and are glad to report that God is blessing the dear people of east Texas."

If my son were called to be a missionary, I should not want to see him descend to the throne of a king.—C. H. Spurgeon.

SOULS MADE HUNGRY FOR GOD

Pastor Bert Roberson and wife, of Cement, Oklahoma, write: "We have just closed our camp meeting with about 65 saved and about 40 filled with the Holy Ghost, 38 baptized in water, and a number of souls made hungry for God. Sister Ethel Musick was with us for three weeks, and the power fell from the very first,—the blind were made to see, the sick were healed, and the saints were set on fire from above. We enjoyed the sweet fellowship of the near-by assemblies. Sister Fannie McCall took charge after the first three weeks, and will be here for a while. We closed with communion service, with more than a hundred present."

BRIEF MENTION

Brother and Sister Elmer Sutton report their meeting in July at Bucklin, Mo., a success, and have accepted the pastorate there for a year.

Pastor H. J. Cossey of Trinity Pentecostal Tabernacle, Orlando, Florida, who has been for several weeks preaching with success in various assemblies in the Eastern District, is now on vacation in the Adirondack Mountains.

SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN

Pastor J. P. Kolenda, of Flint, Mich., writes: "Brother L. B. Staats of Blue Rock, Ohio, just closed a very successful revival campaign here. The services were well attended in spite of the hot weather, and a real spirit of revival was manifested. Many were saved and healed, and five received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. On the last Sunday of the campaign, 17 followed the Lord in water baptism, and 27 united with the church. Beginning August 26th, Brother W. H. Shands of Letona, Ark., will hold a campaign for us."

A COMMUNITY STIRRED

Sister Bessie Smith, of Ardmore, Okla., writes: "We wish to sound a note of praise to our Lord for the way He wonderfully blessed our revival, which began July 15, and lasted almost four weeks. About 20 were saved and reclaimed, 3 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost as in Acts 2:4, and 17 followed the Lord in water baptism. The community is greatly stirred, and the saints are wonderfully refreshed in the Lord. Pastor C. C. Comer was assisted by Brother W. T. Bartley, and Brother D. W. Savage, of Nelda, Okla., was with us a few nights. Our hearts are greatly encouraged to go on."

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INTERCESSORY MISSIONARY CALLED HOME

A letter from Miss Fannie M. Langdon of Avondale, Ohio, says, "I want to notify you that my precious sister, Mary Langdon, has departed to be with Christ—which is far better. The minister conducting the funeral service said, 'Early in life our sister gave herself definitely to the Lord as an intercessory missionary. This she considered her life work and did it faithfully. This is a hidden ministry before God. It is easy to be in public service but intercession is a hidden ministry. Who is there that will take up this work that missionaries shall not suffer loss?'"

Sister Langdon has been a real practical friend of the Council work from the beginning. We desire to express our hearty sympathy with those who will surely feel her home-going.

Forthcoming Meetings

Pray for all forthcoming meetings. Notices of meetings should be received by us three full weeks before the meeting is to start.

BROCTON, MASS.—Evangelistic campaign Sept. 5-30. Evangelists Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter will conduct services.—Mrs. B. Anderson, 83 Pearl St., pastor.

THE GOSPEL SCHOOL, Findlay, Ohio, begins Oct. 1, 1928, closes May 1929. For further information write Thos. K. Leonard, Supt., Findlay, Ohio.

CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO.—250 William St. Revival Sept. 9-30, in charge of Brother L. B. Staats, of Blue Rock, Ohio. For information write J. A. Shank, pastor, 119 Cooke St.

LONG BEACH, CALIF.—Pastor Stephen Jeffreys will speak at the Central Gospel Tabernacle, Central and California Sts., Sept. 24 at 7:30, and Sept. 25 at 2:30 and 7:30.—Geo. A. Jeffrey.

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF.—Pastor Stephen Jeffreys will speak at the Pentecostal Assembly, 17th and O Sts., Sept. 26 at 7:30 and Sept. 27 and 28 at 2:30 and 7:30.—Chas. Opie, pastor.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—Evangelist STEPHEN JEFFREYS, of England, will hold services at the Glad Tidings Temple, 1441 Ellis St., September 29 to October 2 inclusive.—R. J. Craig.

RIVERTON, NEB.—Camp meeting Aug. 26, to Sept. 20. Evangelist Milton Smith, state superintendent, will preach twice daily. For information address W. B. Northrup, Riverton, Neb.

ARTESIA, N. MEX.—Our summer camp meeting will begin about Sept. 15. Conducted by Evangelist Jacob Miller and workers of Englewood, Calif. Two blocks north of post office.—N. C. Whitlock and wife, pastors.

LEWISVILLE, MINN.—Tent meeting Sept. 2-16 or longer, as the Lord leads. Evangelist Frank Long in charge. Several evangelists will help throughout the meetings. All ministers and missionaries passing through are invited to stop. Pray for the meetings.—Mrs. Ethel Lewis.

NUTLEY, N. J.—Bethel Pentecostal Assembly having been holding meetings in the Italian church, has moved to the "Nutley Sun Building," opposite post office, 390 Franklin Ave. Opening service will be held Sept. 1, 7:30 p. m., followed by 3 weeks' revival. Cars from Newark and Paterson pass this building.—Pastor O. Olsen.

CHELSEA, MASS.—First Pentecostal Church, 113 Hawthorne St., will hold special services Sept. 30 to Oct. 14. Eastern District Evangelist C. S. Cooke in charge. Services nightly except Monday. Sundays 3:00 and 7:30 p. m. East Boston tunnel cars stop at door.—C. C. Garrett, Pastor, 25 Barrett St., Revere, Mass.

CHANGE OF LOCATION, GLENDALE, CALIF. Pastor Stephen Jeffreys will hold special meetings in the Gospel Theater, N. Brand St., between Broadway and Wilson, from Sept. 9-23. On Los Angeles Pacific Electric Rly. Services every afternoon except Saturdays. Morning tarrying meetings at Bethel Chapel, on Chevy Chase.—A. W. Frodsham, 721 Wing St.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—The Spencer Evangelistic Party of St. Louis will conduct a revival campaign in the new Full Gospel Tabernacle, 26th St., near State, beginning Sept. 15, and continuing to the thirtieth. Two services daily, 2:30 and 7:45 p. m.—John F. Bryan, Pastor.

NATIONAL CITY, CALIF.—We have started a tent-meeting here with Brother Norborne L. Wilson. It will run as long as the Lord leads. Come and give us a lift.—Herman G. Miller, Pastor in charge, Box 631, National City, Calif.

MASSILLON, OHIO.—A revival campaign beginning Sept. 9, and continuing through the month, will be held in the City Hall Auditorium. Evangelist R. M. Shearer will conduct the meetings. For further information address K. R. Snyder, 835 Tremont Ave., S. W.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT COUNCIL at Geneva, Ala., Oct. 23-25. All ministers urged to attend. Churches send their delegates and pastor prepared to take care of their own expenses. Elder W. T. Gaston will be with us. Those desiring license please bring a recommendation from local church. For further information write Supt. G. C. Courtney, Box 71, Geneva, Ala.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Lighthouse Pentecostal Church, 71-73 Himrod St., will hold its anniversary revival meeting, Sept. 16 to Oct. 7. Evangelist Alexander Gibson, of Philadelphia, Pa., will minister the Word. Brother Gibson has for many years been a successful evangelist and pastor in the Methodist Church, having just recently resigned from the pastorate of a prominent M. E. Church in Philadelphia, to enter the ranks of the Pentecostal movement. For further information write the pastor—R. S. Armstrong, 99 Eliot Ave., Maspeth, L. I., N. Y. Phone Evergreen 9404.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.—Bible and Missionary Convention under the auspices of the Michigan State Ministerial Association of the Assemblies of God, will convene Oct. 2-5, inclusive at the Church of the Four-fold Gospel, 303 Maple St. An edifying program of Bible Studies, "Round table conferences," missionary and evangelistic messages will be provided. Elder O. E. McLeary, Findlay, O., will give special illustrated Bible studies. All missionaries, ministers and workers and cordially invited. All assemblies should send one or two delegates. For further information address, Pastor Alvin L. Branch.

SECTIONAL CONVENTIONS for Texas and New Mexico

- East Central Sec.—Smithfield Tex., Sept. 15-16.
 - South East Sec.—Goose Creek, Tex.—Sept. 18-19.
 - South West Sec.—Port Lavaca, Tex., Sept. 25-26.
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 - West Central Sec.—Haskell, Tex., Oct. 6-7.
 - South New Mex. Sec.—Artesia, New Mex., Oct. 10-11.
 - North New Mex. Sec.—Mountain Air, New Mex., Oct. 13-14.
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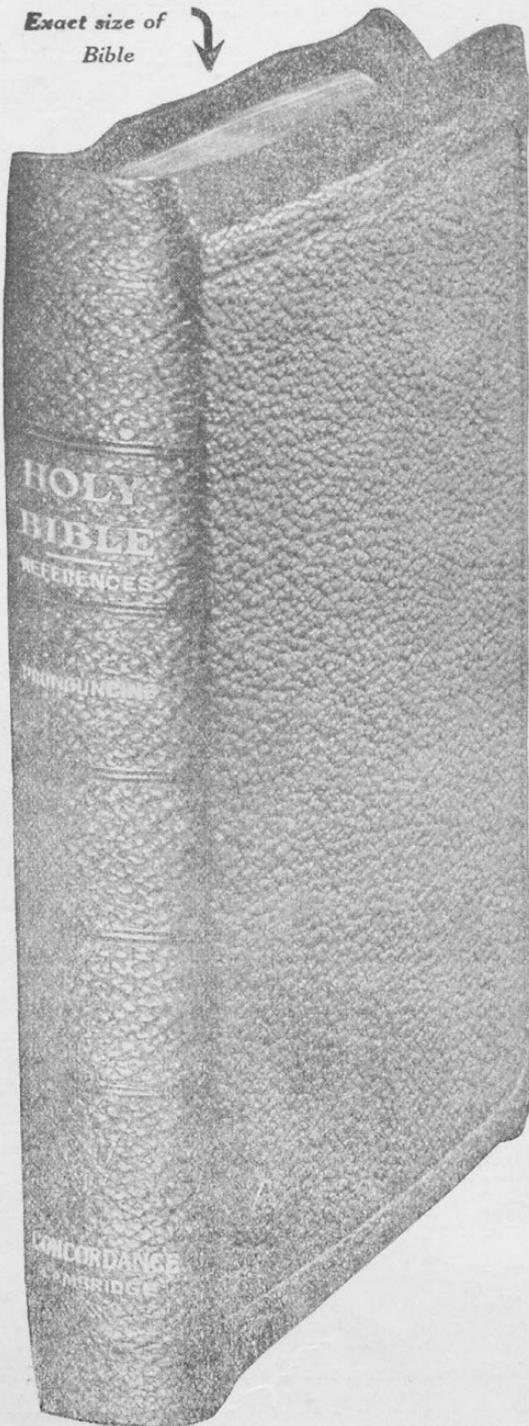
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CHAPTER 14
AND it came to pass in the days of Am-rā-phēl king

* Heb. plur.
 So ch. 12. 6
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 17, 30.
 c ver. 16, 21.

GENESIS 13, 14

same is Zō-ār; and they joined battle with them in the vale of Sid-dim;
 9 With Chēd-ōr-lā-ō-mēr the king of E-lām, and with Tī-dāl king of nations, and Am-rā-phēl king of Shī-nār, and Ar-i-ōch king of Ēl-lā-sār; four kings with five.
 10 And the vale of Sid-dim was full of slimepits; and the kings of Sodom and Gō-mōr-rāh fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain.
 11 And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gō-mōr-rāh, and their victuals, and went their



they took Lot, Abram's son, who dwelt in his goods, and de-

there came one that I, and told Abram the or he dwelt in the lām-rē the Amorite, Esh-cōl, and brother and these were conlith Abram.
 when Abram heard other was taken captured his trained horn in his own house, red and eighteen, and unto Dan.
 he divided himself em, he and his ser-night, and smote pursued them unto which is on the left amascus.
 brought back all the also brought again Lot, and his goods, omen also, and the

And the king of Sodom out to meet him after his from the slaughter of r-lā-ō-mēr, and of the that were with him, at the valley of Shā-vēh, which is the king's dale.
 18 And Mēl-chiz-ēd-ēk king

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