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## The Law of the Loving Kindness of the Lord

William I. Evans at the General Council, Philadelphia, Pa.

ONE of our Pentecostal missionaries in Africa tells this experience in connection with the printing of the first portion of Scripture in the native vernacular. The mail bags came and the natives gathered around to see what they contained. When the missionaries produced a little book which brought to the native for the first time a portion of Scripture in his own language, he grasped it with wide open eyes. First looking at the book and then at the missionary, he said, "Oh, missionary, the book speaks. It talks my language. It talks to me." And if the reading of Psalm 107 will help in any degree to have this Book talk to us, I shall be grateful to God.

Let us read the first nine verses. "O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy." That is what has happened to redeemed folk. They have been redeemed from the enemy.

And here is the history of the redeemed ones. "They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way; they found no city to dwell in. Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them." That is pre-redemption history. Alone, lost, bound no where, with no objective, hungry and thirsty their soul fainted in them; and in that plight "they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and He delivered them out of their distresses, and led them forth by the right way (no longer lost) that they might go to a city of habitation." They are bound for some destination now, seeking a city that hath foundation whose builder and maker is God.

"I'm bound for that beautiful city  
The Lord has prepared for His own,

Where all the redeemed of all ages  
Sing glory around the white throne."

"Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men! For He satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness." These last two verses form a kind of refrain that recurs throughout the Psalm. In fact, the words of the eighth verse, repeated through the Psalm, break it into its natural divisions. You will find it again in verse fifteen, once again in verse twenty-one, yet again in verse

thirty-one. "Oh, that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men!" And then the remainder of the Psalm is a kind of conclusion.

This refrain calls us to praise the Lord for two things, for *His goodness* and for *His wonderful works* to the children of men. And that is a considerable occupation for the redeemed one. The goodness of the Lord is that universal provision that comes to all alike. He sends His sunshine and His rain upon the just and upon the unjust. Mankind is equally and universally benefitted by the goodness of the Lord. Isn't it a pity that men and women live for a lifetime and never stop five minutes to thank the Lord for His goodness! May we not be among that ungrateful company. Praise Him for His goodness and for His wonderful works. His wonderful works are those movings of His power in response to the cry of His people, the prayer of them that believe, and He does perform wonderful works. Some of us would not be here this morning were it not for the wonderful works of the Lord.

There is a beautiful verse in the fourth chapter of 1 Peter which exhorts us to committ our souls in well doing unto God "as unto a faithful Creator." Not as unto a loving Father (He is that), not as unto a gracious Saviour (He is that), not as unto a wonderful Guide and Comforter (He is that; He is all these things), but "unto a faithful Creator." He is just as much a Creator this morning here in Philadelphia as He was before the world existed. He spoke the world into existence by the word of His mouth; and you and I need a Creator in this pilgrimage from earth to heaven, we need

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### Give Ye Them to Eat

"For giving is living," the angel said,  
"Go feed to the hungry sweet charity's  
bread."

"And must I keep giving again and again?"  
My selfish and querulous answer ran.

"Oh, no!" said the angel piercing me  
through,  
"Just give 'till the Master stops giving to  
you."

## The Significant Cries of Scripture

Robert A. Brown, New York City, at the General Council



"Doth not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice? She crieth at the gates . . . unto you, O men, I call." Prov. 8:1-3.

There are a number of cries set forth in God's Word. Here is the cry of wisdom. "In all thy getting get wisdom." It seems to me that as never before, what the ministers and laity need is wisdom. We need wisdom to become soul winners.

When God constituted the church, He inaugurated it by the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. The great commission was to go out into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. We are responsible for evangelizing this generation. There is not a man or woman that has the blood of Jesus Christ applied to his heart, and baptized with the Holy Ghost, who is not responsible to win souls for Jesus Christ.

A young convert was asked when he should begin to win souls for Jesus. He enquired, "What time does a candle begin to shine?" Not at the end, nor the center, *but at the beginning*. Man ought to let his light so shine before men, that they may see his good works, and glorify his Father which is in heaven.

Let us be wise. Don't think that it is any "walk-over" to win souls for Jesus Christ. Now if I should stand and raise my hands and ask you people to do the same, and praise the Lord, it would not be long before we should be having a tremendous noise, and the glory of God would fill the house. Praise is comely to the upright in heart, and I believe that heaven will be filled with praise. All these things are good, but don't forget that while you are rejoicing and praising God, next to you there may be a soul who needs Jesus. There may be a man with a broken heart, or a sister with a crushed life.

There is a tremendous responsibility resting upon the minister of Jesus Christ when he stands in the pulpit, as we shall all be called upon to render an account of our stewardship before God. If men and women would feel their responsibility more when they come into their pulpits, more souls would be saved and we should have more of the mighty passion of God.

In every church there are two classes of people. There is the tree and the post. When you plant a tree it is lovely to see it grow, but when you plant a post it begins to rot. I wonder whether you are a tree or a post in the kingdom of

God. The day has come when we should win souls for Jesus. "The night cometh when no man can work." There are almost eight hundred million people who are dying without even the message of the gospel, without God, and without hope. Be wise in getting your own soul saved, and be wise in bringing the message to others.

The second cry is the cry that came from the lips of Christ on the last day of the feast. "In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood, and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink." That was the last day of the feast, and that was the last cry. This is the last call in the last dispensation before the coming of Jesus. This is the last opportunity that we shall have to preach the gospel. Some people claim to have the power of God, but it seems to me that they do not have anything, and my cry is, "O, God, that man may have a foretaste of what Jesus Christ had that day when He stood and said, 'If any man thirst let him come unto me and drink.'"

At one time an artist painted a picture. He spent a good part of his life on the painting, and when the picture had been entered and was about to be unveiled before some of the great critics, a man stole in at night, and with a wet paint brush practically obliterated the whole picture. You say, "How wicked and how cruel." Many men and women in this tabernacle tonight have the experience of that artist. Many of you preachers have tried hard and failed. Your Christ is touched with the feelings of your infirmities, and tonight He wants to put the everlasting arms around you. Though your life is built on the solid rock Christ Jesus, perhaps the enemy has crept in, in the darkness of the night or in the solemnity of the morning, and in a subtle way with a wet paint brush has obliterated God from your life. I have good news to tell you. The great masterpiece of the Cross, Jesus Christ, is here, and through His atoning blood, thank God, He can restore the picture. Jesus Christ is calling unto you who are wounded and broken and you who are afraid, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink." Let us get back to Christ, back to Calvary, back to Pentecost.

The third cry is the cry of the poor. "This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his trou-

bles." Psalm 34:6. Brother, thank God that there is somebody whose ear is sensitive, who can hear your cry. Tonight if I had a good radio it would be possible to tune out many stations and get in any station I want. This is possible amidst all the turmoil and noise of this day, and if, in the business and rush of things, it is possible to tune in on any station on a radio, is it not much more possible for us to tune in on heaven and hear the voice of Jesus? And He will hear our voice also. Thank God, this poor man cried and the Lord heard him and saved him from all of his distresses. You two can cry and He will deliver. Hallelujah to God and to the Lamb forever!

The fourth cry is the cry of the righteous. "The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry." Psalm 34:15. And no man can be heard of God save that man is a righteous man. You cannot get the power of God, unless you are clean. There are many people who make a great noise but their prayers are not put through to God. There are other people whose prayers get through. Thank God, His ears are open unto the righteous. I speak to the preacher and also to the laity. There are people today that are reaching for a wrong ideal. The only way to better yourself, is to always try to keep in company with somebody better than yourself. If you want to be a good artist, keep in company with a man that is a better artist than yourself. If you want to be a good Christian, keep in company with people who have a more noble life than yourself. You are known by the company you keep. Thank God, He can give us righteous and holy lives.

In a certain art gallery in Rochester, N. Y., there was a picture of a man riding on a swift horse. He is reaching for a crown, for a golden crown, which seems only a little way ahead, but there is only one more bound of the horse and it goes over a precipice, where he is dashed to pieces and loses his life. This is the same way with a man without an ideal. Some are reaching out for money, some for reputation, some for a name, and some for fame, but not many are reaching out for God. "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." I want to see Jesus. I want to see Christ, God's Lamb, the wounded Lamb of God, and have the blood, the atoning sacrifice of Calvary, applied to my heart. The fires of tribulation are not far away. Jesus Christ is coming soon.

My mother had the sweetest voice. I often saw her tears as I went out in a drunken brawl and stayed out all night. Those words have ceased, she is lying in the stillness of the dead. I shall never forget the touch of her hand or the sound of her voice until the resurrection. A few years ago, three thousand miles from here, in the old Episcopal cemetery, I

went and knelt down upon the grave where my loved ones lie. I hadn't the chance of giving them a parting word or a parting kiss of reconciliation, and as I thought of her, I saw her tears, as I knelt in the old country cemetery. If I have no hope beyond this, I am of all men most miserable. But praise God, I have hope because of the death and resurrection of the Son of God. Thank God for that night away in the silent cemetery, the power of God took hold of my mortal body until every part of my being was shaken.

Brother, if you are a righteous man, the Lord will hear you. If you are in a hard place, come and kneel down like a real man and real woman and say to Jesus, "Thou who knowest the secrets of every heart, know that my heart is clean before you." The Lord's ear will be open unto you. You may not be able to speak good English but the Lord will hear you.

The next cry is the cry of warning. The voice said, "Cry." What voice? The voice of the Holy Ghost. "The voice said, Cry, and he said, What shall I cry, All flesh is grass, and all the goodness thereof is as the flower of the field." Isa. 40:6. I want to tell you, brother, the people that were in the last Council are gone, and we shall see their faces no more. There are people here tonight and they will soon be gone. My precious Brother Bouton and co-worker, who labored with me in dark New York City in the early days when it was so awfully hard, when he was a chemist working with the Standard Oil, told about speaking to a man—they worked together, but he hadn't said much to him about his soul. Brother Bouton got a burden for him and calling him by his first name—instead of going to lunch—he said, "God seems to have put you on my heart to speak to you." The man said, "I am sixty years old and I am strong enough for sixty more." That night he went to bed well and strong, and that was the last call God gave him. God had spoken to him for the last time through this man. "As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, there is but a step between me and death." God let you come into this meeting that you might be spoken to about your soul, that He might save you.

A sister came to our assembly some years ago, baptized in the Holy Spirit. I thought she was a saint. One day she said she was going to get married. I asked her if her husband was a man of God. She said, "Yes, he is filled with the Spirit of God." I thought, because she was such a Christian, I did not have any reason to question her. She was going to have a beautiful wedding. She called people to the home, and I went fifteen minutes before the time. I never go to a funeral or wedding until five or ten min-

utes before the time. Be wise and stay away until the time. I went in and asked for the license. When I looked on the license, lo and behold, I found that this girl, back some years had been married and divorced. Brethren, fifteen minutes before the marriage ceremony was to be performed, I told her I could not do it. She said, "Will you not marry me?" She screamed and fainted while the people held her up, but I walked out. She was married by a Baptist preacher, and her life was a failure.

Another time when I came down to the baptismal pool and was to baptize a man who had the smell of tobacco on him; I asked him if he used tobacco, and he said, "Yes." We were standing there, and I said, "Brother, I cannot baptize you," and, brethren, that was the climax of things, and I had to get him out of the baptismal pool. He threatened to take my life and all sorts of things, but I want to thank God that there are a few who know the truth and who will stand for it and live for it. He will vindicate you. I want to tell you that if you don't do the right thing, you cannot do anything to win souls for Christ.

It is the cry of God. The cry of warning. Brethren, we have only a little time to be true to God. The time is ebbing out. I pray God will help us to be true. I was sitting one day in my little study, when a woman rang at the telephone, and said, "Come up." And I went just as quickly as I could. There was a sister who had come to see her, and she passed away sitting in a chair. Her pocket-book was still in her hand. I went over and got it. It was a woman that I had known for years. You go into your own home and look into a drawer and see the little stockings and dressing things which the young people wore, but they are gone.

Go to the grave yard and see if there are not more small graves than large ones. "What shall I cry? that all flesh is grass."

The cry of Jesus on the Cross is the next one, "It is finished." They had given Him the vinegar. That is all the world had to give Jesus, a cup of bitterness. They have not many good things to give the preacher, unless the preacher compromises.

I was praying before God one day, and I saw myself out of my body—I have had only one or two visions in my whole life—I saw Jesus Christ dressed in white. "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." I saw Jesus carrying His cross, and He was dressed in a flowing robe, so white, that no fuller on earth could ever so whiten it. Following Him was a body of men with white garments also carrying crosses. Rising from my knees enraptured by the experience of being in His presence, I asked the Lord for the interpretation, which was this: *The cross-bearing Jesus was followed by the cross-bearing church.* There is no power in hell or earth that shall prevail against them. "If any man come after me, let him take up his cross and follow me." Lots of us want to wear the crown, but don't want to bear the cross.

There was a woman who went on a journey. She had not gone far when a storm arose. The rain and sleet began to come down. It was bitter cold, below the freezing point. She came to a place where she lost her way, and didn't know which way to turn. With her child already discolored by the cold, she sat down and began to undress herself. She took piece after piece and wrapped them around her offspring. In the morning it was found that she had divested herself of practically of all her clothes and put her own human body over the child. They found her dead body sheltering her baby. The baby was alive but the mother was cold in death. That is just a simple illustration of what Christ did. How you and I were lost in sin, in a cold dark world, with no eye to pity, and no arm to save—Jesus unclothed Himself, put off the robes of glory, came down and lived our life, and died our death. Thank God, we are sheltered with the dead body of Jesus. Because He died, you and I shall live. The sun refused to shine, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from top to bottom, the earth did quake and the rocks rent, when the last bitter thing that could be given by the world, vinegar, was given to Jesus, when He had finished a perfect oblation. Then God, through the redemption that is in Jesus Christ closed the doors of hell for every believer and rolled back the portals of glory. Jesus having drunk the bitter dregs of the cup of suffering, that was your desert and mine, bowed

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### Bands and Cords

Some years ago I went to hear a Scotch friend of mine preach. After his sermon he was doing personal work in the audience when a scoffer inquired, "And what is religion?" My friend answered, "The derivation of the word religion indicates that it is *something that binds*. It have the same root as ligament, and a ligament in a human body is a bond of strong fibrous tissue that connects the ends of bones. We get our word obligation from the same root. If you have children, you are bound to them as a father and have upon you obligations to support them, and they have obligations towards you to honor and obey you. Religion is that bond that unites a man to his Maker and Creator. Our Creator has obligations towards us, and He has fulfilled the same in providing a perfect salvation by giving Himself for our sins on the cross of Calvary. But we also have obligations towards Him to surrender and yield our lives wholly to Him. There are some who want to be independent of these bonds, and are saying, 'Let us break the bands asunder and cast away the cords from us,' but let me warn you, friend, if you do this, one day you will have to face the judgment of His sore displeasure."

### To Cæsar and to God

The Scriptures of truth plainly set forth our obligations both to man and to God. When the Pharisees and Herodians conspired together to overthrow Christ in His words, they asked Him, "It is lawful to give tribute unto Cæsar or not?" If He affirmed that it was lawful, He could be branded as a traitor to Jewry; and if He denied it, He could be handed over to Rome as a rebel against its authority. He said, "Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites? Show me the tribute money." They brought to him a silver penny upon which was stamped the head and title of Tiberius Cæsar. "Whose is this image and superscription?" "Cæsar's," they admitted. Then came that marvelous word of wisdom, "Render unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's; and unto God the things that are God's."

### The Image of the Heavenly

Much emphasis is being laid upon the thought that we should render unto Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, but we fear that too little is paid to the latter and more important part of the Master's maxim, "Render unto God the things that are God's." Alexander Mac-

laren suggests the just as the penny bore the image and superscription of Cæsar, so man bears upon him the image and superscription of Him who said, "Let us make man in our own image." Alas, there has been a terrible defacing of the image through the ruin and ravages of sin and of Satan. The image of the first Adam was marred, but thank God, there came a second Adam and Holy Writ says of Him that He was "the express image of His (God's) person." And yet it is also written of Him, "He was in all points made like unto His brethren." Referring to this Maclaren says, "Christ has become like us that we might become like Him." The cry of Job in the midst of His sore testing was, "When He hath tried me I shall come forth as gold"; and in the trials and testings of life we shall become a liquid gold which, when poured into the heavenly die, will come forth once more with the heavenly image. John wrote to the tested saints of his day, "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that when He shall appear, *we shall be like Him*." It will be seen then that it was worth while to render unto God the things that belong to God.

### "Not My Own"

A true Christian will always bear in mind the exhortation, "Ye are not your own, but are bought with a price, therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit which are God's." The *Sunday School Times* relates that one of the state societies was holding its annual reunion at Los Angeles. Three thousand people had gathered in a beautiful grove. The president of the society announced that a musical program would be given. Robert Harkness, the well-known pianist, then rendered a few numbers of old sacred melodies with variations. Then the president announced that three young ladies would perform a special dance, and asked Mr. Harkness to play for them. Much to his chagrin he received a polite negative reply, and the president appeared before the throng and announced that Mr. Harkness had refused to play. Mr. Harkness arose and said, "My reason for not playing for the dance is simply that my talent is not my own. It is devoted wholly to the service of Christ."

### A Test of Fidelity

The saints of the early church were quiet, law-abiding citizens, but they came into serious conflict with Rome when that state usurped the authority of God. They

positively refused to bow down and worship the image of Rome's emperor. They did not forget that when the god of this world showed unto their divine Lord and Master all the kingdoms of this world and the glory of them in a moment of time and tempted Him, saying, "All this will I give thee if thou wilt fall down and worship me," the Master had replied, "It is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve." And ten millions of them suffered martyrdom because they dared to refuse to bow down and worship the image of Cæsar.

### Image Building

On the plains of Dura in the province of Babylon, King Nebuchadnezzar erected a giant image and demanded that the whole world worship the same. One that is coming will do the same. Rev. 13:14. But there were some in Babylon who declared unto Nebuchadnezzar, "We will not serve thy gods, nor worship this golden image which thou hast set up." D. M. Pantou writing on the revival of the Roman empire says that there has recently been erected a modern replica of Nebuchadnezzar's image. "In the new 'Forum Mussolini,' in the midst of two stadia, one seating 20,000 spectators, the tiers of which consist of 12,000 tons of marble, and the other giving place for 100,000 onlookers, rises the Mussolini Obelisk, a gigantic monolith of Carrara marble, which bears his name in Roman lettering. The total height of the column from the ground level is about 110 feet, of which nearly one half is taken up by the monolith, itself weighing some 300 tons. 'It is unique,' says the Roman correspondent of the *Morning Post*, 'a world record for monuments.' The Great Image of all the centuries slowly re-erects itself for the shattering Stone." Who knows how soon it may be before an image of a world dictator is erected and the command shall go forth that both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, worship the image?

### Impending State Idolatry

Writing on world conditions, Mr. H. R. Williamson, editor of the *Bookman*, says, "The early Christians in their struggle with the Empire were executed as political traitors, not as religious heretics, although, where the State was the supreme deity, the terms were synonymous. It is in this light that Fascism today must be seen. In essence it is nothing more or less than a recrudescence of Roman State-idolatry. The only individualism which is tolerated is that of the dictator who is the incarnation of the State itself. Mussolini-worship is no new thing. It is as old as the Roman Empire itself. And there is only one ground on which exception can be taken to it—a *belief that beyond the State is God*."

### State Interference

In Germany the Nazis are not only having dominance in the realm of economics but are beginning to usurp authority in the religious world, and the religious leaders of the German State church are accepting their demands. One of the terms required and accepted is: "Only Christians of Aryan descent shall be admitted to the new United Church." That is, every Jew shall be expelled. None of the apostles would have been admitted to this new United Church—nor our Lord Himself for that matter. Karl Barth, a noted German minister, has registered this protest, "I would rather that the Evangelical Church should become a tiny house and go into the Catacombs, than conclude a peace, even most distantly, with such a doctrine. God be merciful to us for all the lack of principle that everywhere is apparent. If the German Evangelical Church should exclude Jewish Christians, or treat them as Christians of the second class, she would have ceased to be a Christian Church." The place of all true saints will be "outside the camp," but thank God, they can be "inside the veil" holding sweetest fellowship with their lovely Lord.

### Take Heed

There looms great persecution ahead, but God will give grace. The story is told of two Christians who met together in the early days of the reign of bloody Queen Mary of England. They foresaw trouble ahead, and Pendleton declared that he had resolved to endure the severest penalties, but in no wise would he forsake Christ. The other, Saunders, spoke of himself with fear, for he knew the timidity and weakness of his own frail heart. But after a while the feeble and fearful Mr. Saunders sealed his testimony to his faith in Christ with his own blood; while Dr. Pendleton, despite all his loud boasting, went back on his testimony, and, to save his skin, became a papist. It is only through the grace of God that any will be able to stand in the days that are coming, and that grace will not be vouchsafed to the proud and boastful, but only to those who are meek and lowly in heart.

### Great Consecration

Joseph was an alien slave in the land of Egypt. A great temptation came to him to forsake the godly principles which he had been taught. Potiphar's wife doubtless had many sophistries to present to him. Now that he was in Egypt he was in a land of different standards to those of his father's home. If he would but yield to temptation she could recommend him to political preferment. But to that godly young man sin was exceedingly sinful, and he said, "How can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?" He was living in the presence of

his God and he feared to sin against Him. He realized that his body was for the Lord, to be yielded alone to Him, and so he preferred the hard irons of Egypt's dungeon to the soft cushions of Potiphar's mansion. Our bodies, too, are for the Lord and it is our reasonable service to render unto God that which belongs

to Him, and to present these bodies of ours as a living sacrifice unto Him. There will be a great recompense of reward to those who refuse to yield to the world's subtle allurements; but who yield themselves wholly, spirit, soul, and body, to God for service or for sacrifice.

## The Passing and the Permanent

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

### Celestial Signs

According to *Defender*, astronomers have just discovered that a meteor about the size of our earth crashed into the planet Saturn a few weeks ago. Disturbances in the heavens are predicted as one of the signs of the end-time of this age.

### A Russian John the Baptist

Writes Ernest Gordon in the *Sunday School Times*, "Professor Marzinkovski, devoted Russian Christian who has suffered much in Bolshevist prisons, is now evangelizing the Jews in Palestine. He cries out: 'Jews! Repent! Be real Jews! For Jesus hath said, "Had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed Me: for he wrote of Me."'"

### Soviet Estimate of Eternity

"Where do you expect to go when you die?" said Governor Allen of Kansas to a young Russian woman who was showing him through a Russian palace. "I expect to become fertilizer," was the answer.

With such an estimate of the value of the individual it is no wonder the human life and suffering are counted cheap in Russia.

### Evangelizing German Jews

According to Agnes Kent, writing in *Evangelical Christian*:

"From Berlin comes the statement by Pastor Loerzen, acting leader of the German Christian movement, that missionary activity among German Jews will continue."

The atmosphere created by Hitler's Jew-baiting is not the best for Jewish evangelization. Let us pray that God will work in spite of it.

### God's Bible for Devil's Island

Says *Alliance Weekly*: "Invited by the Salvation Army, to whom has been granted permission by the French government to commence work among the prisoners on Devil's Island, the convict settlement off French Guiana, the National Bible Society of Scotland has despatched to them 500 New Testaments and 3,000 Gospels. Prayer is requested that these Books may carry enlightenment into one of the darkest and most sin-cursed spots on the earth."

### Beyond Control

According to Louis S. Bauman writing in *Sunday School Times*, the Governor of the Bank of England made the following statement: "The vast forces of the world, the herd instinct, the desperation of the people who have neither work nor market, have brought about a series of events and a general tendency which appear to me to be outside the control of any man, or any government or any country."

And of course this situation provides the opportunity for that superman—Antichrist—who will promise to stabilize world conditions.

### Shaky Europe

Comments the *Literary Digest*, "Whichever way she turns, Europe's angel of peace hears new sounds of alarm. Since 1918, cartoonists have shown her flying hither and yon, yet never finding a place of safe abode. In the midsummer of the nineteenth year following the World War, she is more tremulous than ever. The outlook for fall and winter is heavy with omen."

So far we have many "rumors of wars." At any moment, according to the above comment, the words "rumors of" may be eliminated, leaving us with "wars." In these dark days let us look through the eyes of the prophets of the Old Testament who saw the reign of peace beyond the gloom of world war.

### The Munitions Boom

Writes Ernest Gordon in the *Sunday School Times*, "In spite of all conferences and pacts and agreements the nations continue to arm. Between six and seven thousand tons of war material leave the Schneider factories in Creusot, France daily. The newspapers are the servants of the cannon kings, and start rumors of war in order to secure armament orders for those who subsidize them. The most recent instance is in Rumania where the press insisted on the nearness of a Russian invasion and the necessity of great increases in military appropriations. It has since been discovered that the great Skoda armament works in Czecho-slovakia had bribed the journalists to start the scare." The love of money is a root of many wars.

# The Gospel in Foreign Lands

## Railway Station Scene in Tokyo

The following description of an unusual scene in Tokyo comes to us from our Sister Marie Juergensen:

"Greetings from Japan! The third class express train bound for the most southern point of this island was standing in Tokyo station all ready for her long journey. Passengers of every description were hurrying to find a seat in the long line of coaches; mothers with babies strapped to their backs and bundles tied in a cloth; young women in pretty kimonos and beautiful sashes tied in a big knot on their back; business men dressed in European clothes with suit cases, etc.—all made a most interesting sight.

"The conductor walked through the cars calling, 'This is an express train; be sure you have bought an express ticket.' He was scarcely noticed, however, as nearly everyone was watching a group of men and women standing on the platform, who were singing Christian hymns—'Victory, victory. We have victory for our God is always with us. In all of life's journey; in every battle,' and 'Jesus is coming again soon.' Every eye was on the group as they all bowed their heads in prayer. Who ever saw such a scene in the busy thronging station of Japan's capital? We are sure this meeting was a testimony to many hearts. The group was our Bible school students and native pastor."

## Voronaeff Sons in Springfield

We thank the many friends who made it possible to help three of the sons of our dear Brother Voronaeff out of Russia. The parents are still in prison although we are continuing to do everything in our power to effect their release. A recent communication from Russia informs us that Mrs. Voronaeff is to be sent into exile for three years. This has brought additional sadness to the children. The two smaller ones particularly will feel the loss of their mother. Little Timothy whose picture appears in this copy of the Evangel could not understand why his mother did not come home to them. We are told that prisoners are frequently herded into box cars so tightly that there is only room for them to stand upright, and in that position they are obliged to travel long distances. Two pails are put in the car one empty and the other filled with water, and then the doors are closed. It most often happens that on arrival at their destination a large number are sick and some dead. Men

women and children all are put together in the same car. One who saw Mrs. Voronaeff before she was sent into exile stated that she appeared very worn, and pale, and of course was deeply concerned for the welfare of her small children. We are anxiously expecting word that permission has been granted to bring these small children out of Russia. This would seem to be the least we can do for the parents who have suffered so much for



Three of Brother J. E. Voronaeff's sons. Left to right Peter, John and Alexander.

the gospel. We have two of the sons, Alexander and Peter with us at Springfield. Alexander is 19 and Peter 17. Alexander feels a definite call to the ministry of the gospel, and we are helping to prepare him for this work so that he may continue what his father has temporarily had to lay down. Of course it will not be possible for him to go back to Russia, but we are trusting God may use him to help others in the United States or some other land to know the Saviour. We believe if the news could be borne to the father and mother they would be indeed grateful to know that their children are being helped. There is some little expense involved and we shall be very thankful for any contributions sent in for this purpose. Your offering may just be designated for "Voronaeff Family" then we shall be in a position to use it

for any member of the family whose need seems most imperative at the time. Address your letter to Missions Dept., 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri.

## Christianity and Fortune Telling

Brother Garlock sends the following interesting article relating a rather amusing incident which recently took place. He writes: "An African missionary's experiences are many and interesting. In addition to our regular public services in Tamale and the villages, natives frequently come to our mission house to inquire the way of salvation or to seek advice or a way out of some difficulty.

"Recently a man came to me requesting that I tell his fortune. I presume he was under the impression that our religion was a fetish similar to that of his own, and that we would tell his fortune by going through some weird incantations like some of the native fetish priests and medicine men.

"Without any explanations as to my ability or inability along this line, I proceeded to tell his fortune, telling him of the death sentence pronounced by God upon the sons of Adam's race, warning him to flee from the wrath to come, and to seek refuge in Christ who is his only hope of salvation in this life and the next. After explaining God's willingness to save him if he would confess and forsake his sins, we knelt together in prayer and sought pardon and peace. The next day he came back saying God had given him peace in his soul, and he now attends the services regularly. Who dares doubt my ability now as a fortune teller. Yours still telling fortunes.—H. B. Garlock."

## Spirit Outpoured in Porto Rico

Brother Frank Finkenbinder reports that God is graciously pouring out of His Spirit on our brethren of the Disciples of Christ Church in Porto Rico, and a number of their ministers have received the Baptism with the Spirit in Pentecostal form. He writes: "All the manifestations of the Spirit which are common among us are also in their meetings, including the speaking in other tongues with interpretation."

Brother Frank Finkenbinder tells us of a splendid opportunity to help some young men called to the ministry who want further Bible training. These young men can be prepared for the ministry for \$8.00 each per month. God-called native workers established in the Word of God, are the need of every land.

### Some Missionary Needs and Suggestions

Brother and Sister Robert McClay, of India, write that they are in urgent need of funds to support a Bible woman and native evangelist. This can be arranged for \$5.00 and \$12.00 per month respectively. Here is an opportunity to have a representative preaching the gospel for you, if you cannot go to the mission field yourself.

Our mission building in Leon, Nicaragua is in need of repair. God has been blessing this town recently under the ministry of one of our brethren sent from the Latin American District of the U. S. A., Brother Jose Ibarra H. A number have been saved and filled with the Holy Spirit since he took charge of the work. If help could be given to repair the building we are sure our brother would be grateful, and it would be a practical way of showing our interest in the gospel ministry to foreign lands. Here are the needs:

Cost of material and labor for ceiling	\$100.00
Cost of material and labor for doors and windows	50.00
Cost of material and labor for cement work	155.00
Cost of material and labor for plumbing, wiring, etc.	75.00
	<hr/> \$380.00

All offerings for this should be sent designated for "Leon Building" repair, and we will forward the same to Ralph Williams who will see that it is used for this purpose.

Brother and Sister J. C. Morrison of Yunnan, China, ask that we try to help them secure a good upright Underwood typewriter. A rebuilt model will serve the purpose. Perhaps there is someone who reads this notice who has a good typewriter you are not using that you would be willing to donate for missions.

Also an appeal comes to us for a married couple to assist Brother and Sister Jackson in Singapore, Straits Settlements. The need to be supplied must include the support of the workers.

Brother and Sister Percy Bristow who will have spent ten consecutive years in China without a furlough are requesting that we help them home as soon as funds permit. Their health is in such a condition that we ought to do what we can to make this possible.

### Cost of Supporting Worker in Porto Rico

Brother Frank Finkenbinder wishes that we correct a statement made in the

*Evangel* some weeks ago that a native pastor in Porto Rico could be supported for \$10.00 per month. He tells us that this is the amount he has been giving himself to help one, but it does not by any means begin to cover the need. It is estimated that a worker should have at least \$40.00 per month in Porto Rico.

### A Letter from Brother Doney

Dear Friends in the homeland:

Although I am now in America for a few weeks in the interest of the work in Egypt, Mrs. Doney is in Cairo with the entire burden and responsibility of



*The two smallest children of Brother Voronaeff who have been left orphans through their parents' imprisonment in Russia. Hope age 11 and Timothy age 6.*

our mission and school work. Will all who are interested in our work please pray for her and the work in my absence, and send all communications to her regarding the work, to our Cairo address. In His service—C. W. Doney.

### An Appeal for Prayer

Our sister Silvie Davison who is located at Laheria Sarai, India, is in real need of a touch from God in her body. Sister Davison went to India in February 1932, and has been doing splendid work. She has been loyally supported by the Oklahoma District Assemblies, so let us pray earnestly that she may be privileged to continue the work in that needy land to which God called her.

All offerings should be sent through the Foreign Missions Department, 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

### Christmas Is Coming!

*Now is the time to send in your "Christmas Offering" for the missionaries. This is a blessed way of taking our gifts to the Christ, no longer a child in a manger, but manifested to be the Son of God with power.*

### Five Cent Club

Our brother Arthur Graves tells of increased missionary interest on the part of the young people of Brother Albert Ott's assembly in Dallas, Texas. Brother Graves is the assistant pastor and has been devoting some of his time to helping the young people. He writes: "Our young people have set as their goal the raising of \$1,000.00 for missions during the coming year. They have started a 'Five Cent Club,' and soon will have their first fifty dollars to send in. Each of the young people gets as many other young people as possible to pledge five cents a week for missions, and those who get the pledges do the collecting each week. The first week they enlisted about 130 members and they are now on their second week." We are sharing this little note from Brother Graves with our readers so that we may perhaps provoke others to love and good works.

### South China Assemblies of God Paper

#### Spiritual News

Regarding *Spiritual News* Brother Williamson writes, "God is blessing our Chinese Pentecostal paper. Recently we received twelve subscriptions from one of the largest universities in Peking and we are receiving requests from libraries and reading rooms all over the country for it. Thus, the gospel seed is being sown daily. Praise His name!

"We are receiving from our dear Chinese subscribers continually, letters of appreciation for the messages and teaching of God's Word that they are receiving through our paper."

#### Chinese Boy Miraculously Healed

A remarkable healing has been reported to us by our Sister Lula Bell Hough. She says, "A young cripple lad of fourteen was brought to the meetings for prayer. His people had spent more than a thousand dollars for doctors to heal this child, but all to no avail. One night the mother heard of Jesus and His power to heal the sick, so brought her son for prayer. Through prayer thirteen of fourteen open sores on his limb have been healed and the fourteenth one is healing. We are praising God for His wonderful healing power, and also for the salvation of the boy, his mother and grandmother."

### Printed in Spanish

Some of our readers will be interested to know that *The Coming Crises and the Coming Christ*, written by the Editor of the *Evangel*, has been published in the Spanish language, and can be had for 25c by writing to Casa Evangelica De Publicaciones, 714 S. Cibolo St., San Antonio, Texas.

# The Sunday School Lesson

## Paul in Jerusalem

Lesson for Nov. 5: Acts 15:1, 2, 22-31.

### I. CHRISTIAN CONTROVERSY

*The beginning of the controversy.* In all great movements it is found that for some time the old and the new order overlap each other, as it is difficult for those living under the old order to break from old established habits and pass completely over into a new life. This was true of many of the first Christians, who were Jews. They believed sincerely in the Lord Jesus Christ as Messiah and Saviour, but they were still bound to the old Covenant and kept the festivals, customs, and ceremonies of the law of Moses. They had not yet envisioned and entered into the full liberty of the gospel. They had one foot in the old covenant and one in the new.

Some of these teachers, known as Judaizers, came to Antioch, and with a show of authority declared to the Gentiles, "Except ye be circumcised after the law of Moses ye cannot be saved." In other words, in order to become Christians Gentiles must first become Jews, and in order to become free they must be bound to the ceremonies of the old Covenant.

*The Progress of the controversy.* Paul and Barnabas resisted this legalistic teaching, for they clearly saw its consequences. If Gentiles were required to become Jews by nationality before being admitted to the church, then Christianity would degenerate into a Jewish sect, dry up and blow away. The Mosaic system, which had been swaddling clothes to the infant Church would certainly prove to be its grave clothes. The leaders therefore decided to bring the matter before the apostles for an authoritative decision.

*Lessons from the controversy.* (1) Controversies cannot always be avoided. All the great doctrines, the trinity, the incarnation, justification, and others, have come out like pure gold from the furnace of controversy. Upon the anvil of theological controversy have been hammered out doctrinal statements and convictions that have been a bulwark of strength to Christians in all ages. Of course, all this applies to *unavoidable* controversies relating to fundamentals and essentials. (2) The best way to settle them is by discussion and personal conference. It is good for Christians to come together and, in the spirit of charity and humility, thrash out disputed questions, for some controversies may be the result of misunderstanding. Describing the battle of Lookout Mountain, an old resident said, "Our soldiers fought bravely up there above the clouds; but sometimes the mists were so heavy they could not distinguish friends from foes, and struck at each other." Public discussion helps to clear away the mists of hearsay and misapprehension. (3) A dogmatic spirit should be avoided. In a certain section of Wales there are two breeds of cattle; the first, living in the vale, have scarcely any horns, but an abundance of meat; the second breed, living on the heights, is a breed which *grows scarcely anything but horns*, and from morning to night all one hears is the constant din of clashing weapons. "So there are many Christians who live on the

heights—but on very cold and barren heights," says one writer. "Everything they eat grows into horns, the strength of which they are constantly testing."

### II. CHRISTIAN LIBERTY

*Liberty denied.* When the council was convened, the Judaizers arose and presented the following arguments: "The Old Testament teaches clearly that those desiring to become members of God's people must submit to circumcision. Shall we brave the curses of the law of Moses by taking from God's Word? It is true that the Gentiles are saved by faith in the Messiah, but faith without works is dead. Their faith must be perfected by the keeping of the law of Moses, which Jesus said He had come to fulfill and not destroy. To permit them to be saved by faith alone without the works of the law is to make void God's Word and undermine the foundations of morality."

*Liberty proved.* Acts 15:6-12. The answer of Peter may be summed up as follows: "It is true that under the old Covenant circumcision and the observance of the law of Moses were conditions for membership in God's chosen people. But the fact that God saved the Gentiles and baptized them with the Holy Spirit *without requiring the performance of any ceremony* (Compare Acts 10:44-48) proves that a new dispensation has been ushered in, in which the only condition for salvation is faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The observances of the law were a heavy yoke and not a lifting power; why should we then burden the Gentiles with it?" The answer of Paul and Barnabas may be summarized as follows: "Wherever we have preached the gospel God has saved the Gentiles, baptized them in the Spirit, and granted the working of miracles, *without the observance of the law*. How then can it be necessary to salvation?"

"Facts are stubborn things," said Napoleon. And the best and most conclusive answer to the narrow demands of the Judaizers was the fact that God had saved the Gentiles without the observance of the "red tape" of an annulled covenant. The best answer to objections against the Baptism with the Spirit, divine healing, and other Scriptural but opposed doctrines is the testimony to what God has actually and really done in our lives.

*Liberty declared.* 15:22-29. An epoch-making victory was won for Christian liberty when James the leader of the conference wrote out the decision that, according to the unmistakable witness of the Holy Ghost to the Gentile's salvation, and the witness of the church, the Gentiles were free from the obligation to keep the Mosaic law. The decision was a declaration that the old system was not permanent or essential but only the "shadow of good things to come." To insist on the continued obligation of the Mosaic laws would be like drilling a reader in the alphabet, or like expecting a butterfly to keep up its caterpillar existence—fly and crawl at the same time. "Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

But after that faith is come, we no longer under the schoolmaster." Gal. 3:24, 25.

*Liberty defined.* 15:29. But this declaration of liberty did not mean that the Gentiles were free to live as they pleased, for there is a difference between *liberty* and *license*. They were certainly not free to indulge in those sins to which Gentiles were peculiarly tempted in those days—the sins of idolatry and impurity. Neither were they free to wantonly hurt the feelings of their Jewish brethren; rather they were commanded to make some concessions that would render fellowship between Jew and Gentile easier.

Christians are free from the observance of the Mosaic law, but they are not free to live unholy lives, for they are under the law of Christ. "For brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another." Gal. 5:13.

*Liberty Celebrated.* August 1, 1834, 700,000 British colonial slaves were emancipated. Throughout the colonies the churches and the chapels were thrown open and the slaves crowded into them on the evening of July 31. As the hour of midnight approached they fell on their knees and awaited the solemn moment, hushed in silent prayer. When twelve sounded, they sprang to their feet, and through every island rang the glad sound of thanksgiving to the Father, for the chains were broken and the slaves were free.

We may be sure that the Antioch Christians were much in prayer during the Jerusalem council. When the letter was read "they rejoiced for the consolation." In this brief statement the inspired writer has described what must have been a church-shaking, roof-lifting praise service!

Let us too, rejoice in the liberty of the gospel, which means that, without the mediation of human priest, without the observance of outward ritual, without the addition of man-made conditions, we can enter by faith, and by faith alone, into the presence of Almighty God through Christ, and there find pardon and blessing.—Myer Pearlman.

### MEMORIES BLESSING-LADEN

Pastor H. L. Bayless, Gracemont, Okla.: "Evangelist Chas. C. Robinson, of Quanah, Tex., was with us in a revival meeting Aug. 13-31. Twenty were saved, 12 received the Holy Spirit, 10 followed the Lord in baptism, and 15 united with the church. The revival Spirit is still present in the assembly. Some are being saved and filled with the Spirit in our regular services. The memory of the revival sermons still brings a blessing. We accepted the pastorate here in June, and since that time the Lord has wonderfully blessed our efforts. Our Sunday school has grown from around 40 to 60 and 65, and many others are becoming interested."

### DEEPER INTO THE ROCK

Pastor M. A. Smith, Bellflower, Calif.: "Recently the congregation at Bellflower was edified by the ministry of Evangelist Roxie Alford, who for 5 years has taught in some of the leading Bible institutes. Through the Word many became established and went deeper in the Lord. Some were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Twenty followed the Lord in baptism. The blessing of God which during the revival rested upon all, still remains. Sister Alford may be addressed at 1696 Fisk Ave., Pasadena."

### The Significant Cries of Scripture

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His head crying, "It is finished," and gave up the ghost. Thank God, for a finished redemption, the blood of Jesus Christ.

Now the next cry is a cry that I want you to listen to very much. I cry. It may be the last cry. You might hear Brother Brown for the last time. Soon the last song will be sung, the last address will be given, and the last exhortation sent forth and the last invitation given for you to give your heart to God. You may look into the face of some of the brethren in this tabernacle for the last time. This may be the last General Council meeting that you will ever attend.

The last cry. This cry is the cry of the doom of the lost. It is the cry that is not heard. "Therefore it is come to pass, that as He (God) cried, and they (the people) would not hear, so they (the people) cried, and I would not hear, saith the Lord of Hosts." Zech. 7:13. I believe, brethren, that is a place where we can commit the unpardonable sin.

The Lord spoke to Samuel and He spoke to Eli and said, "Your sons are sinning." Eli was devoted to his sons and he did not reprove them. There was one time that God spoke to Samuel, saying, "I will do a thing in Israel that will make the ears of Israel tingle. Therefore I have sworn unto the house of Eli." But God told him first the reason, because he would not reprove his sons. "Therefore, I have sworn unto the house of Eli, that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be purged with sacrifice nor offering for ever." There is the unpardonable sin. It seems to me that in any place before Icabod is written on the doors, there is a flapping of wings and a voice heard saying, "Let us depart." "And the Lord, said, My spirit shall not always strive with man."

There is a picture called "Opportunity," because it is covered with wings, and because it is swift and quick of flight. Opportunity will never return—like the setting sun and the receding waters. Christ is knocking at the door, and is searching out the place where you are, and I pray God He will come into your life, and that you will let Him have His way. Lots of people think there are different ways into heaven, to God, besides the blood of Jesus. When I was in London, wife and I went into the palace of the King. The guard took us through one door and brought us out through another door. There was one door to go in, and afterwards when we had seen the beauties of the palace, we went out the other door, which opened out. Suppose we had said to the guard, "We don't want to go in that door, we want to go in the other door," we should have never seen the beauties of the palace. Jesus Christ

is the door and only by Him shall a man enter in, "For there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." Only by the blood of Jesus Christ. He is the only door—there is no other way.

This is the last cry, the cry that shall never be heard. I was in Ocean Grove, and I got up to testify. The old Bishop who was there is now dead. I began to praise the Lord for saving me and for baptizing me in the Holy Ghost. The Bishop got up and requested that I should sit down, but while I was testifying, a man got up, a great big six foot man, and he began to weep and cry out as only a strong man could cry. He was marched out into another part of the building, and I went out with him. He said, "Oh! brother, my mother and two sisters are baptized, and my wife is baptized, and I have sinned against God, in California, but God has spoken and God has met me here in Ocean Grove." He wept and shrieked, and rolled on the floor. As a result I cast out the devil, and prayed for him, and Christ saved him.

In the upheaval of things, when did you fail God? How did you fail God? Where did you fail God? Brother, thou knowest. Do you mean to say that you are serving Christ and Christianity by having a dirty and unclean life? Is there any way back to God or to righteousness except by coming the right way? I have a message for you, a message that concerns confessing your sins and having them cleansed by the precious blood of Jesus.

During the Boer War, in South Africa, the British troops were caught in a certain place, and they were mowed down to the earth like new mown grass. Some escaped and took up another position, but as they did some were caught between the fire of the British and the fire of the Boers. Oh! it was something dreadful, wounded and bleeding and caught between the fire of the enemy. A corporal, wounded and bleeding, got a white pillow, and with the blood that was literally lying in puddles around, he made a cross of blood upon the pillow, and raised it up in the face of the enemy. With their own blood they caused the fire of both sides to cease, and their lives were saved.

That is just the way it is. We are wounded and bleeding. We are caught between the fires—between the world, the flesh and the devil—bleeding, wounded, helpless, without God, and without hope

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#### SECOND PINK WRAPPER NOTICE

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in the world. If you will take the atoning blood of Jesus, the cross of Jesus, and just raise it up in the face of every enemy, thank God, if you will do that, you can pillow your head on the bosom of Jesus Christ, and the fire of the enemy will have to cease.

Tonight may be the last word. I cry to you in the name of Jesus that you will not go out of this meeting without making a surrender of your life to God. Some of you may have been saved and baptized, but tonight you are out of touch with God. Let me cry to God for you. My soul yearns for you. I would walk from here to New York on my knees if that would save your soul. "What will you do with Jesus which is called Christ?" Will you surrender?

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#### Too Short

The University of Chicago has brought out a new edition of the Shorter Bible. Dr. Pace of the *Sunday School Times* made a cartoon in which he depicted both earth and heaven, and a bridge between consisting of a copy of the Shorter Bible. The trouble was that the bridge only reached half way. Some of us are old fashioned enough to believe that "man shall not live by bread alone but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Deep rooted antagonism to some of God's prophetic truths caused Jehudi to take a penknife and cut some of them out of Jeremiah's roll (Jer. 36:23); but God did not tolerate this Bible-shortening act of this ancient Modernist. All the lost words were restored, "and there were added besides unto them many like words." Jer. 36:32.

#### The Wandering Jew

"And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb and a by-word among all nations." Deut. 28:37. So far, the Jews, generally speaking, have not had an opportunity to forget these prophetic words. According to the *Jewish Chronicle*, Dr. Gercke, German "racial expert," has drawn up some rules for the future treatment of Jews in Germany, the last paragraph of which reads as follows, "We must build up our State without the Jews, who can only remain as *strangers without a country* (italics ours) and can possess no legal possession here. Thus will our Ahasuerus (the name of the traditional and legendary 'Wandering Jew') be compelled to take up his wanderer's staff again." According to the same periodical, Goering, the Prussian premier, has decreed that no German who *looks like a Jew* shall be eligible for the Prussian police force.

The Tibetans have a proverb: "As you go forth to the fight, be in the front, as you return, be the last to come." 2 Tim. 4:6-8.

## The Law of the Loving Kindness of the Lord

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a God who can speak the creative word that brings deliverance. When nothing short of a miracle will see us through, thank God He is there with the miracle. When you need Him, He is there. So we praise Him "for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men."

The sections of this Psalm are occupied with the redeemed ones of various classes, but before I call your attention to these, let us look at the very last of the Psalm to discover its purpose. "Whoso is wise (certainly not in this world's wisdom, for God has brought to naught the wisdom of this world, and God has hidden from the wise of this world those things that He is pleased to reveal to babes; so it must be in the wisdom that cometh down from above), and will observe these things (not with the physical eye merely, but with spiritual perception), even they shall understand the lovingkindness of the Lord." So the purpose of the inspiring of this Psalm seems to be to make known unto us the lovingkindness of the Lord. What is the lovingkindness of the Lord? Someone will say it is one of His divine qualities that is manifest in all His dealings with mankind. True; but it is more than that. According to the usage of the word in this Psalm, the lovingkindness of the Lord is a divine law, a spiritual principle that is operative in God's dealings with His people.

Brother Welch undertook an experiment at Central Bible Institute this past summer and his experiment was successful, inasmuch that we have considerable in the way of canned vegetables laid up for our winter's supply. Now Brother Welch did not make the tomatoes grow. Only God can do that. But those that had to do with the production of that crop co-operated with God in the operation of certain natural laws. If it is true in the natural, it is more true in the spiritual, that compliance with God's laws will give us benefit. And in this Psalm there is set forth the operation of this divine law in order that we may know how to co-operate with it. "Whoso is wise, and will observe these things, even they shall understand the lovingkindness of the Lord."

We have the operation of this law of lovingkindness beginning with verse ten. "Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, being bound in affliction and iron; because they rebelled—" This is the class of redeemed rebels. "Because they rebelled against the words of God and contemned the counsel of the most High; therefore He brought down their heart with labor; they fell down, and there was none to help."

What a plight for men to come into! You will notice a decided downward movement here. This is the operation of the law of lovingkindness in its downward course. It finds a rebel fighting against God. It brings him into darkness, into the shadow of death, and it brings the iron and the hard things of life in upon his soul until he feels himself held in their viselike grip till he cannot free himself. Have you ever felt yourself held in the awful grip of the very circumstances of life, when you thought you were going to succeed and get ahead. That is what happens to rebels. Their heart is brought down with labor. Their very efforts to succeed result in their own destruction.

"And they fell down, and there was none to help." So they are brought to the very low level of crying, and that is the purpose of this law of lovingkindness in its operation. It is to bring men to the low level of crying. "Then they cried unto the Lord in their trouble." Down there in their need and distress, rebels against God, they discovered a secret in the operation of God's wonderful law of lovingkindness. They cried unto God. "Then they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and He saved them out of their distresses." He brings them out of darkness. Do you see that the law has turned in its movement? It is moving upward now. They have cried to God. He has delivered them. "He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death and break their bands in sunder." And so they are ready to sing the chorus, "Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men!"

You will notice with each recurrence of this chorus, there is an appropriate word added. In the case of redeemed rebels, this is the word, "For He hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder." They know; they have experienced it. And no one can sing and shout about sundered bars and broken gates like the people who have been through the experience, who have felt the awful bondage, and who have come into glorious liberty.

The next class is specified in verse seventeen. Fools! "Fools because of their transgression and because of their iniquities are afflicted." Fools are not necessarily folk who are mentally deficient. They are folk that keep on sinning until they get hurt. They plunge on blindly in their chosen course until they strike their head against a stone wall and get hurt. "Their soul abhorreth all manner of meat; and they draw near unto the gates of death." Do you see the law of lovingkindness working on fools, bringing them down? "They draw near unto the gates of death." They feel themselves slipping down the incline, they see

the icy shadow of those awful gates rising directly above. They are about to be taken in. Down there they discover the level. Thank God. "Then they cry unto the Lord in their trouble, and He saveth them out of their distresses." Even fools can cry and get saved.

There is a popular doctrine today that applies to the conduct and behavior of our young folks. It speaks on this wise. "Let youth find its way. Let youth experiment in all the fields of experience until they discover for themselves." There is something in my soul that rises up in rebellion against that doctrine. I have boys and girls of my own growing up, and I am sufficiently interested in the boys and girls of other parents to want to stand at the cross roads and cry to the youth of today, "Avoid the broad way that leads to destruction. Take the narrow way that leads to life. If you try out all the avenues of life, you will strike your head against a stone wall, and then struggle back with a broken body and a defiled spirit, in an endeavor to discover the true way of life." God help our saved and Spirit-filled youth of today to hold up the standard and point the youth of the land to the way of life, to the glorious salvation that is in Jesus Christ.

Well, when fools cry, the Lord saves them and delivers them. "He sent His word and healed them." How wonderful that God should speak His word to bring fools up out of their distresses and their great need, but He does it, and I am wondering if we appreciate this Holy Word of Truth as we should—this marvelous Word by which we are begotten again, by which we are sustained in life.

When a man by the name of Cornelius became sufficiently concerned about his relation to the true and living God, God got concerned and sent an angel all the way down from the throne of God to his house. The angel entered and stood face to face with him. Some people think that would be enough to guarantee his salvation. I have met some people who took that as sufficient evidence of salvation. If they had had a vision, if they had seen an angel, if they had seen heaven opened in a dream, surely they were saved. The angel stood before Cornelius and told him he was a visitor from the throne of God, commissioned by God Almighty. He practically confessed his impotence to do anything for Cornelius with regard to his salvation. "But," he said, "if you want to be saved, you will have to send for a man by the name of Peter, who, when he comes, will tell you what to do." And when Peter got there, he told them "words," and as he spoke them, they inspired faith. The heavenly lightning flashed, and things took place faster almost, in that gathering, than could be recorded.

"He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions." And even the fools join in the chorus when they get redeemed, "Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men!" The appropriate word given in connection with the fools when they get redeemed and sing the chorus is, "And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing." That is all the job God gives to a fool when he gets redeemed—just to thank the Lord and tell it out. And so the law of lovingkindness has reached the fools, brought them down to the level of crying, and brought them up to the plane of rejoicing, shouting—telling the story.

The last class is mentioned in verse twenty-three. "They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters." I have no doubt this refers to seafaring men primarily. They learn some things about God, and many of them discover the crying level in the midst of distress in the seas. But I believe we can apply this in a secondary sense to the busy folks on the sea of life. Life is like a sea, and there are plenty of busy people on it. Busy people accomplish things. I believe God loves busy people. I am sure He puts no premium upon laziness. But, you know, busy people are subject to peculiar temptations. Busy folks are in danger of forgetting God. They plan, they work hard, they see their plans realized, but sometimes they do not realize that is necessary to depend upon God, and so we read concerning these busy folks that God "commandeth and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof (on the sea of life). They mount up to the heavens." Waves mount up, and so do the circumstances of life. They move upward sometimes. Even in the life of a preacher, sometimes everything seems to be moving in the right way. Going up! Ambition isn't a bad thing, and ambition isn't confined always to young preachers. Sometimes the older preachers have ambition, and how happy they are when everything is moving upward, just as a wave on the sea. Waves going up!

"They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths." The bottom drops out. The last three years have seen the bottom drop out of a great many things. Some people could not stand to see that, but the vicissitudes of life are such that sometimes when we hope that everything is going our way, things begin to go down. And so it is with the busy people of life. They dream about the realization of that thing they have desired for years, and suddenly the bottom drops out. "Their soul is melted because of trouble. They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wit's end." Busy people depend on

their wits. That is how they get through, but here they are brought down so low by the operation of God's law of lovingkindness that even their wits fail. They cannot see their way through.

The vision is gone and the dream of a lifetime is dashed into oblivion. There is no possibility of realizing it. Then! Ah, then! Thank God for the circumstances that bring men and women down to the crying level. Some people do not believe in crying to the Lord. They say that it is too old-fashioned and we should suppress our emotions in all our religious engagements. I am old-fashioned enough to believe in crying unto the Lord. "Then they cry unto the Lord in their trouble, and He bringeth them out of their distresses." Hallelujah! "He maketh the storm a calm." Mark it. He does not take them out of the storm. He takes the storm out of them. It is worthwhile getting into a storm once in a while to have God do that.

"He maketh the storm a calm so that the waves thereof are still. Then are they glad because they be quiet." Here is one of the richest gems of Scripture, "So He bringeth them into their desired haven." Did you ever get there that way, when all your dreams were gone, your hope was lost, and you just fell into the everlasting arms? You quit your working, and wire pulling, and scheming, and striving, and just fell back on God. "Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass." The trouble with busy folks is they are working all the time to bring it to pass, and God has to stand by and let His law of lovingkindness operate downward, downward, downward, downward, until they get clear down to wit's end, and then when they cry unto the Lord in their helplessness and distress and need, those mighty everlasting arms get underneath. Remember that scene on the Sea of Galilee where those seasoned sailors could not cope with the sea, the storm was so bad. Then Jesus appeared and spoke the word. There was a perfect calm, and immediately they were at their desired haven. It is a wonderful thing to have God get underneath our load and our need and bring us through.

And now they are ready to sing. The chorus is repeated in verse thirty-one, "Oh that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men!" The appropriate word here is, "Let them exalt Him also in the congregation of the people." People need to know that it is possible to delight ourselves in the Lord and have Him give us the desires of our hearts. It is possible to yield our all, to surrender absolutely to the Lord, and have Him do the thing that we have been striving to do and can't. "And praise Him in the assembly of the elders." This

is a secret the preachers need to know too—that God is able to get under our load, the load that we cannot carry. No one man can do all he sees needs to be done. The average preacher's morning mail is sometimes filled with invitations to join this good effort, and help out in this good project, and lend his influence to this uplifting movement, and so on. He would get bewildered if he should try to do everything he is asked to do. If there is any class of people on earth that needs to find out what God wants them to do, it is the preachers of the gospel of Jesus Christ. We haven't time to do a lot of things, but the business we have to do takes all our time and ought to take it. And so the chorus is sung by the busy people that have discovered redemption and have learned the secret of trusting and committing to God and having Him bring it to pass.

The remainder of the Psalm is occupied by the setting forth of this law of lovingkindness in its general operation. "He turneth rivers into a wilderness, and the watersprings into dry ground; a fruitful land into barrenness, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein. (That is its downward movement.) He turneth the wilderness into a standing water, and dry ground into watersprings. And there He maketh the hungry to dwell, that they may prepare a city for habitation; and sow the fields, and plant vineyards, which may yield fruits of increase. He blesseth them also, so that they are multiplied greatly; and suffereth not their cattle to decrease." That is the upward movement of the law of lovingkindness. "Again, they are minished and brought low through oppression, affliction, and sorrow. He poureth contempt upon princes (princes are exalted ones), and causeth them to wander in the wilderness, where there is no way. Yet setteth he the poor (he that humbleth himself shall be exalted) on high from affliction, and maketh him families like a flock. The righteous shall see it, and rejoice; and all iniquity shall stop her mouth. Whoso is wise, and will observe these things, even they shall understand the lovingkindness of the Lord."

### *Jewish Exiles Welcomed*

Writes Arthur Brisbane in *Capper's Weekly*:

"A little while ago Spain and Portugal said to the Jews, 'We do not want you, get out.' The Jews left, and commercial prosperity went with them to Holland and to England. Time's whirligig takes another turn, and Cuba, controlled largely by men of Spanish blood invites Jews to come from Germany, offering a sincere welcome and easy naturalization as citizens."

When the Jews are right with God they will be right with all nations. Zech. 8:23.

# In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

## NUMBERS BORN ANEW

Pastor B. W. Flanagan, Many, La.: "The Lord has graciously blessed in a meeting conducted recently by the writer, near Milan, Tex. Thirteen were saved, 8 received the Holy Ghost, 5 received Christian baptism, and 15 united with the assembly. God is still blessing His work in that place."

## FLAMING FIRE IN LEBANON

Pastor S. R. McComsey, Lebanon, Pa.: "God has sent us another wave of revival. In the past 3 weeks 8 have been saved, one has received the Holy Spirit, and many have been healed. Last Sunday afternoon Brother Stanley Cooke preached for us on the 'Burning Bush,' and the fire from heaven did fall."

## ODORS FROM BLOOMBURG

Brother V. D. Dial, Doddridge, Ark.: "I have just closed a 4 weeks' meeting 4 miles north of Bloomburg, Tex., at Sand Hill Schoolhouse, in Arkansas. About 44 received the Holy Ghost, and 41 followed Christ in baptism. They are on fire for God. We have services 3 times weekly. Last night there were 22 at the altar seeking help from God."

## PENITENTS THRO' ALTARS

Evangelist D. E. McGinn and party, Anton, Tex.: "We have just closed a precious meeting here in which God met us each night in power. About 72 wept their way to Calvary, 60 received the Holy Ghost, as in Acts 2:4, and 42 followed Christ in baptism. District Superintendent A. C. Bates will be here soon to set the church in order with 41 charter members."

## TWO SWEEPING CAMPAIGNS

Pastor Henry Hoar, Bethel Temple, St. Louis, Mo.: "Evangelist Otto J. Klink came to us for a 3 weeks' meeting last March. God met with us in power. The sermons anointed by the Spirit of the Lord were helpful and encouraging. The children enjoyed the services so much that they could not be persuaded to go to the prayer rooms to make room for the older people. Over 400 signed the Purity Pledge card, and we had the great joy of seeing many saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.

"Our summer campaign was conducted under a large tent on 19th and Angela Streets, by Sister Willa Short and daughter Rosa Mae who came to us July 9. The Lord was present at every service. The evangelist prayed and preached with a burden for lost souls. Her messages brought comfort to many. Over 200 were blessed in a definite way, some finding the Lord Jesus as their Saviour and others receiving the Baptism with the Spirit. Many followed Christ in baptism and united with the church. Throughout the 8 weeks of the campaign, the attendance was good. The children enjoyed the special meetings conducted each week by Rosa Mae. The revival fire continues to burn in the hearts of the people. A great number are seeking the Holy Ghost."

## RAIN ON SHELBY FIELD

Evangelist Russell Thompson and party, Newark, Mo.: "The Lord has given a blessed revival at Shelby. During the 5 weeks about 70 came forward for salvation. The last 2 weeks of the meeting the entire town became intensely interested. Most of those who sought the Lord were men and women above 45 years of age. We intend to establish an assembly there, and plans for a building are already under way."

## HIS WORD IN POWER DESCENDS

Pastor O. E. Farris, Polytechnic Assembly, Fort Worth, Tex.: "We have closed a 3 weeks' revival conducted by Evangelist Mrs. Myrtle Carey, of Fort Worth. Thirteen were saved and reclaimed and 6 received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. God made His message under the anointing of His Spirit a great blessing to the people. Eight followed the Lord in baptism and 7 names were added to the assembly roll."

## "OLD FAITH WITH NEW FERVOR"

Evangelist C. S. Tubby, Stevensville, Ont., Can.: "Have closed a 3 weeks' meeting with Pastor Harry J. Steil, at Ossining, N. Y. Large crowds attended, and on one Sunday night 26 different cities and towns were represented in the meeting. A number were at the altar for salvation, and God was present to heal the sick and afflicted. Much prejudice against the church was broken down."

## OUTPOURING OF GOD'S LOVE

Pastor Archie Lea Henderson, Hobbs, N. Mex.: "We are glad for what God has accomplished here during the past 2 weeks and 5 days. About 27 found the love of God precious to their souls, 6 were filled with the Holy Ghost, and 14 received Christian baptism. The meeting was conducted by Bill McCann, 18-year-old newsboy evangelist, of Amarillo, Tex., and Noah Millsaps, who assisted with music and singing. The church has been benefited, and a great outside interest has been shown."

## BETHEL, SPIRIT-INDWELT, RISES

Brother J. E. Hickman, Dallas, Tex.: "We are glad to report the progress the church is making, both in numbers and in spirit, at Bethel. Pastor and Mrs. Stanley McPherson have taken over the pastorate here, having relieved Brother John Lilley, who did a precious work in our church. The prospects are bright for great advancement. The Lord is already blessing, souls are being saved, and a wonderful spirit of fellowship prevails throughout the entire church. Our Sunday school is showing an increase in numbers every Sunday. Our attendance averages about 200 now, and on Rally Day, Sept. 24, we had 255. The Christ's Ambassadors are also taking on new life. Last Sunday night the C. A. room was filled to capacity. They are raising funds to paint the church and are otherwise active in the service."

## NEW FIELD OF RIPENED GRAIN

Evangelist Thomas R. Justus, La Junta, Colo.: "I have just returned from El Dorado, Ark., where we closed a 2 weeks' revival. Fifteen prayed through to a real experience of salvation. In August I was in a meeting near Alanreed, Tex., a new field. About 43 found the Lord in the salvation of their souls, and the community was deeply interested."

## MANY AWAKENED TO NEED

Pastor S. A. Rice, Pineland, Tex.: "After several years of hard labor and prayer God has sent Brookeland a revival. We began the meeting alone and after a few days Evangelist A. McGuire, of Houston, assisted by Earl Wilson, of Hemphill, Tex., came our way. God wonderfully used them in awakening many in the town to their need of God. About 42 were saved and 11 received the Holy Spirit. Brother McGuire will remain as pastor for the present. I have charge of the assembly at Pineland."

## MIRACLE CREATES FAITH

Pastor and Mrs. Dawkins, Red Mud, Tex.: "We came here in May and began to talk to people about the Lord and to pray for a revival. We secured the help of Brother N. C. Whitlock, of Spur, for this new field. The Word preached under the anointing of Spirit gripped the people and sent conviction deep into the hearts of the sinners; the crowds increased until there was no place to park cars. It is estimated that 800 or 1,000 were present. After 2 weeks Sister Mellie Franklin came and gave the Word; 18 wept their way through to Calvary, 15 received the Holy Ghost, and 5 followed the Lord in baptism. One young man who was possessed with an evil spirit was delivered and filled with the Holy Ghost and is still shouting victory. Many, seeing the wonderful work of God and His power to cast out evil spirits, came to the altar seeking Him. We expect to have the church set in order soon."

## POWER FALLS NEAR PARK

Pastor A. W. Harris, Gran Quivira, N. Mex.: "We came to Gran Quivira last November. After much prayer and fasting we started a meeting in March, which continued only one week. There were 11 saved and 5 were baptized with the Holy Ghost. Shortly after, Brother Irvin Smith, of San Jon, came for another week of revival. The saints were encouraged with the good messages from the Word. Brother Omar Jarrell, of Oklahoma, was with us for 2 weeks. Several were saved and the saints were encouraged. Sister Helen Mann, of Amarillo, began a revival Aug. 20, which continued nearly 2 weeks. There were 7 saved and 6 received this Baptism with the Holy Ghost. Words cannot describe how mightily the power of God fell night after night. We are located near the Gran Quivira National Park. We invite all of the brethren visiting the park, especially ministers in the fellowship, to stop at our assembly."

**REVIVAL CHAIN GRIPPING**

Pastor W. M. Harrison, Lake Charles, La.: "I was called here as pastor in October, 1932. We have had meetings conducted by the following evangelists: George Harrison, Brother Hall, L. M. Joiner, A. N. Burns, R. E. Dunaway, and Sister N. F. Lawson. In all these meetings people were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. In February the assembly was set in order with 38 members, and later 29 more names for the roster were received. A house and lot for \$1150, has been bought by the church and a tabernacle is being built. The site is on the main street close in town. Ministers and saints passing through, invited to visit us at 135 Ryan St."

**SIN-OPPRESSED FIND MERCY**

Evangelist W. E. Atkinson, Springfield, Mo.: "We have been having some successful revivals this summer. We opened a meeting in Fairland, Okla., in July, where large crowds attended and some prayed through to salvation. We then conducted a revival in Duenweg, Mo., where several were saved and the church was built up. We have just closed a meeting in Appleton City, in which the power of the Lord was present to bless and save. Here 13 yielded their lives to God and 16 received Christian baptism. Many times the house was crowded and many stood in the yard eager to hear the Word."

**SOUTHERNERS SPIRIT-TOUCHED**

Evangelist Maud Anderson, Corsicana, Tex.: "During the winter months I preached for a little band of saints at Jester. Two high-school girls were saved and both received the Holy Ghost. During a meeting held later a man 84 years of age prayed through to the Holy Spirit Baptism in his home. Sister Hazel G. Nevitt then assisted me in a meeting in Wichita Falls, and at a few other appointments, and for the past 6 weeks we have been working in Weldon, where we spent 5 weeks in gospel work last summer. There are about 18 faithful saints here; a Sunday school and Christ's Ambassadors class have been organized. Brother W. H. Shrader, of Madisonville, preached the last week of the meeting. We have half enough money pledged to build a church building which the assembly plans to start soon."

**JOYBELLS AT DEDICATION RING**

Pastor Leon J. Frank, Ashtabula, O.: "We closed a very successful revival here recently, Evangelist Basil E. Hillman ministering. From the beginning God poured out His Spirit in power and blessing. Many people from other denominations came to hear the Word in prophecy, which was accompanied by old-time convicting power. For some time we had been praying for a new church home, and we made the change during the campaign, holding our crowds and interest. The last Sunday of the campaign in a glorious meeting the evangelist dedicated our new place of worship. Nine children were consecrated to the Lord. We also observed the communion and received a number into the fellowship of the church. As the service proceeded the Spirit of God descending upon us was greeted with shouting, weeping, and untold joy. God spoke to our hearts in the old-fashioned Pentecostal way. Many people having brought lunch remained all day. In the afternoon at an impressive service at

Lake Erie, 14 were buried with Christ by baptism. In the evening many were ministered to for healing. The altar was filled with seekers. This was Brother Hillman's greatest campaign with us, and our church was put on a footing never before attained. Many left our new church building with expressions of their love for us and of gratitude for the glorious 3 weeks' meeting they had enjoyed. Truly a great fire is burning in Ashtabula. Council ministers passing, give us a call. 4920 S. Main Ave."

**PERSONAL EFFORT EFFECTUAL**

Evangelist J. M. Nelson, Belen, N. Mex.: "The Nelson Evangelistic Party, of Long Beach, Calif., have closed a 3 weeks' meeting at Deming, N. Mex., with the assembly where Jesse Moore is pastor. The Lord worked in a precious way; souls were saved and many believers were blessed and encouraged to renew the fight for Deming. More than 40 homes were visited personally by Sister Nelson, and many people hungry for God were found, who promised to attend the assembly. It was a blessed privilege to work with this pastor who is making great sacrifices in order to preach the gospel at Deming. We are now in a meeting with Sister Neill, at Belen. Mail will reach us here or be forwarded."

**CAR BARN CAUGHT IN FLAME**

A member of the assembly, Callahan, Fla.: "About 5 months ago Edith Alice Owens began a revival in an old car barn here. At that time there was one convert in the Pentecostal faith here. After 3 weeks of prayer a mighty revival began. Many were converted and about 40 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. A dance-hall proprietor asked us to hold services in his place. We did, and God saved and baptized people there, which closed it as a dance hall. We moved our meetings and built an arbor, but someone burnt us out. Now we are planning on building a church. People who are not of our faith are giving money for this new project. We are holding services in homes until we can build. Souls are being saved in our regular services. Many from other churches are coming in, receiving the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. On Sept. 26 Brother A. G. Voight, our District superintendent, set the Callahan Assembly in order."

**FEAST CREATES SOUL-HUNGER**

Evangelist Arthur Robinson, Newburyport, Mass.: "We are now in the middle of the 4th week of this campaign. A number have been saved and about 13 are seeking the fullness of the Holy Ghost. This is a new field, and many of the other denominations who are attending are getting hungry for the Baptism with the Spirit. Our hall has been well filled very night, God has been wonderfully blessing, and we have started a Pentecostal church with quite a few members. The meeting has been well announced through street meetings on almost every street corner in the city, and at other public gatherings, etc. We are leaving as pastors two young sisters, graduates of the School of the Prophets, and ordained to the ministry, Clara Hart and Doris Kernahan."

**GULF BRIDGED AT BRIDGEPORT**

Deacons C. B. Singleton, G. A. Grubby, Joe Van Hoose, and Secretary F. M. Guest, Bridgeport, Tex.: "We have just closed a splendid revival meeting conducted by Evangelist W. L. McGowan, from the Northern California District. For the past few years Bridgeport has not been privileged to enjoy such a revival as this, and there is great joy in the church and community. Forty-six were converted or reclaimed and 28 received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. There was a wonderful rise in the spiritual tide of the entire church. Many messages on prophecy were given from a large hand-painted chart illustrating world conditions. Miss Virgie McGowan, daughter of the evangelist, took a leading part among the young people; grove prayer meetings were organized and in these meetings a number were saved and some received the Holy Ghost. Travail in the Spirit rested heavily on many. After spending more than a year in Texas, Brother and Sister McGowan and daughter are on their way back to Calif. We have no pastor here at present."

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## Forthcoming Meetings

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

**BELLEVILLE, ILL.**—Evangelist Christian Hild, of Fergus Falls, N. Dak., will conduct a revival Oct. 29 to Nov. 19.—L. E. King, 19 N. 37th St.

**PITTSBURGH, PA.**—Evangelist Betty Baylor will hold revival services Oct. 22-Nov. 5, in Bethel Tabernacle, opposite Y. W. C. A., Chatham Street.—Chas. L. Fox, Secretary.

**GREAT FALLS, MONT.**—Dolores Lee Dudley and her mother will conduct a series of special meetings in the Gospel Tabernacle, 213 Ninth St., N., beginning Nov. 5, for 4 weeks or longer.—F. G. Frank, Pastor.

**HORNELL, N. Y.**—Evangelist and Mrs. Ralph Byrd, of Tampa, Fla., will begin a revival campaign at Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 327 Seneca Rd., Oct. 29. Assemblies near, please co-operate.—W. F. Voodre, Pastor.

**NEWARK, N. J.**—Special revival at Bethel Pentecostal Church, 4th and Dickerson Streets, Oct. 29-Nov. 19. Evangelist Hattie Hammond, of Hagerstown, Md., in charge. Each night except Mondays.—Ray Armstrong, Pastor.

**ALTON, ILL.**—Evangelist J. N. Hoover, will be at the Alton Gospel Tabernacle, Oct. 29, for an indefinite stay. He will be assisted by his song leader, Leonard Norville.—S. Clyde Bailey, 912 College Ave., Alton, Ill.

**ARCHER CITY, TEX.**—Evangelist Finis A. Lewis, of Terrell, Tex., will begin revival meeting Nov. 5, at the Assembly Church. Neighboring assemblies are cordially invited to co-operate.—Earl J. Rogers, Pastor.

**CROSBY-IRONTON, MINN.**—Evangelist and Mrs. P. R. Middleton will conduct a campaign beginning Nov. 5, for 3 weeks or longer, at the Crosby-Ironton Gospel Tabernacle. Assemblies near are invited to co-operate.

**HAGERSTOWN, MD.**—Evangelistic campaign at Bethel Assembly, Howard and Spruce Streets, beginning Nov. 5, for 4 weeks, conducted by Evangelist Benjamin Baur, Rochester, N. Y.—Ralph Jeffrey, Pastor, 849 Guilford Ave.

**MONTICELLO, ARK.**—Evangelist Wm. F. A. Gierke, converted lawyer, of Los Angeles, will conduct a prophetic full-gospel revival campaign at the Assembly church, beginning Oct. 22.—Harry E. Shaw, Pastor, 209 Shelton Ave.

**BUFFALO, N. Y.**—Evangelist Loren B. Staats, of Blue Rock, O., will be with us from Oct. 18 for a 3 weeks' campaign at the new Riverside Gospel Tabernacle, 688 Tonawanda St. (Riverside District). Each night except Saturdays, 7:45; Sundays, 11 and 7:30.—Gordon R. Bender, Pastor.

**ATTICA, N. Y.**—Evangelist Mae Eleanor Frey will begin an evangelistic campaign the week of Oct. 22, at the new tabernacle, A. G. Lawton, formerly pastor of the first Baptist Church of Attica, Pastor. Neighboring assemblies are earnestly invited to co-operate. Meetings will continue as long as the Lord leads.

**FARGO, N. DAK.**—The Fox Evangelistic Party will begin a revival campaign Oct. 15, to continue indefinitely, at the Fargo Gospel Tabernacle, 403-7 Ave. N. Each week night except Saturdays, 7:45. Broadcasting daily over KGFK, 9:30-9:20 A. M. and Sundays over WDAY, 9:00-9:10 A. M. Sunday services, 11:00, 6:00, 7:30.—Henry H. Ness, Pastor.

**PAYNESVILLE, MINN.**—Beginning Oct. 29 for 2 weeks or longer, Evangelist and Mrs. R. S. Peterson, of Pelican Rapids, Minn., will conduct a campaign at the Paynesville Gospel Tabernacle. Each night at 8, except Saturdays; Sundays, 10:45 and 7:45.—O. W. Klingsheim, Pastor.

**SEATTLE, WASH.**—An evangelistic Bible conference is now in progress at the Hollywood temple, E. 69th and Eighth Avenues, under the leadership of Evangelist Steurnagel, of San Diego. Each night 7:30, Sundays also at 11 A. M. To continue until Nov. 5, or longer. Pastor and Mrs. Cecil Perks have just resigned to go into evangelistic work.—A. E. Steurnagel, 109 W. Washington, Rosburg, Ore.

**NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**BRIDGEPORT, CONN.**—New England District Council, Pentecostal Church, 285 Wilmot Ave., Nov. 7-8. Including annual business meeting and election of officers for the following year. All assemblies in the District are requested to be represented. Business session Wednesday, 2 p. m. Services, 10, 2 and 7:45 each day. If coming please notify pastor, so he can arrange accordingly.—H. L. Ettinger, Pastor, 1531 S. Main St., Stratford; H. T. Carpenter, Secretary.

**ST. CHARLES, MO.**—The St. Louis District fellowship meeting at Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 6th and Franklin Streets, Oct. 29, 2:30 p. m. Pastor H. Hoar, of St. Louis, will preach. Neighboring assemblies are cordially invited. A. L. Matejka, Pastor.—Emma Pothast, Secretary.

**CLEVELAND, O.**—Annual missionary convention of the Cleveland Pentecostal Church, Nov. 2-19. Evangelist Harry Bowley will be the special speaker. Missionaries will be present the first 10 days, presenting the needs of their various fields.—B. E. Mahan, Pastor, 640 E. 17th St.

**PHILADELPHIA, PA.**—Thirty-ninth Thanksgiving convention, in Highway Mission Tabernacle, Nov. 19-Dec. 3, 19th and Green Sts. Dr. Chas. S. Price will be the special speaker. Week nights at 8:00; Sundays 10:30, 7:30; week days 2:30. Rooms and meals reasonable near church for those from a distance.—Flem Van Meter, Pastor.

**LATIN-AMERICAN COUNCIL MEETS**  
**SAN ANGELO, TEX.**—The fifth annual session of the Latin-American District Council, Nov. 19-23. All are cordially invited. All services in Spanish. We expect Brother Noel Perkin, of Springfield, Mo., to be with us. Gumersindo, Ramirez, Pastor; H. C. Ball, Superintendent.

**BAY CITY, MICH.**—Evangelistic campaign during November in the new concrete tabernacle. Hillman-Helms Evangelistic Party in charge. Pastor has resigned and taken over the work at Wilmington, Ind.—Basil E. Hillman, 767 Henry St., Marion, O.

**ZION, ILL.**—November fellowship meeting, Nov. 6-7, beginning Monday afternoon, at 2:30; Tuesday, 10, 2:30, and 7:30.—Finis J. Duke, Pastor; Arthur Bell, District Superintendent.

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Yoakum Section, Oct. 28-29, Port Lavaca, Port Lavaca Assembly; Houston Section, Houston, Nov. 2-5, Magnolia Park Assembly; Beaumont Section, Nov. 4-5, Port Arthur, Port Arthur Assembly; Lufkin Section, Nov. 11-12, Pleasant Hill Assembly; Tyler Section, Nov. 14-15, Tyler, East Berta Street Church; Greenville Section, Nov. 21-22, Greenville, West Cornelia Street Church; San Angelo Section, Dec. 2-3, Abilene, Abilene Assembly; McCamey Section, Dec. 9-10, Crane, Crane Assembly. All conventions begin at 10 A. M. first day and continue through following day, or days. Ministers and special workers are urged to attend convention nearest to you, for a great time of fellowship and practical work for God.—E. L. Newby, District Superintendent, 2621 W. 26th St., Fort Worth, Tex.

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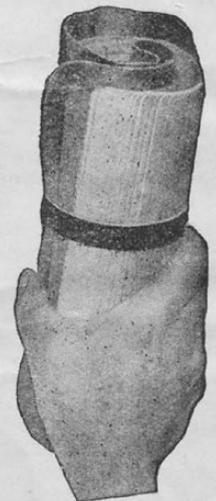
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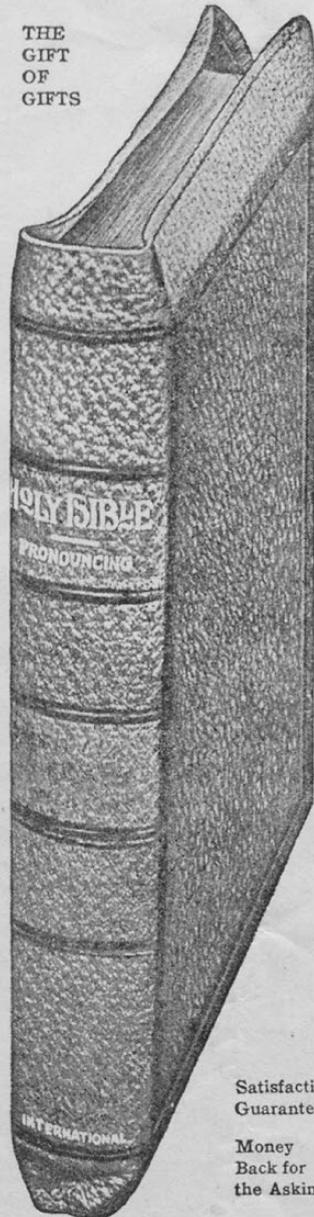
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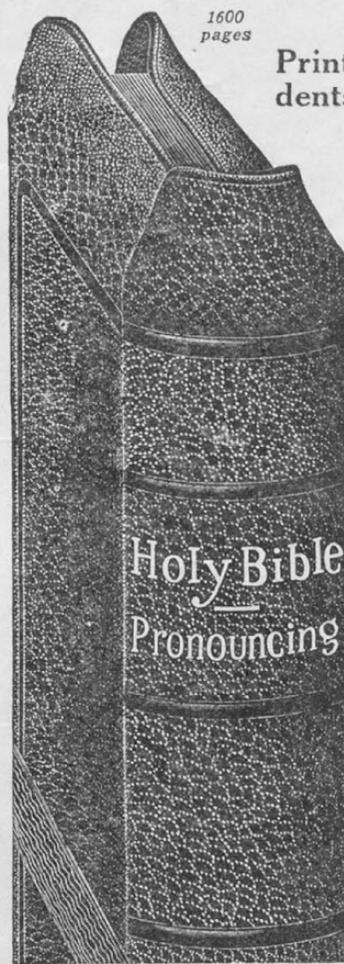
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