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The Days of Noah and Now, and the Mark of the Beast

An address at the Shrine Mosque, Springfield, Missouri, by Dr. J. N. Hoover

WE are today in the most critical period in the history of the world. Never were deceit, immorality, and murder so prevalent. A careful study of current events in the light of prophecy will give us a sane and practical understanding of men and nations, and what we may soon expect. A practical study of world conditions, will not only furnish us the evidence of prophecy, but will keep us sane, spiritual, and efficient in the exposition of the Scriptures. The one who permits himself to become a prophetic fanatic, not only reveals his need of knowledge, but brings about a general misunderstanding which leads to skepticism and infidelity. Too many so-called Bible scholars have plunged into the book of Revelation, and have assumed to teach when they themselves need to be taught. I have found by observation, that not more than one in a hundred who pose as interpreters of the book of Revelation are capable of appearing in a public address upon the subject. It would be more profitable to the preacher, if he would devote himself to the gospel of soul saving.

I am often asked if the "bundle of rods with an ax protruding out of the center," the old "Roman emblem" which Mussolini has resurrected; if Stalin's Red Flag of Russia; if Hitler's Swastika of Germany; or the NRA of the United States is the mark of the beast. In reply I al-



...The Pilgrim Song...

Lo, we can tread rejoicing
The narrow pilgrim road;
We know the voice that calls us,
We know our faithful God.
Come, children, on to glory!
With every face set fast
Towards the golden towers
Where we shall rest at last.

Across the will of nature
Leads on the path of God;
Not where the flesh delighteth
The feet of Jesus trod.
O bliss to leave behind us,
The fetters of the slave,
To leave ourselves behind us,
The graveclothes and the grave!

We follow in His footsteps;
What if our feet be torn?
Where He has marked the pathway,
All hail the briar and thorn!
Scarce seen, scarce heard, unreckoned,
Despised, defamed, unknown;
Or heard but by our singing,
On, children! ever on!

—G. Tersteegen

ways say, I do not know, and I do not believe there is any one who does know. Theories are not facts. But I do believe these dictators with their military systems are preparing the way for a universal dictator who will direct the affairs of men in all nations, politically, commercially, socially, and religiously. This belief is Scriptural. I believe the day is coming, and perhaps soon, when the nations will look to one leader and submit to his decisions. Undoubtedly, the kingdom of Antichrist is rapidly developing, and the innocent people of all nations are being ushered into that system of government, which is certain to develop into the greatest catastrophe man as ever known.

It is not so easy to bring this country under the rule of a dictator as it was for Mussolini to bring his plans to perfection in Italy, or Stalin in Russia, or Hitler in Germany. We who have been reared under the high-floating banner of democracy still feel we have some rights of our own, and I trust we shall always retain these rights. In these depressing times we should have no other thought in mind than to stand unitedly and loyally back of President Roosevelt in his great endeavor to bring peace and prosperity to all people. I believe he is sympathetic. I believe he has a vision of the situation. I believe he is speaking kindly and urging people faithfully to

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The Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer

Arthur J. Moore at Springfield, Missouri

"Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Acts 1:8.

Notice this little pronoun *ye*. "But *ye* shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." It is important that we determine who it is to whom Jesus spoke, what class of people. It was not to the unchurched, the unconverted, that He spoke, but to His own disciples, the nucleus of His kingdom and the builders of His church. He was speaking to disciples who had walked with Him, talked with Him, trusted in Him, and lived with Him.

While the streets of Jerusalem were still crowded with the people who had made up the group that brought death to Jesus, these men, in obedience to the Master's command, went back to the city and spent ten days in earnest prayer. Unconverted men would hardly do that. We have it definitely recorded in that High Priestly prayer given in the 17th chapter of John, where Jesus speaking to the Father about these very men said: "They are not of the world." They had had a definite religious experience.

They had a good theological training. For three years they had been in the world's greatest theological seminary. They had been with Him who spoke as never man spoke before. They got their theology fresh from headquarters. Somebody said that Mark Hopkins on one end of a log and an earnest student on the other end make a university. If Mark Hopkins and a student and a log could make a university what must it have been for Jesus Christ, the everlasting Son of God, to become for three years the Teacher of the twelve. And these men had not been spoiled by their training. They had full heads, but they also had warm hearts. When they got full heads they didn't lose their warm hearts. All of us can have a full head and a full heart at the same time. We used to think that the best way was to have an empty head. In a Georgia camp meeting a man got up and said: "Glory to God, I don't know anything." He should have just said, "Glory to God," for we knew the rest.

These disciples were not serving just for what they could get out of it. One

day Jesus said to the rich young ruler, "Sell all thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me." Jesus never got His disciples by deceiving them as to the price of discipleship. We have not made it hard enough. We do not have enough sacrifice. We used to go down to the Post Office and see a poster of some fine soldiers with magnificent horses, looking out upon peaceful fields. The soldiers were dressed in splendid uniforms, and we read underneath: Wanted for the U. S. Army. The picture suggests that if you enlist you will be given a fine horse, a splendid uniform, a flashing sword, and that you will spend the rest of your days looking out over lovely fields. No, you don't. I know because I joined. The only horse I ever saw was the officer's horse that I had to curry and put in the stable. The shoes I had felt like I was standing on two cornucobs. They don't say anything about that in the picture. They get the men by guile. But Jesus never did that. He says, "If you follow Me the time will come when the world will kill you and do all sorts of things to you in the name of religion." Despite this they followed Him.

So, measured by any fair standard, these men were remarkable. Yet Jesus said to this group in the early morning of the Christian era: "Don't preach a sermon, or build a church, or go out of Jerusalem until you have been filled with the Spirit." Jesus said that, and whatever Jesus said as essential to the first century Christians I believe is essential to twentieth century Christians.

The second word to notice is the word *power*. The word *witness* has deceived us. Talking is the last thing the word witness expresses. In the original the word witness is the word for martyr. This power comes not for chattering, but to give a devotion and loyalty to be so faithful to the Lord Jesus Christ that you will seal it with your death if need be. It is infinitely deeper than talk.

A good many folks read it: "Ye shall receive p-r-o-m-i-n-e-n-c-e after the Holy Spirit has come upon you." It isn't prominence. It doesn't mean public ministry necessarily. I do not know what kind of vessel God will make out of your life. He may make a vessel beautiful, with exquisite markings and beautiful carvings, and stand it in the parlor

of His mansion where everybody will admire it. He may make out of your life an unsightly vessel reserved for the privacy of His own room. The thing that makes any vessel one of honor is not the beautiful carvings—the honor comes from the fact that it is reserved for the Master's use. He may send you out across the seas, or He may send you back to nurse a sick mother, or rear some beautiful babies, or run a store. The glory of the Christian life is that it takes what would otherwise be secular and makes it sacred. The whole round of life is sacred because God is interested in every part.

So we receive power to live such a victorious life that we would die rather than desert or deny Him. Thus by living faithfully and victoriously we become witnesses for Him.

When you talk about power people are always interested. It is one of the fundamental hungers of the human heart. Yet we do not think of power except by addition or multiplication. Well, this spiritual kingdom is a paradoxical thing. We gain spiritual power not by addition or multiplication, but by subtraction. We go up by going down. We go forward by going back. So it was with these disciples. There was chaff that needed to be winnowed out; there was certain dross in their gold that needed to be refined. Prior to Pentecost Peter was a cowardly disciple—he ran away from a girl one time. But after his experience at Pentecost, this same cowardly disciple went out into the streets of Jerusalem and preached a sermon to the multitude, saying, "You have crucified the everlasting Son of God, and if you don't repent and believe on His name you will be damned." The cowardly, vacillating man had been turned into a pillar of iron. It was not by addition—but by something taken out of his nature.

Look at John. One time he went with the Lord to Samaria where they were not received. He said: "If You will call down fire from heaven and burn off one corner of this town then the people will take notice." John wasn't willing to be scoffed at or ignored. He wanted to do something that would call down fire out of heaven. He wanted to build a kingdom by these essentially worldly methods. But after Pentecost this man who wanted publicity wrote a gospel and almost forgot to put his name in it. He said, "That other disciple." All the self-life that craved publicity was gone, and John was willing to decrease so his Lord could increase. He wasn't out for his own praise now. Maybe the church of God would come to spiritual power not by multiplying wheels or adding to its ritual, but by going down in complete consecration and letting the refining fires of the Holy Ghost take out of us our worldli-

ness and our self-life and our love of things.

When the Spirit came upon Jesus the symbol was a dove, but when He came upon the disciples the symbol was tongues of fire evidencing the cleansing process that went on within them. What was the purpose of this purifying? "Ye shall be witnesses!" God knows that I believe we are not giving enough place to Christian testimony. He purposes to make out of us effective witnesses not merely by giving us something to say with our lips, but by our living a victorious life so that it will be a witness for Christ before the world. Most of us do all right when everything goes right. If the road is smooth and the enemies few we get along pretty well. But when we come to a test too many of us fail, and the fact that we fail is a witness against Christ. If we had the power of Christ and the Holy Spirit in our lives as we should, a little thing like that wouldn't knock us down. As long as the road is perfectly smooth we get along all right, but when someone mistreats us we stand and criticize each other. Not much different from the average man or woman! People say there isn't much to it!

There is an old negro song: "Sometimes I'm up, sometimes I'm down, sometimes I'm nearly level with the ground." That ought to be hymn number one in our hymn book. Sometimes we are up and sometimes we are down, but most of us are nearly always just level with the ground. And so people say, "That man (or that woman) doesn't have any power outside of himself. He fails like I fail. He loves the things I love." You see the thing isn't attractive to them. But Jesus said, "I'm going to give you a power that will help you to overcome where other men fail—I'm going to give you power within that will lift you over these difficulties; and the fact that you do not crumple up and fail where other men fail, and that you go on living a life of victory in spite of these difficulties, will prove to the world that I am not lying in a Syrian grave, but that I am alive forevermore."

Jesus said, "Ye shall be witnesses unto Me . . . in Jerusalem." That is at home. That is the test. It is much harder to live a victorious life at home than abroad. The test of a soldier is not parade day when the flags are flying and the band is playing. The test of a soldier is how he acts under fire when the shrapnel is flying, when he doesn't see especially why he should obey orders. A young boy soldier was put on guard in a certain camp. It was night and he was plain scared. Another soldier came by and the boy called out, "Halt! who goes there?" The soldier replied, "A friend." But the boy said, "That's a lie. I ain't got a friend in the world." There are a great many experiences in life where we think:

Why should I be faithful when other people are going where they want to? But it is at Jerusalem where we can carry on faithfully and the people around us will know that Christ is in us.

It doesn't require much faith to be swallowed by a whale. One gulp and you are gone. They put it in the papers and talk about you. But it does hurt to be nibbled to death by a minnow taking a bite out of you, and just when the sore is about healed and quits hurting he comes and takes another one. I want you to see that the promise here is that when that kind of experience comes to you, if the Holy Spirit is filling you, He will bring power to be an overcomer, and He will enable you to live a vic-

Seed Thoughts

Gathered by Alice E. Luce

When we pray, let us *expect the answer*. Many are like the Christians in the house of Mary, who prayed all night that Peter might be released from prison, and when Rhoda confidently affirmed that their prayer was answered, they told her she was crazy.

The comforting part of that story is that although their faith seemed to be an unknown quantity, yet *God gave the answer all the same*. "If we believe not, yet He abideth faithful; He cannot deny Himself." 2 Tim. 2:13.

"We boast of being so practical a people that we want a surer thing than faith; but did not Paul say that the promise is by *faith* that it might be *sure*?" Rom. 4:16.—Crawford.

"The investment of *life* is the most momentous of all human decisions." Young man, young woman, how are you investing yours? See Daniel's *purpose* and his *perseverance* in Dan. 1:8, 21.

When Henry Martyn lay dying in Persia he sent this message to the young men of England: "Tell them to live more with Christ, to catch more of His Spirit; for the spirit of Christ is the spirit of Missions, and the nearer we get to Him, the more intensely missionary we become."

"Blessed is the man who has found his work; let him ask for no other blessedness; he has a life purpose."—Carlyle.

The Tibetans have a proverb: "The foot of the ladder is a poor place to sit down." Our calling as Christians is "still upward . . . still upward . . . still upward." Eze. 41:7.

What a priceless privilege we have to consult our Lord about every detail of life's work! Samuel Rutherford used to say, "I would be undone if I had not access to the King's chamber of presence to show Him all the business."

torious life in Jerusalem until the people who know you best will see Christ in you. The whole purpose of the coming of the Spirit is to reveal Christ. If these experiences do not reveal Him then I am afraid the Spirit has not control of you. The coming of the Spirit does not make Christ strange and unattractive, but He comes to make Christ winsome and attractive.

Listen! When the telephone rings, and the baby cries, and the children must be sent to school, and the book agent comes, and the dishes pile up, and husband is cross (and wife sometimes gets that way), here is an experience that says there is victory right now in Jerusalem, in your own home and neighborhood. The Baptism with the Holy Spirit will make you victorious at home and victorious in the neighborhood; give you a concern for the down-and-outs, a missionary passion that sends you to ends of the earth, and a breadth of spirit that takes in all true believers in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Do you want this experience? If God suggests it to you and you don't want it, tell Him to speak to this poor preacher. I want anybody who knows God to tell me how to know Him better, for this soul of mine is on an eternal quest after the living God. I sometimes feel as though I have hardly broken through the veil. I meet some rare persons who have gone deep into the world of reality. That is what I want. I am not so interested in theology. It is the experience I want in my life and upon my ministry. When the experience comes victory is assured. If we can get the experience we, like the disciples, will "begin." We will begin to serve and obey Him.

Christian Education Needed

According to *Alliance Weekly*: "Warden Lawes of Sing Sing is quoted in *The Presbyterian* as stating that it is his belief that our educational system trains hand and mind, but not character. Whereas the inmates of Sing Sing were seldom graduates of public schools in former years, today the average prisoner boasts of a complete elementary school record. Of new admissions to Sing Sing, 19.5 per cent in 1931 were high-school graduates, while in the first four months of 1932, the ratio rose to 25.2 per cent."

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The Editor's Notebook



Permanent Salvation

Gypsy Smith, the evangelist, inquired of a certain man if he were a Christian. "Yes," said the man, "I have been one on and off for 28 years." Said the Gypsy, "I guess more *off* than *on*." I heard a young Christian worker say, "The thing that troubles me is that so many who seem to have a good experience, afterward backslide." Said an older worker, "The reason for that may be so many are inclined to trust in their *experience* rather than in the *Lord*. Salvation is surely a moment by moment trust in a Saviour who saves to the uttermost and who *Himself* is our light and our salvation. The fact that I received forgiveness of sins 30 years ago would be nothing to me now were not the Lord day by day my life, my righteousness, my holiness, and my all in all. It is not my experience that is my salvation, but it is rather, as we have it in the margin of Psalm 42:5, *His presence* is salvation."

The Walk in the Spirit

It is a blessed thing to receive the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, but after this comes the day by day and moment by moment walk in the Spirit. Says the apostle, "Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh." Gal. 5:16. But before us are always two paths, the way of the Spirit and the way of the flesh. Isaiah says concerning the natural man, "We have turned everyone to his own way"—that is our outstanding sin—but when we turn to Christ it is not to go our own way any longer, but to go only His way. To go "our own way" then is absolute rebellion. We are not our own, we have been bought with a price, and henceforth we must follow the Shepherd who loved us enough to give His life on our behalf. But alas, there are many like Demas. In Philemon 24 Paul refers to him as a fellow worker, but two years later he wrote to Timothy, "Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world." Alas, this "present world" allures many from the narrow path that leads to life.

The Way of Demas

Do you remember how artfully Bunyan introduces Demas into *Pilgrim's Progress*? He has him living by a hill called Lucre, and he is luring pilgrims from the pathway, crying, "Ho, turn away hither, and I will show you a thing. Here is a silver mine, and some digging in it for treasure; if you will come, with little pains

you may richly provide for yourself." "Not I," said Christian, "I have heard of this place before now, and how many have there been slain; and besides, that treasure is a snare to those that seek it, for it hindereth them in their pilgrimage." When Demas persisted with his temptations, Christian said to him, "Demas, thou art an enemy to the right ways of the Lord of this way, and hast been already condemned for thine own turning away by one of His Majesty's judges; and why seekest thou to bring us into like condemnation? Besides, if we at all turn aside, our Lord the King will certainly hear thereof, and will there put us to shame where we would stand with boldness before Him." Surely we all need to pray that wholesome prayer of Psalm 119, "Incline mine heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness."

The "Get Gain" Road

James points out a road into which many swerve. He says, "Go to now, ye that say, today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain . . . for that ye ought to say, *if the Lord will*, we shall live and do this, or that." What is the motive of this going hither and yon? *To get gain*. And the will of the Lord is not consulted when such an important matter as that of getting gain is concerned. Yet after all, is not the will of God the only thing worth while, and in the long run, the only thing that counts? Incidentally thousands have found the way of the will of God to be the way of financial prosperity, and thousands more have found going their "own way" to be the broad way that leads to bankruptcy. I am always solemnized with the importance of doing the will of God when I read the Master's word in Matt. 7:21. Here we see a religious crowd who come to gain entrance to the kingdom. They tell Him that they have prophesied in His name, that in His name they have cast out devils, and done many wonderful works. But the Master's word to them is this, "Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." And the fate of this self-willed people who choose their own way in preference to the will of God is to be eternally shut out of His glorious kingdom.

God's Diminishings

Men always wish for prosperity and

"to get gain," but it is a part of the loving kindness of the Lord to bring some down to poverty. We see this in Psalm 107:39, "Again they are minished and brought low." It is the kindness of the Lord to take away the riches of some, because He knows they are inclined to trust in them. Since the depression I have had so many letters, "Do pray for us. Unless something happens, we are about to lose all our property." I am reminded of an old farmer who was sold out of everything, but they left him one old motto on his walls, on which were the words, "Thou remainest." Thank God, He does! I know this from experience, for after a time of great financial prosperity He brought me down to a place where I did not have a penny in the world, and then He began to prove to me what a faithful Provider He is. And though all earthly things go, I know that He will never fail to take care of those who are His own. He says to us, "Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed."

The Danger of Prosperity

Someone may ask, "But does not the Word say that He takes pleasure in the prosperity of His servants"? Yes, the Lord gives prosperity to some, but the test of earthly prosperity is a far greater one than that of poverty. Some years ago I used to kneel and pray each night with a humble couple who were as poor as church mice. But someone helped them to get into a business where they made a good deal of money. Then that Scripture was fulfilled, "Jothun waxed fat and kicked." There was no longer the humility; alas there was a pride like unto that of Nebuchadnezzar. The evening prayers went, and everything else that was spiritual. But now in the depression the Lord has been kind enough to bring them back to poverty again and I am praying that they will get back to God. Let us follow the Lord wholly whether He allows us to be abased, or whether He permits us to abound.

By-Path Meadow

Bunyan pictures an experience common to many when he tells us of Christian and Hopeful wandering into By-Path Meadow. They were soon captured by Giant Despair and thrust into a cell in Doubting Castle. The giant, after he had laid stripes upon them, suggested that they kill themselves. Later he threatened to pull them to pieces, but they heard a voice giving them the word of Jeremiah 31:21, "Let thine heart be toward the highway, even the way thou wentest, turn again." And so the story goes, "On Saturday about midnight they began to pray and continued in prayer until almost break of day. Now a little before it was day, Christian, as one half

amazed, brake out in dispassionate speech: 'What a fool,' quoth he, 'am I thus to lie in a stinking dungeon when I may as well walk at liberty! I have a key in my bosom called Promise that will, I am persuaded, open any lock in Doubting Castle.' Then said Hopeful, 'That is good news; good brother, pluck it out of thy bosom and try.' Then Christian pulled it out of his bosom and began to try the dungeon door whose bolt gave back and the door flew open with ease, and Christian and Hopeful both came out." Thank God there is a way back to God's highway. It is by Promise Lane, Repentance Alley, and Confession Street.

How to Know His Will

Some may ask, "How may I know the will of God?" His Word is His will, and you will be safe in giving implicit obedience to His Word, especially to the instructions of the epistles, which are the revealed will of God for His church. Said the Psalmist, "Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors." Psalm 119:24. And he prays, "Order my steps in thy word." Psalm 119:133. Visions and voices may deceive and lead astray, but the seven times purified Scriptures of Truth never will, but will always point the way which leads to life.

The aged Paul warned his young disciple Timothy that evil men and seducers—those who would lead into wrong paths—would wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. How could Timothy be saved from these subtle deceits? The apostle tells him, "Continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of . . . that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

Directed Paths

Ask the Lord to show you His will, and He will not fail to do so. Do not take the attitude of Ahaz who said, "I will not ask." He does not want any of His own to have an off and on experience, but He has promised to guide His own along the right path all the way. Appropriate His promise in Psalm 23 to lead you in the paths of righteousness for His own name's sake. Always be dependent on the Shepherd. Solomon declares, "In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths." And the Lord Himself gives us this assurance, "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye." Psalm 32:8.

The Things That Are God's

A group of German Christians are protesting against attempts to Hitlerize Christianity. According to *Elim Evangel*: "The leader of the evangelical Christians is one named Nieumoeller. He was a submarine commander during the war but is now an earnest evangelist, standing for the whole Bible. The evangelical Christians are so vigorously fighting for liberty of worship and Bible Christianity that one paper says: 'The familiar figure of the Christ of the gospels has defeated the heroic Christ of the German Christians in the great civil war for the soul of the German Protestant Church.'"

When Cæsar demands the things that are God's (Matt. 22:21) then the Christian must answer, in the words of Karl Barth (noted German theologian) "I say, No!"

Where We Have Failed

Max I. Reich, writing in the *Hebrew Christian Alliance Quarterly*, laments the little that is being done for the Jews in America. He states, "The situation in America is serious in all conscience. The second generation of the Jewish people who have sought the shelter of these hospitable shores is fast becoming de-Judaized without becoming Christian. I tremble for the de-Judaized Jews who cannot live without the restraints and hold-fasts of religious faith and religious habits. Without religion the Jew goes down and becomes worse than others, as a corruption of the best is always the worst corruption." We seem to have forgotten that the gospel of Christ "is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."

Humiliation of Jewish Children

According to the *Prager Presse*, Count Sforza relates the following incident. "Here is a scene in a girls' class in a Berlin school. The teacher wants to demonstrate the 'typical marks of the Jewish race' on the living object. So she calls a Jewish girl out in front of the class and asks the girls to name these features. The girls point out one after another the hooked nose, the round head, the frizzy black hair, the thick lips—then they stop, unable to think of anything more. The teacher looks round the class. 'Nothing else?' she asks. Silence. 'Well,' the teacher raises her voice, 'and what about the deceitful look?' The little Jewess flushes deep red and is sent back to her seat."

Surely the ancient curse of the Law that disobedient Israel should become a proverb and a by-word is being fulfilled. But true followers of Christ will stand with God's unfortunate people in sympathy and prayer.

The Passing and the Permanent

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

The Trend of the Times

The editor of the *Nation* declares that when that magazine went Communistic it doubled its circulation. Said the inspired apostle: "The mystery of iniquity doth already work."

The Doom of Democracy

Stanley Baldwin, English statesman, declared that Americans are "practically under a dictatorship." In the last days one satanically inspired will claim the knowledge; but the only man "good enough" to be Dictator is the "Man Christ Jesus." Isa. 11:1-4.

Two Thousand Baptized

According to Paul B. Peterson, president of the Russian & Eastern European Mission, God has greatly blessed the work of their missionaries in Poland during the past year, and some 2,000 have been baptized in water on confession of faith. We are grateful for these evangelical efforts that are being so successful in Europe. But a day may come before long when Europe is once more plunged into a great war again, and the work of evangelism will be greatly handicapped. Let us labor while we can for "the night cometh when no man can work."

The Power of the State

According to the Nazi law which went into effect Jan. 1, it is estimated that about 400,000 defectives will be sterilized. Without commenting on the merits of the question, we see in this law an index to the growing power of the government over the lives and affairs of those governed, and a prophecy of the time when the State shall claim *supreme power* over men, even in regard to their consciences. That will be the policy of Antichrist who will demand worship.

Human Bombs

Writes Keith L. Brooks in *Prophecy*: "In Japan's next war, according to the Tokyo correspondent of the *London Daily Herald*, Japanese torpedoes of the new type will each contain a volunteer. He will steer the torpedo intelligently to its mark and magnificently blow up with it 'as did the Japanese human bomb at Shanghai.' Thus war becomes more beastly and human blood becomes as cheap as water. How refreshing to read of the Messiah's coming reign: 'Precious shall their blood be in his sight.' (Psa. 72:14). No more will human blood be poured out upon the fields of battle."

I Am the Lord that Healeth Thee

Testimonies of those who have proved Him

Healed of Cancer

Last September (1932) I took sick. The doctor finally said she could do nothing more without an operation. Another doctor was called and he said I had cancer of the womb, and advised an immediate operation as the medicine would only give me temporary relief. My husband asked our pastor, Jesse Van Winkle, Route 1, Karnes City, Texas, to come to see me. This was about the first of February. I began at once to improve. He asked me to read the whole of Hebrews 11. I did so, the power fell, and I shouted the victory. I am in good health and have no more trouble with it.—Mrs. Phil Wiley, Karnes City, Texas.

Ed. note: In response to a letter of inquiry, Pastor Jesse Van Winkle writes as follows regarding the above testimony: "I prayed for her and she began to get better at once. In a few days she was up. She told my wife, after I received your letter of inquiry, that she got complete healing that day, and has never felt a pain since. She is a member of our church and, so far as I know, she is living for God. She gives a good testimony."

Broken Bones Healed

Last February I was called to pray for Walter Barr who had just been brought in an ambulance from the hospital. He had five broken ribs and the doctors had just said he had tuberculosis. He had a high fever and coughed every breath, in great agony. He had not been sober, his mother told me, for two years. He repented of his evil life, gave his heart to God, and when he had done so I prayed for his healing. His fever vanished at once and his cough abated. The next day he was out in the yard. As soon as prayer was offered he became hungry, having eaten nothing for three days, and ate a hearty supper. Then he slept all night. In a few days the doctors took off the plaster cast and to their amazement found the broken ribs as sound as though they had never been broken. He has been farming all summer.—(Mrs.) Annie Orms Gray, 4419 S. 8th St., Louisville, Ky.

This is to certify that this miracle took place as stated by Sister Gray. Signed by the mother and stepfather of Walter Barr.—A. J. Bush, Lilly Bush, 3701 Center Street.

Healed of Female Trouble

For seven years I suffered and finally came to be so inflamed that I could not bear to have the floor of the room jarred

where my bed was. I was examined by seven doctors in that time, four of them in the space of six weeks, and they all told me an operation was my only hope for relief. After visiting the last doctor I spent two days and nights prayerfully studying God's Word about healing. I decided to trust my body to the Lord for healing and sent for Brother and Sister Lightford of McKinney, Texas. They came and prayed for me, anointing me with oil as commanded in James 5:14. God came on the scene and wonderfully healed my body.—Mrs. Daisy Nash, Farmersville, Texas.

Ed. note. The above testimony was received in August, 1933. In response to our letter of inquiry we had a letter from Sister Nash in the middle of November in which she says, "I am now free from female trouble. I do my housework, wash and sew for a family of six, and have even made a regular field hand, picking cotton all fall. I give God all the glory for my healing. O if weak, suffering women would only trust God as their surgeon."

Gangrene Healed

When my mother was 79 years old her great toe became infected—caused by a burn. It distressed her so extremely that I began picking at it and taking out pieces of hard, porous substance, until I had picked out seventeen pieces. Becoming alarmed I hurried to a doctor who said it was gangrene and that I had been picking out the bone. He said the more I picked out the better, as nothing could be done for her on account of her age. He said when the pain became too severe he would give her something until the end came. But I did not accept that as final.

At my insistence Brother Lucas, our pastor then, and two elders came and prayed for her. That night the toe turned perfectly black, but the next morning it looked like a new toe. She is 85 years of age now. The toe slants where I removed the bone. The shock from an earthquake nearly took her from us this last spring, but again the Lord heard prayer.—Leona M. Harrington, Route 2, Box 746, Compton, Calif.

Ed. note: Attached to the above healing testimony is the following: "I can vouch for this testimony as I saw the condition before she was healed, and have seen her many times since. I know the toe was healed.—Mrs. E. L. Taylor, 4121 East 5th Street, Long Beach, Calif."

Serious Ailments Healed

December 18, 1932 my daughter Leona, who was working in Milwaukee, Wis., took seriously ill. The doctors told her that unless she had an operation within three days there would be no hope of her recovery. Her organs were all diseased and he said so inflamed that peritonitis would set in. A telegram apprised me of the state of affairs. I requested prayer and then left for Milwaukee. I found her better; brought her home and had an X-ray picture taken. The doctor making the examination declared there would have to be an operation; but we kept standing on God's promises and God completely healed her without human aid. She has been back at work since January 26.—Mrs. C. W. Powell, 603 West Word Street, Brookfield, Mo.

Ed. note. The above testimony is sent in by Wm. Andrews, Sister Powell's pastor, who says, "The doctors here took an X-ray picture, and later said a miracle had been performed. It has now been over six months and she is still at work." A letter from the girl herself says: "I am thankful to say the testimony is true. I was wonderfully healed, have been back at work ever since, and feeling fine. I realize that prayer did it.—Leona Powell, 2104 North Booth Street, Milwaukee, Wis."

Healed of Serious Stomach Trouble

In December, 1932 I took sick and was in bed three months under the treatment of two doctors. I had stomach trouble; could not digest my food. At last I was on a milk diet; but it would sour on my stomach. I had spells with my heart so that I could hardly breathe. I would get cold all over and my body would go to sleep. It seemed to me I should die in every one of these spells. The doctors' treatments were doing me no good. All of this time the saints were praying for me and I knew that unless God helped me I could not live. Finally I told the Lord I would let all medicine alone if He would heal me, and called for my Pastor, J. A. Thomas to pray for me and anoint me. God healed me and I feel fine. I can do more work than at any time before in the past fifteen years. I am also gaining in weight.—Mrs. O. A. Howell, Borger, Texas.

Ed. note: We wrote to Pastor J. A. Thomas, sending him the testimony as set out above, asking him what he knew about it. Here is his reply: "Sister O. A. Howell is a member of my church and we have the utmost confidence in her. We find that the healing she writes about is still holding good."

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At a Swedish "Church Meeting"

Donald Gee

When preaching to both American and British congregations I have often referred appreciatively to the "Assembly Meetings" for members only, held weekly in the large Pentecostal churches of Continental Europe. Pastors have frequently asked me the question; "But what do they *do* in those meetings?" The average church meeting as we know it in most English speaking assemblies is usually devoted to business and discussion, and quite easily proves a bane rather than a blessing. An annual, rather than a weekly, occasion is sufficient!

Having just returned to my room after attending the regular Monday night assembly meeting of the great "Filadelfia" Pentecostal assembly in Stockholm, I purpose to write a brief account of the actual transactions this evening. It has been a good specimen meeting.

We began at 8 p. m. with a hymn; after which Pastor Lewi Pethrus read and briefly commented upon, the 95th Psalm.

Another of the pastors then read some special requests for prayer, and also quite a number of letters of praise. To several of the latter there was attached a tangible thank offering in the form of a gift of money to the Lord's work, either at home or abroad, and the mention of these sums brought forth much praise to God. There was then a brief time of congregational prayer, especially for a leading member of the choir very sick. Most knelt for prayer.

The next item was the reading of letters of commendation for new friends joining the Stockholm assembly from other assemblies. This was followed by the granting of similar letters for Stockholm friends moving to other parts. Each case was officially put to the meeting in a businesslike way for confirmation, or otherwise.

A most solemn incident that followed was the declaration of two names to be removed from the membership because of an unworthy Christian walk. The testimony of the assembly without is jealously guarded. The official confirmation of the church was not given until elders had sadly reported on their personal visitation of the cases under consideration. Before passing on, the whole company spent an impressive few minutes in earnest prayer for God to heal this backsliding. All was done in a spirit of love.

Then followed a most interesting item;

the testimonies before the whole assembly present (about 2,000 on this night), of those who desired baptism in water with a view to membership. There were 11 sisters and 3 brothers. The ordeal of speaking before such a great congregation may well be imagined, yet each one seemed to do so without hesitation. Some of the testimonies provoked a chorus of "Hallelujahs." One young man had been a Socialist until recently. The power of the Spirit fell upon one sister as she was leaving the platform, and opened a full

A Three Minute Sermon

The Peaceful Mind

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee." Isa. 26:3.

Bring your mind to God; bring it to Him daily and hourly, and daily and hourly He will fill it with its true treasure.

All nature exists in vain where there is no peace in the mind. Wherefore are the skies blue, and the earth green, and the mountains sublime, and the rivers joyful, if there be not peace at heart? The flowers have no perfume, the birds no song, the voice of man no charm, where the mind which they were created to please is without susceptibility to their benefits. Bring me not the fruits of the earth, nor precious stones, nor thousands of gold and silver, nor the votive offerings of a nation. Bring me peace, restore my disorganized mind. Till then, I have ears, but they hear no music; eyes, but they see no beauty; an understanding, but it grasps not truth; feet, but they move with no alacrity.

Ah! it is only He that made your mind, that can restore it. He has made the mind for peace; and He has made peace for the mind, *perfect peace*. Perfect, as contrasted with any peace that the world can give. Perfect, because it is a holy peace; sin has nothing to do with it. Perfect, because enduring. Perfect, as being Christ's own peace. "My peace I give unto you,"—*the peace of God*.

The mind of man must be stayed on something greater than itself. *It must be stayed upon the great mind of God*. A house can better do without a foundation; a monument without a pedestal; an infant without the parents' arm.

"Thou wilt keep him." These words express the covenant of God; and faith in that covenant.

Pentecostal floodgate in the whole assembly for a few minutes. After each candidate had testified, the assembly were asked if they had any questions, before accepting them.

Five new names were then proposed of those who should come before the assembly in this same manner the following week, and two of the elders always appointed to visit such applicants personally gave their reports. Two new members, already baptized, were welcomed into fellowship, the whole assembly upstanding.

An announcement was then made of the death of one sister during the preceding week; and as she was well known as the wife of the chief caretaker, there was general sympathy and interest of a special character. It was very beautiful that united *thanks* was offered for her victorious passing. Her last words had been, "If Jesus goes with me I'll go, anywhere." The widower, who is deeply loved and respected by all, then spoke some touching words of personal thanks and testimony that blessed and moved the hearts of all.

A few assembly notices followed: Rooms in the city were needed for Bible school students; The sisters of the assembly requested permission for a night of prayer, which was readily granted.

A very practical part of the meeting was an offering taken up at this point for the poorer members, to which all gave heartily.

After that it was the privilege of the writer to convey the official greetings of the Pentecostal brethren in both America and Britain. These were received with much appreciation and praise.

Pastor Lewi Pethrus then closed by giving a report of a recent visit he had made to the South of Sweden, where in one place a Congregational, a Baptist, and a Pentecostal Church had united into one big assembly because all had become "Pentecostal." The result had been—*revival*. The report gave great joy.

It hardly seemed possible that by this time it was 10 p. m. for the interest had been so keen throughout that the time sped by very rapidly. I might mention that a large body of elders and deacons (this great assembly of over 3,000 members has 16 of the former, and 25 of the latter) sat on the platforms with the pastors. It is at these meetings that they usually hold the communion service, though we did not break bread on this occasion.

When one reflects that such weekly gatherings as this have been going on for nearly 20 years, it brings home with new force the reality and power of the return to New Testament Christianity produced by the present blessed Pentecostal revival.

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN.

A Pattern for An Overcoming Life

"And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

A. H. Argue



In these the closing days of this age, when Satan is going about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour, and when every man's work is being tried, and everything shaken that can be shaken, God's children need to be careful to build on a sure foundation, and to be carefully equipped with the whole armor of God.

In Revelation 12:11 we have a true pattern of an overcomer. "And they overcame him (Satan) by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony, and they loved not their lives unto the death." Here we can see the great value of having faith in the blood of Christ, and of the word of our testimony in witnessing for Jesus. Jesus told those whose names were written in heaven (Luke 10:20), and who were clean through the Word (John 15:3), of something more for them. "But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, in Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Acts 1:8. It is very important that we too receive this endowment of power, the gift of the Holy Ghost, if we are to be His witnesses. John the Baptist, in announcing the first coming of Jesus, came as His witness with a similar message, saying, "I indeed have baptized you with water, He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost."

If we are faithful in witnessing unto Christ, and overcome through the merits of the all-atoning blood of the Lamb, we are a victorious people, and the overcomers' promises are ours.

Jesus said, "He that overcometh and keepeth my words unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations, and he shall rule them with a rod of iron." What a striking promise! It applies both to Christ and to us as an overcoming people. Rev. 2:27; 19:15. Again we read, "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God." Wonderful privilege, being a tower of strength to the whole church of Christ.

"To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne even as I also overcame and am set down with my Father in His throne." What more could Christ do? There are seven promises given to the overcomer in the second and third chapters of Revelation, and

with each promise is this strong exhortation, "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches." We should especially note the comforting promise given to the Philadelphia church, and which is for us, "Because thou hast kept the word of my patience (or defended my Word), I also will keep thee from (not, in) the hour of temptation which shall come upon all the world to try them that dwell upon the earth." To this special overcoming church Jesus sends out a signal, "Behold I come quickly. Hold fast that which thou hast that no man take thy crown." Rev. 3:10-12.

No mere profession of religion will suffice in these days. God must have our best if we want His best.

Caleb *wholly* followed the Lord, and because of this he and his children possessed the good land. Joshua too possessed it, and caused Israel to inherit it. To him the Lord said, "Moreover, your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, and your children which in that day had no knowledge between good and evil, they shall go in thither, and unto them will I give it, and they shall possess it." Deut. 1:35-39. This is surely a wonderful encouragement for parents to wholly follow the Lord.

Let us keep in mind, even though we attain the highest possible experience, and have received certain gifts of the Spirit, until possibly it seems that we, like Paul, have been caught up into the third heaven, that all these experiences will not assure us of the victorious life. We must wholly follow the Lord, and continue to have that overcoming faith in the merits of the precious blood of Christ.

How necessary to have a constant communion with Christ, and walk with God. "If we walk in the light as He is in the light . . . the blood of Jesus Christ, his Son, cleanseth us from all sin." May we be wise unto salvation. Daniel said, "They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness" (in witnessing for Him) "as the stars for ever and ever."

In closing, we are reminded of how John tenderly counsels us in these words, "And now little children, *abide* in Him, that when He shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before Him at His coming."

The Days of Noah and Now; and the Mark of the Beast

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fall in line with the great program. At the present time he is dealing tenderly, thoughtfully, cautiously for us all. I wish I could say that much for General Hugh Johnson, but he is a man of another type with another vision.

In the study of world conditions, which seems to be developing into "the Mark of the Beast," I call your attention to a statement of the Lord Jesus found in Matthew 24:37, "As the Days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." And the second Biblical statement I wish to consider is found in Revelation 13:16, 17. "And he causeth all (that is the beast who is the Anti-christ) both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their hand, or in their forehead, and that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name."

There is sufficient evidence, that conditions throughout the world today are as they were in the days of Noah. I believe the people in the days of Noah were progressive, and that inventions were common. They were undoubtedly an educated people but they were ungodly, and such is the condition today. This is the chief cause of the distress and depression now sweeping over the world. Ungodliness is the chief cause of the distress and depression of today, and that was the sin of the people in the days of Noah. In the study of world conditions, I want you to keep in mind the mark of the beast, or the developing of the Anti-christ kingdom, which is described in the 13th chapter of Revelation.

MERGERS among the larger banks of the nation in the last ten years have had no small part in bringing about a tremendous complication and stagnation in commercial lines. Refusing to aid smaller banks in time of need, together with bank officials' extravagant speculation with the people's money, is largely responsible for the many bank failures. Between 1921 and 1930, there were 6,987 bank failures in the United States, representing a loss of \$2,586,000,000. Today we have in the United States 27 percent less banks than we had ten years ago. Between 1929 and 1933 practically one bank in every five in this country closed its doors. All through the world there is a merging of business interests, forecasting that in days to come the whole of the world's business will be in the hands of a few. It will then be easy for a world dictator to gain control of the whole business world.

CRIME and lawlessness of every kind is sweeping the world today as never before. God could look upon the wickedness of man in the days of Noah no long-

er and the flood was inevitable. Conditions now are rapidly becoming as they were then and God will speak once more. The people in the days of Noah knew of God but they did not obey him and so is it today.

Crime costs the United States the appalling sum of \$13,000,000,000 annually, which is 50 times what it costs Great Britain. A murder was committed in the United States every 44 minutes last year. Crime has increased in the States in the last ten years 300 per cent, and there seems to be no system capable of checking the murderous tide. We have in the United States more murderers than we have clergymen of all our denominations. More murderers than we have male teachers in our schools, editors, reporters, and writers. The mark of the beast in lawlessness is a sure sign of the near approach of his kingdom.

STEALING. According to statistics, burglars have increased in our country 1,300 percent in the last ten years. Yale locks and steel vaults are trifling things in the path of today's burglars. There is an average of 100 automobiles stolen every day at the present time in Chicago. According to a Chicago daily, Chicago is suffering an annual loss of \$10,000,000 from automobile thefts and 75 percent of the auto thefts are by boys between the age of 16 and 24. Racketeering in every line of business is a common system of operation today.

DIVORCES. In some of our States it is easier to get a divorce than it is to get a marriage license. Five divorces were granted in twenty minutes in Reno recently. Judge Sabath of Chicago in his 16 years on the bench has heard 50,000 divorce suits. Divorces have increased in the United States in the last twenty years 140 percent. This condition is on the rapid increase and home life is fast becoming a thing of the past. The days of Noah are being repeated.

SOCIAL VICE. Every fourth person, says the Chicago Health Institution, has a social disease. In a leading city six venereal disease clinics were kept busy doctoring 1,618 cases of syphilis. According to reliable reports more than 400,000 die with this disease every year. Social disease has become so common and serious that bathing beaches, dancing halls, and drinking places, have been declared exceedingly dangerous. Recently 300 husbands in a city in New York State asked the county prosecutor to keep their wives out of gambling houses. In a raid upon such a place out of 300 gamblers 290 were women. Gambling, drinking, stealing, adultery, and murder have been common in all ages, but never so audacious and destructive as today. Does not the Scripture say, "Evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse deceiving and being deceived"? What the

world needs today is Jesus; but Him they will not receive.

MODERNISM. I now come to what I believe to be the greatest cause of the present depression which is sweeping the nations, namely Modern Theology. Modern Theology is thoroughly unorthodox and is more responsible for the absence of young people from the church than all the moving picture shows. Too many of our churches have become an ethical society instead of a soul saving station. Infidels masquerading in the pulpit are doing more harm than all the theories of evolution. Modernists declare, "We have learned not to think of the Bible as the final and infallible word of authority and have come to see that we need no such authority." They say that the Bible has all the marks of a human composition, that man is under a process of evolution; and that "Christ was a master product of evolution." What blasphemy! Within such a realm of religious activities, bolsheviks, atheists, evolutionists, and infidels find ample room for operation. Some men are so broad they are flat, so liberal they are ridiculous, and so conceited they are blasphemous.

INFIDELITY is the greatest sin of all sins. It was unbelief in the Word of God that sent Adam into a life of condemnation. When you listen to the enemies of the Word of God you begin to grow bitter in your soul, and lose the sweet fragrance of a hopeful future. The people in the days of Noah did not believe the Word of God and this is the sin of man today. The cause of graft, stealing, adultery, social corruption, and all crime is unbelief in the Word of God. This is the sin that separates man from God and man from man and fills the world with sickness and cries of bereavement. Oh the tragedy of unbelief. "As

the days of Noah were so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be."

PROPHECY is being fulfilled. The beast, the Antichrist is coming. I see him in business, in politics, in education, in society, and in religion. I see him on every hill. I see him crossing the mountains and plains. I see him riding in the air. This demon of unbelief is approaching. No power of man can stop him. But despair not, O child of God. There is one who can and will stop him, and His name is Jesus. He is our only hope. He is our only Redeemer. I ask you to believe in Him and obey His word. He is the Son of God. He is the sinners' Friend. He is our *Saviour*, and His name is *Jesus*.

Just as in the days before the flood an ark was prepared, and those who believed God's warning entered into it and were saved from the awful destruction that came upon the whole earth, so today God has an Ark, a place of shelter, and that Ark is Christ. He will preserve all those who put their trust in Him when the waves and billows of the great tribulation sweep over this world. In the old world they "knew not until the flood came and took them all away," and there is a similar ignorance concerning God's judgments that are impending today.

In warning us of these coming things Christ reminds us that He is coming again. At His coming "one shall be taken, and the other left." He warns us to *watch*, for we know not what hour He will come. See to it that you are "found in Him."

The Bankruptcy of Modernism

The following strong words from a secular journal—the *Atlanta Journal*, will be an encouragement to faithful Christians and a rebuke to the nominal church. "Preachers who proclaim anything whereby faith is diminished impair their own force for good and damage the minds and hearts of their hearers. The supreme need of our times is not increased doubts, but strengthened faith. . . . What is needed is positive faith and not puerile unbelief. . . . As the doubters of former times and their dubious teachings have fallen into negligence and forgetfulness, so the propagators of rationalism in our day will pass away. The modernists of the present are doomed to be the forgotten men of the future. *But the Word of the Lord will abide forever.*"

BROTHER AND SISTER A. G. ERICSON IN AMERICA

We welcome home our brother and sister A. G. Ericson of India who have returned to the United States on a brief furlough. Their mailing address for the present is 8420 85th Drive, Woodhaven, N. J.



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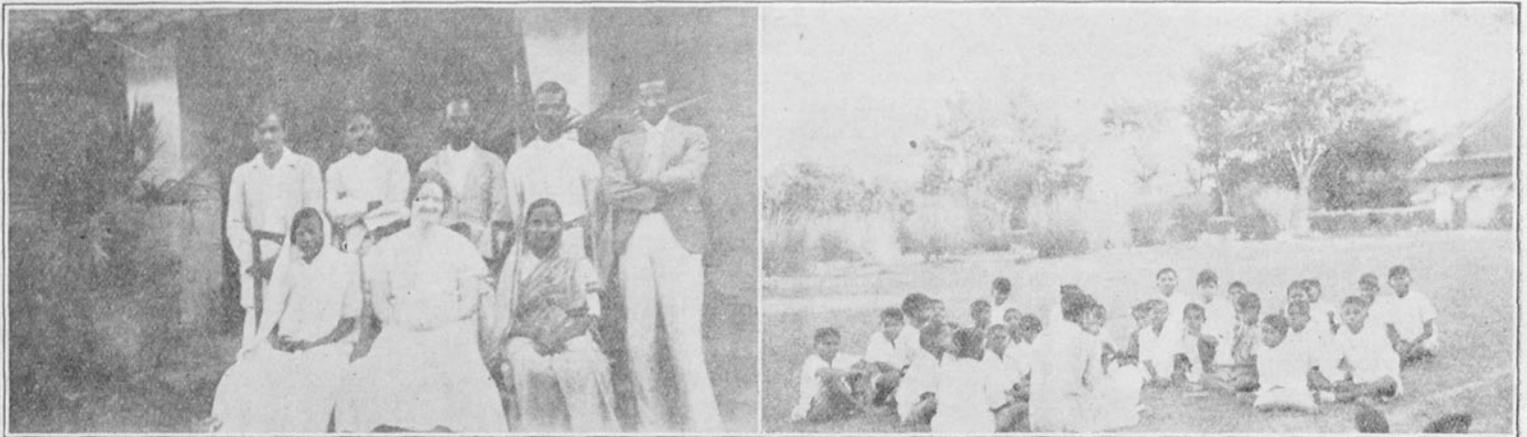
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The Gospel in Foreign Lands

At Work in India



Left—Sharannagar Mission Sunday School teachers. Right—Class assembled to learn of Jesus.

HELP SUPPORT AN ORPHAN

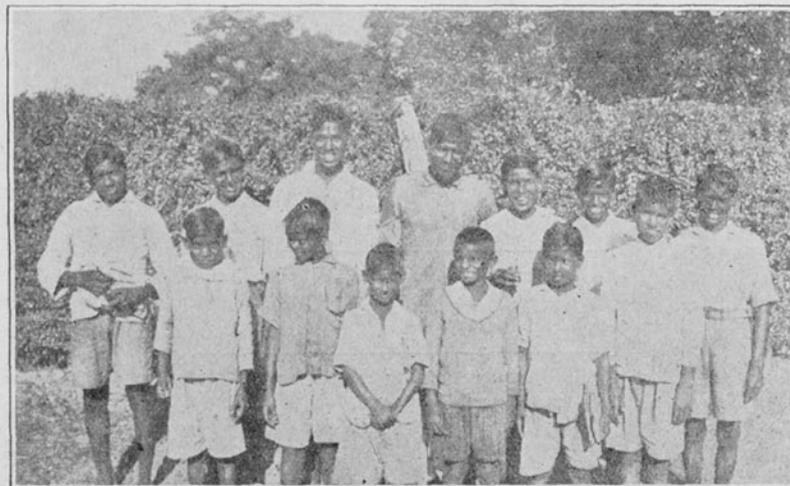
"They do not ask for many comforts, but only the bare necessities of life." Thus writes Brother Frank Nicodem, superintendent of our Rupaidiha School for Boys. "You can imagine how it would be to have a large family depending on you for their daily care, and not having sufficient coming in to pay for the coarse grain they eat, the cheapest rice, coarse wheat flour, and dal (pulse).

"The money that has been coming in for the boys who are supported by friends in the home land has been shared with the boys that are unsupported, to keep them from going hungry. Now there are three months of grain bills that have not been paid. All the boys in the picture are fine lads and worthy of your support. \$3.00 will support a boy for a month, and \$36.00 for a whole year. As you go to the throne of grace, please spread out this picture before the Lord, and perhaps He will show you a way by which it will be possible for you to take a share in the kingdom of heaven at \$36.00, to be paid either on the installment plan of \$3.00 per month or in one sum, and thus 'lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven.' If you are interested, but cannot help, perhaps you might get your Sunday school class or someone else interested in helping."

Kindly send your offering to the Foreign Missions Department, designated for the boy you choose, allowing Brother Nicodem the privilege of selecting another boy for your care, if the boy of your choice has already been selected by someone else. We will forward your (Continued on Page Thirteen)

CHILD RAISED FROM DEATH BED

Sister Harvey writes: "A baby in the village near here was dying of pneumonia. We had been there a number of times and done what we could for the child but it was hopeless. Friends came running for the father, who works in the office, and we missionaries also hurried over. They said the child was dying and sure enough it was. Its eyes were set, and it was almost gone. In desperation we again cried to God, and He healed the child. In a couple of days when the missionaries went to the village again they said the child was playing about, and did not even have the sign of a cold. The village people all say God raised it up. To Him be the praise."



Boys in Rupaidiha school who are in need of support. Left to right: Front row—Joseph Lachhu, Pritam Masih, Walter Kajur, Sukh Lal, Patras, Auther Kajur, Johan Masih, Yusaf Singh. Second row—Andrew Beecham, Hori Lal, Prabhu Dass, Brig Lal, Prem Dass.

JEWELS FROM INDIA

Sharannagar Mission now reports a Sunday school of between 125 and 150 members. Mrs. Harvey, missionary in charge of the station, writes, "We do not have class rooms so the classes scatter about the compound and sit out in the open." One of the boys' classes is here shown assembled for their lesson with their teacher, a trained native worker. Perhaps your prayers and offerings have helped in bringing the gospel to these boys. The seven native teachers at the left are gems for His crown, redeemed, and now teaching their own people. The missionary with them is one of Mrs. Harvey's assistants. Pray for these faithful workers that they may have a fruitful ministry.

One of the natives preachers, whose wife is a Bible woman, is being severely tried in that no support is coming for them. The wife was formerly one of the Sharannagar Mission girls and Mrs. Harvey is very desirous that funds be sent in for their support so that she can keep them to assist in the work. About fifteen dollars per month would meet this need. Also if someone would care to send a smaller amount, it would buy gasoline for the car, used in getting around among the outlying towns with the gospel. The workers are very anxious to get out and their message is being enthusiastically received wherever they go. Send your offering to the Foreign Missions Department to be forwarded, and in due time you will receive a reply from India.

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CHOOSING A BRIDE FOR NATIVE WORKER

Sister Florence Byers writes from Japan that on paying a visit to her outstation Urawa, she felt it necessary for the progress of the work to make some changes. She moved the mission, together with the native pastor, to a larger house; and then proceeded to arrange for the marriage of the pastor. She says, "Tokugi San seems blessed in his spirit, but finds it rather hard to stand and fight in the battle alone. For quite some time I felt it was necessary for him to be married, for the sake of the Lord's work there. Because he is a young unmarried man, only men attend the services, whereas if he were married, no doubt women would go to the services too, as they did while I was living in Urawa. So I spoke to him in regards to the above, asking him to pray about it and later write me what he thought of same. According to his answer, he agreed that it would be the Lord's will for him to be married. Perhaps you know, that according to an old Japanese custom, neither the bride chooses her husband, nor the bridegroom his wife in Japan. This is the parents' duty entirely, and many times the husband and wife to be, only see each other once before they are married. As Tokugi San's parents are not living, he asked me to find him a good wife, which is a very serious and no easy responsibility. For several months this has been a great matter of prayer, that God would do the choosing and reveal His will so that no mistake be made, for His name's sake and the sake of the Lord's work.

"I have done all that I thought God would have me do, and am now waiting upon God to bring about what is best, for Tokugi San and Nishimiya San. She is a beautiful young Christian lady of Yokohama Mission; who I believe would fill the place that a pastor's wife has to fill in the Lord's work in Japan. She is a brave Christian girl, who has in the strength of the Lord stood true and faithful through many hardships and persecutions received from other members of her family and relatives, who are against Christianity. But, last spring while her older brother was sick in the hospital she went and nursed him. During his serious illness and before his death, his heart was softened toward his sister, and he listened to her story of 'Jesus her Saviour.' There she had the overflowing joy of leading him to the foot of the Cross where he gave his heart to the **all loving Saviour**, who receiveth all who come unto Him.

"On the 1st of October, we had the supreme joy of having a baptismal service, when Brother Barth baptized 24 of my beloved family. It was most blessed to have them confess their faith in the Lord Jesus in baptism, out in the river. In the beginning of October, we reopened the Sunday school in the next village. It is wonderful how God moved upon the hearts of the young men of that village to let us hold Sunday school every Sunday afternoon in their new large hall, which looks much like a church. About 70 or more of the village children attend that Sunday school, and the children here in the orphanage are very enthusiastic. I let the boys and girls take turns in going to that distant Sunday school, and the older ones help to teach the many children who gather there."

EVANGELIZING IN TIBET

We expect to leave soon for a trip west among the Tibetans. We are planning on evangelizing a great portion of the district in Eastern Tsinghai this winter. To this extent we have already ordered many thousands of portions of the Word. Most of these we have had to pay for. We received one grant from the National Bible Society of Scotland. Now we want to ask that you pray for us and this work, for it will take a lot of traveling and suffering and very much sacrifice on the part of Mrs. Plymire and myself. This financial undertaking is not a small one, but we venture with the Lord because He has said the gospel should be preached to all nations, and we are going to do all we can to help fulfill that command. We plan to begin just east of our city, and later on possibly farther east till



Brother Plymire and a Tibetan Chief, head of a noted robber tribe. Note the lines on which prayer flags are hung. Waving these flags in the breeze is one of the Tibetan's means of prayer.

we have covered this province of Northeastern Tibet, and work westward and north. Our hope is that we may be able to give every family at least one chance to hear the message, and we hope to leave a Gospel with every family and a Bible in every village among Chinese and Mohammedans. Then we hope to reach every Tibetan nomad camp in our district, and if possible beyond. This is more than man can do but with God it is possible. So again we do ask much daily prayer as early as possible, because we will be on the work before this reaches you.—V. G. Plymire.

MISSIONARY OFFERINGS

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HOW GOD PORTECTED HIS OWN

Sister Pearl Pickel writes from Cape Palmas, Liberia, how the Lord delivered a native woman from martyrdom.

She says, "One old lady who had heard the good news only once, was saved on her way to her farm. She had her Kin-jar (a thing that is set on their heads on which to carry loads) on her head as she walked along that old jungle trail. She stopped suddenly and set her Kin-jar down on the road and said to her daughter, 'Come we pray.' There they knelt down and prayed to the best of their knowledge and God heard them and saved the mother; the daughter was saved later.

"This old lady whose name was Martha, turned and went right back to town and began to preach Christ to the people, though she could not read a word and had heard only very little of this blessed news. The people of course laughed at her and said she was mad, etc., but she did not mind. She went right along for God just the same.

"A few months later she was testifying to the people that jujus, or idols, and the devil have no power for her any more. Her husband was a devil doctor before he died and she knew all the wickedness of devil doctors. She knew all about witch power and all the dreadful poisons which were used so often. She knew the worst side of the devil and now she had found the joy of our Lord and it was real to her.

"Not many days passed until the chief devil working people decided that Martha must die. This was not known to Martha, however, but God who sees all things was watching over this precious soul. The day was set when she was to die, but instead, the judgment was turned upon her enemy's head. This man who was to carry out the evil deed had a stroke of paralysis and was unable to move the next morning. He is still in a helpless condition."

A CHILD'S STEADFASTNESS

The hurry and rush of the daily routine was suddenly brought to a standstill when a thinly clad, sobbing boy of twelve entered the compound. Following him were four excited, angry men. Amidst the confusion that followed we slowly learned the story.

The boy's father had died and, according to the custom of this particular family, the oldest boy and girl had to ride a corn stalk around the house and grave. The father could not be buried until this was done. The boy must also see to the killing of the sacrifice, and the putting of blood on the body before it was buried. The lad stoutly maintained that such customs were useless, and as a Christian he could not and would not partake. Because of his stand he had been subjected to threats and beatings, and when the persecution became so severe that he felt he could stand it no longer he fled to the mission.

For two and a half days he stayed here. Each day the men would come and try in every way to persuade him to submit. Conditions were growing serious, for the father had been dead three days and still nothing had been done concerning his burial.

When the relatives were convinced that the child meant to stand by his convictions, they finally asked him only to come and sit by the grave during the ceremony to witness the burial.—Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jones.

In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

GREENVILLE, MISS.—The Lord is graciously blessing in a meeting we are conducting here. Numbers have stepped out on the promises of God and others are being filled with the blessed Holy Spirit. The altar is filled every night.—Mrs. J. E. Pitman, Route 1, Box 2011, Leland.

BRADENVILLE, PA.—We recently closed a precious revival, Evangelist Mabel Willetts, Midlothian, Md., assisted by Miss Gene Moore, Cornetist and Song Leader, Baltimore, Md., in charge. About 15 came to the Lord for salvation, and the saints were greatly refreshed and blessed. Thirteen followed Christ in baptism.—R. J. Volk, 127 Good St., Jeannette.

NEWTON, IA.—God is blessing the work here. Evangelist Charles L. Rowland, Green City, Mo., has just concluded a very profitable revival in which 9 came through to victory. Previous to this meeting 3 had received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and many others are now seeking. The saints have also been deepened in God. For these great blessings and many seasons for refreshing we are reverently praising God.—W. E. Longdin, Pastor.

FREDONIA, KANS.—We have just closed a 2 weeks' revival, Evangelist H. H. Gaddis in charge. About 36 were saved in the old-fashioned way, rising from the altar with shouts of victory. Eleven were filled with the Holy Ghost, with the evidence of speaking in other tongues. Since the revival closed the Lord has still been working. Five others have been saved and 5 have received the Holy Ghost. We praise the Lord for the old time Pentecostal victory.—F. L. Mayfield, Pastor.

LAS CRUCES, N. MEX.—A simple wedding ceremony was performed in the recently completed church, Dec. 8, Pastor W. I. Smith uniting in marriage M. Stanley Files, Pastor of the Belen assembly, and Miss Sadie Durham, of Fair Acres, a member of the assembly. Since moving into the new building 5 weeks ago, seven have been baptized with the Holy Ghost; 7 have received Christian baptism; and 10 have been saved.—W. I. Smith, Pastor, Box 134.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—We have had a precious revival, Sister Emma Taylor and husband, evangelists in charge. On the night when Sister Taylor gave her experience, "From Convent to Pulpit," the house was packed. Numbers were saved and a number received the Baptism with the Holy Spirit, as in Acts 2:4. The writer continued the meeting 3 weeks longer; numbers were saved and baptized. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bender, missionaries from Tokyo, Japan, were present at our missionary convention. Our missionary pledges will amount to more than \$300 for the year. We plan to have a continual revival beginning with New Year's Eve, conducted by the pastor, and others as God may lead. Highway Tabernacle is located at Market and Myrtle. Council ministers are always welcome.—L. A. Hill, Pastor, 109 W. Dewey Ave.

GRAYSON, LA.—I just closed a meeting at Snake Ridge with good success. The power of God was present and some were at the altar at every service. On the last night 20 were seeking the Holy Ghost, and pardon for sin. We set the church in order and ordained deacons. We had to close the meeting with many hungry for God. On Sunday night we had a precious watch-night service, including a blessed communion hour in which the Lord was present.—H. G. Oxner.

KEARNEY, NEBR.—Miss Ruth Gerber, Girl Evangelist, Holton, Kans., closed a successful revival in the hall at 1620 Central Ave., where a number were saved and several were filled with the Holy Ghost. Others testify that the Lord healed them of different ailments. Night after night the crowd listened eagerly to the inspired messages. Sinners and backsliders were touched, and some came weeping to the altar confessing their sins.—H. D. Stanley, 1206 W. Gordon St., N. Topeka, Kans.

WINK, TEX.—Mrs. Panos and I came here about 6 weeks ago and began a new work. God has wonderfully blessed our efforts. Several have been saved and some have received the Holy Ghost, as on the day of Pentecost. Saturday afternoons Sister Panos has a children's meeting. Last Saturday there were 25 children present, and the Lord so blessed them in the service that many older ones have through their influence come to the meetings. We began a Sunday school and had 35 present the second Sunday. We praise the Lord for His presence and blessings.—Brother and Sister Panos.

JEWETT, TEX.—We praise the Lord for the way He is blessing His work at Hardy Ranch. When we came here, we found a few faithful saints praying for a revival. The Lord has answered by drawing a number who had grown cold back to Himself, and some have also been saved. We have reorganized the Sunday school with 70 members, also a Woman's Missionary Council and a Christ's Ambassadors band. We are planning to install an *Evangel* box in our church and are also pledging ourselves to assist our missionaries with prayers and means.—Lee Vowell, Pastor, c/o M. H. Easterling.

COLUMBIA, TENN.—We secured Brother C. J. Berryhill, Creek Indian Evangelist, Ringling, Okla., for a 2 weeks' meeting. The Power of God was present to save lost souls and baptize many with the Holy Ghost. The sick who were prayed for went away from the meeting whole. It was interesting to see various denominations represented among those seeking healing, filling the prayer rooms, and crying to God for the Pentecostal Baptism. Thank God, many of them received. Assisting the evangelist were Sister Berryhill, and Brother and Sister A. O. Phillips, Gospel Singers, Old Hickory, Tenn. The church is located on East Ninth Street. Council brethren passing this way are welcome.—James E. Hamill, Pastor.

CAIRO, ILL.—December 4 we began a revival. From the first the power of the Lord began to rain upon us. The first Sunday, District Superintendent Arthur Bell gave a timely message. The meetings continued for 3 weeks and were attended by great crowds; many times numbers who could not get standing room were turned away. Brother Jimmie Jessup, a boy preacher, assisted us. Some wept their way through to Calvary, and numbers expressed their desire to walk closer to God. The outlook for Cairo is bright.—W. E. Thurmond, Pastor.

EL CENTRO, CALIF.—We have just closed a meeting with Elder C. W. Pix, Santa Paula. This was one of the best revivals in the 5 years I have been here. The revival spirit remains with us; 12 were at the altar tonight. I have not seen people pray in years as they prayed in this meeting. Many met in the morning prayer meetings. Several nights they stayed until after 12 o'clock. We have a fine band of Christ's Ambassadors, under the leadership of Brother N. D. Davidson. With the assistance of other young people of Imperial Valley they are sponsoring a radio broadcast every Monday evening. Letters of appreciation are being constantly received from the unsaved who are regular Monday evening listeners. People prejudiced against Pentecost, and hardened sinners who would never go to church, are listening in. Shortly after the close of the above meeting, Brother Charles I. Spellman was with us for 3 services. His messages were spiritually uplifting. They made us feel that the coming of the Lord was near. Council brethren passing this way will be welcomed.—C. E. Shields, Pastor.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—The work here at Home Acres, founded by the writers, began June 16, 1929, with a tent meeting conducted by Evangelists Minna Seaholm and Edna Jean Green. A Sunday school was organized with 15 present. One year later the attendance was 85. The work was set in order in July and in October a church building was begun on a lot donated for the purpose. Though only the basement was finished, the Lord has marked the spot with wonderful manifestations of His glory from time to time. During the 4½ years, over 150 have been to the altar to find the Saviour, 82 have received Christian baptism, about 35 have received the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and many have found Christ as their healer. The assembly now has 62 on the fellowship roll. The congregation has been richly blessed by the ministry of 18 or 20 missionaries and about 15 evangelists and gospel workers. As a result of keeping the vision ever before the people, a strong missionary and evangelistic spirit prevails.

Brother A. P. Rudenko conducted a 3 weeks' campaign, which just closed. A number were definitely saved and filled with the Spirit. We have resigned from the pastorate, intending to take up evangelistic work. Brother Rudenko has accepted this charge.—Pastor and Mrs. Beauford F. Miller, 134 Gregg St., S. W.

The Sunday School Lesson

Standards of the Kingdom

Lesson for Jan. 28: Matt. 5:1-12, 43-48.

More than three thousand years ago Moses ascended Mount Sinai, there to receive the laws for the people of the Old Covenant. About nineteen hundred years ago, One like unto and greater than Moses ascended a sunny slope and proclaimed the laws for the people of the New Covenant. This proclamation, commonly known as the Sermon on the Mount, was made by the Lord Jesus for the purpose of answering the following questions that were being raised by thoughtful Israelites: What are the laws of this kingdom that He is preaching? What kind of people compose this kingdom? How may one enter? What is its relation to the law of Moses?

Our lesson-text describes: (1) The members of the kingdom. 5:1-12. (2) The supreme law of the kingdom. 5:43-48.

I. THE MEMBERS OF THE KINGDOM Matt. 5:1-12.

The following are the marks by which one may distinguish those who belong to Christ's kingdom, that is, who are true disciples. They are:

The humble. "Blessed are the poor in Spirit." We are not to confound the "poor in spirit" with those poor in worldly circumstances, with the mean-spirited or with those poor in spirituality. To be poor in spirit means to have a just estimate of ourselves, our character, and our achievements, based upon a clear recognition of our needs, weaknesses and sins. It means to have a vision of God's greatness and our own smallness. Such people are "blessed" for, as one has well said, "God's sweet dews and showers of grace slide off the mountains of pride, and fall on the low valleys of humble hearts, and make them pleasant and fertile." Said a government irrigator to a despondent farmer, "I can make your field richly fruitful if it only lies low enough." So says God to us.

The mourners. "Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted." This does not apply to all mourners for we know that there is much mourning that will not find comfort; for example, sorrow over worldly losses, wounded pride and disappointed ambitions. The reference is to spiritual sorrow—the godly sorrow of David who loathed himself for his sins (Psa. 51), of the woman who wept tears of repentance and gratitude (Luke 7:36-38), of Peter who "wept bitterly" after denying Christ, of the Corinthians who "sorrowed after a godly sort" (2 Cor. 7:11), of Jeremiah who shed floods of tears over backsliding and doomed Judah (Jer. 9:1, 2), of Christ who wept over the Holy City. Luke 19:41, 42.

The meek. "Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth." To be meek is not to be weak, and weakness is not meekness. A meek person is one strong enough, by God's grace, to master one of his greatest and strongest enemies—himself—so that, when insulted, criticized or attacked he does not fight back. And meekness pays! Martin Luther tells about two goats who met on a very narrow bridge, so narrow that one could not pass the other. But the meek goat lay down, and let the other

walk over him, thus averting a time of mutual butting and horn-locking that might have resulted in a cold plunge for both. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear!

The spiritually hungry and thirsty. "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." In other words: Happy are the men and women who long more than anything else to be good—who would rather be godly than rich, clever or popular—who crave to be delivered from all unrighteousness as a starving man craves food. Such intense desire is the measure and promise of the supply, the assurance that the craving shall be satisfied. May the Lord give us good spiritual appetites!

Mercifulness. "Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy." To be merciful means to be pitiful, kindly, forgiving, slow to condemn, ready to make allowance. It means to have Christ's way of looking at sinners and outcasts, friends and foes. This quality should be remembered when we are tempted to harshly judge others. The story is told of a man who complained to the Lord about one of his neighbors, saying, "O Lord, take away this wicked person." And God said, "Which?" It pays to be merciful, for by the working of some mysterious law, he who sows kindness and mercy and forgiveness reaps those same things. "Give, and it shall be given," is a law of the spiritual life.

Purity of heart. "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God." Wrote a man of God: "A thing is pure when there is nothing in it out of harmony with its nature. Water is pure, air is pure, when they contain only their constituent elements, and in the right proportion. Gold is pure when it has been separated by fire from all foreign matter. The diamond is pure, the crystal is pure, when there is nothing in them which hinders the refraction and reflection of light. It is thus with the heart, which is the emotional part of the soul. It is pure when it loves only what it ought to love." Spiritual sight is conditioned upon such purity, for the heart is the window through which we look at God. Sin blinds us to spiritual reality.

The peacemakers. "Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God." The nature of this class may be understood by remembering that they are the opposite of *trouble-makers*. The following incident suggests at least one way of being a peacemaker. Said a little girl to her mother: "I was a peacemaker today." "How was that?" asked her mother. "I knew something that I didn't tell," was the answer.

The persecuted for righteousness' sake. "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake." It is not necessary to invite and court persecution; let a person consistently follow Christ and practice His teachings, and persecution of some kind will appear. They who carry Christ in their hearts must carry His cross upon their shoulders. He died to take the curse from us, but not the cross. Therefore let us rejoice in persecution for: (1) The willingness to suffer is an evidence of the sincerity of our profession and the

reality of our experience. (2) It links us with the prophets of old who went through the same experience. (3) It brings a great reward in heaven. Cross-bearers shall be crown-wearers. But let us be sure we suffer for *righteousness' sake*; there is such a thing as being buffeted for our faults. 1 Pet. 2:20.

II. THE SUPREME LAW OF THE KINGDOM. Matt. 5:43-48.

In the Old Testament it was written, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." But the contracting power of human selfishness and hardness had weakened the meaning of that command until the word "neighbor" was applied only to those belonging to the Jewish nation. From this limitation followed the natural deduction: "Thou shalt hate thine enemy." But the Lord Jesus rescued the word "neighbor" and made it embrace people of all nations, whether lovable or unlovable, whether friend or foe.

And He gave us the supreme reason and motive for loving our enemies as well as our friends, namely, the example of the heavenly Father whose love is complete in that it is offered to both the just and the unjust. This principle is illustrated by the following old Jewish story. An aged man was once entertained by Abraham, who, when he discovered that his guest was a fire-worshiper, thrust him out of his tent. When the old man was gone, God appeared to the patriarch, and said, "I have suffered him these hundred years, though he dishonored Me, and couldst thou not endure him for *one night*?"

"Be ye therefore perfect, even as your father which is in heaven is perfect."—Myer Pearlman.

HELP SUPPORT AN ORPHAN

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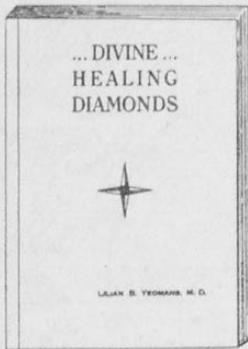
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CENTRAL LAKE, MICH.—We have just closed a 6 weeks' revival Evangelist Irma Klienfeld in charge. In spite of the unfavorable weather the mission was filled every night. Eighteen came forward for salvation. On the fourth Saturday night we organized the first Christ's Ambassadors group of northern Michigan. This is a new field; people are hungry for the gospel, and many workers are needed for the ripened harvest here.—Pastor and Mrs. Carl E. Hayse.

DENNISON, O.—We praise God for helping us to open a new work in Dennison. We secured a large newly remodeled tabernacle, formerly the German Lutheran Church, vacant for about 20 years. Evangelist H. E. Hardt, of Falling Waters, W. Va., delivered the opening message. Of special interest was the testimony of one of our old faithful members, about 70 years of age. He had attended services in this same tabernacle 20 years ago and gave an account of his conversion since that time. We extend a cordial invitation to all ministers passing this way to visit our work.—Doena Regotter, Pastor.

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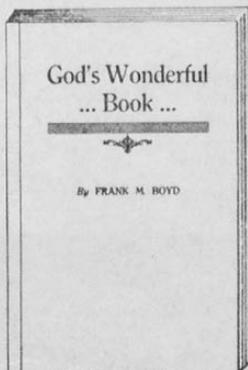
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Careful examination of the numerous underground chambers, as large as a man's head, connected by tunneled passages, have proved that the leaves were employed solely for the production of a species of fungus, or mushroom, used in feeding the young.

On arrival at the nest, the leaves are at once cut up into small portions, mere shreds, by the major workers. Each shred is cleaned by licking it with the tongue, then rolled into a pellet and thrown upon the heap. A new bed is inoculated with a piece of fungus brought from an old bed. If the leaves are wet they will be left outside to dry; if very dry, they will be allowed to remain outside all night to become a little moist. The growth of the fungus is entirely under control; an even temperature is maintained. Infinite care is taken in order that the food for the young may be the best.

Has the Sauba Ant anything to teach us? What pains are we taking, what sacrifice are we making, in order that the spiritual food for the souls of our boys and girls may be the best? It is wise indeed to give them good reading. They may resent what you say to them, but usually they will accept what they read.

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Schools are taking papers that do not have this high standard. Perhaps the Sauba Ants can set them a good example. And some Sunday Schools say they cannot afford any papers at all; but the question is, Can they afford not to take them? If a sacrifice must be made somewhere, should it be made on that which affects the eternal destiny of the young people in our care?

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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.

SOUTH MISSOURI CONVENTION

SULLIVAN, MO.—Midwinter Bible convention, of Southern Missouri District Council, Jan. 23-26. Free entertainment.—Ed Cockman, Pastor, S. L. Johnson, District Superintendent.

WILKES-BARRE, PA.—Dr. Chas. A. Shreve will conduct a revival, First Pentecostal Church, 280 Parish St., Feb. 1-25. Nightly at 7:30, except Mondays. Sundays also at 11:00.—Byron D. Jones, Pastor.

STEELVILLE, MO.—Fellowship meeting all day, Jan. 20. Basket lunch. Neighboring assemblies are invited to come and bring their music.—James F. Massey, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Evangelist V. L. Hertweck, Springfield, will begin a revival at the Assembly of God at South Saint Louis, Jan. 7.—E. L. Hance, Pastor.

LEWISTON, PA.—Special evangelistic Bible Conference in Full Gospel Tabernacle, 108 Logan St., Jan. 21-Feb. 11, Evangelist C. S. Tubby, Stevensville, Ont., Can., in charge. Nightly except Saturdays, 7:30.—H. A. Christopher, 74 Central Ave.

MIAMI, FLA.—Evangelistic services at First Pentecostal Church, Seventh Avenue and 36th Street N. W. Evangelist Otto J. Klink will be with us Dec. 31-Jan. 21; Evangelist I. J. Bolton, Jan. 22-Feb. 4. Week nights except Saturdays, 7:45, Sundays 11:00, 7:30.—C. C. Garrett, Pastor, Cletus Dorris, Secretary.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A 3 weeks' Christian Healing Revival will be held at Full Gospel Tabernacle, North Capitol and K Sts., beginning January 21, conducted by Evangelist Harvey McAlister of Canada; preaching on salvation, healing, baptism in the Spirit, and prophecy. Divine Healing services will be held throughout the meeting. Services Sundays at 11:00 and 7:30 and every night except Saturdays at 7:45. Rooms reasonable near by. Information address Pastor Harry L. Collier care Tabernacle.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

LOVELAND, COLO.—The 18th annual convention Rocky Mountain District convenes at First Baptist Church, Feb. 13-16. Fellowship meeting, Feb. 12. Ministers and one delegate from each assembly will be given lodging free. Meals served at small cost. Three services daily. Local ministers will speak. Christ's Ambassadors rally Feb. 16. Those wishing District credentials write District Secretary, O. L. Mabry, 838 Leyden, Denver, for application. All applications must be in one week before convention begins. For information write Pastor W. F. Morton, 1317 E. First.—Floyd C. Woodworth, District Superintendent, 838 Leyden St., Denver.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Evangelist and Mrs. E. Bartlett Peterson will conduct a revival in Lake View Assembly, 3142-44 North Racine Ave. beginning Jan. 7.—B. M. Johnson, Pastor.

SOUTHERLAND, NEBR.—Guy Shields, Superintendent of Faith School, Amarillo, Tex., will conduct revival for Vincent Beebe, M. E. Pastor, Jan. 12-28.—G. S.

COLUMBIA, TENN.—Ernest S. Williams, General Superintendent, and I. A. Smith, District Superintendent, will be at Full Gospel Tabernacle, East Ninth Street, for one service Friday night, Feb. 9. Neighboring assemblies urged to participate.—James E. Hamill, 1006 Woodland St., Pastor.

CLIFF, N. MEX.—The Southwestern Section of New Mexico will meet for a fellowship meeting, Jan. 30, 7:30 p. m. and continue all day Wednesday. District Superintendent A. C. Bates plans to be with us. All are invited.—Jesse B. White, Sectional Presbyter, Bayard, N. Mex.

YORK, NEBR.—Evangelist William Lamar and Party, will begin revival at Eighth and Grant, Jan. 14, to continue a month or longer. On the air Monday and Thursday mornings, 8:05-8:30, KGBZ, 930 Kilometers. Will appreciate co-operation of saints near by.—E. N. Stanley, Pastor.

OPEN FOR CALLS

Evangelistic or Pastoral

Robert Ridener, c/o Mrs. Jane Knox, Mayfield, Okla. "In Council fellowship. References furnished. Can respond at once."

W. M. Rumbaugh, Grimes, Okla., Route 1, c/o Herbert Bryan. "In fellowship with Oklahoma District Council. Special music."

Walter L. and Ida Bernhardt Roberts, 4215 Stuart Street, Denver, Colo. "Experienced in both branches of ministry. In Council fellowship. References. Both preach, sing, and play instruments."

Evangelistic

Evangelist and Mrs. J. M. Cockerell, Weatherford, Tex., will be open for campaigns about Feb. 15. We have had 8 years in evangelistic and pastoral work. Both preach. Reference, F. D. Davis, 3959 Belford Drive, Fort Worth, or E. L. Newby, District Superintendent, Fort Worth.

Evangelist Nancy Galbreath, 709 N. Ninth St., Garden City, Kans. "I am resigning as pastor at Garden City. Am ordained and have had several years' experience in both branches of ministry."

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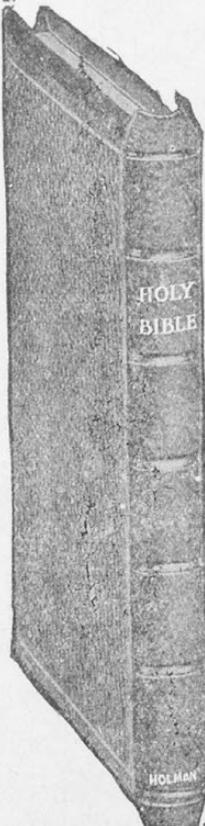
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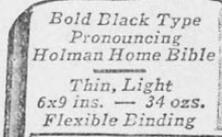
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"It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment," was the young man's calm assertion.

"I can prove to you there is no such thing as a judgment after death," declared the skeptic.

"But men do die," the young pastor declared, "for it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment."

"But that's no argument," the skeptic protested. "Let's get down to business and discuss the matter in regular argument form."

The pastor shook his head. "I am here to preach the Word of God, and not to argue over it."

Olney, annoyed, turned away with the remark, "I don't believe you know enough about the Bible to argue about it."

"Perhaps you are right," was the calm rejoinder, "but please remember this, 'It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this, the judgment.'"

The very tree toads Olney heard on the way home sang the verse, and the stream he crossed, and the frogs seemed to croak, "Judgment, judgment, judgment." The next morning he called at the parsonage. "I've come to see you about that verse of Scripture you gave me last night," he said. "I've spent a terrible night with those words burning their way unto me. I can't rid of them. Tell me what I must do to be saved. I've got to get rid of this torture."

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"No, Charlie," said his wife, "you see Nellie and Jarrold,"—their dead children.

"*They are there already*," he replied; and as a diabolic look crossed his face, he died.

Let us remember, "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment."

A Suggestion

We have a great responsibility toward the children and young people. Why not

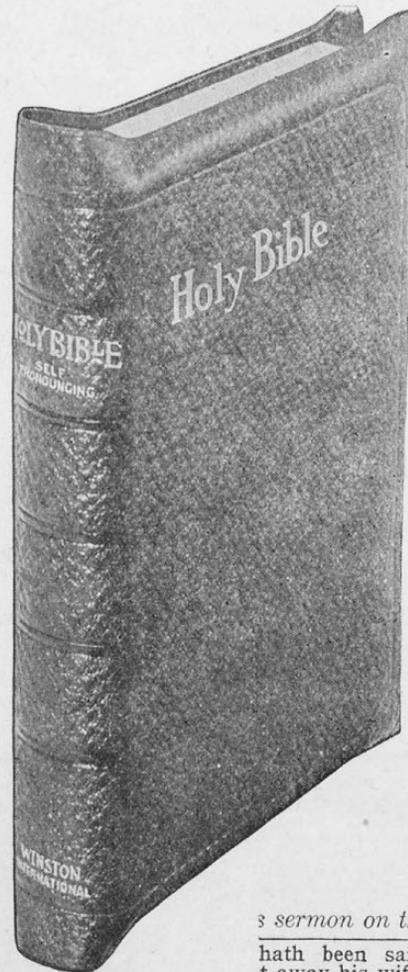
get the Word of God into the hands of those attending your Sunday school, and those in your neighborhood who do not go to Sunday school? The assembly could purchase a number of New Testaments and give them out to those who will attend for three months. This would stimulate interest in the Sunday school as most children like to have a copy of the New Testament for their own.—A Subscriber.

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hath been said, Whosoever t away his wife, let him give riting of divorcement:

I say unto you, That who-hall put away his wife, save- he cause of fornication, cause- to commit adultery: and er shall marry her that is committeth adultery.

gain, ye have heard that it n said by them of old time, al not forswear thyself, but rform unto the Lord thine

1 Sermon on the mount continued. 24 Serving God and mammon. 25 Exhortation to care little for worldly things. 33 Seeking the kingdom of God.

TAKE heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.

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