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By My Spirit saith the Lord

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Perfect in Christ Jesus

Colossians 1:28



HERE were many offerings in Israel, the burnt offering, the meat offering, the peace offering, the sin offering, the trespass offering, the daily offering of lambs night and morning, the special offerings at the feasts of Passover, Pentecost, Tabernacles, etc., etc. But all these were but a shadow of things to come until that One came whom John the Baptist pointed out when he declared, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

In writing to the Hebrews who were tempted to go back to the things of Judaism, the apostle showed the blessedness of that glorious offering of God's holy Lamb. He shows us that the Lamb of God ever did His Father's perfect will, "By the which will we are sanctified." And he further tells us, "By one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified."

It was in anticipation of this one offering that He was to make at Calvary, the offering of His own precious blood that would provide complete cleansing from all sin, that Jesus said to His disciples, "Now are ye clean through the word which I have spoken unto you." Men protest, "But look at the ugly things in the character of the disciples. See how they each sought to be first, how they all failed to watch with Him, how at last they all forsook Him and fled, and Peter even denied Him with oaths." But we must not look at these ugly things, all of which belong to the old creation, all of which were to be fully atoned for at the cross, all of which are "passed away," for it is written, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are be-

come new." We must look where God looks, at the one offering that so fully atones for sin, that He can say to those who believe on His Son, "I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more."

The apostle further tells us that we have come, not to Sinai with all its terrors, but to Sion with all its benefits, to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, who writes the perfect law of God in our hearts and minds; and to the blood of sprinkling, that wondrous blood that



*In the glad morning of my day
My life to give, my vows to pay,
With no reserve and no delay
O Lamb of God, I come.*

cleanses from all sin. We have also come to the "spirits of just men made perfect." How were they made perfect? By that one offering. Get a full vision of Calvary and you will see that all you need for time and eternity has been provided there. That sacrifice is absolutely complete and the One who made it could declare in faith, "It is finished." Rest in that glorious fact.

John uttered the words of a song that the redeemed of all ages can sing, "Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion

for ever and ever. Amen." These redeemed do not glory in what they themselves have done, nor in the things that they have given up, nor in their sacrifices, nor in their labors. No, no, no, they take no credit for anything they have accomplished, but give all the glory to the Lamb for what He has done, and to the mightily efficacious blood that has made them what God wanted them to be—kings and priests. The living creatures and the elders in glory make no boast of anything they have done, but give all the glory to the Lamb, saying, "Thou art worthy . . . for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and hast made us unto our God kings and priests." They take no glory to themselves but give all the glory to Him who by His one offering has perfected that which concerns them.

Let us talk with Paul. "You have been a great apostle, Paul. You have been a pioneer preacher who has had great success in evangelism. Signs and wonders have followed your ministry. You have laid hands on many that were sick and they were healed. Through the laying on of your hands many have received the gift of the Holy Spirit. Your body has been so full of power that handkerchiefs and aprons taken from it have brought deliverance to the demon oppressed and healing to the afflicted. You have planted many churches. You have written letters that are immortal. You have even raised the dead. Surely you have a ministry in which you could rightly glory." What is his answer? "He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord . . . let no man glory

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Life a Trust

Ernest S. Williams

WHEN one sees the carelessness of the many, one wonders if thoughtful consideration of the value of the life has been given. Yet how valuable and vital life is. "For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself." What changes take place as soon as a child is born. Husband and wife become parents, their parents become grandparents; there springs up a number of cousins, uncles, and aunts. Results of a child being born reach further still until there is a receding ripple from its existence that reaches out, it may be to the utmost shores of time and space. The scope of relationship, indeed, does not stop with earthly and present relationships, but reaches into the unseen and the eternal, for within that child is a living soul and before it lies eternity. "For whether we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord."

One might say concerning one's life, "It is my own, I can do with it as I please, and what difference does that make to anyone else?" How narrow is such a view and how untrue. Not long ago a man received world-wide notoriety, the law having convicted him of a crime. He paid the penalty with his life. But was that all? His wife was left with a broken heart, his child to bear his reproach through life, his mother was crushed; and, were we to carry the matter further, how many there were who suffered, some of them as intensely as he. For suffering cannot be reckoned according to physical pains, but must be reckoned according to mental anguish and heart pangs.

A young man was arrested for being drunk and, upon regaining his intelligence after his debauchery, he begged that he might be permitted his release as, he said, were his mother to know of his plight it would kill her. Who in that case would be the greater sufferer? No doubt the mother, innocent of any crime or wrong herself, yet suffering with his suffering and disgrace. The world is filled with woe because of sins, disappointments, and sorrows caused by others. May we take heed to our ways that our

existence may be made a blessing rather than a curse, a benediction instead of an execration.

What has been entrusted to us in life? We may mention a few of the many things. To begin with we have been blessed with life itself. The infant becomes a child, the child a youth, the youth a man, the man an old man, leaving the footprints of his life behind him while he becomes an inhabitant of eternity in either bliss or banishment. But life alone is not all that has been entrusted to us. There are the capabilities of being which may be used for either good or evil, although we trust that in our case they may be used for good only. Some are endowed with natural talents. They readily become efficient in music, art, or language. Some are capable in business. There seems no end to the possibilities attainable through natural talents.

Then there are the attainments made possible through association. Many more than usually prominent men in the business or professional world credit their success not so much to their ability as to their opportunities. Mr. Carnegie was employed in the office of a dispatcher for the Pennsylvania Railroad when one day trains were approaching each other from different directions. He knew a wreck was inevitable unless warning could be given. It was not within his province to give the alarm, but the proper person not being present, he took it upon himself to send the warning. The result was that the disaster was avoided and he was brought before the eyes of those higher than he with consequent promotion. While working there he learned about steel and the possibilities in that industry, and finally became the industrial magnate of his day. What might this Scotch lad have been had not circumstances favored him? Our natural abilities ought to be developed to their full so far as we are able, and we ought to seek associations that will benefit our progress in accomplishment and normal attainment. A man in the East said that he made it his practice to try to associate with persons more intelligent or better than he for by so doing he was ever absorbing to himself their know-

ledge, and the better qualities which they possessed.

There are natural developments that are possible for all of us, but think of the spiritual favors and attainments which may be ours. Those talents which we have by nature may be given to God or to the adversary. How much it is to be regretted when young men or women give their strength, beauty, ability, and often their souls, to the devil, when these could all be used to the glory of God. Two sons may come from the same home. One becomes an upright, respected Christian man; the other becomes an immoral sot. What a contrast! One daughter gives her life and service to God and receives a host of upright and honorable friends. Another chooses the downward way, gives her life to debauchery and evil and becomes surrounded with the lewd and vile whose friendships prove untrue and treacherous. These thoughts bring to us the burning question, what are we doing with our lives? Are we an asset or a liability, a moral uplift or a reproach?

With life comes responsibility. We have responsibility to our household, to our fellowmen, and to God. "No man liveth to himself." If we degrade ourselves we degrade our family; if we abuse our citizenship, our community and nation suffer. If we reproach God and reject His gospel, He will deal with us in judgement. We may here in a measure escape the just rewards of our lives, but we cannot avoid meeting the stern realities of human responsibility when we stand before the great white throne. If life has been given to sin, "be sure your sins will find you out." We hear much about our Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior. Do you not know that He is equally our judge? "For we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ." "Because He hath appointed a day in the which He will judge the world in righteousness, by that man whom He hath ordained; whereof He hath given assurance unto all men, in that He hath raised Him from the dead." Our lives will be tested by His searching eye, and we shall be rewarded every one according as his work shall be. For those who have served God and their fellowmen aright, there is prepared highest happiness. "Enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." For those who have done wickedly "there remaineth a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation which shall devour the adversaries."

Should we speak to any who have started down the way of destruction, we offer a star of brightness in the world's darkness. There is One who can change our course, starting us on a different path, a new path, the way that leads to heaven's glory. Listen to the promise, "Though your sins be as scarlet they shall be white as snow: though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." How can these

things be? Because God has provided a ransom. "For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder." "Thou shalt call His name *JESUS*, for He shall save His people from their sins." Knowing the condition into which man has fallen, God has given our Lord Jesus as a sacrifice for our sins, and if we will be-

lieve in Him, asking for grace to blot out the past, and power to strengthen against evil, He will in no wise cast us out. Let all of us aspire to that which is best. Let none of us turn from our Saviour and Lord. Let him who feels his need give his heart to God, for, "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation."

God tells us that Jesus bore in His body our pains, sicknesses, diseases, and weaknesses, and healed them all by His stripes. Isa. 53 and Matt. 8:17. The moment you truly believe the healing of Jesus enters your body, it is done IN you as truly as it was done FOR you, when Jesus said "It is finished." The Bible never talks about feelings, but always tells us to believe. The more we thank God, praise and rejoice in Him that the healing is done in us, the sooner God will make the things we see and feel to disappear and make the healing apparent. To believe God will do it at some future time is not God's way of faith. Jesus said that we must believe we receive when we pray. Let us stop our way of trying to see and feel, and go God's way of believing. We have it because we took it on God's Word and God will never fail us once.

Our Wonderful Lord

By Mrs. C. Nuzum

A lady 79 years of age fell and fractured her back so badly that they had to lift her on to the bed. She could not raise her head, and if one even took hold of her hand it caused great pain in the back. For two days and nights she and others prayed, but no relief came. I said to the suffering one, "Jesus bore all your sicknesses as well as your sins, so He bore that broken back. He tells you twice that you were healed by His stripes, and when He said on the Cross 'it is finished' it was all done FOR you, but now you need it done IN you." I went on to quote to her Rev. 22:17, which tells us to TAKE of the water of life, which includes all that Jesus purchased for us. We are not to try to take, but to TAKE. I said, "Faith is as truly a hand as your hand of flesh, and can take what Jesus gives you as truly and really as your hand of flesh takes material things." I said to her, "Take my hand." She did so, and I said, "How did you get it?" She said "I took it." "Then take the healing of Jesus with your faith-hand, just as you took my hand with your hand of flesh." "Will you take it?" "Yes." "When will you take it?" She said, "Now."

We laid hands on her and she acted with her fleshly hand what she was doing with her faith-hand. She reached up her hand of flesh toward God and said, "Lord, I take your finished healing." She shut her hand tightly and said, "I have it. I draw in into my broken back and it is done IN me now." She talked to God about five minutes, got up and walked the floor several times. She then dressed, rode with us three miles to the Tabernacle, sat through the long service, and on Sunday morning came back with her lunch and stayed all day. She does all her house work, is in the meetings every Sunday. And after twelve months of working and walking her testimony is, "My back has not hurt me since I took my healing. I would never have gotten out of that bed

if God had not healed me." The healing is the more remarkable because she has passed the age when bones knit readily.

Did not God ask, "Is there anything too hard for the Lord?" Did He not say "TAKE"? Would He ever refuse when people do obey His command and TAKE? But remember, you cannot take a thing and not HAVE it. When your faith-hand takes, your heart must believe you have what you took. Do not keep on going over the same ground by repeating that you TAKE, but continue to say "I TOOK and HAVE, and the work is DONE because God declares that we shall HAVE when we TAKE."

We are told in Mark 11:24 to believe that we get the thing we ask Him for, when we pray, and if we do this we shall have it, not maybe so or perhaps so, but we SHALL have it every time. *Our* way is to look to see or try to feel if we are healed, but God tells us to forsake our ways and to go God's way. His way is to believe you are fully healed on the authority of His Word, even though you feel and look just the same or even worse. As we believe God, it shall be done to us according to our faith. It is written of Abraham that he was made "Like unto Him (margin) whom he believed, even God, who . . . calleth those things which be not as though they were." That means because you have obeyed Jesus and believed you received your healing when you asked for it, and you are now to believe that you are healed even though your feelings contradict God's Word. God says "Hold Fast" by never once doubting that you are entirely healed. He says as you thus believe you have what you do not seem to have. He will bring to naught the things that are. He means if you will dare to believe God and not what you see and feel, God the Almighty One will make the things you see and feel to disappear so that you can see, feel, and enjoy your healing.

Keep Looking at the Lamb

He was the teacher of English at a university in Sweden. Telling of his own conversion, he said that God had awakened him on board ship, and in America led him to an evangelist, who preached Christ to him, and his heart drank it in. The evangelist said, "Now you must believe"; and his attention was turned to his part, of believing, and he said, "How can I believe?"—and fell into years of darkness and real unbelief. His heart had received the Gospel, and he was already believing, until he was told he must believe! Ten years or more passed, struggling to believe, instead of looking to the finished work of Christ. In dealing with souls, directly you turn their attention to *their act of faith*, there is a cloud, and a feeling that they "cannot."

So also with God's children. Absorbed with the finished work of Christ, dwelling upon it, the heart believes without knowing it. This is God's marvelous plan of drawing the soul out of itself and its sins, by giving it a Saviour on Calvary—a center of attention *outside itself*. Then He enters, and does the work within.

A real Christian is one with the life from heaven imparted to him—not one who tries to patch up the old life and struggles to make it climb up to heaven. God's way is to send down as a gift, a bit of heaven's life into us, to take us back to heaven.

He that confesses that he is but an earthen vessel, shall be filled with the heavenly treasure. Oh the curse of pride and self. We want God to give us something that *we may be something*, but God wants us "nothing."—Andrew Murray.

"Do the truth you know and you shall learn the truth you need to know."



In the Fear of the Lord Is Strong Confidence

Prov. 14:26

By Alice Reynolds Flower



CONFIDENCE—I like the sound of it, don't you? In these superficial days—with sham, unbelief, and unfaithfulness on every side, confidence is fast becoming a real old-fashioned word. These words from Isaiah have been a frequent message to my heart, "In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength." Then we have the wise man's good word in Proverbs, "The Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken." Something to stand on in slippery days like these!

Confidence in God—how we need it now when men's hearts are failing them for fear! Every newspaper gives the tragic end of some poor soul with confidence in neither God nor man. But how can anyone have confidence in God unless they know Him personally? The world in general is not seeking to know God; and it is because *we know Him* that we have a blessed confidence to draw near under every circumstance of life. "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask anything according to his will, he heareth us." Knowledge of Him brings confidence; confidence in Him brings a fuller knowledge of His gracious workings. It is like Ezekiel's "Wheel in the middle of a wheel."

Only today I heard of a radio announcer refer to a well-known product and add, "In these days of changing uncertainties it is so important to have something dependable." This is just how we feel about our precious Lord and the great need that "we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end." This was the confidence Paul had when he wrote to Timothy, "I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day." What peace, what overflowing joy such confidence brings!

The fulness of God's blessing in a church or neighborhood brings renewed *confidence among the believers*. The ebbing of spiritual life always brings suspicion, distrust, jealousy, envy and all the kindred foes to loving unity and Christian co-operation. While it is true "we are the circumcision, which worship God in the Spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh;" yet God's grace in our hearts will cause us to recognize and appreciate the same working of His grace in our brother's heart.

This is why an outpouring of the Holy Spirit heals wounds and ends discord almost automatically, bringing a new and holy confidence among the children of God.

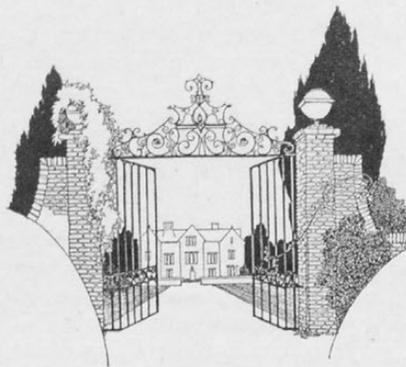
There is a decided lack in any Christian who is always questioning a brother's motive or action. Years ago I knew some chronic fault-finders, who, claiming to

have discernment, laid their mental microscope with terrifying zeal on all the rest. What a travesty on God's true operation! He does give discerning of spirits in the fully equipped church, but to those whose tender, broken hearts of compassion rightly understand His purpose therein. A well developed spirit of criticism is not discernment.

Lack of sincerity quickly breaks confidence. "Speaking the truth in love" implies that we say what we mean, and mean what we say—or else keep silent. Why should we defile God's sanctuary with insincere words? It is easy in prayer, testimony, and general conversation to attempt an assumed holiness, a voluntary humility, not content to appear the thing exactly that God has made us by His grace. This is the modern sin everywhere. Men and women kill themselves in the effort to keep up a false appearance, make a good impression. It is the sin of the scribes and Pharisees in a new dress, after all. Ours is a gospel of reality, and the reality of our lives is its greatest commendation, establishing confidence in those who watch us. "Sincere and without offense until the day of Christ."

Ofttimes a sincere expression of confidence from an older Christian greatly strengthens the younger or weaker believer. In the early days of your walk with God, did anyone ever grasp your hand, look in your face and utter some such word of confidence in your desire to serve God? It meant something, did it not to you? You were encouraged to press on. It does help young converts to know you believe in them and are standing with them in prayer and confidence. Some have failed for the lack of this very thing, and I wonder if their failure resulted from some older one's failure to give encouragement, and show just a little confidence. Divine love "beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things."

The perilous times marked for these last days will cause men to be "without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent." Unfaithfulness could sum it all up very well. And do we not see it everywhere? We can endure it without; but oh when it touches homes and family lives, what infinite sorrows result! The days of Noah—"Marrying and giving in marriage"—we have well



The Home-Stretch

*We're nearing the end of our journey
For the City lies over yon hill;
Just a few more stretches of climbing
And its glory our vision shall fill.
What mind if the road is much harder,
And the climb more rugged and steep—
'Tis the Home-stretch we now are making,
And steadfast our courage must keep.*

*Soon the gate will be swinging open
For the Bride He hath brought to her own—
His love, and His presence eternal,
His name, and His crown and His throne.
Every moment the prospect grows clearer,
Not now should we falter or weep;
Lift your head—day is breaking, dear pilgrim,
So steadfast our courage must keep.*

*'Tis true there have some grown weary
As their eyes lost the glimpse of our prize,
But this should not weaken our footsteps
Or banish His face from our eyes.
For now is the time to be waking
While virgins full many would sleep,
Oh we must press on with our journey
And steadfast our courage must keep.*

*Already methinks I am hearing
Soft strains of the heavenly choir,
And my heart o'erbounds in the fulness
Of rapture and holy desire.
Oh may we not fail of our calling!
God help us our portion to reap.
'Tis the Home-stretch we now are making,
So steadfast our courage must keep.*

—Alice Reynolds Flower

catalogued these days in our moving pictures, magazines and news sheets. The world says it is smart to have a past.

In some of our highest colleges the young people are urged to read such books as Bertrand Russell's "Education and a Good Life," in which appears the following statement:

"I shall not teach that faithfulness to one partner through life is in any way desirable, or that permanent marriage should be regarded as excluding temporary episodes. Relations involving children should be permanent if possible, but should not necessarily on that account be exclusive."

God help our poor young people with such poison injected in their minds before even they start a home. No wonder there is lack of confidence between husbands and wives, and presently a divorce. Look at the home conditions developed in Russia under their God-forsaking rule. Now they are trying to readjust matters and correct the intolerable conditions such moral standards always bring.

What of the children born in such an atmosphere? In my mother's wedding ring was engraved, "One for the other and both for God." That was nearly sixty years ago. The holy memories of those parents in their tender, faithful devotion gave my childhood home an atmosphere of confidence. I still feel it; and this is why my heart is so pained for the young people today. So few have a real home with confidence as its keynote. The tie is broken and the boys and girls drift even from supposedly godly homes. If the father cannot hold his boy's confidence, someone else will—and perhaps the wrong one. If a mother cannot hold her daughter's confidence, some one is only waiting the chance—perhaps, again, the wrong one.

May God grant to our Pentecostal homes everywhere this priceless thing—confidence;—confidence in God, confidence among believers, confidence between husbands and wives, confidence between parents and children. "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."

Perfect in Christ Jesus

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in men . . . I have nothing to glory of . . . God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world."

The apostle Paul gloried in the cross where he knew he came to the end of the old life, and where a new life was given—and that life was Christ. It is that life, that perfect life, a life out of death, a life that is an overcoming one,

that has been provided by the one offering at Calvary. Accept God's provision—it is for you.

Look away from yourself and believe fully, completely, unreservedly in the Lamb God has provided, surrendering fully to Him, and giving yourself utterly, spirit, soul, and body, to Him. Keep looking to Him continually as the author, finisher, and perfecter of your faith. The saints at Colosse through wrong teaching were looking away from the Lamb. But Paul pointed them once again to Christ, saying of Him, "In him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him." We are utterly incomplete in ourselves, and it is good to get a vision of ourselves as Job did, causing us to say, "Wherefore I abhor myself"; but look away from your altogether abominable self to the Lamb of God's provision and believe the record that declares, "Ye are complete in him!"

Declare, "Though in myself I am less than nothing and vanity, yet in the Lord have I righteousness and strength (Isa. 45:24); though foolish, weak, base, despised, and only an 'are not' in myself, in Christ Jesus I have wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, redemption, and all I need."



MOTHERS' DAY HYMN

Faith of our Mothers, living still
In all things beautiful and bright:
Yea, nobly will we do God's will
And live our lives as in His sight.
Faith of our Mothers, living faith
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our Mothers, living still
In strong sons' lives and words of praise
We humbly own our debt to thee,
And love thee as in former days.
Faith of our Mothers, conquering faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our Mothers, living still
In deeds of love and service strong,
We gladly pledge our strength to thee
To soothe the sorrow, right the wrong.
Faith of our Mothers, saving faith
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our Mothers, living still
In words and truths that ne'er can die,
Thy sons and daughters ever dear
Shall claim the faith that brings God nigh.
Faith of our mothers, holy faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

—George E. Atkinson

Someone will complain, "The trouble is, I know I am not living an overcoming life. I am failing in a thousand things." Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?" Receive Jesus Christ within and He will be to you all you need. He bade both the saints of Ephesus and Colosse to "put off" all that pertained to the "old man," and to "put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness"—in short, they were to put on Christ. By simple active faith put off the old life and put on Christ Jesus.

Believe the record that declares, "By one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified." "But," you say, "I do not see it, and I do not feel it." You do not have to go by what you see or by what you feel. God has declared that the just shall live by faith, and that they shall live by every word that proceedeth out of His mouth. It is His declaration, "By one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified." Become a follower of faithful Abraham who was "like unto him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were" (Rom. 4:17, margin), and God will make that which you believe a glorious reality in experience even as He did for our father Abraham. Have faith in God, and the Holy Spirit will work in you all that the Son of God wrought for you at Calvary. For "we are his workmanship." Have faith in Him that He is a perfect workman who will not fail to do a perfect work, working in you, as you trust Him day by day, all His good pleasure and all His good will.

For Time or Eternity?

Are we to descend to carnal means, and be a worldly "success," or shall we launch out upon God—determine that nothing among us shall grieve our God—be a living object-lesson, in this worldly age, of faithfulness to God, and a channel for the living waters to flow out to thirsty souls all over the world? In short the question comes to us: "Shall we work and live for time or for eternity?"

In Our Assemblies

We cannot compete with the world. We must win by the force of something far above competition, and this is the presence and power of the Holy Spirit

Many most beautiful lives are grown out of what seemed defeat and failure. —J. R. Miller.

Act without fear on all which God reveals—that cannot fail."

The Passing and the Permanent

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

DENOMINATIONS

Religious Digest quotes the following:

"There are two hundred and sixty-six denominations and sects in the United States today (*Bureau of Statistics*).

"In the last thirty years there have been eleven major church unions in the United States, involving twenty-five groups and denominations. Several others are under consideration at the present time."

SUDDEN DESTRUCTION

Sir Austen Chamberlain, noted British statesman, declares that "Germany is in the course of creating the most powerful army in Europe. It has created in an amazingly short time a most powerful air force. It has organized and prepared its whole immense industry for the production of war-like supplies. . . . It is a peril which if war breaks out, will be on us IN A MOMENT . . ."

SECOND-RATE PEOPLE

More than 3,000 years ago Moses warned his people that part of the penalty for disloyalty to Jehovah would be: "He shall be the head and thou shalt be the tail." Deut. 28:44. Recently a German judge sentenced a man for alleging that a certain storekeeper was a Jew, and ruled that "to call a German a Jew is one of the greatest insults that one would offer to any person in Germany. A Jew is a second-rate person."

THE TWO ROMES

According to *Revelation*, Cardinal Pacelli acclaimed Mussolini as "not only the head of the government but a most cultured restorer of Imperial Rome." He also said, "Rome is God's city! . . . Rome was by Providence ordained and prepared to be the capital of the world . . . Rome has one throne—that of the Pope!" Are we about to witness a union of political and ecclesiastical Rome in a bold bid for world-power? Rev. 17:1-6.

CHRISTMAS TREES

"Italian Fascism has forbidden the use of Christmas trees as a remnant of paganism, and the *Osservatore Romano*, organ of the Vatican, also declares it a heathen custom, writes Ernest Gordon in *Sunday School Times*. "They are probably right, but did pot ever call kettle black more unblushingly? Roman Catholicism is drenched with pagan survivals in garb and calendar and rite and custom. Meanwhile it is amusing to learn that Soviet Russia has banned the Christmas tree because it is Christian."

RUSSIAN GODLESSNESS CHECKED

A Russian writer, Mr. F. Oletschuk, says (quoted in *Redemption Tidings*):

"Religion is making progress. Godlessness is losing ground. It cannot be denied that in many places new church congregations are forming. It is an actual fact that the attendance in the churches has increased. In 90 per cent of the homes of the farmers endorsing the Communist's economic program, religious pictures are still found, and families continue to pray. In various cities, according to other reports, hidden Christian refuges like the catacombs of old Rome have been discovered."

DEVIL'S ISLAND

We learn from the *Sunday School Times* that Captain Klopferstein of the Salvation Army reports wonderful conversions in the French Penal Settlement in Devil's Island, French Guiana, where the Army has recently opened a work. These criminals are the lowest on earth, yet the grace of God is active among them.

A PROTESTANT ADVANCE

A Swiss religious journal announces that there has been such an increase in the number of Sunday school pupils in some parts of Austria that it has been necessary to hold several sessions with the same teachers and different pupils.

In the year 1935, 3,000 adults of Czechoslovakia (Bohemia) left the Catholic church to become Protestants.

A MODERNIST'S CONFESSION

Writes Louis S. Bauman in *King's Business*: "Not so long ago, an ultramodernist stood in his own pulpit in Los Angeles and bewailed the failure of his own religious philosophies. He said: 'I propose that all the energy of religious institutions be devoted to the development of a true faith and love in the lives of those who are within the fold. There is an insidious and destructive atheism. It fills the land with the blackness of despair. But it is not among the organized "Angels of Satan" nor in bands of self-conscious sophomores. Neither is it the lives of the awedly materialistic nor the frankly indifferent. The atheism which is wrecking civilization is rampant in the halls of religion. It is we who have let midnight fall upon our people.'"

Questions and Answers

Is there such a thing as a "carnal" Christian?

The Corinthian believers were "yet carnal," I Cor. 3:1, which Paul explains as "walking as men", natural men, instead of in the Spirit as spiritual men. Jealousies, strife, and division are evidences of carnality. They that are spiritual, or live in the Spirit, "have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts thereof."

What does it mean where it says "Keep thy tongue from evil and thy lips from speaking guile?"

It means do not let your tongue gossip, or be used to injure others, or to speak things not unto edifying, and be sure that you do not let it serve as a hypocrite, speaking things that you do not mean. Sometimes people are told nice things about themselves, their families, etc. to their face by persons who speak very differently when they are not present. That is "speaking guile" or hypocrisy.

Please explain Matt. 25:7-9.

The lesson we ought to receive from the virgins in the parable is the need of having the oil of the Spirit when Jesus comes again. —E. S. W.

THE RED RIDER'S TOLL

"Here are some of the ghastly figures connected with the war," said George Lausbury, British member of Parliament. "Ten million dead; twenty million wounded; three million prisoners; fourteen million widows and orphans; thirteen million civilian dead; and quite an unknown mass of people who died from the terrible blockades which victorious Christian nations imposed on Central Europe and Russia; and in addition the millions throughout the world who died of plague, pestilence and famine which followed the end of the war."

Comments *Dawn*: "There is no world-pardon but in the blood of the Cross, and the only alternative to the Cross is the sword."

COVENANT BREAKERS

"In the arraignment of those who refused to 'have God in their knowledge,' Paul states that God gave them up to be among other things that are evil, *covenant-breakers*," comments *Evangelical Christian*.

"That God is outside of the thoughts of the rulers of today is evidenced in the way in which national and international covenants are treated.

"Of course just now Germany is in the foreground with her repudiation of the Locarno pact. But the other nations will gather around the table with her and talk another treaty. But look at the repudiated pledges all round.

"Take the Kellogg pact signed between the United States and Italy, said to 'outlaw' war. And yet when Italy tore it up and attacked Ethiopia what did the United States do about it? Throw herself behind the assaulted nation? No. Simply declares herself 'neutral'.

"Take the League Covenant. Japan defied it and walked out of the League, and walked into China. And the nations did nothing."

THE LAST CHORUS

Dr. Guinness had spoken on "The Imminent Return of the Lord Jesus Christ." But some would say to him, "That was where the Thesalonians were mistaken. He has not come. That was where Paul was mistaken. Christ has not come, and that was where the Revelation was wrong in stating, 'I come quickly.' He has not come quickly." Well, the speaker replied, he could not go into the whole vast subject in one address, but he could remind them that with the Lord a thousand years was as a day, so that the Lord could still consider it quickly—as though He had been absent only but days. And he would like to illustrate how he knew that the coming was near.

He had heard "The Messiah" with great delight the previous evening. Now if a man had asked him after the performance had proceeded for a couple of hours, how long he thought it would still continue, he would have answered, "About five minutes." "But," the man might have expostulated, "how can that be? It is in full swing, has been going on for not continue for two hours longer. How do two hours and I see no reason why it should you know it will be over in five minutes?" "Then," said Dr. Guinness, "I should have answered him, 'Because I have the score. Don't you remember that beautiful solo?' And he would have said "Yes." "And that chorus?" "Yes." And then I should have said to him, "And I know it will soon be over because I have the score and they are singing the last chorus." The *Elim Evangel* comments: "We have the score—the Bible!"

The Sunday School Lesson

Jesus Inspires Honesty

Lesson for May 17. Lesson Text: Luke, chapter 19.

I. THE CURIOSITY OF THE PUBLICAN

Outcasts. Zacchæus belonged to that class of society most despised in Jewry—the publicans or tax-gatherers. They were in the employ of Rome and were counted traitors to Israel. As a class they were dishonest and unscrupulous. They were shunned as an offscouring by the religious people of that day. One reason why the Pharisees rejected Jesus was because He proved Himself “a friend of publicans and sinners.” He had even chosen a publican, Matthew, to be one of the twelve disciples. Zacchæus in his position as chief publican of Jericho, had become rich—and the populace would count all his riches ill gotten. It is no wonder that when the crowd came out to get a view of the Prophet of Nazareth as He passed through Jericho, none made way for the short-statured publican. He could look after himself!

Up a Tree. As Zacchæus sought to get a view of Jesus there may have been mixed motives in his heart. He probably had heard of Jesus as one who might be the Messiah, the King of Israel, and if there was to be a change of dynasty he would personally be greatly affected. Then the interest Jesus had shown in the class he represented doubtless attracted him. Anyhow he purposed to get a full view of the wonderful prophet, and not counting the dignity of his office a thing that must necessarily be preserved, he climbed up a sycamore tree.

The Call. Jesus said to His disciples, “Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you.” “Why did Jesus choose Judas?” asked someone of Dr. Joseph Parker. Said the venerable doctor, “I am not much concerned about that, but the amazing thing to me is this, How is it that He has chosen me?” Do you remember the little ass at the crossroads upon which Jesus rode into Jerusalem? When the disciples were questioned, “Why do you loose him?” they were instructed to answer, “The Lord hath need of him.” The Lord has need of many laborers in His vineyard. He has need of you. And the little ass made no resistance to His call. Some who do not seem to have as much sense as the ass, resist the call—the call to be in the glad service of the King of kings and Lord of lords. In this lovely story Luke tells us that Jesus looked up into the sycamore tree and spied the publican, despite his small stature, and called him by name. He knows your name, just as He knew the infant Samuel’s. He calls all the stars by name. There is nothing He does not know. He knows your need. He knew the need of Zacchæus, who needed a Saviour who could save to the uttermost. So do you. His word to Zacchæus is equally appropriate to you, “Make haste, and come down.” When you hear Him call, make haste to respond. Said the Psalmist, “I thought on my ways, and

turned my feet unto thy testimonies. I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments.” Psalm 119:59, 60.

Receiving Christ. The Master further declared, “For to day I must abide at thy house.” There was no room for Him in the inn at Bethlehem at His birth, and now as the termination of His earthly life drew near, He was becoming more and more scorned, derided, despised, and rejected by the Pharisees and rulers, and there were but few homes open to Him. He is always looking for a home where He can be welcome. Do you say to Him as the two disciples who met Him on the road to Emmaus, “Abide with us”? Make it more personal and say, “Abide with me.” Zacchæus made Him welcome, receiving Him joyfully. Do thou likewise.

II. THE CLEANSING OF THE LORD

His Presence. The Pharisees murmured that Jesus was a guest of a man who was “a sinner.” That is just the class our Jesus came to save. Saul of Tarsus, once a proud Pharisee, when his eyes were opened declared, “This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.” I frequently attended a mission where a precious Jewish brother was pastor. Behind his pulpit stand he had a great motto, the marginal rendering of Psalm 42:5, “His presence is salvation.” When Jesus comes in He brings His great salvation with Him. He fully cleanses the rude stable of our hearts and makes it into a throne room for Himself. I used to think of the throne of the Lord as stationary, but how happy I was to read of the vision He gave to Ezekiel, of the throne moving down to the very place where the prophet was, that glorious throne from whence the rivers of living water are dispensed. Ezek. 47:1; Rev. 22:1. The

Are You Growing Old?

You may not be—but there are ministers in the fellowship of the Assemblies of God who have given their best days in the cause of Christ and who have now reached the stage when they can no longer keep up with the strenuous demands of evangelistic or pastoral service. One of the “gifts” mentioned in Rom. 12:13 is that of “distributing to the necessity of the saints.” Let us see that we excel in this gift also.

Sunday, May 17th

has been set aside by the Executive Presbytery for special emphasis to be given to this need. All offerings for our aged or infirm ministers that are received on that day should be sent to J. R. Flower, General Treasurer, 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

presence of the Lord brought salvation to the heart and home of Zacchæus.

When Christ Comes In. It was not necessary for Jesus to preach Zacchæus a long sermon on tithing. Spontaneously the rich publican—in striking contrast to the rich young ruler—declared, “Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor.” Nor was it necessary to give a long exhortation on restitution, for spontaneously Zacchæus declared, “If I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.” A young jeweler, suffering with tuberculosis, came for the first time into a Pentecostal meeting, yielded his life to God, was healed and filled with the Spirit. He was decorated with some jewelry he had made himself, tie pin, lapel button, gold watch chain with pendant. “Don’t say a word to yon fellow,” remarked Wigglesworth who was present, “if he has real salvation, all that gold junk will drop off in a few days.” Within a week, without a word being said to him, that young man gave away every bit of his jewelry. In the Welsh revival when souls were being gloriously saved and filled with holy fire, they went off immediately and paid their old debts. A friend who works among the natives of the South African gold mines, who has had the joy of baptizing over two thousand converts, said to the writer, “The first experience many of the Jewish traders who put up stores near the gold mines have of Christianity is when natives, who have been saved, come to their stores and offer to pay for goods they have stolen.” Zacchæus doubtless had a reputation in Jericho of being “a bad egg.” Begin to pray believingly for the worst in your town. That is the class that Jesus delights to seek and to save.

III. THE COVETOUSNESS OF THE PRIESTS

Cleansing the Temple. Coming to Jerusalem, Jesus, with the boldness of a lion, cast out from the outer court of the temple all those who were renting concessions for the changing of money and the selling of sacrifices. Surely this act is prophetic of the complete cleansing of His church in the last days, the removal of all things that offend. Judgment is coming and it must begin first at the house of God. We heard a saint pray, “Bless your people, Lord. Help them to keep their eyes on the Cross and not on the dollar.” How many meetings are spoiled by a long period given up to financial appeals. Hudson Taylor, the founder of the China Inland Mission, never once made an appeal for funds and never once had a collection. And yet all the wherewithal for the sending out and support of twelve hundred missionaries has been forthcoming, to say nothing of the support of thousands of native workers and the building and equipping of hundreds of missions. The temple was to be “a house of prayer.” That is what our assemblies must be. The devil will endeavor to make them places of merchandise and dens of thieves. Let us boldly resist his every intrusion.—S. H. F.

EASTER IN RUSSIA

Time reports that in Moscow 60,000 people packed the city’s 28 surviving churches for Easter services.

The Gospel in Foreign Lands

A LIGHTHOUSE IN KETCHIKAN

It seems that surely and steadily the message of full salvation is being established in Ketchikan, Alaska, through the sacrificial efforts of our sister, Mrs. Josephine Gilmore.

In March she wrote: "Taking advantage of St. Valentine's Day to get an illustrated message across to the children on 'How God can change the heart,' I had some announcements printed, stood near the public school and gave them out to the children. God blessed the effort and eighty-three children were present at the special service, together with several adults. As the result we now have a growing Sunday school organized.

"That being so blessed of God I was impressed to have something for the young people on Washington's Birthday to try to organize a young people's group or Christ Ambassador's group. We arranged a musical program of patriotic and sacred numbers, some Bible guessing games and had light refreshments in my home. Twelve fine young people responded to the twenty invitations sent out and God's blessing was again upon us. We now have a fine group of young people, meeting at six o'clock each Sunday evening. The Junior Christ Ambassadors has been organized for several weeks and is growing steadily. We also have an orchestra in the budding.

"The mission was well filled Thursday night this week and seventeen hands were raised for prayer for salvation. But so far it seems hard to get people to move out to the altar or even kneel at their seats."

Another letter from Mrs. Gilmore, written in April, says: "We just closed the Pre-Easter special meeting in which the blessings of God were manifested in three souls being wonderfully saved. It is real encouragement after so many months of trials and hard work to get the mission started here that God is now honoring our faithfulness by giving us souls. During the special services the mission was filled to capacity several times. It will soon be necessary to remove the partition to make the mission large and we shall have to build more seats. This will cost about one hundred dollars, or else we will have to secure a larger building, which will also cost more money. Pray with us that God will supply this need.

"The salmon canning season will soon be open and with it comes the great opportunity of giving out the gospel to the cannery workers.

Please pray that we may be able to get the use of a good motor boat and also that God will send real consecrated workers to go out in gospel teams with tracts and Gospels to the near-by cannery stations."

NOTE OF ARRIVAL

Our brother, F. R. Arbizu, who has so faithfully carried on the work in Santa Ana during the absence of Brother and Sister R. D. Williams, reports that the Williams family and also the new missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hodges and family, have arrived in Santa Ana. The problem facing them now is whether the government will grant them permission to remain in El Salvador. If not, they will have

this Pentecostal work breaks out in places we least expect, and we conclude that the Lord is working in answer to prayer, so you may be encouraged to pray on.

"We recently had a little surprise visit of Dr. Price and his party. We had a most wonderful time during their stay and the assembly benefited by the salvation of a few souls and the uplifting of the saints."

NEWS FROM 25 de MAYO

In a recent letter Brother and Sister Dunbar, new missionaries to Argentina, express themselves thus: "How swiftly the days pass by and how much there is to be done! All we can do is so little when we look out over the vast field that is practically untouched. But in faith we remember the boy with the loaves and crying out, 'What are we among so many?' we seek more earnestly to be blessed of the Master that we may be broken as was the bread, that the multitude may be fed.

"God has graciously helped by supplying the building we needed for our meetings in Villa Leonor. The owner first asked us twenty pesos per month rent but later loaned it to us without cost. There is much hunger in the hearts of the people in that community.

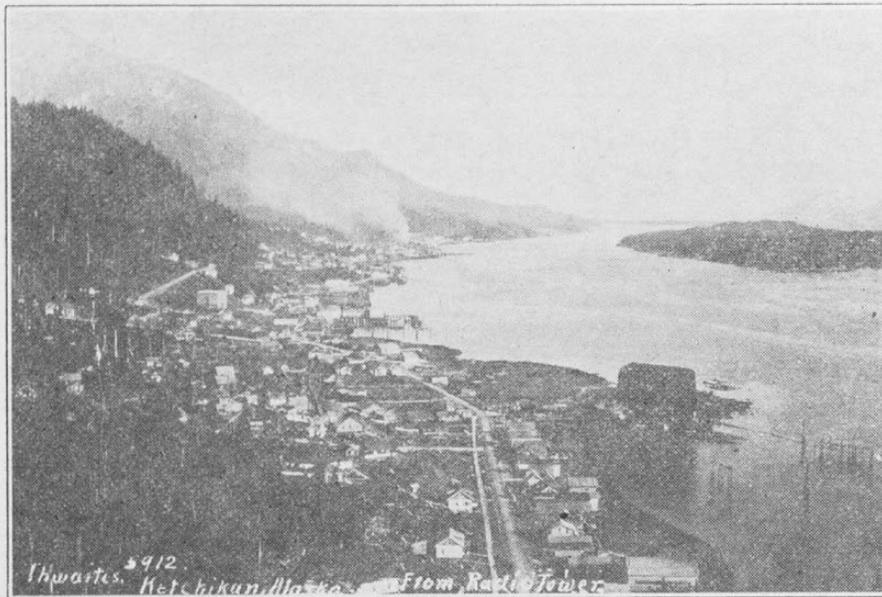
"The 'Sisters of Charity' visited our Villa Garibaldi and have persuaded some that they must not come to our meetings. We are sorry this has happened but we are trusting that God will bring out His will in the

life of every hungry heart. The darkness of this bondage is great and the fear of forsaking the 'Only Church' holds many even when they are hungry for the truth.

"We are asking you to pray for a revival in the church here in 25 de Mayo. Take us on your heart anew. Our teacher is hungry for the Baptism with the Holy Spirit. She is a good worker, having spent ten years with another denomination and several years here at the station without the fullness of the Spirit. Pray for her that God will fill her and make her a real Pentecostal worker. We are glad to tell you that good health and happiness are our portion along with the precious blessings we enjoy in His wonderful presence, but we are ever confident that it is because you at home are praying."

TO THE REGIONS BEYOND

For a long time our souls have been burdened for the great mountain region inland



The city of Ketchikan where the full gospel message is being established. Many cannery stations across the channel could be reached by means of a motor boat if one could be secured. This city extends six miles along the shore.

to move into Nicaragua or some other open door. They ask that we stand with them in prayer that they may be allowed to remain in El Salvador. Further word is expected from the missionaries shortly.

REVIVALS IN EGYPT

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Randall write from Egypt: "Revivals are still going on in the upper country. In a village near Assiout thirty were saved and baptized with the Holy Spirit in twenty-five days. In another place farther up the Nile a large village has had an outpouring of the Spirit and many have been blessed. Now they have organized a church and are calling for a preacher. Pray that someone may be raised up to go and minister to this place and that his support may be provided.

"Everywhere we hear of little showers of blessing and we are hoping that these little showers may become a deluge. We notice that

from Trujillo, Peru, but we have not been able to do much as the country is rough, most of it lying from 7,000 to 16,000 feet above sea level, and the mountains are almost impregnable. The people are wild and ignorant, blind fanatical followers of idolatry. The priests have a power over these people which free-born people could never imagine.

We have made a few trips into this country and have been overwhelmed to see the thousands in heathen darkness, waiting the first ray of gospel light. How they thronged us to hear more about Jesus until, like Him, overcome by fatigue we were glad to take to the wilderness to find opportunity to eat and rest. However, we have seen in previous experiences in that kind of places how the Romish priests can in a short time so change the sentiment of the people that they would as willingly kill us as a stray dog. We now bear in the body the marks of the Lord Jesus and have been stoned and left for dead, so we count it not strange if suffering and affliction await us.

We are not satisfied to just pray; we must go! We have five small children who need our care and some of them need their lessons, so we must put them on the altar and take them with us and camp from place to place. Our car is too light for this work and for such roads (or lack of roads) so we must equip a truck, take gasoline and equipment for long campaigns. We believe as we do this God will give us souls in the mountains. If we don't go out to them, I don't see how this dark region will ever know of Jesus and His saving power.

We covet your prayers and co-operation and we know God is able to equip and help and sustain us in this work. We have worked and agonized for a long time to get the work in and around Trujillo to a place where we could leave it in the hands of the faithful native workers and now God is undertaking for us. However, there is a great need for missionaries here and I believe God will bless those who will say, "Here am I, Lord, send me."

BLESSINGS IN DANZIG

In the unsettled political condition which has been prevailing in Europe for the last few months God has visited us with special blessing through the ministry of our brothers, Howard Carter of England and Lester Sumrall of America. These brethren were made a great help and encouragement to the students of the Biblical Institute and to the members of the local assembly.

At a tarrying service held especially for the students two of them were baptized with the Holy Spirit for which we praise God. Three tarrying services were held at the assembly for the benefit of the new believers who had not been baptized with the Spirit and twelve received besides a sister, who, while getting ready to attend the first tarrying service was filled to overflowing in her own home. The total number baptized was fifteen. Best of all a great hunger has been created in the hearts

of others and arrangements have been made for special tarrying services which will provide opportunity for many others to receive the fullness.

In view of the dangerous political situation in Europe which may result in a terrible conflict we would appreciate the prayers of the saints in the States, not only in behalf of those working in Danzig but also in behalf of the entire Eastern European field.—N. Nikoloff.

NEW MISSIONARY WRITES

From Africa comes the following account of God's gracious blessings upon the ministry of one of our new missionaries, Mrs. Elsie R. Simmons. She says: "The memory of my first preaching trip to the Darobo tribe is still a blessing to my soul. In the absence of my husband, who was making a tour of the district with Brother Landrus, Mrs. Torta and I took a short evangelistic tour to this tribe which has so patiently and perseveringly pleaded for a missionary to come.

"The neat little native church was crowded from service to service with eager listeners

stools, come into the service to be prayed with for their bodies. One heathen woman, blind and dirty, particularly attracted our attention. How she did pray as the altar call was given! Before we were able to reach her to speak to her about the blindness of her spiritual eyes as well as the natural ones, she had told the Lord that she was a bad heathen woman and confessed her turning to demons for help in times past. The glory rolled over our souls as well as her's as we saw the Spirit of God transform that countenance. The vacant look of abjection gave place to a shine of glory upon her face. The blood of the Lamb still speaks of sins forgiven.

"The following day again the people filled the little church. They had stayed home from their farms even though this is the busy brush-cutting season to hear the 'sweet words of God,' as they term the gospel. After the service was finished and the altar call ended with a long season of praying and praising the people all stayed and again took their seats. If our strength had continued, we could have started in again and had the second service. We were

loath to leave that place of blessed communion with God. However, it was not a departing from the consciousness of His power for the same definite moving of the Spirit encompassed us as we returned to our station. Several young girls received the Baptism with the Spirit the following Sunday night here, one during the song service at the beginning of the meeting. Rejoice with us that God is encouraging our hearts and continue to pray for the rain that shall ripen the harvest."

NOTICE

We recommend that offerings for any of our missionaries be sent through the FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPARTMENT, 336 West Pacific Street,

Springfield, Missouri. We are happy to forward your money for you exactly as you instruct us, and retain nothing for the cost of handling and sending it. Our home office is maintained by freewill offerings sent in by our friends designated for the expense of the Missions Department.

THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS

The following is quoted from *The United Presbyterian*: "The faiths now operative in the world are Christianity, Confucianism, Islam, Hinduism, Primitivism, Buddhism, Taoism, Shintoism, Judaism, Janism, Parsiism or Zoroastrianism. No reliable statistics are available as to the number of adherents of these various faiths. An estimate made in 1933 puts the number of Christians at 625,000,000, two and a half times the followers of the next faith, which is Confucianism. Islam is placed third with 235,000,000. Hinduism follows closely with 220,000,000. Then comes Primitivism with 160,000,000, and Buddhism with 140,000,000. In the remaining group is Taoism with 40,000,000; and the smallest is Parsiism, with 100,000."



The Biblical Institute of the Russian and Eastern European Mission, Danzig

of God's Word. The small children generally come in first and seat themselves upon mats at the front of the room. Then the older boys and girls take the first benches and their parents sit farther back, men on one side and women on the other. When all the benches are filled men and women alike bring thick pieces of wood or tiny 'palaver' chairs along with them and sit wherever there is a vacant space. As the church begins to fill up someone starts a song in 'country mouth,' everyone begins to clap and sing and the service has begun.

"From the very first meeting we had at that place the Spirit of the Lord was sweetly manifest. How our hearts thrilled as close attention was given to the message, and the altar call received such a hearty response that there was hardly room to kneel and seek the Lord. God came down upon those hungry hearts and satisfied their longing souls. Two young girls were definitely touched and gave ringing testimonies of being saved that day. Others told how they had been touched of the Lord and knew that they were saved. Some seemed on the verge of receiving the Holy Spirit in baptizing power.

"That night our souls groaned within us as we saw several old people, carrying their little

In the Whitenened Harvest Field

ENGLEWOOD, COLO.—Robert Distler, graduate of Glad Tidings Bible Institute, San Francisco, Calif., just closed a successful 2 weeks' meeting at the Englewood Pentecostal Church, 3085 S. Broadway.—Cecil J. Lowry, Pastor.

EDENTON, N. C.—We just closed a very successful revival, Evangelist and Mrs. Grover T. Owens, of Oklahoma in charge. The church was greatly benefited by their ministry. Several prayed through to a real experience in God.—Kelley Wigfield, Pastor.

ALEXANDRIA, MINN.—Evangelist and Mrs. David E. Morken just closed a 2 weeks' revival. The Lord wonderfully blessed their ministry. Souls wept their way through to Christ. Some were reclaimed. The interest was good throughout, and a real old time revival spirit prevailed.—Wm. A. Morken, Pastor.

SOUTH SIOUX CITY, NEB.—The revival held here by Evangelist Freda Steidle was a glorious success. The evangelist estimates that 40 came out for salvation and 25 were baptized in the Holy Spirit. The saints were wonderfully blessed of God.—G. A. Comstock, Pastor.

ELDON, IOWA—We recently closed a 3 weeks' revival, E. E. Templeton, Sedalia, Mo., Evangelist. Three sought the Lord and the church was much built up in a general way. Full gospel ministers passing this way will always find a welcome at our assembly.—Elmer L. Simbro, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—The Faith Mission enjoyed 2 weeks of real blessings while Evangelist R. E. Gilliam, of Little Rock, Ark., preached the old time gospel. Several were saved and 8 received the Holy Spirit. The church was crowded every night.—Albert G. Smith, Pastor.

WACO, TEXAS—Evangelist George Hayes, of Houston, conducted a revival at Faith Tabernacle, which resulted in many souls being saved. The revival began March 16 and continued 2 weeks. No definite count was kept of the number of conversions, nor of those who were filled with the Holy Spirit, but the results were very satisfactory. The tabernacle, which has a seating capacity of 1,000, was filled at approximately every service.—A. C. Lane, Pastor.

NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—For the past 3 weeks we have witnessed a great outpouring of the Spirit at the First Assembly of God Church, 22nd and Francis Streets. Evangelist Chas. C. Robinson and Party have been with us in a revival. Many were converted, several received the Baptism in the Spirit, and the church members in general were revived. The last night of the revival, 28 men and women were received into the assembly by the Pastor, T. J. Gotcher.—Mildred Conway, Church Reporter.

STERLING, COLO.—Evangelists Smith and Rogers, Granite City, Ill., have been with us during the past 3 weeks. God's approval was upon the meeting from the first. Souls were saved and saints were filled with the Holy Spirit in the Pentecostal way. We especially appreciated Brother Smith's preaching along Pentecostal lines.—L. H. Sheets, Pastor.

HAMILTON, ONT.—We have had with us lately Evangelist and Mrs. Percy King, known as the musical evangelists. They live up to their name. God gave us a real revival. About 30 or 40 were saved, and 10 received the Baptism in the Spirit. The crowds were splendid in spite of bad weather. Brother and Sister King will be in charge of the music and song leading at the Braeside Camp Meeting, July 3—19, at Paris, Ont.—J. H. Blair, Pastor.

WATONGA, OKLA.—The Lord has been with us in a glorious revival, Bracy Greer, Houston, Texas, Evangelist. Twenty-five were filled with the Holy Spirit, about 20 were saved, and some wonderful healings were experienced. The church was set in order by Brother Hoyer with 47 charter members. God is blessing in this new church and we are praying for a great revival among young people of this town.—Chas. H. Miller, Pastor.

HUDSON, COLO.—We came here January 12, and were granted the use of the Christian church. We preached for 6 weeks, and then Ruth Sportsman, of Yoder, came for a revival which closed April 5. The Lord worked in a wonderful way in our midst. A goodly number were saved and 2 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4. There is good interest among the people. Ministers passing this way are invited to stop with us.—Pastor Everett Hale and Sisters.

ALVORD, TEXAS—Brother and Sister E. L. Newby Jr. took charge of the Alvord church the first Sunday of last August. Since then we have paid off the debt on the building; have also organized a Women's Missionary Council and a Junior League which have been a real blessing to the church. We are glad to report that the work is moving along nicely.—Harold Gose, Secretary.

SIDNEY, NEB.—We have just concluded a wonderful meeting here. Brother G. J. Bolger has been the beloved pastor of this assembly for some time. He is a humble man of God, and is not afraid to tackle hard tasks. God is rewarding him for his faithful service in a very difficult field. We praise God for victory in this meeting. Several received the precious Baptism in the Holy Spirit; several backsliders were reclaimed; others were saved through obedience to the Lord, and 8 were buried with Christ in baptism. There was a beautiful spirit manifested throughout the whole campaign of 4 weeks. Satan struck down many of the saints during the meeting, but praise God, there were many wonderful healings too.—Evangelist and Mrs. Chas. L. Thornton, Route 6, Wichita, Kansas.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—Harry J. Steil with a delegation of 30 young people came to our church last night. He spoke on the theme, "God's Workmanship in Human Hearts." The Ossining orchestra and sax trio played selections; the ladies' radio quartet sang several hymns; and Brother Tuttle sang a solo. After the preliminaries, the audience of 125 persons attended an altar meeting in which 3 young men responded to the altar call for salvation, a score of saints were anointed and prayed for for bodily healing, and the saints were all edified and encouraged to press through until Jesus comes. This is one of Brother Steil's first visits to churches from the radio field. His broadcast is every Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. over WMCA, New York City, 570 kilos.—H. P. Nicolaison, Pastor.

KEENESBURG, COLO.—We have just accepted the pastorate here, following L. R. Faith who is now the District C. A. President. We found the work in good condition and the church practically out of debt. Evangelist Irl J. Walker, Portland, Ore., gave us a 10 day meeting. There was a praise service in which many of the members testified to the blessing of the Lord in the past 8 years since the church has been built. The congregation has trebled in membership and all indebtedness has been paid, despite the depression. The District Superintendent F. C. Woodworth, gave an address on "Making many rich." The church board gathered around at the conclusion, and Evangelist Irl J. Walker, the founder of the church, offered the prayer of thanksgiving. The Pastor presented the note to the District Superintendent, who set fire to it while the congregation lifted hands in prayer and thanksgiving.—C. L. Walker, Pastor.

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The Way of Salvation

There was in my ancestral line an incident so strangely impressive that it seems more like romance than reality. My grandfather and grandmother, living at Somerville, New Jersey, went to Baskingridge to witness a revival, under the ministry of Dr. Finney. They came home so impressed with what they had seen that they resolved on the salvation of their children.

The young people of the house were to go off for an evening party, and my grandmother said, "Now, when you are all ready for the party come to my room, for I have something very important to tell you." All ready for departure, they came to her room, and she said to them, "Now, I want you to remember while you are away this evening that I am all the time in this room praying for your salvation and I shall not cease praying until you get back."

The young people went to the party, but amid the loudest hilarities of the night they could not forget that their mother was praying for them. The evening passed, and the night passed. The next day my grandparents heard an outcry in an adjoining room, and they went in and found their daughter imploring the salvation of the gospel. The daughter told them that her brothers were at the barn and at the wagon-house under powerful conviction for sin. They went to the barn. They found my uncle Jehiah, who afterwards became a minister of the gospel, crying to God for mercy. They went to the wagon-house. They found their son David, who afterwards became my father, imploring God's pardon and mercy.

Before a great while the whole family were saved; and David went and told the story to a young woman to whom he was affianced, who, as a result of the story, became a Christian, and from her own lips—my mother—I have received the incidents. The story of that converted household ran through all the neighborhood, from family to family, until the whole region was whelmed with religious awakening, and at the next communion in the village church at Somerville over two hundred souls stood up to profess the faith of the gospel.

The above incident is related by Dr. Talmadge. Family salvation is not the luxury of the few, but the privilege of all. "The same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Rom. 10:12, 13.

CEDAR BLUFF, VA.—The Spring Convention of the Virginia Section of the Appalachian District opened Friday night, March 27, with the Lord very present. An inspiring message was given by Sister Fleming Van Meter Jr. Saturday morning, after a message by Brother McAfee on "Contending for the Faith," the business session was held, and it was decided that the permanent camp meeting should be located at Bristol. Brother Van Meter's sermon on "Walking Worthy of Our Vocation" was very heart-searching, and the day closed with God's presence a reality. The Sunday morning service was very good. Brother Millsaps, of Bristol, delivered a powerful message from the book of Job.—R. E. Johnson, Grant, Va.

HARVEY, IOWA—We are in a revival meeting with Brother Roy L. Elliott as the evangelist. Five have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4. Sunday night prayer was offered for the sick. Nearly every one who was prayed for was slain under the power of God. One man in town had just returned from the hospital from a serious operation and was in a hopeless condition. He called for Brother Elliott to come and pray for him. He was not saved, so after the evangelist had dealt with him about his soul he was saved and received a healing touch in his body. Thirty were saved in a 4 weeks' meeting.—By Evangelist.

RIZPAH

or

A Mother's Lonely Vigil 2 Samuel 21

*The famine sorely lay upon the land,
No food for man nor cattle in the stall—
A promise had been broken long ago,
And vengeance now on Israel's head must fall.*

*Atonement must be made for one and all,
And men must pay in blood the awful price;
Some Mother-hearts must bleed—and bleeding,
break;
For sin can but be cleansed by sacrifice.*

*And so they chose—ah! woe betied the day—
Among the others of the house of Saul
The sons of Rizpah. Loved and cherished they,
Two princely youths now marked for shroud
and fall!*

*Oh, Gibeah, thou native home of him
Whose royal shield was "vilely cast away,"
Behold the shame—the ruin vast of sin!
What noble sons of thine must fall today!*

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*But lo, there passed beneath the twilight dim
A mournful form, with measured step and slow;
Sackcloth she bore within her Mother-arms—
Within her Mother-heart, anguish and woe!*

*And by the silent rock she watched them there;
With many a stifled moan from heart grief-
riven!*

*Watched with a love that only Mothers know—
Watched till the harvest rain's descent from
heaven.*

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*Oh, Rizpah, with thy tender heart grief-torn,
Thy lonely vigil 'neath the twilight dim
Was but a token of the watch of love
Which thou hadst kept through life for both
of them!*

*Teach us to keep the love-lamp glowing
bright—*

*To watch away sin's "birds" and "beasts" of
prey*

*That would our priceless sons seek to devour,
Oh, teach us, dear, to trust and watch away.*

*Though moonbeams fade and stars send not
their cheer,*

*And long and lonely though our vigil be,
Lest sin forbid the heavenly prize at last
Teach us, brave Mother-heart, to watch with
thee!*

—Clara Brooks

Seed Thoughts

Gathered by Alice E. Rice

"Difficulties keep some men poor—those who lack the vision and understanding to overcome them. To other men difficulties are the steps on which they build their way to success."

Consider how Joseph encountered the envy and hatred of his brothers, the hardships of slavery, false accusations, and long years in a dungeon; yet he used them all to climb higher in God.

If we fail to use the trials which beset us in this life, we shall not be prepared for the eternal ministry for which they were intended to discipline us.

"No chastening for the present seemeth . . . joyous, but grievous; nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit . . . unto them which are exercised thereby."

How can we learn to be exercised by our trials and difficulties—to make them the gymnasium in which we can develop as spiritual athletes?

Study 2 Sam. 22, repeated in Psalm 18, and see how God finds the poor sinner drowning in many waters, rescues and saves him, and then transforms him into an athlete, a climber, a racer, and a warrior.

Jesus on one occasion constrained His disciples to get into a boat and sail across the Lake of Galilee; and soon He saw them toiling in rowing, for the wind was contrary.

Remember that when you find yourself in storms and trials. Difficulties are no proof that you are out of God's will, but often just the contrary.

McCOOK, NEB.—The District Council session just held here was truly blessed of the Lord. From many quarters came the statement that this was the best we have ever had. The District has shown quite an increase in many ways during the past year. Quite a number of very promising recruits were added to the licensed and ordained groups. It was felt that quite a forward step was taken when plans were made and quite a lot of money was raised to erect 2 portable tabernacles to be used in Home Mission work. A fine spirit of co-operation and loyalty was shown in that the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, and Secretary-Treasurer were re-elected almost unanimously on the nominating ballot. The ministry of E. S. Williams, P. C. Nelson, and many other visiting brethren was a blessing to the gathering.—Glenn E. Millard, Secretary-Treasurer.

FORT DODGE, IOWA—This work was started about a year ago by W. E. Longdin, with Brother and Sister Russell E. Griffin as evangelists.

We have just finished 2 weeks of special meetings, Evangelist A. O. Swanson, of Minneapolis, Speaker. God confirmed His Word with signs following. Four came to the altar for salvation, 4 others were baptized in the Holy Spirit, and some were healed. One sister, while having a vision of Jesus, heard Him speak these words: "I am coming soon." Another sister, while tarrying for the Baptism, had a vision of lost souls. Others received wonderful refillings.—Oscar Eliason, Pastor.

Wesley's Twelve Rules for Preachers

1. Be diligent. Never be unemployed. Never be triflingly employed. Never "while" away time, nor spend more time at any place than is strictly necessary.

2. Be serious. Let your motto be, "Holiness to the Lord." Avoid all lightness, jesting, and foolish talking.

3. Converse sparingly and cautiously with women, particularly with young women.

4. Take no step towards marriage without solemn prayer to God and consulting your brethren.

5. Believe evil of no one unless fully proved; take heed how you credit it. Put the best construction you can on everything. You know the judge is always supposed to be on the prisoner's side.

6. Speak evil of no one, else your word especially, would eat as doth a canker; keep your thoughts within your own breast till you come to the person concerned.

7. Tell everything that you think wrong in him, lovingly and plainly, and as soon as may be, else it will fester in your own heart. Make all haste to cast the fire out of your bosom.

8. Do not affect the gentleman. A preacher of the gospel is the servant of all.

9. Be ashamed of nothing but sin; no, not of cleansing your own shoes when necessary.

10. Be punctual. Do everything exactly at the time. And do not mend our rules but keep them, and that for conscience's sake.

11. You have nothing to do but to save souls. Therefore spend and be spent in this work. And go always, not only to those who want you, but to those who want you most.

12. Act in all things, not according to your own will, but as a son in the gospel, and in union with your brethren. As such, it is your part to employ your time as our rules direct; partly in preaching and visiting from house to house, partly in reading, meditation, and prayer. Above all, if you labor with us in our Lord's vineyard, it is needful you should do that part of the work which the conference shall advise, at those times and places which they shall judge most for His glory.

Observe, it is not your business to preach so many times, and to take care merely of this or that society, but to save as many souls as you can, to bring as many sinners as you possibly can to repentance, and, with all your power, to build them up in that holiness without which they cannot see the Lord.

TRAITORS

"Latter-day men are to be 'traitors' (2 Tim. 3:4), spies who habitually practice betrayal

and who are ultimately universal," comments Dawn. "The Gestapo," says the German correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian*, "is now one of the most efficient instruments of tyrannical power in the world. Many of the officials often talk in hostile terms of the dictatorship, thus acting as decoys. Many of them have begun "illegal" or "underground" movements, pretending to be Communists or Socialists, and they circulate "illegal" literature, so as to detect all who are willing to join such movements. The Gestapo keeps a dossier of every notable person in London and elsewhere who is regarded as hostile to the National Socialist dictatorship. The information in the dossier is, as a rule, surprisingly accurate, detailed, and up to date."

LONGMONT, COLO.—April 5th we had our first service in the new church, beginning with an offering of thanks at 9:15 a. m. It was a very precious time as we realized, as one brother stated, "a dream come true." At 2:30 p. m. we held our formal opening service with several churches from out of town represented. The building was filled to capacity as District Superintendent F. C. Woodworth brought the message. The building is 40x60 ft., brick with a full basement. At night we began a revival, L. R. Faith, our new C. A. President, Evangelist. Four were at the altar for salvation.—Paul L. Ferguson, Pastor.

EAKLY, OKLA.—God blessed in a remarkable way in our Sectional Fellowship Meeting the first Tuesday in April. Our church was packed to overflowing. Carl Alcorn spoke in the morning, subject "Our Ministry." His message was an inspiration to all present. R. V. Carter, of Elk City, brought us some wonderful thoughts on "Counsel" in the afternoon. Our Sectional Presbyter, T. K. Davis, of Lawton, then spoke. His wonderful message stirred our souls to a "go through" determination.—C. C. Comer, Pastor.

Forthcoming Meetings

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

ADAMS, WIS.—May 15, for 2 weeks or longer; C. A. Jones, Evangelist.—N. L. Shotwell, Pastor.

LINEVILLE, IOWA—May 10—; Nellie Cox, of Des Moines, Evangelist.—Con Gumm, Pastor.

CONNEAUT, O.—May 10-31; Otto J. Klink, Evangelist.—Earl E. Bond, Pastor, 409 Harbor St.

WRIGHTSVILLE, PA.—May 10-24, or longer; H. C. Ring, Evangelist.—Frederick D. Eide, Pastor.

SISSETON, S. D.—May 12-31; Evangelist and Mrs. P. T. Emmett Jr., Waverly, Ill.—A. A. Anderson, Pastor.

STERLING, COLO.—Third and Pine Sts.; May 10, for 3 weeks or longer; Wallace G. Ross, Evangelist.—L. H. Sheets, Pastor.

STONINGTON, ME.—May 21—; Evangelist and Mrs. Gideon O. DeMerchant, Bath, N. B., Canada.—By Evangelist.

DUNSMUIR, CALIF.—Pentecostal Assembly; May 10-24; Evangelist and Mrs. E. Wm. Anderson; C. C. Catledge, Pastor.—By Evangelist.

AUSTIN, TEXAS—First Assembly of God, 503 W. 37th St.; May 3-31; Frank R. Anderson, Evangelist.—Lee Baker, Pastor.

KONAWA, OKLA.—Assembly of God Church, W. 3rd, 1st Blk.; May 10—; Florence Boucher and Tina Griffin, Evangelists.—James Plant, Pastor.

OSHKOSH, WIS.—Gospel Tabernacle; May 12—; J. Clark, Evangelist.—Stafford Anderson, Pastor.

BEND, ORE.—Now in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Christian Hild.—Paul Brannon, Pastor, 721 Florida.

MIDLOTHIAN, MD.—May 17—; Evangelist and Mrs. Grover T. Owens; A. R. Ark, Pastor.—By Evangelists.

AKRON, O.—Pentecostal Church, Cor. North Howard and York St.; May 12-31; Peter Jepsen, Evangelist.—C. A. Kinney, Pastor, Tel. Wa. 3831.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.—Faith Tabernacle, Conklin Ave. and High St.; April 26—; Hattie Hammond, Evangelist.—John Kellner, Pastor.

BREMERTON, WASH.—9th and Veneta St.; May 3, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. F. Pepper, Minneapolis, Minn.—Karl Leonard, Pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Glad Tidings Church, 5033 Frankford Ave.; May 10-24; Anna R. Dickson, Evangelist.—Frederick C. Bennett, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, 5th and Peoria; May 12—; Emma Taylor, Evangelist.—Stanley P. McPherson, Acting Pastor.

RUSSELL, KANSAS—Old Baptist Church; now in progress, continue through May; Hannah Steinle Johnson and Party in charge.—By Evangelist.

MARION, O.—Assembly of God Tabernacle; May 10, for 3 weeks or longer; Evangelists G. C. West and Nola West.—Lawrence Davis, Pastor, 188 Blaine Ave.

SOUTH BEND, IND.—Gospel Tabernacle, 1115 S. Michigan St.; May 10-31; Evangelist and Mrs. Charles B. Peters, Washington, D. C.—Adolph Petersen, Pastor.

TAYLORVILLE, KY.—Ashe's Creek Union Church; May 10, for 3 weeks; Wm. Emenegger, Evangelist; L. C. Hicks, Soloist and Musician.—C. E. Jones, Pastor.

NORRISTOWN, PA.—Calvary Gospel Tabernacle, DeKalb and Marshall Sts.; May 5-24; Evangelist and Mrs. E. T. Quanabush.—Wilbert D. Schock, Pastor.

WESTERNPORT, MD.—Pentecostal Tabernacle, Maryland Ave.; May 5-24; Evangelist and Mrs. J. D. Saunders.—Oliver P. Brann, Pastor, 128 Wood Street.

DEDICATION AND FELLOWSHIP

SHELDON, IOWA—New Tabernacle; June 15-18; all ministers of near-by towns and states are invited to attend; several splendid speakers.—A. M. Keizer and Nelly Keizer, Pastors.

NEWCASTLE, WYO.—Gospel Tabernacle; May 13-14; new tabernacle will be dedicated; District Superintendent F. C. Woodworth will bring the dedicatory sermon. Neighboring brethren invited, for Fellowship Meeting. Meals and rooms provided as far as possible.—L. E. Lanphear, Pastor.

FLINT, MICH.—Riverside Tabernacle, 2215 Lewis St.—May 13-31; Harvey McAlister, Toronto, Canada, Evangelist; services every night except Monday at 7:30. Broadcasting every Thursday from 4:00 to 5:00 p. m. from WMPK, Lapeer, Mich., 1200 kilo.—Chas. W. H. Scott, Pastor.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—Deeper Life Convention; May 21-31; Hattie Hammond, H. E. Bowley, and other speakers; services 2:30 and 7:45 daily. All churches in the area are co-operating. Write for reservations. Address Pastor E. H. Chamberlain, P. O. Box 143, Granite City, Ill.

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Grace Tabernacle, 622 South Ave.; May 3-31; C. A. Tubby, Canadian Revivalist and Author. Broadcasting several mornings, 8:00 A. M., over WSYR. Central New York Prayer Fellowship meeting, May 14; services all day; meals on free will offering plan.—David M. Wellard, Pastor.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.—All-summer tent campaign, down town, beginning May 10; Wm. F. McPherson, Sanford, Fla., first Evangelist; to be followed by other outstanding ministers. Radio broadcast every day, 11:00 to 11:30 A. M. (C. S. T.) over WPFB, 1370 kilos.—James E. Hamill, Pastor, 608 Hall Ave.

SUMMER BIBLE SCHOOL

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—Glad Tidings Temple, 1441 Ellis St.; June 2-July 12; Evangelists A. H. Argue, Zelma Argue, Frederick Betts, and others, will be with us; sessions daily 8:30 to 11:30 a. m. Great revival services nightly, 7:30 p. m. Write for full particulars to the Summer Bible School, 1441 Ellis St., San Francisco, Calif.—H. Wesley Cooksey, Assistant Pastor.

CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE COMMENCEMENT
 SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Graduating exercises, May 18, 7:30 P. M., in the Assembly of God Church, Campbell Ave., and Calhoun St.

ANNUAL MISSIONARY CONVENTION
 CHICAGO, ILL.—Stone Church, 70th St. and Stewart Ave.; May 3-17; Guy Shields, Evangelist.—N. P. Thomsen, Pastor.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—Full Gospel Church, 1st and Adams Sts.; May 17—; Dorine Justus, Evangelist.—E. C. Sumrall, Pastor, 2209 S. 11th St.

SEMI-ANNUAL CAMP MEETING
 DURANT, FLA.—Pleasant Grove Camp Ground; May 7-17. For information write: C. C. Garrett, District Superintendent, Route 3, Plant City, Fla.; or N. A. Bell, Secretary-Treasurer, 1907 N. B. St., Tampa, Fla.

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS, S. S. AND C. A. RALLIES
 MILWAUKEE, WIS.—District Fellowship Rally, Bethel Tabernacle, 18th and W. Brown St.; May 12-13; free meals and rooms provided for District ministers.—D. M. Carlson, District Secretary.

MOORELAND, OKLA.—Assembly of God Church; May 11-12; first service evening, May 11. Those wanting license or ordination will please appear in person. For further particulars write Pastor Floyd Murray.—James Hutsell, District Superintendent.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—Full Gospel Pentecostal Church, 40 S. Bridge St.; May 10-11; services, 3:00 and 7:30 p. m. Flen Van Meter, District Superintendent, will speak at all services. Fellowship is on Monday, May 11; supper served on Monday to all out-of-town guests. Bring musical instruments.—Henry P. Nicolaison, Pastor, 31 Noxon St.

GRAN QUIVERA, N. M.—Evening, May 12; all day, May 13; District Superintendent A. C. Bates is planning to be present. The matter of a camp meeting at Albuquerque will be discussed, and all ministers, especially of this section, are requested to attend.—W. A. Vanzant, Presbyter, 1120 N. 2nd St., Albuquerque, N. M.

APPALACHIAN DISTRICT
 MIAMI, W. VA.—May 15-17; ministers urged to attend; each assembly may send 2 delegates; entertainment provided to ministers and delegates. Applications will be received for license to preach and exhorter's permits. For information write Pastor W. H. Sloan, Miami, W. Va.—W. T. Millsaps, Secretary.

TEXICO DISTRICT COUNCIL
 CLOVIS, N. M., Armory Building; June 3-5; Ernest S. Williams, General Superintendent, Main Speaker. Candidates for ordination will apply through their Presbyter. Special rates on rooms; meals, family style, 25 cents. Camping space for those who come prepared. For further information write Pastor W. M. Panos, Clovis, N. M.—A. C. Bates, District Superintendent, Box 5048, Amarillo.

TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL
 WACO, TEXAS—Tabernacle Baptist Church, Corner 15th St. and Clay Ave.; June 9-12. Those desiring ordination should write immediately to District Superintendent. Special programs by Christ Ambassadors and Women's Missionary Council. E. S. Williams, General Superintendent, will be with us throughout the meeting and will speak daily. For further information write E. L. Newby, District Superintendent, 2621 W. 26th St., Fort Worth, Texas. Phone 62833.

SHIELD OF FAITH BIBLE INSTITUTE COMMENCEMENT
 FT. WORTH, TEXAS—Rosen Heights Assembly of God Church; Graduating exercises May 22-25; Friday night, Class Program; Saturday night, Special Program, music by school and special speakers; Sunday morning, Baccalaureate Sermon by E. B. Crump, Secretary-Treasurer Texas District Council; Monday night, Commencement Exercises and presentation of diplomas. Guy Shields, President.—Lorraine Wise, Secretary-Treasurer.

KANSAS SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETINGS
 Attica-Sharon-Corwin, March 31-April 5; Hutchinson, April 7-12; LeRoy-Yates Center, April 14-19; Humboldt-Chanute, April 21-26; Independence-Fredonia, April 28-May 3; Chetopa-Oswego-Edna, May 5-10; Pittsburg-Arcadia, May 12-17; Baxter Springs-Galena, May 19-24; Parsons-Erie, May 26-31. All-day conventions will be held at Hutchinson, April 11, and at Parsons, May 29. All nearby assemblies invited to participate.—C. E. McCarrell, State Sunday School Secretary, Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

OPEN FOR CALLS
 Evangelistic

Nancy Galbreath, Greenway Station, Tucson, Ariz. "Prepared to conduct Daily Vacation Bible School during revival. Ten years' experience as pastor and evangelist. A former Nazarene preacher."

Evangelistic

Etta Rhea, Mercer, Mo. "I have resigned the pastorate here."

H. L. Brothers, 117 Gordon Ave., Wadsworth, O. "Available for evangelistic services, also Bible teaching and prophetic conferences; 15 years' experience; reference: G. F. Lewis, District Superintendent, 11 W. Warren Ave., Youngstown, O."

Evangelistic or Pastoral

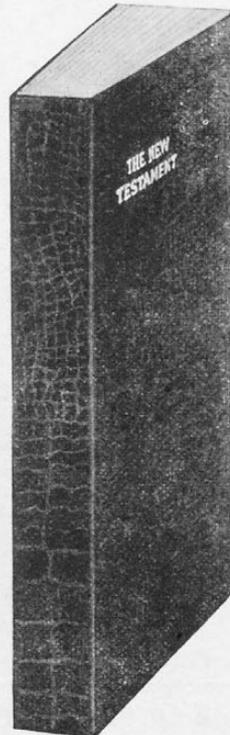
F. A. Toller, 1246 N. Detroit, Tulsa, Okla. "Thirteen years' experience in Full Gospel ministry; 3 in family."

J. T. Davis, 1310 Morrell St., Dallas, Texas. "In fellowship with Texas District Council; can direct choirs, work with C. A's. References."

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Alabama Shield of Faith Bible School	15.50
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Madera Pent'l Tabernacle	32.66

Manhattan Beach Assembly of God C A's	1.00
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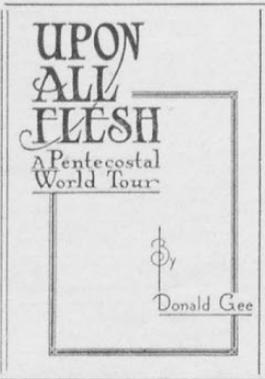
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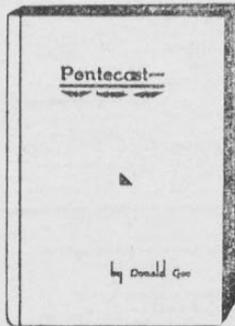
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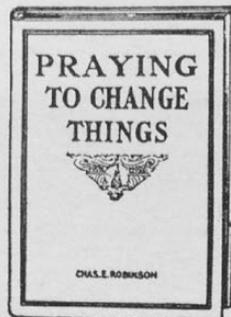
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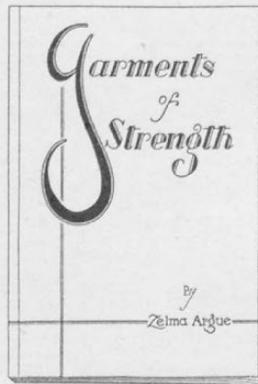


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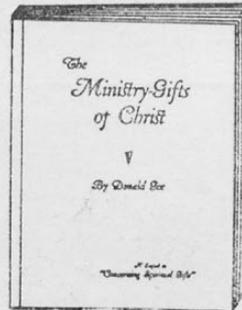
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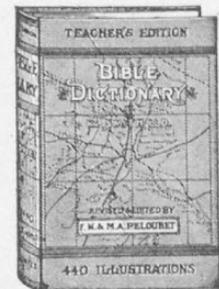
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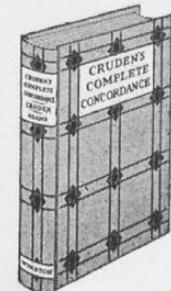
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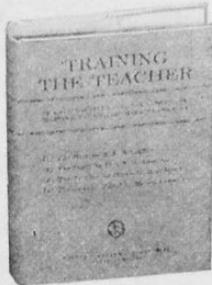
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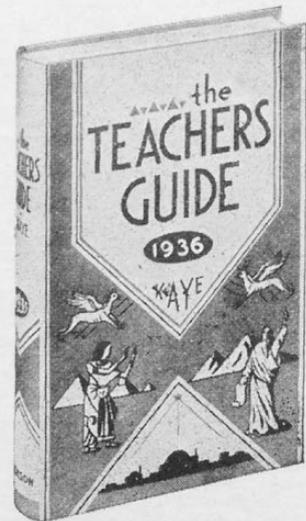
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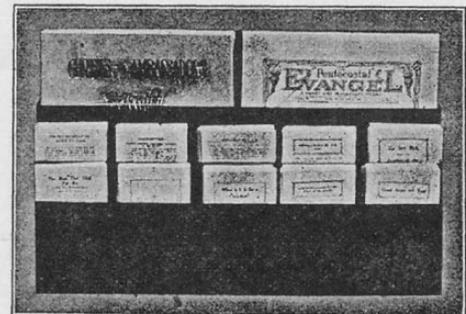
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