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THY TESTIMONIES ALSO ARE MY DELIGHT AND MY COUNSELLORS



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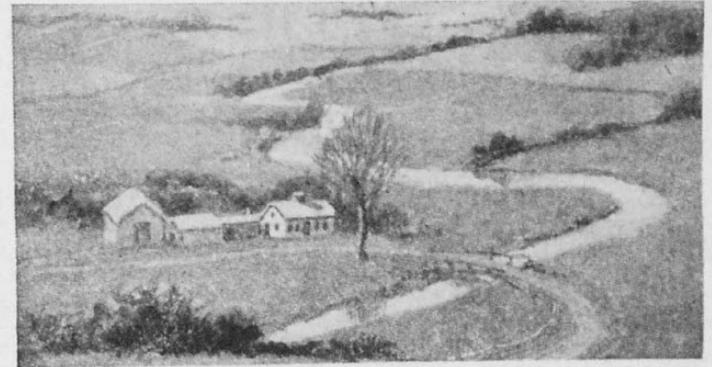
THE sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?" Isa. 33:14.

"The sinners in Zion"—what a statement! A few days ago I was reading this verse and it seemed those words simply leaped from the page. Zion—the city of God! I wonder if it could be the sinners in the church? Fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites.

As we study the lives of the prophets, we see that a great mystery overshadowed them most of the time. They knew their prophecies were from the Lord yet in them were so many things they could not understand; for instance, the blending of the sufferings and the glories of the Messiah. One moment they were pouring out their hearts in agony, sorrow, and suffering (as in Isaiah 53), and the next moment they were speaking of glory and exaltation. In this verse (Isa. 33:14), they knew the reference was not to judgment, even though fire and everlasting burning were mentioned, because the burden of the message was righteousness.

But in these last days these mysteries have been unfolded. We see the mystery of the sufferings and the glories of Christ cleared up in His two advents—His suffering on Calvary at His first coming, and His glory in the heavens to be revealed when He comes again. Among other mysteries to be revealed is this verse fulfilled, I believe, on the day of Pentecost. We know that fire signified the presence of God. When God spoke to Moses out of the burning bush, he drew near to see the bush burning and yet was not consumed. There he heard God saying, "Moses, draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground." God was in that place. The fire in the bush signified His presence.

We read again that our God is a *consuming* fire. Fire is also used as an emblem of the Holy Spirit, and speaks of His office work of cleansing, refining, purifying, and energizing our lives. On the day of Pentecost the Spirit of God fell upon the disciples in the form of cloven tongues of fire, and they were filled with the Holy Ghost. When the Holy Spirit comes into our lives today we like to think of Him coming as He did on the day of Pentecost, filling us with fire. It is a common testimony among us that we have been filled with the Holy Ghost and fire. I thank God for the



*Dead to the world and its applause,
To all the customs, fashions, laws,
Of those that hate the humbling Cross.*

*So dead that no desire may rise
To appear good, or great, or wise
In any but my Saviour's eyes.*

fire of His presence that comes into our lives. But notice, please, that in this verse God reverses the order, and instead of our having the fire in us, God puts *us* into the fire. It is a wonderful thing to be filled with the fire of the Holy Ghost, but God also wants to put you and me into the fire.

"Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?" It is a tremendous question, a severe test. Well may the sinners in Zion be afraid, and fearfulness surprise the hypocrites! This is one of the most tremendous questions in the Word of God for many Pentecostal people. Who among us can stand the consuming fire of the Holy Ghost? Who can dwell, or stay in it? I have been much impressed recently with the fact that a number who have experienced this latter day outpouring of the Holy Ghost are outside the Pentecostal fellowship today.

Why is this so? And why are there so many *in* our fellowship who are drawing back from some of the things they once enjoyed? I wonder if the answer is not found in this scripture? How many of us are able to stand the burning, consuming, refining fire of God's holy presence? When God begins to burn and consume within our lives the things that are displeasing to Him, how many of us step back? We say, "Lord, I am going through with you." We consecrate our lives to the Lord, and He comes and fills us with the Holy Ghost. We speak a few words in another language, and becoming enthusiastic, we determine to go through with the

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The Gospel Among the Mossi People

E. Chastagner, Superintendent, Ivory Coast Field, at Central Bible Institute



I am glad to stand before this congregation of young people in Central Bible Institute because seven who have left this Bible school are now on our mission field in Mossi Land—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Vivan Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Weidman, and Fred Glaser. The Wilsons and the Smiths have been on the field the longest. They have been true and devoted to the cause of Christ and have done a good work. Brother Glaser and the Weidmans came just last year but already they have a wonderful grasp of the native language, and are doing good work.

The African of today is the descendant of men and women who knew God but refused to worship Him, who turned away from Him. Today they worship fetishes. In certain sections they worship the crocodile. In all sections they offer sacrifices to evil spirits to appease them and to escape their wrath. They bow down to their village chief and to the higher chiefs in homage, putting their faces down to the very dust. We ask, "Why do you do that?" They answer, "Because they own us." But they never do homage to God. If you ask the Mossi, "Is there a God?" he will reply, "Oh, yes, we believe there is a God." "Well, who is He?" "Where is He?" They answer, "We don't know."

When burying the dead, they put food in the grave so the dead will have food for the journey. They put new garments on them and give him a new sleeping mat for the journey. They put money in the grave so that he will have means of buying food and water, showing that they believe there is a life to come. However they make no preparation for it. They have the name of God in their vocabulary, and whenever they greet each other it is always by mentioning the word "God." When they say "Good-bye," they say "God give you another day." If one is sick, they say, "God have mercy." If one is recovering from illness, they say, "God give you strength." If they want to pronounce a blessing on anyone, they say, "God give you children."

All through Mossi Land where we have established mission stations, there are those

who have come out of this heathen darkness. About two months before we left Africa we were having a fellowship meeting at Ouagadougou, our main station. The native workers had come together. Out of those present there was only one who had been baptized in the Holy Spirit. At the close of our first meeting the Spirit of the Lord came upon them. One of the natives present was the pastor of the assembly in Ouagadougou, a fine young man who has known the Lord now for about six years and has shown himself a true and faithful Christian—a real worker. Many times my own soul has been fed as I have sat and listened to him as he gave the Word. That day he looked to the Lord, purposed in his heart that he would not leave that place until he was filled with the Spirit, and soon he was speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave him utterance. The other workers became more hungry, too, than they had been before, and the following Sunday two more were baptized in the Holy Spirit.

When these Ouagadougou people come to the place where they really know God and consecrate themselves to His service, they go out into the villages and preach, but they still have to plant wheat and do a day's work once in a while. When they have proved themselves by showing their sincerity in the Lord's work, and giving evidence of being used by Him, we try to secure a bicycle for them. Preaching the gospel in Africa is not a lazy man's job. The black man who gives himself to that work is consecrated. He has really counted the cost. We have a number of young men in Mossi Land who are going from village to village and giving forth the gospel. We believe it is important to train these young men, teaching them the Word, because they can go into places where white people cannot go, and they will go, in a way we should consider, "empty handed." They put some meal into a calabash, mix a little water with it, and drink it for a meal.

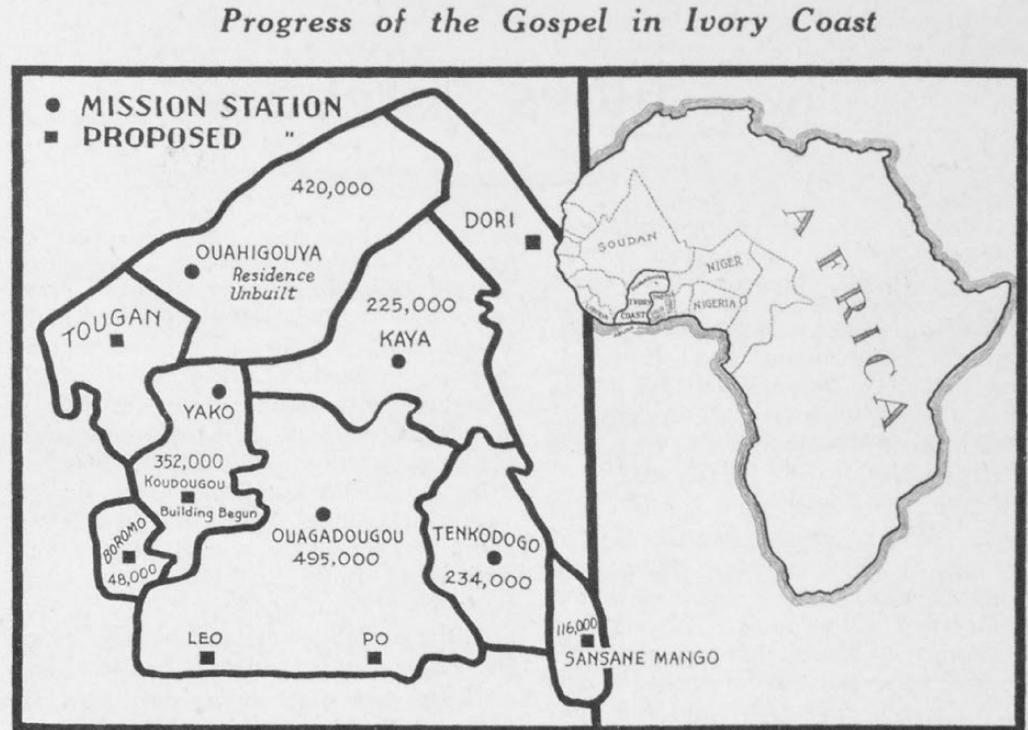
About six years ago while the main house at Ouagadougou was being remodeled, a mason was employed to put up a big arch of dried brick. He was a Mohammedan,

PICTURES OF OUR MOSSI LAND MISSIONARIES

Mr. and Mrs. E. Chastagner, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Vivan Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Weston, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jones, Mr. and Mrs. John Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Glaser.

very careless in his work, and he gave us a lot of trouble. One morning he came to take out the wooden support from under an arch he had finished the day before. These arches are supported with blocks of wood or brick underneath and these have to be removed when the arch has been put in place and dried. Suddenly there was a crash on that front verandah. When I went out, I found that this arch, weighing more than a ton and a half, had collapsed, and there to my horror under the arch was a boy buried with nothing but his head visible. He was calling to the others, "Take the bricks off my feet." The natives seemed stupefied; they didn't know what to do. As quickly as possible I cleared the bricks off the boy, and he stood up. I examined him and found there was not a bone broken. The natives began to say, "That is God." I called the mason's attention to his carelessness and rebuked him for it. A few minutes later that man came around behind the house, searched in his garment for his money, then he came to me and said, "Here, this is all the money I have; pray for me." We told him, "It is not your money we want. We will pray for you." That man gave his heart to God. A week later the boy who had been buried by the bricks came and said, "I want to give my heart to God." A week later another young fellow, who was also working on the job when the arch fell, came and said, "White man, the day that arch fell Jesus captured my soul. I want to give Him my heart."

This young mason began attending meeting. He never missed a reading class, a prayer meeting, or Bible study. When he left us and went back to his own village, he began to witness for the Lord, with the result that he was persecuted. He had learned about one page of writing that we had taught at our reading class, and he had this sheet of gospel wording. He had not been home long before the chief sent him off to a place 550 miles away, to do some government work for six months. When the six months were up, he came back with his face shining. "Well," he said to us, "they sent me away but I prayed every day and read my paper every day," and he took out from his garment this typewritten sheet. He went right back to his own town and was witnessing once again for the Lord. The



The area covered by our mission stations and proposed mission sites is not confined to Ivory Coast alone, but projects into Togoland on the southeast and into Soudan on the northwest, while the territory around Dori is known as the Niger.

priests threatened him but threats did not turn him back. He built a hut as a meeting place for his converts. The following year that meeting place was too small so they made a bigger place. By that time another young man in the same village had learned to read and write very well, so on Sunday they had meetings, and during the week there would be reading classes with the second young man in charge while the other went to another village to preach. Last year the church they had was again too small.

This young man and two others at Ouagadougou were getting 30 francs a month (about a dollar) as support from the native church. At the last fellowship meeting before we left these three young men got their heads together and talked things over. There were two other young men who had been out preaching, younger in the work but who had proved themselves. The three, after talking the matter over, came to me

and said, "White man, each of us is getting 30 francs a month now. We want to take only 20 francs a month and give 10 francs to you from each of us, which will make 30 francs. You can divide this between the other two workers so they will each have 15 francs a month." I have heard of preachers looking for bigger salaries but I do not know many in this country who have the spirit of sacrifice of these young African evangelists. "I want less so that the other fellow can have more."

The Mossi tribe is the largest in French West Africa—numbering 2,000,000. Mossi Land is the most densely populated section of Africa, outside of a few coastal regions. They have always been subject to their chiefs, and often they say, "Yes, we believe what you are teaching is true, but . . ." A district chief died about six months ago. I had spoken to him many times. I had been on his own compound and witnessed to
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OUR IVORY COAST FIELD

17 Missionaries 47 Native Ministers
5 Main Stations 69 Outstations



Mr. and Mrs. Paul Weidman and Miss Helen Duffy.



Native workers as they gathered in from the outstations for conference.

The Editor's Notebook



Eagle Strength

The Lord put a question to Job: "Doth the eagle mount up at thy command, and make her nest on high?" He added, "She dwelleth and abideth on the rock, upon the crag of the rock, and the strong place." Job 39:27, 28.

Of what does that rock speak? Said David, "Who is a rock, save our God?" He sings, "I will love thee, O Lord, my strength . . . my rock . . . in whom I will trust." Psalm 18:1, 2. When the Lord told Moses, "I will make all my goodness pass before thee," He said, "There is a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock: and it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of the rock"—surely a picture of the Rock of Ages smitten for us at Calvary, in whose wounded side we can take refuge. Hidden in that Rock, we, even as Moses, can have a revelation of the name and nature of God: "Merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth," Exod. 34:6, 7.

In Hebrews we are bidden to draw nigh—for we are very welcome—through the veil of the heavenly tabernacle, to dwell in the secret place of the most High. The Lord of old likened Himself unto an eagle fluttering over her young, spreading abroad her wings, taking her young and bearing them on her wings. Deut. 32:11. As you draw nigh, He will cover you with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust.

He, who likens Himself to an eagle, will make us like unto Himself. How can we frail creatures of dust be so completely transformed? By His Spirit. Conybeare translates 2 Cor. 3:17, 18: "Where the Spirit of the Lord abides, there bondage gives place to freedom; and we all, while with face unveiled we behold in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are ourselves transformed continually into the same likeness; and the glory which shines upon us is reflected by us, even as it proceeds from the Lord, the Spirit."

What is the outstanding thing in an eagle? Vision. She sees all that is nigh and also the land that is very far off. If we do not get the eagle vision that the Lord wants us to have, people everywhere will perish. He bids us catch the vision of the fields white unto harvest, the fields nigh us at our Jerusalem, then

beyond us throughout our Judea, away into Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth. That young man, Saul of Tarsus, received the heavenly vision. It was ever with him, and to the end he was obedient to it. To the young men, through His outpoured Spirit, God has promised vision. Joel 2:28. Even though you are no longer young, if you will but ask Him, He will so satisfy your mouth with good things that your youth shall be renewed like the eagle's. He will give you the eagle vision, and by His grace the ability to do all that is in the vision.

What does God say concerning His eagles who dwell on the rock? "From thence she seeketh the prey, and her eyes behold afar off." His "eagles" will get the vision of the distant heathen lands, and go forth in the power of the Spirit with a full assurance that His promise shall be fulfilled: "The captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered." Isa. 49:25.

The Lord Jesus of old sent His disciples forth as sheep among wolves. He is still doing this. Weak, helpless sheep though we be, He will enable us to snatch the prey from the wolf's mouth and "let the oppressed go free." David, stripling though he was, was able to rescue the prey from the mouths of the bear and the lion. When David was despised and rejected there resorted to him those that were in distress, in debt, and discontented, and he trained them

to be his mighty men of valor. A greater than David can so empower us weaklings that we shall be more than conquerors over all the power of the enemy, ever rescuing the prey from the mouth of that roaring lion who goes about seeking whom he may devour.

You protest, "But David was very strong, while I am weak." Did David say he was strong? He confesses that he was so weak he nearly fainted, and would have fainted if he had not believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. He passes on his prescription to all of us fainting ones, "Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord." Psalm 27:13, 14.

Do you say, "But I am very weak"? Thank God if you do. Your weakness is your greatest asset. The apostle Paul gloried in his weakness, for when he was weak he was able to receive the all-sufficient grace that God gave. God poured His divine strength into Paul's human weakness.

The Lord declares, "I will destroy the fat and the strong." Ezek. 34:16. See those strong ones bringing that weak one—those strong Pharisees bringing that poor weak woman caught in the very act of adultery—to Him who Himself was weak, a Lamb. Ask that Eastern farmer, "Can you harness your plow to a lamb?" "No," he answered you with scorn, "it is too weak." But back of that weak Lamb was the limitless strength and power of Almighty God. The Lamb spoke one simple word, and those strong wolves slunk away defeated. The prey of the terrible was delivered, and she received the word from the Lamb, "Go, and sin no more."

The same strength that He, the Lamb of God, received is available to all of His. He says, "Ask, and it shall be given you." He encourages us by telling us in Hebrews 11 of those who through faith "out of weakness were made strong." He bids the weakling, "Let him take hold of my strength." Isa. 27:5.

"He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength." He gives us the secret of receiving this power: "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew (literally, change) their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles." Isa. 40:31. Mount up to that Rock, that place of vision, that place of power! Begin to avail yourself today of this blessed secret of strength and vision. Speak to your soul continually, "My soul, wait thou only on God." To the Lord let this be your constant attitude and prayer, "Be thou to me a rock of habitation whereunto I may continually resort." Psalm 71:3, R. V.—S. H. F.

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The Outlook and the Uplook

Present Day Events in the Light of Scripture

DEADLINE OF FUTURE WARFARE

The Associated Press reports that J. Leon Prens, a 23-year-old chemistry student at Iowa State College, believes he has perfected a "poison gas" that destroys gas masks as efficiently as it kills human beings.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY WITHDRAWN

According to *Dawn* a recent government order made the Baptist Churches throughout Roumania, with their 65,000 communicant members, illegal societies, and their doors are now being closed. This follows the ban on our Pentecostal churches.

THE JEW IN MEXICO

The National Revolutionary Party in Mexico demands that a list of Jews, their status under Mexican law and the amount of their capital be furnished to the Government. The measure to exclude foreigners from small business enterprises is aimed especially against the Jews.

WAR AS A "SPORT"

The cruel spirit of ancient paganism is raising its head and will be one of the characteristics of the next world empire. Mussolini's son has written a book concerning the recent Italian war in Italy. In it he says, "War certainly educates. I recommend it to everybody. War for us has been a sport, the most beautiful and complete of all sports."

A FAILING REFUGE.

Reports *Jewish Chronicle*: "For many years now Zionists in Soviet Russia have been the victims of harsh repression. Now it is the turn of the old Jewish Socialist leaders to feel the edge of official disapproval."

Those Jews who hoped to find a way of escape in communism are being disillusioned. "Let Israel trust in the Lord," is the old prophetic cry.

RUMORS OF WARS

The peace-loving Scandinavian countries have caught the war fear. Sweden is increasing her navy and is installing bomb-proof shelters in her large cities. Both Italy and England have ordered more battleships. England, America, and other countries are planning a naval demonstration near Australia, possibly in order to overawe Japan.

It makes one's head swim to read the news these days. But Jesus said long ago, "These things must come to pass."

ITALIAN PROPAGANDA IN PALESTINE

An English member of Parliament pointed out recently that "libelous and abusive radio attacks, holding us up to the scorn and hatred of the Moslems, were directly inspired and subsidized by the Italian Government and were given in sixteen languages. This was all part of a plan for substituting Italian for British influence in the Eastern Mediterranean and the Near East."

Palestine was once part of the ancient Roman empire. Does Mussolini want that land?

LEAGUE OF NATIONS

The worthlessness of the League of Nations is more and more recognized by the nations themselves," observes *Revelation*. "A few weeks ago, after very heavy rains, the roof of the pavilion of the League of Nations at the Paris World Fair gave way and crashed in on the exhibits of hygiene, labor, and other activities of the League. There was great noise and plenty of dust. The entrance was obstructed and the pavilion had to be closed. *Il Popolo d'Italia* wrote up the story, saying, "Great noise; much dust; exactly as in Geneva"!

NERVOUS NATIONS

Comments a noted daily: "Because anti-Jewish legislation on the part of the new Roumanian Government would drive large numbers of Jewish refugees across the border, Czechoslovakia watches Roumania with sleepless gaze, considers protecting its labor market from the possible influx, and negotiates stricter control of its frontier. It not only is anxious to protect its population from labor problems but also from the hatreds which a spread of anti-Semitism might engender."

Only God can solve the world's knotty problems. The nations themselves cannot, for a knot cannot untie itself.

Others *A Digest of Christian Thought*

BE JOYFUL—Religion is not a conundrum to be solved but an experience with God to be enjoyed.—*Edgar A. Guest.*

THE DANGER SPOT—Christians are "slain" in their armchairs rather than at the battle front of the Bible class and prayer meeting.—*E. W. Greenwood.*

OPPORTUNITY—Today all things are possible to men who have a passionate faith in the things which are worth while. Tomorrow the opportunity may have gone.—*Earl Haig.*

EARLY CHURCH SPIRIT IS NEEDED—I am wondering if the religion we shall need during the next hundred years will not have much more in common with the Christianity of the second and third centuries . . . than with the Protestantism of the past hundred years.—*Harry A. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture.*

A DOCTOR'S ADVICE—I would not have a physician imagine that because he holds a responsible, honorable, and respected position in the community, he therefore has any more chance of salvation without Christ than has the vilest sinner. He should realize that the greatest sin in the universe and the only one which consigns the individual to an eternity of judgment, is rejection of the Saviour, Jesus Christ.—*Arthur I. Brown, M.D.C.M., F.R.C.S.Ed.*

THE KINGS OF THE EAST

Two great nations are planning to build great empires, Italy in the West and Japan in the East. It is evident that Japan wants complete control of the East and the expulsion of the foreign interests from China. It is interesting to note that Italy and Japan are bound in an alliance against Communism. It is also interesting to note that there will be present at Armageddon the armies of the revived Roman empire and the armies of the kings of the East. Rev. 16:12. These are days when the Bible is throwing quite a lot of light on the daily newspaper!

"THE SEA" OF REVELATION?

Writes D. M. Panton: "Teeming with races and religions, the Mediterranean has seen the rise and fall of Arabs, Jews, Phœnicians, Persians, Babylonians, Assyrians, Egyptians, Berbers, and Ottomans on its Asiatic side. Its African shores saw the might of the Pharaohs, Greeks and Romans, Mamelukes and Turks in Egypt. Therefore the Mediterranean, out of which the Roman Empire is to be resurrected, is the nerve center of the world and the nest of the modern crisis.

"And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns." Rev. 13:1. Figuratively, 'the sea' means the Gentile nations, but literally, the Mediterranean, for it seems to be the sea according to the history of world empires. Apparently the last great world empire will arise out of this sea, and no nation on its shores is more powerful than Italy."

REDS—Communism means a return to the civilization of the jungle, and is open war upon excellence and achievement of every effort.—*Nicholas Murray Butler, President of Columbia University.*

HOPE OF PROGRESS—I look to the Church rather than to Parliament for our future progress. It will be found, not in a change in our political structure, but in a change in our spiritual outlook.—*Angus Watson of England.*

HOLLYWOOD'S STANDARDS—The adjectives used by parent and teacher to describe life's character values are unselfish, courageous, poised, restrained, patient, thoughtful, good, kind and the like. Hollywood's character values are spoken of as smart, sophisticated, daring, bold, clever, rich, thrilling, big, stupendous, exciting, passionate, dazzling. Between these two sets of values there is a great gulf fixed.—*William Evans.*

HOME—I shudder when I think what the future holds in store for our youth if divorce continues to increase. I fear for our youth because the home is the bulwark of the nation. There is one solution of which I am sure. That is the return to the good old Christian virtues and the good old Christian type of family life which once was the rule in our nation. This will curb the causes of divorce, I am confident.—*A Chicago Judge in Moody Monthly.*

Questions and Answers

Will all sinners receive the same degree of punishment?

Judgment will be according to light, and sentence will be rendered "according as our works shall be." The Scripture says that he that knew his lord's will and did things worthy of stripes will receive many stripes, while he who knew not his lord's will and did things worthy of stripes will be beaten with few stripes. There will most probably be degrees of suffering among the lost as well as degrees of blessedness among the redeemed.

Please explain Dan. 12:11, 12.

We believe this depicts the time of the Great Tribulation which will begin with Antichrist breaking his covenant with Israel and thus doing away with the daily sacrifice which will have been restored in the new temple worship, and probably setting himself, or an image of himself, in the temple to be worshiped. See 2 Thess. 2:4. This tribulation period will cover the last half of the 70th week mentioned in Dan. 9:24-27, or one thousand two hundred and ninety days. The additional period of time indicated in verse 12 probably refers to the time that will be necessary after the destruction of the Beast (see Rev. 19:20) before the clearing away of the results of the same and the establishing of Messiah's kingdom.—E. S. W.

THE SPIRIT-REFINED LIFE

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Lord at any cost. Then we find ourselves in the fire. God begins to purify and refine, and we begin to back away. "I did not know it was going to cost me that," we cry. There are many who have not been able to pay the price, who are compromising and shrinking back. How many of us are ready to step into the fire and let God burn and consume the dross of our lives? It will cost us something, and who among us can stand it?

In the verses that follow we have the effect of the Holy Fire upon the life and character of him who is dwelling in it. Let us look first at his character. "Who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?" "He that walketh righteously." He has cleansed and controlled feet. He has gone on with God into a place where God is able to take control of his daily walk. He is not walking in the ways of the world, but every desire for those things has been consumed by the fire and he walks in righteousness.

Do we understand what it means to walk righteously before our God? Many times I have asked my own heart, "What does it really mean to walk in the righteousness of God?" If we correctly understand the meaning of righteousness, it implies two thoughts. First, purity of heart, our attitude toward God. Secondly, rectitude or straightness of life towards our fellow men. It is

translated from three Greek words meaning uprightness, justice, straightforwardness. When we are walking in righteousness we are walking in justice and straightforwardness. It is the opposite of deceit. It means conforming our lives to the laws of God—putting away every action, every attitude of heart, every thought, and every word contrary to the will of God. The fire of God will have to do a lot of consuming, but the one who is dwelling (not visiting) with everlasting burnings, who remains in the presence of God's holiness, will walk righteously before God and men.

It means cleansed and controlled lips. "And speaketh uprightly." When we were filled with the Holy Ghost we reached the place where God had absolute control of us. Our lips were brought into submission to Him and were used to speak the glory and praises of God. They should be kept that way. When we think of this we say with the prophet, "The sinners in Zion are afraid." I have found, and I believe we all have, that we do not have to get very far from God for our lips to be used for something other than His glory. We do not have to get very far away from the devouring fire until there is everything but praise.

God has told us to speak only what is for edification. Do we? Does James not question whether a fountain can send forth both sweet water and bitter? "Brethren, these things ought not so to be." If we are dwelling with the devouring fire, our lips will be cleansed and controlled and used only for God. May God help us to get into the fire far enough so He can consume many things that have crept in—criticisms, murmurings, complainings, and all evil things that proceed from our mouths. We need, like Isaiah, a coal from off God's altar to touch our lips to purify them, and if we are dwelling in the fire of God I know He will do it.

Then there is a heart of unselfishness. "He that despiseth the gain of oppressions"—what is gained at the expense of others. Oh, the selfishness in our lives! We do not care what it costs somebody else, if we can only gain our own end. It does not matter how much they suffer, so long as we carry our point. But when we are dwelling with the holy fire of God, selfishness is consumed until we will actually *despise* anything gained at the expense of others. If I can not have success and the things of life without causing my brother to suffer loss, may God never let me have them.

He has hands of honesty and integrity—"that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes." Usually we think of bribery as confined to the world, in politics and so on; but if we look around us we shall find much of it in the church also. Men and women who are unwilling to pay the price to be true to God will often try to buy their way through with money and food. When a minister goes to visit a church, if there are some in the congregation who are out of harmony with the pastor or some other members, they will be the first to invite the minister to their home, and at the price of a good meal

try to gain their end, pouring into his ears their version of things. Sometimes it is money pressed into the minister's hand. I have heard pastors say, "I know that person is not right with God, but he is a strong supporter of the church and we need his money." We compromise for their money instead of standing for what we know is righteous, godly, and Scriptural. *We need nothing outside of God.* May He help us to shake our hands from the holding of bribes and stand for uprightness, no matter what it costs.

Again, we find he has ears that are closed to evil. "That stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood." Refusing to hear things that may destroy the souls of men and women. There are many ways of killing people. Many people have been spiritually murdered. But those who are dwelling with the devouring Fire, refuse to listen to anything that means possible suffering or destruction to someone else. I know it is very easy for us to get stirred up in our soul, to give our lips to speaking evil, and to give our ears to hearing evil; but it is a sure thing, if we understand the Word of God correctly, that we have moved out of the fire of God's presence when we do it. We might as well be honest with the Lord. He that dwells with Him is not going to do these things.

Then there are pure eyes: "And shutteth his eyes from seeing evil." He is blind to the attractions of the world about him. In Isa. 42:19, 20 we read, "Who is blind, but my servant, or deaf, as my messenger that I sent? who is blind as he that is perfect, and blind as the Lord's servant? Seeing many things, but thou observest not; opening the ears, but he heareth not. The Lord is well pleased." We should be blind to the things about us that would lure us away from God. The one who is dwelling in God's fire will be brought into that place in the Lord where every part of his being is under the control of the Holy Spirit and every avenue of approach to his inner life guarded against contamination.

Now what about the life of this cleansed and controlled one? First, it is a life in the heavenlies. "He shall dwell on high." Paul speaks in Ephesians about being seated in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus, where we are to enjoy all spiritual blessings. Brother Van Meter said last night, "How surprising it is that we should need a Victorious Life Convention in Pentecost." We should not need it if we were dwelling on high. We should not have to come apart from earth and its shadows for days, in order to get a good breath of heaven's atmosphere. If we were dwelling with the devouring Fire, He would be giving us all things richly to enjoy all the time.

There is not only a life of blessing, but a life of security. "His place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks." There is a stronghold where this man can go and hide. He can be hidden away in the cleft of the rock—secure in God.

He shall have unfailing provision. His "bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure." Only bread and water, perhaps,

but God says it shall never fail. Oh, how many are living on starvation rations these days! I am speaking of temporal things. We can hardly make ends meet, yet God has promised, "My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." I believe God will take care of us and supply that need somehow, if we are dwelling in Him.

Speaking of gathering the manna by the children of Israel, it is written, "They that gathered much had none over, and they that gathered little had no lack." They each had enough. I find if we are living and moving in God, whether we gather much or little, we always have enough. When I find people who are almost destitute, as we do sometimes, I confess—not that I want to be critical, but in the light of God's promises—I wonder what it the matter. Is it not because we are failing God somehow? Personally, when I find the storehouse beginning to get bare and it is hard to make ends meet, I begin looking on the inside and saying, "Lord, what is the matter with me?"

It is a life of constant vision. "Thine eyes shall see the King in his beauty." If we can dwell in the fire of God's holiness, He will consume all of the things that obscure our vision, and we shall see Him. God does not want to hide Himself from us. He longs for fellowship with us. If there is something which hides His face from us, may God consume it.

Then there is a life of limitless possibilities. "They shall behold the land that is very far off." When we enter into this Pentecostal experience, we too often think we have exhausted heaven. "I have got it," and down we sit. But this experience is like entering into a vast estate in God, with unlimited possibilities. "Every foot of ground that you put your feet upon shall be yours." You can walk up and down in the land, go to and fro in it, for God has promised it all to you.

Sometime ago I received a letter from a young man who said: "I have just graduated from Bible school and I am coming into your district to work. I am not interested in a small church. I feel my training has qualified me for the best church you have, and I want something worth while." He was all set, ready to go. This is only one of many letters we receive from young men who have small pastorates and feel that their schooling qualifies them for larger churches. We smile, but it is a tragedy.

We have no qualifications for anything in Pentecost except as we live and move in the fire of God's holy presence. Just to the degree in which we minister in the Spirit is God going to prosper us and promote us. This is true not only in the ministry, but in the pew also. Many times we look at a person teaching a Sunday School class and say to ourselves, "He has never had any education; I am better qualified to teach that class." Maybe that is true, but maybe not. Only as we dwell in the fire of God's holy presence are we qualified for these things. The ones who are dwelling with the devouring fire, shall

behold the land that is very far off—a ministry of ever-increasing blessing and usefulness for God.

Besides, there is a life of victory over our enemies. It seems to me that as the prophet was meditating on the devouring fire of the Holy Ghost, suddenly something welled up within him. He became bold and cried out with all the power within him, "Thine heart shall meditate terror. Where is the scribe? where is the receiver? where is he that counted the towers?" Where are the enemies of this man who is dwelling in God's presence? They are nowhere to be found. The fire was too hot for them. There is a place in the fire of God where the enemies we are fighting cannot come. We are hearing more and more about the battles and struggles of God's people against the world, the flesh and the devil. Struggles are going on with appetites, habits, and so on. Everywhere I go, pastors tell me about men in their church—good men—but having such a struggle with their tobacco!

Not long ago, I saw a man coming down the aisle bringing with him a 17 year old boy. The man was a member of the church. He said, "Brother Lewis, I want you to pray for this boy. He is trying to serve God, but he is having such a struggle with his cigarettes. He cannot get victory." I said, "Son, what about it?" He said, "I want you to pray that God will take them away from me." I looked him straight in the eye, as I asked, "Do you want God to take them?" His face turned red, and he dropped his head. We seem to have such a struggle. Do we really want God to take some of those troublesome things out of our lives? I am satisfied God will take everything we give to Him. There is a place in Him where those things will be consumed; He will burn them out.

Those folk in Pentecost who are standing on the outer edge struggling with this and that, need to just move up into the fire. Struggling will go; God will consume that thing within you. It cannot stand the fire. That is why some folks take good care to stand pretty well on the outside; they do not want to get in too close; it is too hot. God's presence will burn out every desire for the world, the flesh, and the devil, when we live close to Him.

Again, there is a life of stability, a life of power and help. "Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: thine eyes shall see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle that shall not be taken down; not one of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken." Some folks are up and down, always trying in vain to keep the victory in their lives. Oh, that God would move them over into the fire. I do not say that people cannot backslide, but I believe, when we really get into God, have a real experience, and a touch of God's fire in our lives, we do not get away from it as easily as some seem to do. Instead of being up and down, there will be victory and stability.

There are some who get revived every time

an evangelist comes around and then slip away until the next one comes. There was a man who seemed to follow such a program. On a particular night he was at the altar and had just been "saved" again. He was praying with all the energy he had, "Lord, fill me now, fill this vessel with the Holy Spirit." A good sister walked down behind him at the altar, and after listening to him praying for a time, she prayed out loud, "No, Lord, don't you do it. He leaks."

Last of all, they shall never say, "I am sick." What a statement! I realize that God's Word says, "Many are the afflictions of the righteous," and there are many things in regard to Divine Healing that I do not understand. But I do know that here is a verse of Scripture which says, "And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity." There is evidently a place of divine health in God. This will get pretty close to where most of us live. In the Psalms I read, "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty . . . Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. . . . There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling."

We quote from James very frequently, "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up." But why stop there? Go on and finish it. "And if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him." The inference is, the sins that have caused the sickness. Oftentimes there are reasons for our sicknesses. There are many suffering today because of disobedience and failure to walk with God. There are many times in the Old Testament when judgments fell upon those who disobeyed the Lord. I wonder if there are not more judgments and afflictions today than we admit, coming from God's hand for definite purposes in our lives? If we can move up a little closer to God's purifying flame, we can enjoy divine health in God.

As I look around and see the provisions God has made for him who dwells in the devouring fire, I wonder where we stand. There is a cry in my heart, "God, help me to move right in." I am not so much concerned with the possibility of being filled with God's fire as with the possibility of getting into God's fire myself. God will come into me if I will come into him.

THE NEXT WAR

The last war answered the old question, How will the Jews recover Palestine as a homeland? And the next war will answer many other questions. According to *Jewish Criterion*, "Emil Ludwig in an interview by Bernard Postal said, 'Whatever happens in Palestine will depend greatly on the coming war. Yes, a war is coming. Soon, too.'"

The Sunday School Lesson

The Victory at Gibeon

Lesson for February 13. Lesson Text: Joshua Chapter 10

The Golden Text (Psalm 24:8) suggests the outstanding lesson from this incident. "Who is this King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle." "God hath given Him (our heavenly Joshua) a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow." Phil. 2:9-11. God controls things celestial, things terrestrial, and things infernal. In all three worlds, the Lord He is God. There are no atheists in hell. All its inhabitants know there is a God. It is appointed unto man once to die and after that the judgment.

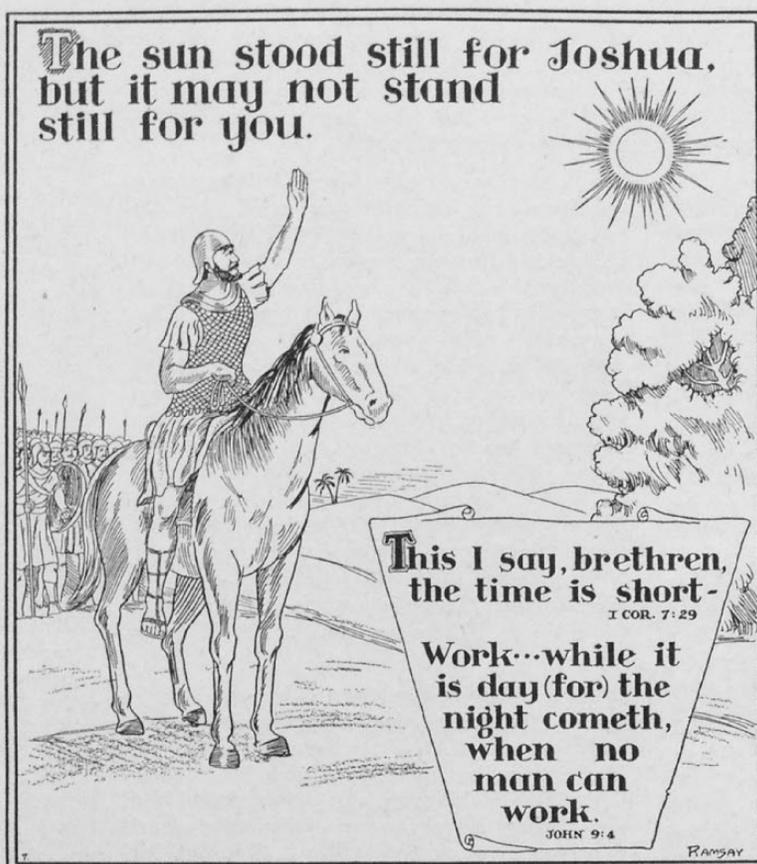
"The prince of the power of the air" is the title which Paul through the Holy Spirit gives to Satan, the god of this age. Eph. 2:2. Just as Israel's scene of battle was the land of Canaan, so ours, as New Testament Christians, is "spiritual Canaan." "We wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual wickedness (wicked spirits) in heavenly places." Eph. 6:12. Satan seems not to be inhabiting a hole in the ground. His residence is not under the earth; but somewhere beneath God's third heaven (2 Cor. 12:2), from which he has been cast out. Above our firmament or first heaven, there Satan, the malignant prince of the power of the air, has his abode. Eliphaz said, "The heavens are not clean in His (God's) sight?" Job 15:15. Soon God will house-clean the heavens, that is, these lower heavens now infested by Satan and his evil hosts. Such is the meaning of the angel's pronouncement in Rev. 12:10-12.

Victory. Even though in Joshua's day Satan had power as the prince of the air, Joshua demonstrated to the amazed Canaanites that his God had power "over all the power of the enemy." This is the great significance behind Joshua's commanding the sun and the moon to stand still, and behind the miracle of the hail which fell from heaven destroying the Canaanite hosts. Joshua in the name of his God not only invaded Canaan but he invaded the kingdom of Satan in the "heavenlies" and commandeered the forces of the planets.

Sun worshipers infested Canaan. Behind this form of idolatry is the evil influence of this fallen angel of light, Lucifer, the son of the morning. Isa. 14:12-15. All worship directed toward the sun is virtually given to Satan. God warned Israel against this evil. Deut. 4:19. The punishment for this form of idolatry was to be "stoned to death." Deut. 17:2-7. This is the reason why God sent

the miraculous storm of hailstones from heaven upon the Canaanitish army. Notice that the hailstones destroyed only Canaanites, idolatrous sun-worshippers. It destroyed no Israelites, worshipers of the true God.

The Infernal League. v. 6. "All the kings of the Amorites are gathered together against us." Ours is a day of "leagues." The League of Nations, leagues of religious bodies, leagues of labor unions. There is a significance in this end-time trend of men joining themselves together in leagues and unions. It is one of



the signs of the last days. Matt. 13:30. All mankind is being "gathered together in bundles." There are Fascist bundles, Communist bundles, Socialist bundles, etc. But there is also the true "bundle of wheat." Friends, in which bundle are you?

Anti-Christianity. Just as in Joshua's day there existed this international league against God and against God's purpose in the earth, so there exists a like Satan-inspired international conspiracy against all things godly in our present time—the last days. Read carefully the second Psalm: "Why do the nations rage and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us." All over the world today, the spirit of anti-God, of Antichrist, is dominant. Verily, the kings of the earth have set themselves against the

Lord and against His "Joshua," God's anointed Christ. Russia's anti-Christian attitude is now an old story to us all. But many European and Eastern nations are following Russia's lead. They may not be Communistic but they are anti-Christian. Recently a high official speaking for the German Nazi party, declared: "The German nation needs no other son of God than Adolph Hitler." Several Pentecostal brethren who have recently visited Germany have told the writer personally that there is indeed downright persecution of true spirituality in Germany. On another occasion an official Nazi spokesman declared that the German nation needed no other Holy Spirit than the holy spirit of Teutonic patriotism, the holy spirit of ancient Teutonic worship of the gods of Valhalla, the spirit exemplified by the great Fuehrer. But this spirit of Antichrist is not confined to Germany and Russia. A score of other European and Eastern nations are more and more closing down upon pure spiritual Christianity. The world is getting ready for the last great organized rebellion against God which will be ultimately led by Antichrist himself. Just as the Canaanite league of opposition to God's plan was shattered by Joshua and heaven's aid, so our Joshua, the Lord Jesus Christ, will dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel; those who form this last great anti-Christian union. He will break with a rod of iron.

The Speedy Answer to Prayer. vv. 7-9. As soon as the Gibeonites appealed for help, Joshua sped on his way to deliver them. He and his army did not even pause for sleep. They marched "all night." "He that keepeth Israel doth neither slumber nor sleep." In that one night Joshua marched the equivalent of three days' journey under ordinary marching conditions in the Orient of his time. The Lord delights in answering prayer speedily. Remember the verse in Isaiah, "Before they call I will answer, and while they are yet speaking I will hear." Isa. 65:24.

The Great Slaughter. v. 10. Carping critics have assailed this apparently cruel slaughter of the inhabitants of Canaan. A careful study of the Scriptures, Deuteronomy chapters 4 and 17 and many other similar passages, will show the student why the extinction of these demon-possessed people was necessary. They were an "abomination" in the sight of the Lord. They were hopelessly demon-possessed, utterly given over to Satanic control. If the reader were asked to move his family of little children into a house where there had been pestilence, diphtheria, smallpox, or leprosy would he not want first of all to fumigate the place? Otherwise his children would be exposed to the same dread disease.

The Hailstones from Heaven. v. 11. The Canaanites were not only sun worshipers, but they counseled with "familiar spirits." Here let the reader compare Lev. 20:6, 27, and Deut. Please turn to page seventeen

The Wonderful Word

A Sermon in Miniature

THE LIFE THAT JESUS GIVES

Regained life. God said, "In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die," but Adam ate. Gen. 2:17. He sought this forbidden knowledge, but instead his understanding was "darkened, being alienated from the life of God through ignorance." Eph. 4:18. But God is shining into many hearts "to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." 2 Cor. 4:6. And Jesus' word now is, "I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall (not 'surely die' but) *live for ever.*" John 6:51.

Abundant life. Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound. Jesus came to give life and life more abundant. Even as He put a flaming sword at Eden's gate lest Adam should eat of the tree of life and live eternally as a sinner, God is not willing that any should be lost toady.

Overflowing life. John saw that same tree of life growing up in the new Eden. Rev. 22:2. And he saw the crystal river. "Let him that is athirst come," was the invitation. It is men of earth who thirst, but this river could not flow to them till man's sin, like a

huge dam, was dynamited by Christ's death. Today it flows to all men through His followers. "He that believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." John 7:38. It is the Spirit and the Spirit-filled bride (Rev. 22:17) who say, "Come and drink," for it is they who have this overflowing life to offer.

Hidden life. "The world knoweth us not, because it knew Him not." 1 John 3:1. Had they known His true identity they would not have crucified the Prince of life. Today He abides in the hearts of His saints, unseen by the world. Like Noah of old His children are in a secret but secure place; they will rise above the judgments to come upon sinners. Their Ark will safely land upon Mount Zion.

Manifested life. The signs of a true Christian cannot be hid, even though the world fails to recognize such signs. The saints must show in their lives the *effect* of death to their former sins, even as they claim that Christ bore the *penalty* of death for their sins. "For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory." Col. 3:3, 4. The cross now—the crown then!

MISSION HOUSE, LAKHIMPUR, KHERI

After a year's furlough at home, we return to Lakhimpur with a new vision and a greater desire to proclaim the glorious gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. At times it seemed as though the boat would not bring us fast enough.

It was not long after landing in Lakhimpur, that we beheld some of the mighty works of our Lord in the hearts of people while we had been gone. Misses L. Vaux and A. Eberhardt had to make quick arrangements for proceeding on their much-needed furlough, and so we were again left alone here; and yet not alone, for He will never leave us.

The work in the bazar here, and also in the villages, make us arise early in the morning in preparation for the day's battle, after we have a little food and then start our morning meeting with the fellow-workers and Christians at 6 a. m. After this we are off for the day's work.

But with our first bell for the early meeting, starts the attack of the enemy, for just then the Raja's gold-topped temple, which is about 300 yards away from our compound wall, gives out a clamorous ringing of bells in their beginning of the day's idol (1 Cor. 10:20) worship followed by 25 young boys singing at the top of their voice the praises of their idols. At the same time, comes the voice of the mosque-keeper, calling the faithful Mohammedans to their first prayers. But our praises of the Lamb and the Blood that was shed on the cross soon lifts us up into His presence, where

we have fellowship with Him and each other.

A young Brahmin has been coming to me for some years, and now he is willing to face the consequences of an open confession of Jesus as his Saviour by taking baptism. He is well educated, and knows that this will mean the loss of his regular allowance from his home as well as persecution. But He believes that the Lord who saves him can also take care of him, and he is willing to trust Him. Another young Mohammedan comes here who also has been considering the Lord Jesus Christ and His work as superior to all others, and is now getting ready for an open confession. May we ask your definite prayers for these two young men as well as for the others about here to whom the Lord has been speaking.—Fred and Lillian Merian.

ORMANJHI P. O., RANCHI DIST., BIHAR

Dear Friends:

Greetings in Jesus' dear name! Today as we look out of our windows we see everything dripping and wet after a refreshing shower. Vegetation is springing up everywhere to beautify the earth. What a contrast from what it was about a month ago. The dry, sun-baked plains have been transformed, and our hearts, as well as the hearts of the villagers, are glad for the change. There is grass and to spare for the hungry cattle, and everywhere we see men and women working in their rice fields. They are sowing in the hope of reaping a harvest some months hence.

Turning from the natural to the spiritual—our hearts are crying out to God to give us a spiritual harvest and to bring about just such a transformation in the hearts of men and women. Daily as we meet with them we realize the ignorance, superstition, demon worship, darkness and caste bondage that is sapping their very life out. Truly they are like the dry plains, without life and without hope. Here and there we see signs of fruition and promise of a harvest, but our hearts are crying out for a real spiritual outpouring.

About this time a year ago, we felt led of the Lord to erect a large shed in two of the bazars near here so that in rain or shine the gospel might go forth unhindered, and these sheds have proven a real blessing. In the extreme heat the people crowd in for shade and now in the rains they crowd in for shelter. It gives an excellent opportunity of preaching the gospel to them. Hearts are being touched, and many are inquiring earnestly. At that time also we opened an outstation at Ormanjhi, and we praise God it is steadily growing, and the believers are taking their part. Although the people are poor, yet they manage to give about enough to cover the rent of the little mission hall in which we hold the services. We see opportunities here, and also at several other places throughout the district, where we could enlarge our borders and launch out in the Lord's work, but our hands are tied by lack of funds, and all we can do is visit these places two or three times throughout the year, whereas we would like to go and live with the people for a month or more. We could do this if we had a large Shamiana (or tent) which would hold about eight hundred or one thousand people. We could hold our meetings in this, and then as men and women come out, and take their stand for the Lord, we could erect a little house and leave a native preacher with them. Continue in prayer for the work in Ranchi District. Yours in His service—R. W. McClay.

PROTESTANTS IN ITALY

Says the *British Weekly*: "All evangelical work in Italy stands in jeopardy at the present time. The Methodist Church threatens to founder altogether, and the Baptists are likewise financially embarrassed. The Friends have been practically squeezed out of existence. Seventh-day Adventists received orders to close their stations. The Plymouth Brethren's fate hangs in the balance. The Spezzia Mission activities are curtailed. The Salvation Army is confined to social work. Only the intervention of the British government prevented the wrecking of the British and Foreign Bible Society's work. The Waldensian Church lives under severe tension. Only the priest may give religious instruction at school. No open-air meetings are allowed, and very few meetings in private houses. If a pastor visits a family and has prayer with them, he may be arrested for "holding a meeting."

At daybreak He is there
With healing in His wings;
And in the quiet midnight air
The balm of Gilead brings.

—Bickersteth.



Left: A dear old saduine, seeking a vision of God.
 Above: Our Hardoi Family
 Right: The Panjabi woman just baptized.

Liberty to the Captives

Away in the Panjab some thirty years ago the late afternoon sun shone down on the spreading branches of a great jaman tree, among the green leaves of which a little girl bride was hidden away, waiting anxiously for the safe covering of darkness. She had heard of the love of the Lord Jesus a few months before this time, and had given Him her young heart in full and glad surrender, but when her proud Moslem parents learned of this faith in the heart of their daughter they punished her severely, and then hastened the marriage of this child to a man many years her senior, who said he would soon beat such nonsense out of her. The beatings followed, many and severe, but the girl bride still believed, and longed with all her earnest young heart to find Him whom she loved. A Hindu woman of the neighborhood at last volunteered to help her, and this woman had now brought her here, and hidden her away in the great jaman tree, promising to come when night had fallen and take her to the nearest Mission House.

The poor child never learned whether her friend had betrayed her, or whether some one else had overheard and reported the plot for escape, but it was not a friendly face, but that of her angry husband that looked up into the jaman tree, and he it was who dragged her ignominiously from her hiding place and carried her home to another beating and three days and nights shut away to bread and water. This failure of her plans quite crushed the young believer, who decided God had forsaken her, and the long years that followed one another in weary succession in the drab zenana rooms seemed to prove it.

But it was not so. Moving from city to city, husband and wife eventually arrived in Bettiah, and there to the great joy of the woman, Mission workers again found her, and the old faith revived, strong and bright and hopeful as ever. The same obstacles stood in the way, pardah and Mos-

lem intolerance of any other religion, but Christian fellowship and the faithful teaching of the Word brought comfort. Then, very suddenly, the Lord removed the man who had stood so long between her and her Lord—her husband died suddenly, and though the moulvies who knew of her desire watched her closely, the dear woman made her escape early one morning, and bringing her seven-year-old daughter, came to our Converts' Home here in Harodi. And this week, about forty of us Christians went out with her to the Canal, a mile and a half from the Mission House, where she was baptized in the clear-flowing water. For a time it seemed as though she would be baptized in the blessed Holy Spirit before we could get her into the water, for while we were praying the power of God came down upon her and she danced in her joy, and praised the Lord and wept aloud, and four of us with difficulty held her on the narrow Canal embankment. Had we been alone, we could have gone down on our faces before the Lord to "tarry until," but a crowd of Hindu and Moslem men and women had gathered from the villages and we knew the report would spread that we took women out to the Canal and hypnotized them, so we prayed quietly, and she was soon able to step down into the water.

We are now in the fifth year of the Bible Training School, with twenty-eight students now enrolled and more coming. Miss Edna Wagenknecht and I find it a great joy to teach these young people the Word, and we have efficient help in our Indian Pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Khan. A number of students are earnestly seeking the Baptism of the Spirit, and there is marked blessing in every service, as well as in the daily teaching of the Word of the Lord. Our dear Martha Schoonmaker is up in the hills now, hard at work with the language study, but she will soon be back with us, and will have charge of the zenana work, with our dear Senior Bible Woman,

Miss Lal. We covet earnest prayer for the work in Hardoi, most of all that a Holy Ghost conviction shall sweep this place, breaking every fetter and setting the captives free.—M. Marguerite Flint.

"HOW COULD I?"

This is what a woman in her heathen village said to us in response to the question, "Have you ever before heard about Jesus?" We, with our Indian Christian workers had given the message of salvation at the door of this woman's house where a number of her neighbors had gathered about us to hear what we had to tell. Her answer made a deep impression on me for I thought, "Yes, **how** could she have heard when no one has been here to tell of the love of Jesus in giving His life to save sinners."

Another heathen woman asked, "If I give my heart to Jesus, will He reveal Himself to me?"

There are many who give a good response to the gospel message; some say, "It is wonderful, we have nothing in our religion like it." And some listen with tears. There are those who raise the hand to indicate that they want to know Jesus.

There are thousands at our very doors, and out in the district, who have no saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, and many who have never heard His sweet name, or perhaps heard only the name and nothing more.

Oh, how our hearts yearn over this great multitude, that they might be brought to Jesus' feet, but we are such a very small company of messengers and the work is great.

There are several places in this district of about fifty to seventy square miles, where a station with missionaries and Indian workers could be established and find plenty of work for Jesus.

The greatest need is for **prayer**, a great avalanche of prayer in the Holy Ghost, that God shall cause the seed that has been sown to germinate for His glory and to send the needed messengers of the cross.

Yours for India's lost,

—Bessie V. Gager.

HE'S JUST THE SAME TODAY

Our hearts are especially encouraged by the impetus which the Purulia assembly has received during the year. Our District Evangelist, Brother Blakeney, was recently with us for a week of rousing, well-attended services at the Purulia town hall. These meetings were followed by a week of services for Christians, held at the mission bungalow, with Brother Munshie as evangelist. Never in my life have I witnessed a preacher so lost in the anointing of God, so fired with supernatural zeal and strength. The whole town was stirred, and even our inveterate opposers—people who hate the name of Pentecost—were drawn to the meetings, and spent night after night in arguing and discussing, trying to throw off the deepening conviction that the Pentecostal experience is indeed God's best for this age.

During the tarrying services, five received a glorious infilling with the Holy Spirit, three of these being members of the local English church. One young man, quite new to our services, quietly sought out a corner of the prayer room, received no particular help or advice, did not witness any one else moved upon by the Spirit, but suddenly he lept to his feet, seeing a glorious vision of Christ, and to the amazement of all he soon fell under the Power and came through to a glorious baptism. So many received inexpressibly wonderful visions during the days of revival. Time fails to tell of them all. One young girl was bending over her little mud stove, cooking her curry and rice, when suddenly she saw a vision of Christ and His blood. She fell over on the floor, overpowered by uncontrollable laughter. Anxious neighbours crowded in, thinking she had lost her mind—but all that she lost was her burden of sin, praise the Lord!

Another young girl received the Baptism of the Spirit while cooking for her family, and this girl has come to the meetings only a few times, and had never come forward as a seeker. After the revival services were over, we baptized five people by immersion, dedicating at this time the new baptistry which I have made under a glorious old mango tree. Previously we have had to use muddy, crowded bathing ponds—used by Hindus for religious worship, for bathing, washing clothes, etc., and have not appreciated profaning the sacredness of a baptismal service by such intimate contact with all that is sordid and filthy. We also took thirteen members into the local assembly, after concluding the revival meetings. Our church is really on fire, and we are so anxious to see the completion of our church building. We are encouraging our Indian brothers to get their shoulders under the wheel, and to establish themselves as a self-supporting, self-propagating institution in Christ Jesus.

The East Bengal work has certainly prospered during the past year in spite of fiery opposition. A new group of about forty believers has been taken over by Brother Munshie. A teacher-preacher has been located in their village, and Brother Munshie himself visits the village as often as possible, teaching the truths of Pentecost, and tarrying with those who are seeking the infilling of the Spirit. A large church at

Gopalgunj, which was founded by the late N. C. Bose (a saintly independent Indian worker, a veritable apostle to East Bengal), has asked Brother Munshie to become its pastor. Brother Munshie visited the church several times, preached Pentecost in all its fullness, and told the church committee that this is the only spiritual diet which he knows how to give them. As yet, nothing has been decided, but it is probable that these people will invite Brother Munshie to become their spiritual shepherd. We are planning a large convention to be held in July, when the whole of East Bengal will be a sheet of water, when boats will be everywhere, and people can travel readily. We wish that you would especially remember this convention in prayer.

Wife and I had a very interesting trip to East Bengal some time ago. We found deep interest in some seekers, but intense hatred in the hearts of people of the Mohammedan community because of this interest. The child of a skilled doctor was healed instantly through prayer offered by Brother Munshie, and this incident created a great stir, really bringing more than one soul to the feet of the Master. Because of the enmity of the Mohammedan community, it is now difficult for enquirers to break through the cordon which has been thrown around the Munshie's compound, but they do come under cover of night. I found that the water of the little pond from which the Munshie's drink, was being poisoned, so I went back to Calcutta and got a pump, pipe, and tools, to install a driven well. Perhaps the hard labor that followed was more profitable than all the preaching I might have done. Curiosity got the better of our erstwhile bitter enemies, and they flocked around to see the unusual spectacle of a "sahib" so desperately hard at work. Before long our enemies were working hand in hand with us, and we were again telling them the old, old story of love.—Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Ketcham.

AN EXPERIENCE AT MOGHAL SARAI Tempting or Trusting?

A short time ago just outside the holy city of Benares, in a little village named M. S., a great panic was on. Sundar came around the corner of their little hut whither she had been sent to tie up the goats. "Oh, mother," she said, "just behind our house is a rat—a big rat and it is dead."

"The plague! It is upon us," screamed the mother. "Only this morning word came that a woman living on the other side of the bazaar had died. We must all get out at once ere the fleas hop upon us and we, too, die." All the time she was speaking she was hurriedly gathering a few household supplies together and within a few minutes was ready to close up the house and move out into the field. As they wended their way outside the little courtyard, word came of two more deaths from plague of those living nearby. As they went they breathed up a little prayer of thanksgiving to God for warning them in time to escape.

Very soon this Christian family was sheltered safely in a little grass hut out in the open field and many were their prayers for the other Christian families who had

not yet forsaken the village. Already the fields around about were becoming dotted with grass huts like their own as daily the people were leaving their homes to seek shelter in the open. Already the marketplace was nearly empty as all fled before this terrible disease, Hindu, Mohammedan and Christian alike. Some there were who were extreme fatalists and believed that if it is written in one's fate, he will die and if it is not written, then he shall not die though plague rats lie dead on every side. Of these, three or four bodies were taken off daily to be burned as is the custom of the Hindus.

Then, one day a fine looking young man, a Christian, returned home from a long train journey to find his home closed, his wife and mother gone. "Where are the women folk," he asked a passer-by, and soon learned of the terrible plague and how all had fled to the fields. Soon he had located his mother and with her Sundar, his wife. "Why did you run away?" he demanded, "Do you not know that we are Christians and God will care for us, and though a thousand or ten thousand fall it will not come nigh us? Come and let us return home." Although they both pleaded, telling him that to return now would mean certain death, as rats were lying in houses on all sides of their own, yet he was adamant. "We are so thankful to our God for delivering us in time and we must not tempt Him by returning now," said the mother. "That would be like putting your finger in a fire and expecting God to keep it from burning." Arguments were of no avail, and since the Indian man's word is law in the home, the women could do nothing but gather up their belongings and with fear and trembling followed back to their home which was by now infested with fleas.

That evening one lone lantern burned in the whole area. All other houses were dark, their owners having fled to the open places. Four days later the handsome son and husband lay dead with plague. Too late he had learned his mistake that he had not been truly trusting God. The terrible disease within twenty-four hours had claimed its victim.

The sorrow-stricken mother with tears in her eyes sought their minister to arrange for the burial, but was refused saying, "Go over to Mr. B. of the Pentecostal Mission, and he will take care of the matter for you." Thus it was that help was sought from the Assembly of God missionary. Did he refuse? Was it safe for him to bury the body of one who had died from the dread disease? Was it safe for him to go over to the plague-stricken home to make the necessary arrangements? Some such thoughts may have entered his mind but if so they did not linger long. Here was a need. One of God's children needed burial. Would God protect him while he filled the need? He trusted God, and I verily believe that somewhere in a Book that day opposite his name was written these words:

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

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... PENTECOSTAL MEN at work in KANSAS

Center Picture—Pastor and Mrs. A. A. Wilson.

Upper Left—Men's Bible Class, Brother Wilson, Teacher.

Note: A. J. Apel, Evangel Secretary, standing at the left of the Literature Table, holding class sign. Through the goodness of the Lord, and with the co-operation of Brother Wilson and his membership, this assembly is distributing 500 Pentecostal Evangels per week. In this connection they are using two Literature Tables, from which Full Gospel Tracts and Library books also are distributed. Read the Pastor's message on the center page.

Upper Right—First Assembly of God Sunday School.

Notice the number of adults in the picture. This School reaches the entire family, *father*, mother, and children. Attendance 904.

Lower Left—Berean Bible Class, L. L. Vance, Teacher.

Lower Right—Women's Bible Class, Sister J. V. Wade, Teacher.

Their *husbands* go to Sunday School!

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"And the Lord added to the church daily, such as should be saved." This scripture quite fittingly describes the phenomenal growth of the First Assembly of God, in Kansas City, Missouri. Its achievements are not mentioned with any thought of giving praise to men. Rather we give all praise to the Holy Spirit as He is manifested in the lives of the workers in this assembly. Pastor Wilson would not have it otherwise. What has been accomplished in Kansas City is probably being done elsewhere.

Since such reports are a source of encouragement and inspiration to others, the Sunday School Department (GPH) welcomes an opportunity to report work of this type and wishes to be advised of the progress your school or assembly is making, especially in connection with *men's* work.

Other Needs Are Emphasized. In an- (see column right)

An Interview with A. A. Wilson

In April, 1930, we came to Kansas City in answer to a call from the church. The first Sunday we found only about 100 in Sunday School, but seeing the possibilities, we began to work and pray, and as a result the last four Sundays we had an average of 794 and last Easter Sunday more than 1,000 attended.

In the meantime, three other assemblies have been opened by our church, taking some from us, but we have enjoyed a steady growth.

Much is said concerning women and children in the Sunday School, but God has burdened *my* heart for *men*. I verily believe there is a place in Sunday School for *men*, and once a Pastor makes a place in *his* heart for them, God will make a place in their lives for Sunday School and give them a desire to faithfully attend.

As I read the New Testament, I see the pattern church was largely a *men's* church. Our Pentecostal Movement cannot achieve its best without reaching *men*.

Frederick P. Wood, in "Studies in Soul-Winning," said that after Jesus had performed the wonderful miracle of the draught of fishes, He told *His men* that "from henceforth, thou shalt catch men"—take them alive. The greatest joy to my heart is to see strong men break under the gospel and surrender to God.

The devil uses the most adroit devices to win them, and I believe God would have His Church so filled with *divine compassion* that men will be drawn in. All men want is reality. Once they see God in action, they are ready to surrender.





S CITY, MO., TAKING MEN FOR CHRIST! ...

Men are just as responsive, zealous, and dependable as any group in the church. Give them a chance to work for God and see them act.

We enjoy in our Sunday School now, a class of men numbering from 125 to 150, and I feel safe in saying that not five of them leave before the morning worship. We have a Class President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Lieutenants, and Group Captains. Each Captain has a certain number of men under his care, and he is responsible for their attendance.

If any are absent, he visits them and keeps them encouraged to press on.

The first Monday evening of each month the class meets for a time of fellowship. After songs and prayer, and a talk by the teacher or whoever may be chosen to speak, the Captains give their reports. Then a "Get-Acquainted" Meeting is thrown open. Each one stands and first gives his name, address, and occupation. Then he praises the Lord as the Holy Spirit leads. What blessed fellowship we enjoy in this large group of men! It is wonderful! No smoking, profanity, smutty stories—but all loving the Lord and worshipping Him in the beauty of holiness.

Our men meet every Saturday evening also in our Prayer Room for a Prayer and Tarry Meeting. Many have been set free from habits, reclaimed, and baptized with the Holy Spirit. Besides this we try to assist as much as possible in finding work for any unemployed.

There is no end of the great work to be accomplished in a church when once we get the *fathers* interested.

We are praising God for our whole Church and Sunday School, but above all—that God has given us such a high percentage of *men* in our Sunday School. All glory to His Name!—Pastor A. A. Wilson.



other section of this issue will be found an article by Ralph M. Riggs, entitled, "The Place of *Men* in Christian Economy." It will be noted that if any work succeeds there must be deeply consecrated, Spirit-filled workers. "They went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following."

From a Layman's Notebook

(1) Fellowship Is Needful Between Pastor and Men.

Jesus was a *man's* man. He craved fellowship with *men*. "Come (*men*), follow me," said Jesus, and called those (*men*) whom He Himself chose that they might be with Him. Then He said to them, "Come away (*men*), to a quiet place, and rest a while" (Weymouth). The Master craved fellowship with *men*.

Accordingly they (*the men*) sailed away to a solitary place. But the people seeing them go, hastened there on foot, and arrived before them. So when Jesus landed, He saw a *vast multitude* (of *men*); and His heart was moved with pity for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and He proceeded to teach them many things.

It was here that *five thousand men*, besides women and children, were fed. This is Scriptural proof that *men*, likewise, craved the fellowship of their Master.

Men are caught either by the devil or by Christ, and it seems one of the Pastor's first duties is to see that *men* are caught for Him. In baiting for *men*, as in fishing, one should choose wisely the bait to be used. A great responsibility rests upon Pentecostal pastors who have the Word of God, to *catch men* by the power of *that Word*.

(2) Pastors Need the Support of Real men.

Then summoning the Twelve (*men*), He (see page 16)





The Wrath of Man



"Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee; the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain." Psalm 76:10.

There is a growing antagonism in the heart of man toward the Lord God. In other ages men were largely content to shun Him, to give Him a wide berth and to ignore Him altogether but in these last days their indifference has flared up into a lucid flame of open hatred and rebellion. We see it in Russia, Germany and indeed in every land. India is no exception. Hinduism has ever prided itself on its liberality of thought and has usually given, outwardly at least, a sympathetic hearing to all religious teaching, acknowledging the excellency of all as so many roads leading to God. But India's attitude is changing. The Arya Samaj—a very aggressive and far-reaching society—is opening colleges and training schools throughout India to train young men and women to openly combat missionary effort. Soviet and Communistic books, denying the existence of God, are being eagerly devoured by the youth of the land. The Congress party, so lately coming into prominence and power is distinctly anti-Christian. Its leader, Pandit Jawarilal Nehru, is a bitter opponent of Mission work and Mahatma Gandhi is taking every opportunity to renounce the work of missionaries and Indian Christianity as a whole. In one of his late articles, he states, "I do maintain that the vast mass of Harijans (low castes) and for that matter Indian humanity cannot understand the presentation of Christianity and generally speaking their conversion, when it has taken place, has not been a spiritual act in any sense of the term. They are conversions for convenience and I have had overwhelming corroboration of the truth during my frequent and extensive wanderings."

Praise God that is not the truth. Mahatma Gandhi is not the only one who understands India. Thousands of Christian workers and missionaries who have lived among the people also have a right to speak. We know there are many true Christians in India today and we thank God for them. We know also that Christianity is simple enough for the most illiterate to understand and thousands of low castes are turning to Him, who bore the sin of the world, and through the power of their changed lives, large numbers of high caste people are being won for Christ.

"The wrath of man SHALL praise Him." We have just lately had an example of this. A young man came to Chapra a few months ago to work for a cigarette merchant. He was a Mohammedan and a book was given him to read in which a most bitter and subtle attack was made on Christianity and Christians as a whole. The book, instead of prejudicing him against Christianity, led him to desire to investigate the charges for himself. He decided to attend our church services and get acquainted with Christians. He had never been in a Christian church before, but from the first meeting was favorably impressed. He made

the acquaintance of Dr. Ishmail, one of our preachers, who was a convert from Islam, and who himself had been directed toward Christ through the torn page of an anti-Christian pamphlet written by Annie Besant. This young man began to attend our prayer meetings and after attending two or three meetings, we were greatly surprised one day to hear him break out in earnest audible prayer. Tears flowed down his cheeks and, after one of these meetings, he told Brother Ishmail that he now knew without a shadow of a doubt that Christ is the Son of God



Rahamat, the Mohammedan convert who has just entered Bible School. Six dollars per month will support him.

and the Saviour of the world. He has gone on with God ever since, and was baptized a few weeks ago. He is studying the Word with Dr. Ishmail, and is going out in villages and bazaars, selling Gospels and witnessing for Jesus. We are sending him to Bible School as soon as it opens. He learns very quickly and fairly drinks in Bible Truth.

This incident has been a great encouragement to us, and we are passing it on to you that your hearts too may be cheered and encouraged even by the "wrath of man," as we see it increasing all around us, for it will SURELY praise Him and the remainder of wrath He will restrain.—Violet Schoonmaker.

SPEND A DAY WITH US?

How would you like to spend a day with us? Come along! Our day begins very early. We sleep out on the veranda in Indian beds, just wooden frames with rope woven across for springs, and a mosquito net hanging down from the poles in the four corners of the bed, protecting one from the ravages of mosquitoes, sand flies, bats, and lizards. Dawn breaks very early, and we must arise at five for it is broad daylight. After Choti Hazri (little breakfast)

of tea, toast and a boiled egg (for we have chickens), we must get right out to school for school begins with prayer at 6:20. The girls have arisen even earlier than we, have hung their two pieces of bedding (a rug to put over the rope springs, and a light blanket) out in the sunshine, and also put their beds out for we are proud of the reputation of having no bed bugs, and daily sunshine keeps them out!

After the girls arise at 4:30, they must draw water at the well to wash with, clean their teeth with charcoal from the fires of the previous day, using their fingers as tooth brushes. They gather for breakfast which consists of unleavened cake of bread, which they have made for themselves the night before. This unleavened bread is made of whole-wheat flour, and is rather tough and leathery. On this they sometimes have a little brown sugar—butter never!

Then a quiet time before the school bell rings. All the girls sit on the brick floor for prayers. The first class is always Bible study, and each class (from the kindergarten up) gets a Bible lesson, ranging from the simple Bible stories to the more advanced studies in doctrine. Reading, writing, arithmetic, and all the ordinary school subjects are taught. These subjects are taught in Hindi for we keep to the Government standard of education. A 10:15 there is an hour's recess for food, and the girls sit on the brick floor in their open dining room and eat with their fingers the boiled rice and pulse (like thick pea soup) piled high on their plates. Each girl washes her own plate after the meal, and puts it on the shelf.

School is over at 12:30 noon, when everyone takes a nap during the hottest part of the day. At three the girls have lunch—a piece of fruit, or dried grain, such as popped corn, etc. Then study period from 3:30 to 4:45. Their beds and bedding must be placed on the verandahs for the night, and other duties done. The sweeping and cleaning of their quarters is all done by the girls. And then an hour of games in the front yard from 5:30 to 6:30—a happy, joyous, noisy time, when we often thank God that these girls have learned to be happy! Meal time again of boiled rice and curried vegetables or meat, and after meal-time prayers. 8:30 is bedtime.

This is just a day in our Pentecostal Girls' School at Bettiah. We have ninety girls, about half of whom are our own orphan girls, and the others have been sent in from other missions to attend school. We have eight splendid teachers (Indian), and we covet your prayers for God's continued blessing upon the school, the girls and the teachers. It means so much to train the lives of these girls for God, for we realize that to save the children means to save the country. God has saved and baptized most of our girls, and others are seeking. Pray for them, and for the teachers that God may continue to make the Bettiah Girls' School a blessing and power for God and the gospel in India.—Grace L. Walther.

"There in anguish millions for the gospel wait,
Speed the Light, Speed the Light,
Go and seek their rescue ere it be too late,
Speed the Light, O speed the Light."

What Meaneth This?

I shake my head as if coming out of a dream. Where have I been? What is it all about? Do my eyes deceive me? Does it mean anything to me? Let's see!

Before my eyes sits a multitude in every shape and form. Lame, halt, blind, deaf, dumb, insane, lepers, etc.

I am sitting on a small verandah gazing out at a mass of suffering humanity. What does it all mean? Why are they squatting in front of the Indian preacher's humble dwelling? Does it mean that they want help from the Indian preacher? If so, why? Let me tell you the reason, and how it all started.

One day while preaching in a village a man asked the preacher if he could do something for his wife who was dying. He told him he would pray, and God would heal her if he only believed. He said he believed, and that was all there was to it. The woman was healed, and the husband told the glad news.

It spread far and wide until several sufferers came for the same kind of help. The first week about eighty crowded in front of the little dwelling, the second week about a hundred, the third week the number doubled, the fourth week three hundred, the fifth week about four hundred, sixth week over six hundred, eighth week unable to count but several say about a thousand. What does it all mean?

Roads were blocked so ox-carts and vehicles could not pass. One look at their sorrowful faces would tell you what it was all about. Sin and sickness prevailed in their lives. They had heard that they could get rid of sin and sickness so here they are.

What should we do with such a crowd? Pray for them? Yes! That is what we did, but picture yourself praying for a thousand people starting at eight-thirty in the morning, and going right through until three o'clock in the evening. Yes, we felt a little tired and weary, so sat down and had some Indian bread and hot tea. Before we finished eating, a man came along saying he hoped he wasn't too late to be prayed for as he missed his train. He came from a village near Basti (sixty miles). He brought three women who had been ill for years. We stopped and prayed for them, then one by one the crowd began to gather again for prayer. Before these people were prayed for, they sat and listened to a simple gospel message with their hands folded and hearts bowed before our God.

Do their gods heal? No! Now they are ready to turn to our God, who has at least shown some interest in them by touching their sick bodies.

We are glad to report that about sixty deaf and dumb people have been healed in Colonelganj.

A woman had two paralyzed arms, and hadn't been able to raise them for eight years. She was prayed for and raised them up in the Name of Jesus, and now is able to use them.

A woman had a large goitre and was prayed for. She went home as usual, seem-

ingly the same, but either on the way home, or as soon as she got home, the thing burst and a lot of corruption came out. She returned last Sunday again for prayer showing us that there was only a little sign left of the big goitre. There was a hole in her neck as large as a fifty cent piece with matter running out.

Several others were healed also, who haven't come back because they live so far away.

This was a long-looked-for day in India. We have toiled on and on with seemingly so little to encourage our hearts. The caste system has been a drawback to India's millions. India's heart has been bleeding, and they have been groping around for something real. Have they found it?

It is up to the Indian Christian and the missionary, as they work hand in hand and live a consistent life before them, to thus be able to point them to the Lamb of Calvary, who taketh away the sin of the world.

India's people are a lovable people, patient and good listeners, but slow to heed. Jesus, I believe, is yearning over India these days, and wants to draw them to Himself.

Does it mean that we are living in the last days? Does it mean that Jesus is coming soon? Does it mean that some from every tribe and nation will be there? YES! and that takes in India.

Pray with us that these people shall come out in a mass movement.—Evelyn Lewis.

CONFIRMING HIS PROMISE

About two years ago, I met for a short conference with some of our dear Indian coworkers at Dehra Dun. It was a time of real decision as to which way the Lord would have us move as regards the enquirers He was sending in. For years, I have had a strong conviction that as far as I was concerned I could have no part in baptizing a convert until he had been taught and tried out for a least six months.

But before the above-mentioned conference, God had been speaking to my heart and showing me how I had been reversing the order of God as He has given it in Matthew 28:19-20; "Go ye therefore, and teach (make disciples of) all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

Through this passage He showed me that His order was to baptize them upon evidence of their conversion and upon confession of faith, and then to teach them the deeper truths of the Word. I had been wanting to see mature fruit before water baptism.

As we conferred together, I discovered that the Lord had been speaking to us all along this same line. From that time on, the Lord has been giving souls, not in great numbers as yet, but we believe those whom He has chosen.

A Brahmin doctor, who, for two or three years, had left his wife and child, and was

touring the various Hindu holy places, and was on the point of committing suicide, dropped into the Gospel Hall, later had a revelation of Jesus on the Cross, was converted and baptized.

A young B. A. graduate from a Punjab college was going about as a travelling salesman. He dropped into the Gospel Hall in Landour and later came to us at Dehra. He was instructed in the way of salvation and, upon confession of faith, was baptized.

A sadhu (Hindu holy man), much persecuted because he was suspected of believing in Jesus, took a bold stand and was later baptized in water.

Brother Mall, one of our evangelists at Dehra Dun, has also baptized several who have confessed Jesus as their Saviour.

As my work as an evangelist and also ministering in the Hills at the missionary home keeps me away from the Dehra station a great deal, I am unable to minister there very much. So it is only just to say that the fruit realized is due in a great measure to the faithful ministry of our Indian workers.

Of course, we feel that great emphasis should be put upon the absolute necessity of **teaching** all converts faithfully after their baptism, and that is what we desire to do.

There is another phase of the work, that among the women by the Bible Women which we have not touched on here. Pray much for a revival in Dehra Dun.—A. A. Blakeney.

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The Prayer Life

Prayer was a large part of Asbury's life. This he began every day: "Rose this morning with a determination to fight or die, and spent an hour in earnest prayer." Communion with God through prayer was his very life. "Having a day of rest from public exercises, I spent it in meditation, prayer and reading."

He was always planning to secure more time for prayer. "I feel determined to use more private prayer, and may the Lord make me more serious, more watchful, and more holy." Wherever he stopped for the night he prayed; wherever he ate he closed the meal with prayer. At the approach of conference he sought opportunities of special prayer for Divine guidance.

At one time it was his practice to set apart three hours of every twenty-four for this spiritual exercise; at another time it was his habit to spend a part of every hour when awake praying; at still another, ten minutes of every hour. When men mocked him, his revenge was a prayer that God would bless them.

If ever a man sought to live a life of prayer, it was he. "I am much employed in the spirit and duty of prayer," he writes, "but earnestly desire to be so. My desire is that prayer should mix with every thought, with every wish, with every word and with every action, that all might ascend as a holy, acceptable sacrifice to God."

"Pray without ceasing." 1 Thess. 5:17.

PENTECOSTAL MEN AT WORK IN KANSAS CITY, MO.—TAKING MEN FOR CHRIST

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proceeded to send them out by twos. He appointed seventy others (*men*) and sent them before Him, by twos, to every town and place which He Himself intended to visit, addressing them thus: "The harvest is abundant, but the reapers are few; therefore entreat the owner of the harvest to send out more reapers (*men*) into His fields." The Lord supplemented the work of the Twelve (His official board) with a corps of seventy personal workers, all of whom went before Him to every town and place which He Himself intended to visit.

Some marvelous results have been accomplished on the field by our capable Spirit-filled pastors, often single-handed. They have labored untiringly and sacrificially for the gospel's sake. But the harvest is abundant, and the laborers are few, says the Master. Is it not imperative, then, that each pastor endeavor to supplement his work by numbers of other harvesters (*men*), sending them forth to reap together with him? The Pastor needs *men*!

(3) Pastors and Men, alike Must Grow.

"Now when they saw Peter and John, they took note of them that they had been with Jesus. And the people gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did." "And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul." These scriptures sug-

gest the well-balanced *growth* and development in the early church—the aim of each of our assemblies. It is a long step from fishermen to apostles. The people took note that *pastors* Peter and John had *grown*, for they had been with Jesus. Likewise, they saw that *Philip*, a *deacon*, had *grown*, for they beheld many miracles being performed, and many were caused to believe. It is a sign of unbalanced growth in an assembly if a pastor is required to divert his attention from the ministry of the Word to the less important matters of church management. These matters should be delegated to the *men*, thereby giving them opportunity to *grow* in the work of the Lord.

(4) Co-operation and Love.

There is no room within an assembly for rivalry, competition, or jealousy between the Pastor and his men. Since the thoughtful Pastor will be constantly on the alert for men who show promise of consecrated leadership, he may be confronted by the problem of having men who would take the reins in hand and rule or ruin. A pastor should always maintain his position as commander in chief, at least in an advisory capacity, over all religious activities in the church. In some cases the Pastor has not been on the field as long as his workers, and his advice, counsel, and leadership is not recognized. This is disastrous. Men are warned "that (they) be not as Korah and as his company."

(5) Qualification of Workers.

In our movement we are constantly looking to the Lord for reproduction of New Testament results in our assemblies. If this is to be done, we must constantly keep before us the accomplishments of the early church. Careful reading of the Gospels and Acts (a textbook for Pentecostal people) provides this information, and the qualifications of workers are stated in Paul's letters to Timothy and Titus. A Pastor who is irreproachable, well-behaved—with a gift to teach—who manages his own household well, is qualified to take care of the church of God. Likewise, men (deacons) must be of serious demeanor, holding the mysterious truth with a clear conscience. And they will gain for themselves an honorable standing.

If, then, we anticipate a New Testament harvest within our assemblies, we must send forth New Testament harvesters (*men*) into the fields.

(6) Each Man Must Have His Task.

"Who am I that I should go?" Not "me, I want to be fed!" Often our Pastors are confronted with excuses when selecting workers. But, Moses had his task—bringing Israel out of Egypt. Aaron had his task—a spokesman for Moses. The Pastor has his task—the spiritual oversight of the flock. Deacons have their task—the supervision of the material and promotional interests of the church. The Superintendent has his task—the promotion of the Sunday School. A place for every man—every man in his place! There is no need for a few to carry the entire burden, depriving others of a ministry and an opportunity to serve.

An attractive sign might read, "*Men Wanted—Good Jobs for Willing Souls.*" Too much machinery is burdensome, but any thriving assembly might well employ committee men as follows: ushers, evangelism, mission schools,

buildings and grounds, missionary, literature distribution, house-to-house visitation, librarian, commissary workers, street meetings, etc.—M. L. G.

GREETINGS FROM MOGHAL SARAI

It has been four and one half years since we came to the above mentioned station to open our mission work, and though we have failed to appear on the printed page very often, we now feel we would like to give a little report of the field in which we are laboring.

Moghal Sarai, being the largest railway junction in North India, as well as the main gateway to the north, it has afforded us a wonderful opportunity in reaching the masses of people with the gospel message. Too, we are only ten miles from the city of Benares where thousands of pilgrims come every month to visit the city and to bathe in their so-called holy river, the Ganges, which flows by the city.

There are thirty-six passenger trains that pass through here every twenty-four hours and while we have been able to keep only one bookseller on the station we have been able to give out thousands of Gospel portions every year. We sell the portions for one pice each, for if they are given away free, the native does not think them worth reading and throws them away. Many of the pilgrims instead of paying two annas for a ticket from here to Benares get down and walk the rest of the way which is only five miles up to the river, and for these people we keep a bookseller on the outside of the station at the third class waiting room and here is where we sell most of our Gospels.

Besides the selling of Gospels we have two native preachers who go into the surrounding villages to preach. In these villages we have always found a hearty welcome and very often find those who are disappointed with the form and ceremony which goes on in Benares and along the banks of the river. It is to this so-called sacred city and river where thousands come to bathe, hoping that in doing so their sins will be washed away. We have not had very many to step out openly for Christ, but we have had many inquirers and many have expressed their desire to follow the Lord Jesus Christ.

For the services in the little chapel at the mission station we have a congregation of around sixty-five people. Most of them work in the railway and all cannot come at one time to the services, but we always have a nice crowd and with them often some Hindoos and Mohammedans come. We are longing for an outpouring of His Spirit upon these dear people and we do covet an interest in your prayers for them. We have been much encouraged in this little corner of the Lord's vineyard and we do want to be faithful in the little things He has given us to do.

We have been back on the field almost seven years and we are feeling tired in body, but we want to keep busy until He says, "It is enough."

Yours for Jesus in India—Mr. and Mrs. J. Edgar Barrick and children.

The Family Altar

We do not like to do futile things. If a seemingly useless thing is a part of our daily routine, although we do it from a sense of duty, we say to our soul, Why trifle away your time? The thing becomes irksome and we look for a way of escape. Thus many a family altar has fallen into decay.

However, in most homes it takes careful planning to make a family altar fit into the household regime, and "there are many adversaries." If, in addition, the benefit of it is doubted, we excuse ourselves for omitting it.

Being filled with the Holy Ghost is a wonderful, amazing, miraculous thing. Jesus called it distinctively, "the promise of the Father." Next to salvation itself it is the greatest gift of God. Christians who have Him rejoice with joy unspeakable. Many who have Him not desire Him with longing unutterable.

But God gives the Holy Ghost "to them that obey him." Acts 5:32. Many, for weary days, weeks, even years are kept from receiving Him because they do not obey God. Perhaps because they do not present their bodies to Him as a living sacrifice (Rom. 12:1), or because they fail to forsake the companionship of the ungodly (2 Cor. 6:17), or because they do not minister to their enemies trying to kill out hatred with kindness (Rom. 12:20), or because they do not let Christ's teachings control their thoughts and shape their conduct (Phil. 2:5), or because they are too self-centered to obey God in financial matters. Luke 6:38. These are commands of God. We must obey God. "To obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness as iniquity and idolatry." 1 Sam. 15:23, 24.

Do not some members of your family, O Man, find it difficult to obey God? Do not you yourself sometimes need help in this matter? If so erect the family altar. There unite in calling mightily on God for the needed help. A family altar used as a lifeboat is as welcome to your needy souls, as such a boat is when the steamer is going down.

To obey God takes divine strength. Why not hasten to the family altar at least once a day and there assist each other to let Christ, *who is our strength* flood your souls?

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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18:10-11. In other words they practiced Spiritism. The increase of Spiritism, Theosophy, and all forms of the occult, imported into our Western civilization from hell by way of the Far East, is one of the outstanding evils of our day. Paul declared that "meats offered to idols are offered to demons." When we remember that 1,400,000,000 of earth's population are still idolaters, and think of the 100,000,000 worshipers in false cults, we see that in our day already three fourths of earth's population is given over to spirit-worship, or demon-worship. Is it any wonder that toward the end of the great tribulation God will cause them to be stoned to death

(the penalty for spirit-worship) as described in Rev. 16:21?

The Sun Stood Still. vv. 12-13. Space will not permit the writer to enlarge on the miraculous element in this incident. The adult Sunday School quarterly treats the matter in splendid fashion. For the child of God it suffices that God who created this world is able to control the functions of the planets as it pleases Him. He is the "Father of lights," i. e. the Father who controls the planets. Joshua did not ask God to deliver him from fighting the enemy; he merely asked God to provide him with sufficient light to accomplish his part of the work. Had Joshua been lazy he never could have commanded the busy planets to do his bidding. His faith would have been vain. But he was willing to combine works with his faith. He waged the war as God provided the light.—Harry Steil.

THE GOSPEL AMONG THE MOSSI PEOPLE

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him and tried to persuade him. "Yes," he said, "I believe what you say, but if I ever become a Christian, my chief would kill me," and the fear of man kept him out of the kingdom. We are dealing with a people who have never known anything but fear. Nevertheless, in spite of all the things we find as hindrances to the gospel, we still know it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. We are believing God for bigger things than we have yet seen. Pray for Mossi Land that God will move there as never before, that many, many from that tribe in French West Africa may be won for Jesus Christ.

The Way of Salvation

How a Grecian Bank Clerk Found Christ

I was born on a small island in the Ægean Sea. I was brought up in the Greek Orthodox Church, where there is no preaching, no Sunday school, nothing to bring one into a knowledge of God. I was very religious as a boy—served as an altar boy in a white robe—but I was anything but an angel.

In 1920 I moved to Athens. After two years' work and study I took a job in a bank of that city. I especially pursued the reading of books. But although my head was full, my heart was empty. I was not happy. One writer gave quotations from the Scriptures and dealt with the teaching of Jesus. I thought if that subject is worthy of his attention, it is also worthy of mine. I opened our Bible for the first time. I had been told that Christianity is a dope to make one sleep, but I found myself being awakened to a new reality by reading the New Testament.

And somehow I felt something was wrong within me. I realized that the troubles in the world order, with which I had been concerned, were due to the fact that men were not right with God—and I was one of them!

One afternoon I went to a lonely spot and read many chapters of the New Testament. I wanted to know the truth. I finally made

a prayer, a sincere prayer: "If there is a living God let Him be revealed to me, or let me go my way." *The answer was immediate.* I left that place with the inner conviction of the reality of God in my soul.

I continued reading the New Testament and praying, but instead of finding inner peace I felt my conscience troubling me as never before. Thus I realized I was a sinner, a guilty creature before a holy God. I thank God for the consciousness of my sin, for it led me to the cross. I thank God that I approached the cross, not as a student, but as a sinner. There I found release. Forgiveness, the divine gift, became my actual experience. I saw clearly, beyond all doubt, that the suffering of Christ upon the cross was for my sin.

I knew of no place to worship except the Greek Orthodox Church. I began attending that church once again, though all their ceremonies seemed contradictory to what I had read. One night a certain Orthodox man, hearing me talk of my spiritual experience, warned me, "Be careful of the Protestants. The best of our young men some time ago went over to the Evangelical Church." Evangelical Church! The best young people went there! Another time I was reading a magazine, not knowing it was Protestant, when a priest seized it, saying I should not read such papers. Of course my curiosity was aroused, and a short time later I met some members of the "heretical" church.

For three years I attended their services, but I hesitated to join partly because I feared their lack of popularity would ruin my influence. I finally joined them, and while still working in the bank I went to a refugee's district and led the Evangelical meetings. Instead of my new activities having a bad influence on my work, I gained new respect from my manager. The department where I was working prospered. It drew more customers, and my colleagues were not slow to see the difference. An uncompromising witness, I found, cannot but triumph.—*Michael Kyriakakis.*

HOME FROM CHINA

We were glad to receive word recently from Mr. and Mrs. George C. Slager of their safe journey from North China to begin their furlough period. Brother and Sister Slager have spent 29 years in missionary work in China. May the Lord bless them and renew their strength during the coming months. They plan to remain in Canada for a short time before coming on to the States.

NEED SONG BOOKS

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Juergensen are needing hymn books for a Bible class they are conducting among the English speaking people in Nagoya City, Japan. They need at least twenty-four of one kind. It may be that some assembly in this country could help them meet this need. Used books will be very welcome if in good condition. Send them direct to John W. Juergensen, 18, 5 Chome Shogetsu-cho, Nagoya City, Japan. Mark on the outside of the package that they are old song books, for missionary use, of no commercial value.

Sample Packet of Tracts—25 cents.

In the Whiten'd Harvest Field

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND—God gave us a good start on Sunday, January 2, for the New Year. In the evening service 2 were saved, one was reclaimed, one was baptized in the Spirit, 3 others were prostrated, and it was a time of real refreshing for us all.—H. J. Snelgrove, Pastor.

EMORYVILLE, W. VA.—December 17 we closed a 3 weeks' meeting. Vernon J. Cardiff was our evangelist. This is a new field. Several were saved, and a good work was started. Christmas eve a man who was a Catholic and a hard drinker, was saved. The Lord is still adding to our work.—Frank E. Strickler, Elk Garden, W. Va.

MOUNDS, ILL.—We have just closed a 3 weeks' campaign with Evangelist Edgar A. Poe, Portland, Oregon, in charge. The Lord blessed the services from the beginning. As the Holy Ghost anointed messages were delivered, many were brought under deep conviction. Eighteen were saved or reclaimed, and 4 received the Baptism in the Spirit. The church was greatly uplifted and renewed. A welcome is extended to Council ministers passing this way.—Leatha Echols, Secretary.

TULIA, TEXAS—June 20 I accepted the pastorate here. I found a membership of 15 and a church under construction. Finances were short, but we trusted God to supply our needs. Precious souls have been added to our number.

We just closed a 15 days' revival, conducted by R. M. Oldham, Kiowa, Oklahoma. All who met him were impressed by his pleasing personality. The entire town was aroused, the old-time power fell, the church was revived and blessed, and the lost found their way to the Lord. There were 12 new names added to our roster. One has received the Baptism in the Spirit, and a number of others are seeking. Six were baptized in water. Our C. A. band is greatly strengthened. All departments of the church are progressing nicely.—Wilburn Harris, Pastor.

PALCO, KANSAS—We have just closed a 6 weeks' revival, Evangelist and Mrs. Raymond McGhghy in charge. The blessing of the Lord was in our midst and the Word was preached under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. A number of nights the power came down and took complete control, and men and women were saved without any preaching. The Sunday School attendance was quadrupled. People from the Nazarene, Church of God, and Methodist churches came in and received the Baptism and have cast their lot with Pentecost. This was one of the best revivals God ever gave us, and the whole community is stirred. The church greatly appreciated the presence and help of Loren Wooten, Springfield, Missouri, during his Christmas vacation. His songs and messages proved inspiring and a blessing to our hearts. We do thank God for this harvest season.—Alveda Steeples, Secretary.

WATERFORD, CALIF.—I am announcing my resignation as pastor of the Pentecostal Mission here. During sixteen months of labor about 35 or 40 have received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost, and a great number have been saved. The Sunday School attendance has more than doubled. Moreover we have built a new church and purchased enough lumber for a parsonage. Two lots were donated to the church. I am now in a revival with C. E. Freese, of Tracy. God is blessing, and at times the power comes down so that I stop preaching and call the people to the altar. I am open for further calls.—Walter Larson, Live Oak, Calif.

SHAMOKIN, PA.—One year ago this past Thanksgiving Day marked the opening of this work with 9 local people present. None of them were really Pentecostal, but were in sympathy. After the year of labor, prayer, and tears our hopes have been partially realized. On Thanksgiving we dedicated our new tabernacle. What a change has transpired. Scores have been saved, numbers have been healed, and some have received the precious gift of the Spirit. More than 150 filed into the tabernacle, only 15 of them being out-of-town folks. Shouts of praise and jubilant song rose from more than 100 redeemed ones. Our watch-night service was owned of God. One stranger timidly entering was caught in the current as the glory fell, ran to the altar, and was born into the kingdom as the clock struck twelve. We are asking God for 100 souls this year, and we believe He will not fail us. We have also a deep desire to see a general awakening this year.—H. E. Hardt.

BURLINGTON, WASH.—After several months of fervent prayer, the saints were led to pray for guidance in calling an evangelist. God marvelously led us to attend the District meeting in Oregon this summer. While there we were informed about the Reed Evangelistic Party and spoke to them about coming to Burlington.

The revival opened with the power of God wonderfully manifested. Sometimes we felt as though a mighty wind shook the building during our praise offering to Him. One person was filled with the Holy Ghost. This was new to some people. The second week began with more power, and sinners came for the rest that Jesus gives to the weary. Sinners were calling on the name of the Lord and believers were being filled with the Holy Ghost in all parts of the prayer room. As many as 4 were baptized at one service. Three were called to the ministry. It was wonderful to see how the Spirit separated these for His work. One young man was so gloriously filled that one night he was under the power for two hours and gave forth prophecy, exhorting the saints to lay aside every weight. In the 4 weeks' time, 18 were filled with the Holy Ghost, 10 were added to the church roll. Every one of the young people is filled with the Holy Ghost.—M. G. Caldwell, Pastor.

CHELSEA, OKLA.—We have just closed a 2 weeks' revival with Joe Sharp, of Tulsa, as the evangelist. Eight were saved, one received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and the Sunday School attendance has more than doubled. Our new church is now completed and free from indebtedness. All Council ministers are welcome.—James R. Harris, Pastor.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—We have been laboring in this place for a little over a year. After much prayer God has graciously undertaken. Our young people's work has taken on new life. This group is doing a fine work in contacting unsaved people at the hospitals. They now have chapel services every Monday night at the city hospital. After the services in the chapel they go in groups to the different wards with tracts and Evangelists. They are permitted to sing and pray in the wards on Monday nights. A goodly number have recently found Christ through the efforts of our C. A. band. God is especially dealing with backsliders in our work here. A large number have been reclaimed in the last few months, people who were at one time connected with this assembly. Among them are two fine young men who are now in Bible school. Though we do not have a large membership, the future for this work is very bright and there is much land yet to possess.—H. E. Waddle, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—Brother and Sister A. L. Hoy, former teachers at Central Bible Institute, were with us November 24 to December 12, and their ministry was a time of rich blessing for the church. Brother Hoy gave us the Word in a most able manner. Their ministry of music was a blessing, too, and the meeting bore excellent results—26 saved, and 13 filled with the Holy Ghost, one of these being a young Baptist preacher.

Most of our C. B. I. students came home for Thanksgiving, and brought other students as guests. These young people had charge of the Thanksgiving morning service, which was a blessed one. We are proud of our C. B. I. young people, and grateful for the training they receive, which makes them willing and able to conduct such a service so as to make it edifying and blessed to all present.

At our Watch Night service, George Hayes, of Houston, preached the first sermon of a 2 weeks' campaign. At this service 7 were filled with the Spirit, and during the meeting God poured out His Spirit abundantly—63 being sure they had really been saved, and 48 being filled with the Spirit. God worked in marvelous ways and did wonderful things in the hearts and lives of various folk. The last few nights of the meeting, the building was crowded to capacity, many standing during the service.

The night following the close of the campaign, the evangelist's mother, who had come from Houston to be with us for the last Sunday and for this special service, preached a stirring sermon, and 33 followed the Lord in baptism. One of the outstanding features of this meeting was the work of God among the young people and children, several small children having been saved, and baptized in the Spirit.—W. F. Garvin, Pastor.

EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE

The Lord gave us a great prayer conference at the Riverside Gospel Tabernacle, Buffalo, N. Y. In some respects, it was one of the most outstanding of all the District prayer conferences we have had. A fine company of ministers were in attendance, also some of our good brethren from Canada. We found the brethren of the Western New York Zone a strongly united band of real workers who gave their whole-hearted support to this conference.

The services gained in power and blessing each day. There were frequent and prolonged seasons of prayer but never to a degree of monotony. One night a group of ministers were praying around the altar until after midnight, enjoying blessed fellowship in the Spirit. The following night, after a really splendid service in the Tabernacle, many crowded to the altar to seek the Lord, and a considerable group of people, including some ministers, went into a prayer room for a prolonged season of prayer. The presence of God filled the room in a wonderful way, and there was a medley of shouts, praises, and prayers. Most of those present stayed until after midnight. A number did not leave until about six o'clock the next morning. Thanksgiving Day was indeed a glorious day of lovely fellowship in the Lord. The atmosphere of the meetings was truly spiritual and uplifting, and the ministry of the Word—as throughout all the prayer conference services—was rich and deep. The closing day was beautiful, with a gracious manifestation of the Lord's presence in all the services. The Lord's blessing was upon the Word, and in the last service the altar was crowded with children and young people, some weeping and others prostrated under the power of God.

Among those who ministered the Word during these special prayer conference services were District Superintendent Flem Van Meter, Alfred E. Gidman of London, England, R. E. Sternall of Ontario, Canada, Alex. Lindsay and Fred D. Drake. We are grateful to Pastor and Mrs. Gordon R. Bender and the members of Riverside Gospel Tabernacle, and Pastors W. F. Duncan and Joseph Flower for their splendid co-operation and entertainment of the Eastern District Prayer Conference.—Fred D. Drake, Prayer Conference Leader, Scranton, Pa.

TULSA, OKLA.—J. A. McPhail took over the pastorate here last July, and he has surely been a blessing in our midst, giving out the old-time gospel message from time to time under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. As a result, souls have been born into the kingdom of God, believers have been baptized with the Holy Ghost, others have received healing for their sick bodies, and the church in general has been built up. God is blessing and our church is growing. Our Sunday School has also greatly improved both numerically and spiritually, and is steadily growing, thanks be to God for our faithful and worthy Sunday School Superintendent, Brother Ellis Stilwell. A hearty welcome awaits all Council brethren passing this way.—J. M. Maher, Secretary-Treasurer.

MIDLAND, TEXAS—We came here two years ago and found a few saints without a church house to worship in. We began praying and God gave us a nice 32x50 frame building, located three blocks from the main business part of the town. The first of December, 1937, Sister Willie Wiggins, of Pasadena, started a revival. She was with us 12 days. Twelve were saved, 18 were filled with the Holy Ghost, and the revival fire is still burning. Two were saved last night. We invite Council ministers when passing this way to stop with us.—M. E. Stubblefield, Pastor.

ERIE, PA.—Some 4 years ago when we came to this city we had nothing to begin with in the line of church equipment, nor even a place of worship. Several families promised to stand by if we would launch out.

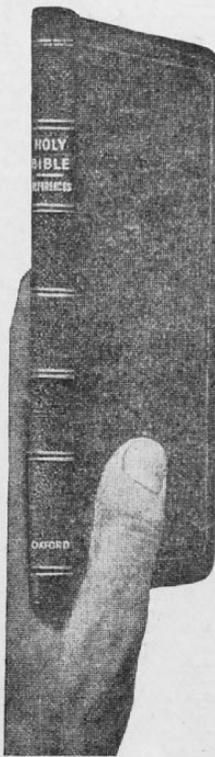
The first hall we investigated rented for \$300.00 a month. Upon inquiry the real estate man, a Catholic, asked if we could pay \$150.00 a month, which to our minds was entirely out of the question. He then asked for \$100.00. Later he dropped to \$75.00 but we told him that was impossible. The building is located next to the Ford hotel in the heart of the town. Finally I made him a proposition to pay 50% of the offerings as rent. The next day he came with a lease to be signed, to receive 50% of the offerings apart from the special offerings for evangelists and missionaries. The hall had a seating capacity of 500 but no seats. In the course of time we had benches that would accommodate 400. We were in the hall two years. Many weeks we lived on two and three dollars a week. From this hall we moved to another a little more suitable in size for our congregation. It had a seating capacity of 250, and cost \$10.00 a month. Across the park from it was a

large Presbyterian church that belonged to the city. We often remarked how desirable it would be to have such a nice place of worship. I made several visits to the Mayor and City Council and told them our wish. The Lord again showed us He had Erie at heart by allowing us to take over this beautiful church free of rent for a number of months. God has answered prayer by giving us the use of this church, including a dining hall fully equipped. At our recent Western New York fellowship meeting we served some 300 comfortably. The day was greatly blessed of the Lord. D. P. Holloway of Cleveland, Ohio, spoke in the afternoon, and Lura Johnson in the evening. Several were saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit.

We have recently had campaigns with Lura Johnson, Hope McKinney and H. Earl Winburn. Also E. A. Gidman from London, England, was with us for several days. The church has been filled to capacity. These evangelists have certainly helped us in a great way. In February we are planning to have Hattie Hammond with us.—N. T. Spong, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEXAS—The Lord has been blessing in a wonderful way in the church at Peak and Garland Streets. The Christ's Ambassadors have been having wonderful meetings. The Lord has poured out His Spirit upon them, and several have been saved and have received the Holy Ghost Baptism. Fourteen have received the Holy Ghost here in our church services in the last 6 weeks.

Evangelist and Mrs. F. R. Anderson have closed a successful revival here. Their ministry benefited the church very much, and everyone received a blessing.—Loren B. Staats, Pastor.



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John the Baptist's doctrine concerning Christ

CHAPTER 3

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named ^aNicodemus, ^ba ruler of the Jews: ²The same came to Jesus ^cby night, and said unto him, ^d'Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do ^ethese miracles that thou doest, except ^fGod be with him.

^a ch. 7. 50
^b Lk. 18. 12
^c ch. 2. 2
^d Cp. ch. 2. 23
^e ch. 7. 50
^f ch. 1. 38
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Forthcoming Meetings

CYRIL, OKLA.—Assembly of God, Feb. 19—; Jacob Miller, Evangelist.—James Davis, Pastor.

AKRON, O.—Jan. 30-Feb. 20; Evangelist and Mrs. J. D. Saunders.—C. A. McKinney, Pastor.

DATE CHANGED

HANNIBAL, MO.—March 13, for 3 weeks; Fox Evangelistic Party.—Glenn Renick, Pastor.

SEATTLE, WASH.—Hollywood Temple, East 69th and 8th Ave. N. E., Feb. 13-March 6; George Hayes, Evangelist.—Henry H. Ness, Pastor.

CONNERSVILLE, OKLA.—Feb. 11—; Helen V. McCann, of Mangum, Evangelist.—Claude Wyrick, Pastor.

LAS CRUCES, N. M.—Jan. 31-Feb. 13; J. J. Grubbs, Hereford, Texas, Evangelist.—B. H. Caudle, Pastor.

HAGERSTOWN, MD.—Bethel Assembly of God, Howard and Spruce Sts., Feb. 6-20; L. Hill, Evangelist.—Ralph Jeffrey, Pastor.

WHEATLAND, WYO.—Feb. 13, for 3 weeks or longer; L. R. Faith, C. A. President, Evangelist.—Clarence Reding, Pastor.

TORONTO, ONTARIO—Grace Tabernacle, 2192 Gerrard St. E., Feb. 6-20; Elwin Argue, Evangelist.—J. W. Lucas, Pastor.

EDINBURG, ILL.—Gospel Tabernacle, Feb. 1-20; Jack and Esther Martz, Reading, Pa., Singing Evangelists.—Samuel Skyles, Pastor.

BRAINERD, MINN.—Gospel Tabernacle; Feb. 20, for 2 weeks or longer; S. G. Shields, Ft. Worth, Texas, Evangelist.—Wallace G. Ross, Pastor.

CARLSBAD, CALIF.—Full Gospel Church, 1st and Oak Sts.; Feb. 2—; Meyer and Alice Tan Ditter, Evangelists.—Arthur L. Casey, Pastor.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Central Gospel Tabernacle, Almira and Grant Sts., Feb. 22-March 13; Evangelist and Mrs. Jack Saunders.—Arne Vick, Pastor.

BROKEN ARROW, OKLA.—Feb. 6, for 3 weeks; Smith and Rogers Evangelistic Party.—Bartley E. Lasater, Pastor.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—Assembly of God, 600 S. E. 30th St.; Feb. 6, for 2 weeks or longer; W. A. McCann, Evangelist.—R. E. Lister, Pastor.

AKRON, O.—Bethel Assembly of God, 4th Ave. and Chittenden St.; Feb. 1-20; Evangelist and Mrs. E. T. Quanabush.—Claude Weaver, Pastor.

TOPEKA, KANS.—Assembly of God, 610 Lime St., Jan. 30—Feb. 20; Fred and Dorothy Prather, Evangelists.—Claude J. Utley, Pastor.

TORRANCE, CALIF.—Assembly of God, 1639 W. Carson St., Feb. 13, for 2 weeks or longer; James D. Bell, Evangelist.—Mrs. E. L. Clouch, Pastor.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Bethel Temple, 1250 Bellevue Ave., Feb. 11—; Evangelist and Mrs. Harvey McAlister, Toronto, Canada, Speakers. Louis F. Turnbull is Pastor.

LEBANON, PA.—Pentecostal Assembly of God, Partridge and Union Sts.; Feb. 1-20; George E. Dych, Haddonfield R. D., Merchantville, N. J., Evangelist.—James E. Gorman, Pastor.

ALPENA, MICH.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, 9th and Cavanaugh Sts.; Feb. 6-27; Evangelist and Mrs. Clyde C. Goree, Amarillo, Texas.—Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Beck, Pastors.

DAYTONA BEACH, FLA.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, Madison and Washington Sts.; Feb. 9—; S. Clyde Bailey, Mobile, Ala., Evangelist.—Chas. S. Brown, Pastor.

CHICKASHA, OKLA.—Assembly of God, 5th and Colorado Sts.; Feb. 6-27; Jean Benefiel, of Muskogee, Evangelist. Neighboring churches invited to cooperate.—W. C. Gilbert, Pastor.

CARLINVILLE, ILL.—Full Gospel Tabernacle Jan. 30—; J. Paul Bruton, C. A. President of Illinois, Evangelist. Nearby assemblies urged to cooperate.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dunets, Pastors.

WAUSAU, WIS.—Christian Assembly, 6th and Steuben Sts.; Feb. 6, for 2 weeks or longer; J. Robert Ashcroft, Chicago, Ill., Main Speaker. Broadcast the last week, Station WSAU, each morning 7:45.—Frances Trittin, Secretary; John J. Ashcroft, Pastor.

PRAYER CONFERENCE

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—Prayer Conference, Feb. 7-8. Opening service, 2:30 p. m. Feb. 8, Fast Day. Free entertainment for ministers and their wives. E. H. Chamberlain, Pastor.—Arthur Bell, District Superintendent, Box 133, Belleville, Ill.

BIBLE CONFERENCE

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Bible Conference, Full Gospel Tabernacle, 3100 E. 31st St., Feb. 13-20; Donald Gee, of England, Speaker. Board and room at reasonable rates near the tabernacle.—A. A. Wilson, Pastor.

ANNUAL CONVENTION

DENVER, COLO.—Twenty-first Annual Convention, Rocky Mountain District, will be held at Denver Revival Tabernacle, 9th and Acoma Sts., Feb. 8-11. Evening of the 8th, Fellowship Service. Convocation proper opens 9:30 the 9th. Each church is urged to send one delegate together with their pastor. For information write F. C. Woodworth, District Superintendent, 5700 S. Broadway, Denver, Colo.

BIBLE CONFERENCE AND REVIVAL

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Bible Conference and Revival, Pentecostal Tabernacle, 629 E. Delavan Ave., Feb. 28-March 20. Opening service Monday night, followed by 4 days of Bible Teaching by A. A. Swift. Services: 10:00, 2:30, and 7:45. Meals on freewill offering plan. Rooms provided for those staying throughout convention. For further information write Pastor W. F. Duncan, 629 E. Delavan Ave.

EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE

SHAMOKIN, PA.—Eastern District Prayer Conference, Gospel Tabernacle, Anthracite and Water Sts., March 1-4. Superintendent Flem Van Meter is planning to be present. Services: 9:30, 2:30, and 7:30. Accommodations provided as far as possible for ministers, missionaries, and their wives. Meals on freewill offering plan. For accommodations write Pastor H. E. Hardt, 1014 W. Walnut St., Shamokin, Pa.—Fred D. Drake, Prayer Conference Leader.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION

SULLIVAN, MO.—Missionary Convention and C. A. Rally, Feb. 18-20. First meeting Friday evening, C. A. Rally Saturday. Basket dinner will be served. Three meetings Sunday. Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary, Mrs. N. D. Nichols and Pastor Joshua Bang of North China, and missionaries from several other countries will be present. For further information write Pastor Earl Hance, P. O. Box 293, Sullivan, Mo.

OKLAHOMA STATE MISSIONARY CONVENTION

PONCA CITY, OKLA.—Monthly State Missionary Convention, 510 Ponca Ave., Feb. 7-8. First service 7:30 p. m.; all day service the 8th with lunch on grounds. Noel Perkin, Missionary Secretary, in charge. Lois Shelton and other missionaries will be present. For further particulars write J. S. Scott, Ponca City, Okla.—James S. Hutsell, District Superintendent.

MISSISSIPPI BIBLE CONFERENCES

Amory, Feb. 8-10; McComb, Feb. 15-17. Fred Vogler, Assistant General Superintendent and Secretary of the Home Missions Department, will be present. All ministers in the District urged to attend one or both of these meetings. For further information write F. H. Beard, Box 52, Laurel, Miss., or H. M. Sandlin, District Superintendent, 115 Fifteenth Ave., Laurel, Miss. Free entertainment to all ministers.

KANSAS "DEEPER LIFE" MEETINGS

Eric, beginning 2:00 p. m., Feb. 7; Humboldt, all day, Feb. 8; Chanute, all day, Feb. 9; Fredonia, all day, Feb. 10; Independence, all day, Feb. 11; Kiowa, 2:00 p. m., Feb. 14; Medicine Lodge, all day, Feb. 15; Sharon, all day, Feb. 16; Corwin, all day, Feb. 17; Attica, all day, Feb. 18; Coldwater, Feb. 21, 7:30 p. m., and all day Feb. 22; Garden City, Feb. 24, 7:30 p. m., and all day Feb. 25; Dighton, all day, Feb. 27; Ness City, Feb. 28, 7:30 p. m.; Bazine, all day, March 1; McCracken, all day, March 2; Cedarview, March 3, 7:30 p. m.; Morland, all day, March 4.—V. G. Greisen, District Superintendent, 1017 S. Market St., Wichita, Kansas.

FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS, S. S. AND C. A. RALLIES

ST. LOUIS, MO.—C. A. Sectional Rally, 3228 Park Ave., Feb. 13, 2:30 p. m. A hearty welcome to all. Paul Byerly, Pastor.—G. L. Thomure, Sectional Secretary-Treasurer.

WYOMING, PA.—C. A. Rally, Anthracite Zone, Feb. 22; W. F. Duncan, Buffalo, N. Y., Speaker.—James Shaw, Pastor, 312 Wyoming Ave., Wyoming, Pa.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—C. A. Rally, Tri-City Park Tabernacle, 12th and Meridian Sts., Feb. 26, 7:30 p. m. G. Hollister, Pastor.—Ivan Belmer, Sectional Vice President, Eldred, Ill.

PUXICO, MO.—C. A. Rally, Feb. 20, 2:30 p. m. Local groups please bring program and musical instruments.—Carl B. Ausbury, Pastor.—Herbert Bruhn, Secretary-Treasurer, 223 Helen Ave., Chaffee, Mo.

DEXTER, MO.—Fellowship Meeting, all day, Feb. 7. Basket lunch at noon. Everyone welcome.—Cleo Tapp, Pastor and Secretary-Treasurer.

SMITHVILLE, MO.—Kansas City Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Feb. 7. Basket dinner.—Raymond Phillips, 808 E. 21st St., North Kansas City, Mo.

KEOKUK, IOWA—All day Fellowship Meeting, Feb. 22. First service 10:00 a. m.; C. A. service 6:00 p. m. Dinner served in basement of church. Bring well filled basket.—Roy Canady, Pastor.

EATON, O.—Fellowship Meeting, Southwestern Section, at First Pentecostal Church, South Franklin St., Feb. 7. All are welcome.—F. L. Wells, Secretary, 147½ E. Winter St., Delaware, O.

GENEVA, N. Y.—Fellowship Meeting, conducted by Young People, in Full Gospel Hall, 297 Exchange St., evening of Feb. 14. All nearby assemblies invited to co-operate. Bring musical instruments. Charlotte Oberst in charge.

EUREKA SPRINGS, ARK.—Fellowship Meeting, Northeast Section, all day, Feb. 7. First service, 10:00 a. m. Lunch served at church. Hope to have P. C. Nelson for a healing service in the evening.—M. L. Haney, Pastor.

MISSIONARY PRAYER CONFERENCE

SPARTANBURG, S. C.—Missionary Prayer Conference, at Assembly of God, Wofford and Wolf Sts., Feb. 10-13. District Superintendent S. W. Noles expected to be present. All in this section urged to attend.—Mayme Williams, Pastor, 132 Branch St.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN SECTIONAL FELLOWSHIP MEETING

ALPENA, MICH.—Sectional Fellowship Meeting, Full Gospel Tabernacle, 9th Ave. at Cavanaugh, Feb. 14. Services: 2:30 and 7:00. Evangelist and Mrs. Clyde C. Goree, Amarillo, Texas, expected to be present. Bring lunches. Earl L. Ayliffe, Chairman.—Alfred J. Hamlin, Secretary, Glennie, Mich.

KANSAS CITY, KANSAS—C. A. Rally, 7th and Riverview, Feb. 12. Services: 10:30, 2:30, and 7:15. Each one should bring well filled basket for noon meal. Leonard Palmer will speak in forenoon; tarrying service planned for afternoon; evangelistic service in evening. Bring your instruments and specials. H. B. Garlock, 1400 N. 26th, is Pastor.—P. D. Pittman, Sectional Secretary, 1911 R. I. St., Lawrence, Kansas.

FESTUS, MO.—All day Fellowship Meeting and Church Dedication, Full Gospel Assembly, Feb. 8. New church at North 7th St. and Vine Ave. District Superintendent S. L. Johnson in charge and main speaker. Visiting ministers expected from St. Louis and Lead Belt Section; and from outlying localities in Southern Missouri District. A cordial invitation extended to everyone.—V. R. Ledbetter, Pastor.

NORTHEAST OHIO FELLOWSHIP MEETING
KRUMROY, OHIO—Northeast Ohio Fellowship Meeting; Pentecostal Church, Krumroy Rd. and Arlington Rd., 1/2 mile south of Rt. 224, 3 miles south of Akron; Feb. 7. Services: 10:00 a. m., Devotional, C. C. Homer, of New Philadelphia, Speaker; 1:30 Business Meeting; 2:30, Round Table Discussion, "Can We Look for a General Revival Before the Lord's Coming?" Evangelistic, Special Speaker, 7:00. David Carlson, Pastor. Coffee provided by local church at both meals.—Claude Weaver, Secretary-Treasurer, 978 Inman St., Akron, O.

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El Cerrito Pent'l Open Door Mission	13.50	Plant City Mt Zion Assembly of God	17.50	Topeka Assembly of God Church & S S	100.00
Escalon Glad Tidings Assembly	17.66	Sulphur Springs, Tampa Mt. Zion Assembly	2.00	KENTUCKY Personal Offerings	10.50
Fullerton Full Gospel Church	1.44	GEORGIA Personal Offerings	23.40	Campton Smith S. S. Sandy Ridge Mission	1.00
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Greenwood Sunday School	6.75	Columbus Linwood Assembly of God	4.66	Paducah Assembly of God	1.44
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Live Oak Pent'l Assembly of God	5.00	IDAHO Personal Offerings	4.10	MAINE Personal Offerings50
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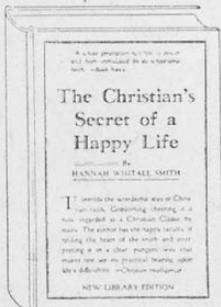


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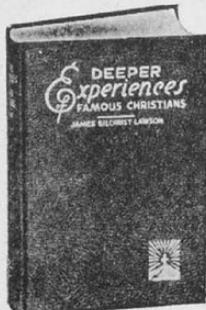
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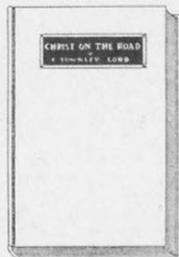
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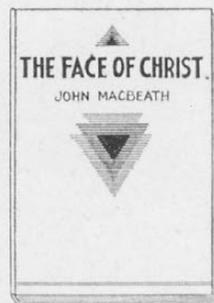


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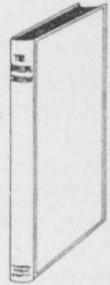
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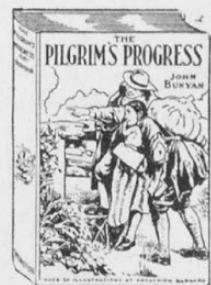
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These women themselves will be the first, not only to acknowledge, but also to insist upon the dominant Scriptural teaching that *men* are the God-ordained leaders in the home and in the work of God. "For Adam was first formed, then Eve." 1 Tim. 3:13. "For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man. Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man." "The head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man." 1 Cor. 11:8, 9, 3. Paul, in the Spirit of the Lord, recorded, "I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man." 1 Tim. 3:12. In the sovereign counsels of the Almighty, in His inscrutable wisdom and plan, by His own privileged ordination,

He has decreed that the headship and leadership of the home and the church shall be vested in men rather than in women.

This would seem consistent with the fact that He has endowed men naturally with certain qualities of leadership. He is the forager and provider for the home. His is the rough, hard work. He must get out and face the world and fight, if need be, to win a way for himself, his wife, and his little ones. Men play this part naturally and automatically in the world. Their minds are the analytical, reasoning kind. Their natures are usually bold and hard. Many times they are the roving, pioneer type and daring initiative usually rests with them.



Ralph M. Riggs

The divine program, too, has been entrusted to men, and men have been God's chief representatives all along in the earth. The antediluvian patriarchs, the early Jewish fathers and leaders, the prophets and outstanding saints of old, the authors and early propagators of Christianity, and church leaders down to the present day have been men called and sent of God.

There is a dearth of men in our churches today. This is obvious and patent. About 60% of the students at our Bible schools are girls and women. About 67% of our church members and about 75% of our missionaries in the difficult foreign fields are of the feminine

gender. Brethren, these things ought not so to be.

We need a strong, dominant male element in our churches—men of ability, leaders and strong men of the professional world, in business, and in industry. We need men with vision of the possibilities for God and the Full Gospel in these days of apostasy and approaching tribulation; men with sense and courage to unite their strength and effort in an aggressive, forward movement in the church. There is much land ahead to be possessed. There is much work, hard work to be done. Men are needed, sorely needed, in our churches today. God give us men!

Why do we not have them? Do we have a gospel that is virile and reasonable and that appeals to red-blooded, thinking men? We do. A thousand times, yes. There's enough danger in Bible Christianity to allure the bravest man. There's enough difficult work in aggressive Christianity to challenge the strongest man. There's enough sound philosophy and sensible answers to the deepest questions of life in orthodox Christianity to satisfy the keenest thinking man. Why, then, do not these men respond to the gospel call and take their place in Christian ranks? Have the danger, work, and satisfying philosophy of Christianity been clearly and convincingly presented? Probably so, and still there is a reason why they do not come.

The entrance door into Christianity is rather low. A man must humble himself and acknowledge his need of Christ, his Saviour, before he can become a Christian. Here is the rub. Along with his leadership qualities, man has an inherent pride. Nature's instinct makes him think he is self-sufficient. "Except a man deny himself, he cannot be my disciple." This is the answer why more men don't become Christians. How can this be overcome? By presenting to men the many ways in which it will pay to surrender to Christ. By praying earnestly that God will open their eyes to see the truth. And by concentrating upon men in our gospel appeals. Up and at 'em, fellows. It can be done.

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