



NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD

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THY TESTIMONIES ALSO ARE MY DELIGHT AND MY COUNSELLORS

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## A Moment of Time

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"They spend their days in wealth, and in a moment go down to the grave." Job 21:13.  
"In a moment of time!" Luke 4:5.

A MINISTER told me about the first funeral he conducted. The man who had died was unknown to him, and the only mourner and attendant at the grave was the dead man's wife. Her face was so heavily veiled that he could not discern her features. When the coffin had been lowered into the grave and the words of committal had been pronounced, the minister shook hands with the woman and drove off. Some years later, a woman came forward at the close of a service in his church, and told him that it was her husband whom he had buried on that occasion. She said that they had occupied a position of some standing in England, but after long years of married life and with a grown family, her husband forsook his home and his honor, and came to this country where he lived in sin.

When he was taken seriously ill he cabled for his wronged and deserted wife to come and be at his bedside. She took the first steamer and arrived shortly before his death. At the end of her first visit with him at the hospital, he said to her as he bade her good-by, "The next time you come be sure to bring your Bible." His prodigal heart was turning back to the Father's house and to the training of his childhood. "But," said the woman, "that was the last visit. There was no next time."

Oh, dear hearts, these words tug at my heart! Listen to them. "There was no next time." How often since I heard that minister relate that incident to me, have those words echoed in my mind, "There was no next time." And now, as I think of how these words may apply to some of you who are reading this

article, for whom *there will be no next time*, I am impressed with the value of a moment of time.

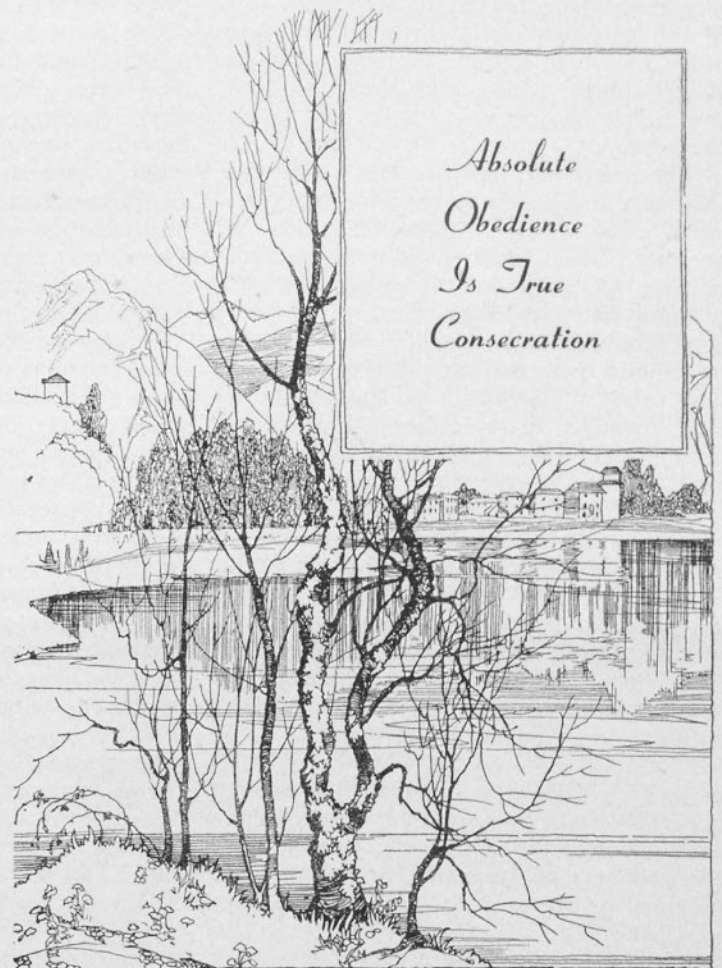
How much can be won or lost in a moment of time! How much injury or how much good can we do to our souls in a moment of time! In Europe there is an interesting cathedral. From the platform on the tower, 461 feet above the ground you have a grand view of the surrounding country. In the south transept of this cathedral is a clock which preaches from hour to hour a great and solemn sermon. Among its many intricate devices is one that marks the eclipses. In the center are four figures representing the four ages of life, and in the midst of them stands death. At the first quarter, glad childhood emerges and strikes the bell; at the second quarter, rosy youth comes forward; at the third quarter, sober manhood lifts his robust arm; and at the last quarter, feeble and decrepit old age wearily lifts his arm to strike with his hammer. And when he has finished, death strikes the hour. Childhood, youth, manhood, old age, and—death!

In the crowd that stands on the pavement and looks up at the clock, there are some who belong to the first quarter,

childhood; some, to youth's golden morn; some, to manhood's sober day; and some to the last quarter, the feebleness of old age. And as you watch, you can see plainly that ere long death will lift his hammer and strike the passing of their life.

To me, the scene is very impressive. It is a great and unforgettable sermon. It makes one ask oneself, "What have I done with my life? What am I doing with it now?" Even while you are reading this, as the hands on that cathedral clock proceed around the dial, and one after another, the five figures come forth and strike their blow, your life is moving onward to that moment when the fifth figure shall lift his hammer to strike. "It is appointed unto men once to die." Heb.

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Absolute  
Obedience  
Is True  
Consecration

# The Message and Power of Old Testaments Prophets

A Camp Meeting Address by Myer Pearlman

OLD Testament prophets were speakers for God. That is the simplest way of describing those wonderful men who had a contact with God and who possessed a secret of spiritual power that it would be well for all of us to possess.

In the Old Testament there are three main divisions: History, Poetry and Prophecy. In the historical books we learn what Israel did. In the poetical books we learn how they felt. In the prophetic books we learn what was preached in those days.

The Old Testament prophets will become more real to us if we think of them as the anointed evangelists of Israel. There were two forms of ministry in those days: the prophetic and the priestly. Both were needed. The priesthood daily performed the services of God in the sanctuary. On the other hand, the prophet represented the free movements of the Spirit of God. He spoke and acted as the Spirit of the living God moved him. In order to be a priest one must belong to the tribe of Levi and to the family of Aaron, and to the masculine gender; but there was only one qualification for belonging to the prophetic order, and that was that the Spirit of Jehovah should rest upon the person.

The priest had more or less a pastoral ministry, and generally speaking, the people went to him. On the other hand, the prophet had an evangelistic message and, instead of waiting for the people to come to him, he went after them. If Isaiah and Jeremiah had waited for the people to come to them they would have waited a long time! The priests led the people to God, through their sacrifices, their intercession and their ritual, but the prophet took God to the people. The pastor combines both forms of ministry. When your pastor stands behind the pulpit and takes your petitions before the presence of God, he is acting as a priest; when he opens his Bible and delivers a Spirit-inspired message, he is exercising the ministry of the prophet. The priest is a man of the altar, and the prophet is a man of the pulpit.

When we mention the word "prophet" most people get the picture of a weird, unearthly-looking individual who spends all his time looking into the future; but the prophets of Israel were men of like passions as we are, ordinary human beings, who became *extraordinary* when the Spirit of God came upon them. Very often they went from Mt. Carmel to the juniper

tree and showed how frail they were in their own strength. While the prophets predicted the future they had a message also in relation to the present and the past.

Looking into the future was just part of the prophet's ministry. The prophet's message pointed in three directions. First of all, he had a ministry in relation to the past. Then he had a relation to the present and stirred the people to a sense of their responsibility. Third, he had a message in relation to the future. He saw the coming of the day of Jehovah, the time of judgment and the coming of the kingdom of Jehovah when Messiah's rule shall be extended over all the earth. Now in our circles when we speak of prophecy what we really mean is *predictive prophecy*. In the widest sense, however, prophecy is any utterance relating to the past, or the present, or the future that is directly inspired by God. Any utterance, no matter to what subject it refers, if it is directly inspired by the Spirit of the living God, is prophecy, and in that sense the entire Bible is prophecy.

We want to have fellowship with the prophets and find out what kind of men they were. We want to find the secret of their power, what kind of experiences they had, so you and I may get some encouragement and inspiration. First of all, let us notice that prophets were Spirit-inspired men who spoke by a power not their own. No Old Testament prophet gave his private opinion. When he said, "Thus saith the Lord," he was always conscious of bringing a message that didn't come from his own mind. Very often the message the prophets speak is against their own will and inclination; with reluctance, and trembling they have gone forth to preach the word of Jehovah. When you read the writings of the prophets you look in vain for words like, "perhaps," "it is my opinion," "I think this may come to pass," etc. You do not find such expressions in the prophetic writings, but you read, "*Thus saith the Lord!*" They spoke not as men who reason out by reflection, by study, or even by observation, but as the Spirit of God gave utterance when He came upon them.

Did Jesus ever say, "It is my opinion that Jerusalem will be destroyed"? Or, "I think it may be the mind of God to do this"? Did you ever read this expression, "I am not quite sure and I will not be dogmatic"? "I am not a prophet but maybe thus and thus will happen"? No. Jesus spoke with the authority of God Almighty

Study the Old Testament and you will notice that beside the true prophets of Jehovah there was a class of people known as "false prophets," preachers who curried favor with the people and who met the demand which said, "Prophecy unto us smooth things"; prophets who fell in with the popular crowd, who refused to hear the messages of judgment but sought to paint bright pictures. Where are the writings of the false prophets? Are they here today? They are gone. The true prophecies remain, the prophecies of the men who can say like Micah, "But truly I am full of power by the Spirit of the Lord, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin." Those words written with the finger of God and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit endure forever.

The prophets were Spirit-filled men. It is interesting to note that the word "prophet" in the Hebrew means "to bubble up." Why is it that the prophets were called "bubblers"? When the priests spoke they were very dry, legal, ritualistic, but when the prophet spoke you could see he wasn't speaking of himself. He didn't take time to look at his notes. You and I do that and it is in divine order, but every one of us who has stood in the pulpit should know what the prophetic touch is. Time and again we have been moved out of the track of our outline; we have said things we had not planned, and after the service we have taken our pencils and added a new touch to our outline.

So in the beginning the men who spoke eloquently as a mighty, living stream were called "prophets." Further, the word for "prophecy" in the Hebrew has two meanings; one is *to prophesy* and the other *to rave like a mad man*. Here is a prophet: he is dead in earnest, wrought upon by the Spirit of God, and not delivering an essay but speaking under the anointing of the Spirit of God in his own words. They come from his heart and from the place where the Spirit of God makes that mighty impact upon the spirit of man. He is trembling and the words are going forth like a mighty stream. The scoffers look at him and say, "He is crazy," just as they said to Paul, "Much learning hath made thee mad." But Paul said, "I am not crazy. It is the love of Christ that constrains me." So even the Old Testament prophets, because of their peculiar anointing, were very often con-



Many have been blessed by the ministry of Brother Pearlman at camp meetings throughout the U. S. and in Canada. Our brother was able to master the Scriptures and apply their message to this day as few other men of this generation. As someone said, "His messages were simply profound, yet profoundly simple." Since he went to be with the Lord last July, the sense of our loss has grown continually greater. Truly "a prince and a great man" in spiritual Israel fell that day.

Brother Pearlman was at the Veterans Hospital in Little Rock, Ark., when he passed away. He had been there for several weeks. That seemed the most promising place to which he could go after suffering a physical breakdown, and his military service in World War I made him eligible for hospitalization there.

Pastor Bird H. Campbell of the First Assembly of God Church in Little Rock writes:

"Quite a number of the brethren over the country have the idea that Brother Pearlman was in the state insane hospital at Little Rock. I think it would be well to correct this. The hospital he was in is very beautiful, and I consider that he had the best of care and attention."

Brother Campbell was very kind to Brother Pearlman, visiting him several times. He says that during his first visits Brother Pearlman talked very little, but later he talked very freely. Of one visit toward the end, he says, "His mind was very clear along some lines. The only thing that was worrying him was the

expense. I told him the expenses were all taken care of, and that put his mind at ease.

"The doctors seemed quite thrilled at the turn he was taking mentally. When they talked to him after I had left, he remembered my being there and what we had talked about."

Apparently a toxic condition had beclouded his mind. As the toxin broke out upon the body, the mind cleared, but this toxic outbreak was too much for the body, and death came.

Brother Campbell continues: "I went back the next day. When I went into the room he greeted me. He talked quite a lot again, although I noticed that he wasn't the same as the day before. I had a short prayer with him and left.

"He was in a terrible condition when I went the next day. I could see instantly that he was in the last struggle, but when I entered he looked up and tried to speak to me. He was in a very nervous condition and was breathing with great difficulty. The doctor said he could hardly last until morning."

It was indeed the last night of his earthly life. Of it, Brother Campbell says: "One who was present told me that he prayed all night long, and that he seemed to be committing his soul to God. Others said that he spoke in tongues a number of times during the night."

Though he was in the hospital for only a short time, Brother Pearlman left behind a blessed testimony for his Lord.

sidered crazy. This has been true of Spirit-anointed men throughout the ages who, because of their earnestness and the impact of the divine upon them, have been considered crazy. It was the same on the day of Pentecost, only they didn't say they were crazy, but drunk.

I quote from Louis Browne, a popular Jewish writer, once a rabbi. He is one of the most brilliant writers I have ever read. This man is a rationalist. He doesn't believe in the supernatural or in a personal God, but he is very honest and frank, and when he sees things he cannot understand he will freely admit it. In one of his books he refers to Amos, that farmer who was attending his sheep and gathering sycamore fruit, heavily burdened. While he was looking after his sheep the Word of Jehovah came unto him. Amos, the farmer, was without education, without preparation, without culture. In fact, he tells us he was neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet. (The son of a prophet means a Bible student.) Louis Browne looks at this man—he opens his writings, reads his messages in surprise and admiration and says, "How a humble laborer was able to conceive them or even made the resolve or must-

ered the courage must ever remain an insoluble mystery." Where did he get the courage to go to the very capital of the Northern Kingdom and stand there and say, in effect, "Thus saith Jehovah: The sword of Jehovah shall rise against this kingdom and sweep it from the earth"? We understand it. Here is the explanation: "Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost..."

Again Browne is speaking about the prophets and the sons of the prophets in Samuel's time. Samuel was the founder of a new, spiritual movement in Israel. Moses I might describe as the first spiritual builder. Moses was a prophet, an organizer under God. Samuel stands in the Scriptures as the second builder of Israel, a restorer. In the time of Samuel there was the beginning of a revival after the confusion and lawlessness of the time of the Judges. In the time of Samuel you first hear of the "sons of the prophets," young Israelites gathered together from all parts of the land to study the laws of Jehovah, to pray and to learn the mysteries of the inspiration of the Spirit of God. Elijah was the third builder, then came John the Baptist, and finally the Lord Jesus Christ—spiritual builders of

God's people Israel. We need some today. One of the great needs of the church today is Christian prophets, men and women with a vision of the need of these days, who have a message from God, and who can stir the people.

Louis Browne says, "In those days there were to be found in all the Hebrew tribes bands of religious zealots who went up and down the country singing excitedly about the glories of their God, Jehovah." Methinks there was a modern touch about the Bible students of Samuel's school. We read (1 Samuel 10) that they were going to a village to hold a meeting. They went in bands, and as their custom was they testified and preached, and the power fell. A young stranger, a farmer, joined himself to them and listened to their testimonies, and the power of God fell upon him and he began to prophesy. That young man was Saul, and when the neighbors heard about it, from farmhouse to farmhouse they asked, "Has Saul joined that crowd? We thought he was such a steady young man."

I believe that young David belonged to the school of the prophets. He was a musician. I like to think that when the school of the prophets held a meeting they would call on David, the sweet psalmist of Israel, to speak and sing. There are some things that never change. Language, customs and surroundings change, but there is that which is timeless, unchangeable, unaffected by the conditions of history. The Spirit of God is unaffected by conditions, and that is why we can always have a spiritual revival.

Mr. Browne continues: "The holy rollers and evangelists carry on in much the same manner." Thank you, Mr. Browne! We are in good company! To continue the quotation: "Most good Hebrew farmers probably thought these shouters a little crazy, but nevertheless they stood in awe of them. The prophets were supposed to possess all sorts of magic power." Do you remember how they hypnotized that fine young fellow they called Saul, and he was never the same afterwards! Samuel, speaking in the name of Jehovah, said, "The Spirit of the Lord shall come upon thee and thou shalt be turned into another man." Saul was never the same man after that. A new power was in his life, and Saul, instead of being a simple, country boy, was in heart and in power the King of Israel. Why? Because of the anointing of Jehovah. We are never the same after the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Though a person backslide and slip away and remain away from God I am convinced that upon his soul there will be a mark that will remain throughout eternity. That seal or mark of the Holy Ghost will be upon men's souls as a baneful memory.

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# The Curse of Covetousness

**B**ALAK, king of Moab, was full of fear when he saw what the children of Israel had done in conquering two Amorite nations. In his heart he devised a means by which this great people would be cursed. He decided to send for the famous prophet Balaam. He was willing to hire him, bribing him with a great sum, to curse Israel. So he sent a deputation with large gifts for the prophet. Balaam inquired of the Lord as to whether he should return with this deputation, and the Lord answered with a very emphatic No. And so the prophet refused to go.

Balak sent a second deputation. And what large gifts they carried with them! Balaam's covetous eyes looked at those gifts, and he thought that perhaps God would change His mind. God never changes His mind. It is written, "I am the Lord, I change not." Mal. 3:6. But despite the emphatic "No" Balaam had had on the first occasion, the following morning he saddled his ass and started off to earn those wages of unrighteousness and to get that unholy bribe.

But God had a care for His people. The angel of the Lord stood to withstand the prophet in the way. And the prophet who had been a *seer* now suddenly became *blind* to spiritual things. Alas, covetousness will bring blindness in place of vision. The covetous Laodiceans had gotten rich. The gold had gotten into their eyes, and they were blinded and in need of heavenly eyesalve.

The prophet could not see the angel of the Lord in the way to withstand him; but his ass had better vision than its master. Balaam's ass saw the angel and sought to move away from the sword of judgment that was in his hand. Balaam was angry with his ass. He sorely beat it until the ass had to protest, and God gave that ass a word of utterance. The God of Pentecost did not make His first experiment on the day of Pentecost in giving utterance in the supernatural.

The angel of the Lord eventually let the prophet go on his way, but he did not let him curse His people. Even covetous prophets cannot have all their own way, for there is restraint with God. The Lord does preserve His own. The curse that is causeless shall not come upon those who have His special care.

But though Balaam disappointed Balak on this occasion, he still coveted the reward of that evil king. His covetous heart devised a means to secure that reward, so he arranged for an unholy temptation to be placed in the way of Israel, and they fell. Balaam did not mourn over their

fall. No, he was in his tent counting his shekels. But what availed those shekels? War came and Balaam died by the sword. Then what was the value of all those shekels in his tent?

Achan likewise coveted. God had declared the whole spoil of Jericho was to be His own. But Achan saw the wedge of gold, the silver, and the goodly Babylonish garments and coveted them. He looked this way and that, but he failed to look up. He took this spoil and carried it to his tent and hid it. But it was not hid from the eyes of a holy God. It is written, "Be sure your sin will find you out." Num. 32:23.

When there is sin in the camp there is calamity in the camp. Israel suffered defeat because of sin, the outstanding sin of covetousness. But God caused the sin to be discovered and to be put away, and then judgment fell upon the covetous one and his family.

God told Saul the king to slay utterly all the Amalekites and what they possessed, but he spared the best of the flock. Oh, yes, he had an excuse when Samuel came along. This was to be a great sacrifice for the Lord. A paltry excuse, and Samuel saw through it. Instead of giving their own cattle in sacrifice, Israel could offer that which would cost them nothing. It was rebellion. Saul had disobeyed God. He had rejected the word of God, and God rejected him. God will reject the covetous ones, even though they say it is for the Lord that they have spared that which God had appointed for destruction.

It was the same with the Pharisees of old. They could stand and make long

prayers to God, but their hearts were covetous for widows' houses. They would get the poor widow to consecrate her home to God, and then grab and devour it. Covetousness is an outstanding sin. Men's hearts seek filthy lucre. They seek the things seen, as though they were permanent. But know this—that in the eyes of God covetousness is idolatry, and no idolaters shall have any part in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Eph. 5:5. We need to pray continually, "Incline my heart unto Thy testimonies, and not to covetousness." Psalm 119:36.

Many men in the ministry are given to covetousness and they are cursed in it. For the God who put His curse upon Balaam for his covetousness has not changed. The God who put His curse upon Achan for his covetousness has not changed. The God who cursed Saul for his covetousness and disobedience is still the same.

Do not set your affection on filthy lucre. Set your affection upon the One who, though He was rich, forsook all the splendor and the riches of the Gloryland to come down to earth to live in absolute poverty. He who was rich, for our sakes became poor. He did not have the wherewithal to pay his tax. He bequeathed no great fortune to His disciples, for after Pentecost when Peter and John would have given alms to the poor man at the Beautiful gate, they had to tell him that of silver and gold they had none. Silver and gold He coveted not, and they coveted not. But unto the Son of God is given the true riches, and beyond in the Gloryland are unspeakable riches. To these despised fishermen who had nothing, are given thrones, and they will share the throne of the God of the universe to whom belong the cattle on a thousand hills and all the gold the hills contain.

Seek to be rich in the spiritual, in heavenly treasure, and look to God that you may be free from covetousness, from the sin of coveting the filthy lucre of this present evil world.—S. H. F.

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## Following the Crucified

Christ tasted the gall and drained the bitterness. He bowed His head upon that awful tree, and died for us. Here we behold a love which no bitterness could embitter; a love no hatred could subdue, nor death destroy! In its presence our lips are silenced, sealed. We heard Him say as He journeyed to that Cross, "If any man serve Me, let him follow Me." "Take up thy cross and follow Me." Lord, is this Thy will? Brethren, it is. We cannot be consecrated and yet spared; we must become living sacrifices.—H. Grattan Guinness.

"What great grace it needs to find no excuses for our little faults!—still greater to confess them!"



# Propaganda, False and True

Charles Elmo Robinson

THE first of what will no doubt turn out to be many hundreds of trials of men charged with war crimes was concluded December 18, 1943, in Kharkov, Russia. Four men, Ritz, Langheld, Ratzlaw, and Bulanov, were tried, and the next day after Judge Maj.-Gen. A. N. Miasnikov pronounced the death sentence they were hanged in the streets of Kharkov.

The evidence showed that these four men had been guilty of unspeakable atrocities. Strangely, each of the four frankly admitted that they individually, and the other members of the German army generally, had committed the atrocities as testified to by the witnesses.

It was shown that thousands of non-combatant Russians, including women and children, had been shot down and buried in vast trenches; that a hospital containing 400 wounded Russian soldiers had been set on fire by German soldiers and when any of the wounded men came to the hospital doors trying to escape the flames, German soldiers shot them to death. One witness described the execution of a thousand persons who were forced to undress, and if they refused they were shot. Crying children clinging to distracted mothers were shot and thrown into the ditch with the rest.

Given a chance to speak freely before they were hanged, the prisoners agreed that the horrible murders they had committed were done because they knew that if they failed to obey orders to kill they would themselves be killed. Gaunt, sad-eyed Gestapo Captain Langheld said:

"I beat Russian war prisoners and according to orders they were shot. I am not alone. Such as I am is the entire German army. For the real answer to the German atrocities in Russia you must look back to the German Government. That Government was able to suppress those noble characteristics of the German people and to educate them into the lowest passions. This was brought about by propaganda and acts of mass terrorism. Not to fulfill these orders was to pass the verdict of death on one's self."

Our world has been transformed, made over in the lifetime of men now living, by what Captain Langheld called, "Propaganda and acts of mass terrorism." Consequently men's hearts are filled with

fear because of what they see coming on the world. Men accustomed to looking far ahead, and arranging their affairs with wisdom so as to meet all eventualities, do not know what to do.

This is a situation which has an adequate cause. What is that cause? Millions of men want to know.

God has a controversy with the nations. We who believe that America is the best nation of them all freely admit that we are a very wicked people, and richly deserve chastisement. Is God chastising us?

When God's patience with sinning Israel had at last been exhausted, He proclaimed: "I have given all of these lands into the hands of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, My servant." Jer. 27:6.

Something drastic and dreadful has been brought to pass in the world of today, not by Nebuchadnezzar, but by anti-Christian ideologies and false philosophies sent forth by wicked men.

In the last eighty-four years there have been loosed upon the earth with deadly and horrible results at least six anti-Christian ideologies—false philosophies which have produced an amazing change for the worse in the national affairs of earth's peoples. Here is a list of the six:

"Darwinism," first put into book form by Charles Darwin in 1859, although it flatly disputes God's Word as to Creation, has been accepted as true by uncounted millions of men, especially by men of the educated classes.

"Higher Criticism," first fully presented in its modern form by Graf in 1866, denies the trustworthiness of God's Bible. It has produced millions of Bible students who do not believe what God says.

"Nietzscheism" (pronounced Ne-che-ism) began to be promulgated by Nietzsche in 1878. It is an anti-Christian philosophy which rejects all moral laws and idealizes brute force as the proper way to attain one's objects in life. In thousands of schoolrooms its adherents are teaching our children that self-restraint and right doing are contrary to all that is worth while in life.

"Nazism," "Fascism," and "Bolshevism," all anti-Christian ideologies of vast potency about which we may read any day in the public press, are filling



the world with brutality and fear.

In one thing the propagandists of these false philosophies have been perfectly agreed. They have said, What we are teaching you is a better way, *better for you*, it will *do you good*. Thus within a few years results so vast that no one can properly describe them have been achieved.

Why? The devil is using God's plan. God tells *us* to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. We are to be God's propagandists to the ends of the earth. God's plan works.

Let the Church arise! Let her repent of her selfishness, her laziness, and her disobedience to the divine command. When we see what can be done by a multitude of people talking everywhere about something declared to be a better way, a way that will do the listener good, let us be encouraged to fill the land and the whole globe with *our* propaganda concerning Jesus and the infinite benefit resulting from trusting and obeying Him. Our testimony being true will have far greater effect than Satan's statements which are false.

## Was It Unkind?

In the city of Pottsville, Pa., the broken end of a high voltage wire was lying upon the pavement, along which the engineer, Mr. Hildebrand, was walking, unmindful of the fact. Mr. Schlitzer saw the danger and yelled to warn him, but his voice was drowned by the noise around. Picking up a stone he threw it, and hit Hildebrand on the chest. He looked up and avoided the wire just as he was about to step upon it. With tears streaming down his face he thanked Schlitzer for saving his life. How often the Lord in the use of the chastening rod saves us from some terrible calamity.—*King's Business*.

"Having loved His own which were in the world, He loved them unto the end"—*unto the end, in the end, without end*.—Thomas Adams.

# God Has a Task for You

Milton Summers

HERE is something for us to do. One of the biggest tricks the devil plays on people is to get them to fold their hands, and let somebody else do the job.

I have often thought, if every man that is filled with the Holy Ghost would quit arguing about tithing and pay his tithes, there is no telling what Pentecostal people could do. If every one would tithe, we could send preachers to the ends of the earth; we could print Bibles by the million and give them away here and there; we should never have to ask for an offering.

Suppose everyone of us went to the altar when the altar call was given, and on our way to the altar we stopped by the seat where some unsaved person is (perhaps we have already talked to them about their soul), and say, "Shouldn't you like to go tonight?" That is enough to say. If he says, "No," there's no use to say more. You can pull him down there and force him to pray, but you will not get him through to God that way.

There might be a few instances of this. D. L. Moody one time was preaching in a mission. He looked out the door and saw a man pass by. God spoke to him and said, "Moody, go get that man"; so Moody left the pulpit, left his Bible on the stand, and went after the man. He collared him and brought him to the altar and prayed him through. Later, the man in testifying to his experience, pulled a bottle out of his pocket and said, "It was my intention to go to the river and take this poison; then, if I found I wasn't brave enough to do that, to drop over into the river and drown myself. But I praise God, this man has come and brought me into this mission."

There may be a few exceptions where we can get out and drag a man in, as in this instance, but how much could be done if everybody would go to work; if everybody would every day during the week speak about his salvation to some soul, speak about his Sunday School lesson, speak about his Sunday School class, speak a word for his pastor?

Now, there is the little silent ministry of tracts. You say, "I am too busy to give out tracts," but you may win a soul by doing that. It is a simple little thing, yet it is powerful, and it reaches souls. It is a ministry, friends, many of us have neglected. We have the true Word of God, and it is quick and powerful and sharper than a two-edged sword, and we should not neglect to give it out.

I was working with a Negro boy when I was downtown in a wholesale house at one time, and he worked in a cafeteria two hours every day. When I was in the cafeteria I talked to him about the Lord a little, and I felt impressed one time when I saw him there to give him a Bible. So I went out and bought him a dollar Bible; then I forgot all about it. Several years after, as I was coming out of the Union Terminal, a Red Cap came by my side and said, "Mr. Summers, do you remember me?"

"No," I said, "I don't believe I do."

"I am that black boy you gave a Bible to; I have been converted and I am preaching the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ today."

I feel that we are failing God in not circulating the printed page.

I know a lady who gardens for the one reason that she may get entrance into homes. She is becoming known as one of the members of the Garden Club. She finds out everybody who is sick in the town, and takes them flowers. Then the first thing you know the testimony comes, and after a while they ask for prayer. She has an entrance into homes that the pastor cannot get into.

Friends, there is a ministry for you. I believe that God is saving every one of our men for a special purpose. Have you noticed it, men, that only one or two of you have been saved, in a plant. You are missionaries in that particular plant. I know a man who is uneducated as far as school is concerned, but he is of nice appearance and an honest upright man. This man felt his call to preach, but he did not have any delivery; yet, he felt God wanted him to reach the people. He attempted a couple of times, but he became bitterly disappointed.

His family got in need several times by his attempts to carry the gospel, then one day God led him into a wonderful job as a truck driver, and as a truck driver he gets to carry men. He gets to contact hundreds of points within 150 miles of Dallas, and he is now a missionary for the Lord Jesus Christ. As soon as he found his place in God, he said, "Brother Summers, I am so happy; I am reaching more men now than I ever could have reached the other way, and I am getting paid for it."

Brother, there is a job for you; sister, there is a job for you. Don't you think God has a plan for your life?

This week we have been permitted to

print between 325,000 and 345,000 gospel tracts. Back yonder when God laid it on my heart to print the gospel, I cried, "O God, I don't have anything to start with—no money, no paper!" I kept looking for some wonderful man to come along with a lot of money and put a big pile of tracts at my feet. But one day I was upstairs in my home praying, and I was saying, "O God, help me into your will, your plan!" The Lord seemed to speak just as clearly, "Why don't you use what you have?"

I got off my knees right then; I didn't know how much I had; so I went over and began to pull out all the tracts I had, saving only one of a kind for a file. Then I went to the *Pentecostal Evangel*, and I began sorting them out. When I got through I had a box full of literature. We were getting ready to leave for Fayetteville, Arkansas. We got in Sherman that morning about daybreak. I said, "Now, I want to put something in everybody's mail box as we go along the road." Well, we did, and we ran out at Fort Smith, Arkansas. I would give out quarterlies, picture cards, tracts, *Evangels*, and everything I had. How many of you have some tracts around your home? Let's give them out to someone.

The next week after this, a brother, not knowing anything about my giving out these tracts, sent me a letter saying he felt impressed to send me a little package of tracts, ten pounds. I was empty handed, but now I was full. So I started out again to give those out, and very soon I was printing tracts. I have lost count of the tracts I have printed.

Let us be stirred to do something for God. Maybe that neighbor right across the street from you is waiting for somebody to invite him to a church service. A lady in my church came to me during our last revival meeting and said, "Brother Summers, here is my neighbor; I never did think to invite her to church until today, and she came." It rather surprised her.

We must not get it in our heads that we are "holier than thou," and that we are going on to heaven singing and shouting while others go to hell. God wants us to be about His business. Jesus got one man converted, and the Bible says, "He first findeth his brother." He went out and did a little evangelistic work. How about all your kinsfolk; have you invited them to church; are you inviting them to God? You say, "Brother Summers, they are the hardest people to talk to." Yes, as a rule they are, but let's not go to church and fail to invite them to go.

There is a work for you to do. "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it."

James says, "You show me your faith and I will show you my works. You show me your faith without works, and I will show you my faith by my works."



David worked. Abraham worked. God said to Abraham, "Get up from your kinsfolk and start out." He had a daily business. Every day at sundown he had to pitch his tent; every morning at sunrise he had to take down the tent. But finally one day he got to the land of promise.

Brother, sometimes I get tired taking my tent down and putting it up, but some fair day when this life is done we are going to fold our tent for the last time, and move in and occupy our building, thank God.

You know, the bee kingdom has workers; they have a queen bee, and they have drones. And I am sorry to say some of our churches have drones, but we don't do the drones as the bees do. The bees take him out, pull his wings off and drop him so he can't get back to the hive. They do this because he would eat up the honey the others bring in. Give us workers who will say, "Here I am, Lord."

God is going to show you who are reading this, something to do before you finish this. And if you will do that thing tomorrow or at the first opportunity you get, He will show you something else to do. God wants some workers right where you are, whosoever you are.

### *A Moment of Time*

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9:27. As I think of the countless number of people who are not ready to meet God and who will be snatched out of this world in a moment of time, I grow weak in my knees. I am reminded of that great Boston fire when that night club burned down and hundreds of lives were snuffed out in a moment of time.

And yet, a moment of time is sufficient in which to gain or lose one's own soul. In a moment of time, Satan showed Christ all the kingdoms of this world, and offered them to Him if He would fall down and worship him. In a moment of time Christ rejected the temptation and started on His path to Calvary. In that moment of time, Christ rejected the fame of the world and chose death that we might have life.

Esau, hot and hungry, came in from the fields where he had been hunting, and smelled the enticing odor of the pottage that his brother Jacob was cooking. And when he asked for it, Jacob said he would give him the pottage in exchange for the birthright. Esau, at that moment the slave of his appetite, said, "Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?" So the bargain was struck. In a moment of time Esau lost his birthright. When his appetite had been satisfied, he realized with bitter tears what he had done: in a single weak moment he had thrown away his greatest possession.

That is a tragedy which has been repeated over and over again. Oh, the bitter tears, the sorrow, the anguish, the woe, the remorse and the despair which have had their beginning in a moment of time!

On a hot summer evening, King David, walking on the roof of his palace, saw a woman bathing; and in that moment of time, David plunged into deep sin.

No matter what the preparation has been, there is a moment of time when final decision is made. The course of a long life may be determined by the action or decision of a moment. It took Christ just a moment to say no to the tempter, but forever now He is the Helper of tempted souls and the Redeemer of sinners.

Two thieves were crucified with Christ on Calvary. One of them cried, "Lord, remember me when Thou comest into Thy kingdom." And in a moment of time, Christ said, "Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise." In that moment of time, Christ and paradise were his for evermore.

It took the prodigal son a long time to get to the far country where he sat, diseased and in want and in rags, envying the swine and desiring the husks which they ate; but the resolution to go back to his father's house and to say, "Father, I have sinned," took but a moment of time. And in a moment of time he arose and started to his father.

Those invitations which Christ gave to the four fishermen, Andrew, Peter, James and John, by the sea of Galilee, and to Matthew the publican, as he sat at the receipt of custom, have always impressed me with the thought of what can be done in a moment of time. When they heard His voice, they rose up, left all, and followed Him. And today this same Christ walks down the streets of your city, and calls. Even while you are reading this message, He is calling to men and women, "Follow Me."

All of Paul's life was summed up in a moment of time, when he was smitten down on the road to Damascus and heard a voice saying, "I am Jesus whom thou persecutest." Paul was not disobedient to the heavenly vision. God gave him a moment of time in which to choose eternal life, and in a moment of time Paul, for the glory of God and the good of the human race, made his choice. Yes, he was saved in a moment of time, and thank God, you too can be saved in a moment of time.

What you determine now may affect your destiny forever. There is time enough for all that is great and good, but you never know if there will be a *next time*. A moment is too long to wait when God says "Come."

When Paul was preaching to Felix in the palace at Caesarea, and reasoning with

him about the righteousness and temperance and judgment to come, the conscience of Felix was stirred. Felix trembled. At that moment, his destiny was in the balance. He might have responded to the invitation of Paul, chosen Christ and eternal life, and been numbered among the company of the followers of the Lamb of God; but in a moment of time, Felix said, "Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee." The convenient time never came. There was no next time.

When God speaks to your soul, that moment of time is precious. When the crowd was passing along near the gate of Jericho, where the blind man sat begging, Bartimaeus stopped one of the crowd and asked what the excitement was about. A man called out, "Jesus of Nazareth passeth by." Bartimaeus said, "Jesus of Nazareth? Do you mean the man who heals the sick, makes the lame walk, the deaf hear, and even opens the eyes of the blind? Do you really mean that this Jesus of Nazareth is passing by?" "Yes, He is passing by Jericho, on His way to Jerusalem." When Bartimaeus heard that, his heart went thump, thump, thump, for that was the great moment for Bartimaeus. In a moment of time, he cried out, "Jesus, Thou son of David, have mercy on me." And in that same moment, Jesus heard the cry.

Yes, thank God, Jesus will come to a halt to wait on anyone who, in a moment of time, repents and turns to God. Jesus of Nazareth is passing by. Every doxology which opens the service, every benediction which concludes it, proclaims the fact that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by. For some of you this may be the last time He passes by. Now if you will call unto Him, He will halt and stand still as He did for Bartimaeus at Jericho so long ago.

In a moment of time, Satan showed Christ the kingdoms of this world and all the glory of them; but in a moment of time Christ shows you the kingdom of heaven and all the glory of it, and says, as your Friend and One who would be your Redeemer, "All this will I give thee if thou wilt at this moment believe on me." Oh! Dear hearts, wherever you are, whoever you are, whether old or young, rich or poor, successful or a failure, won't you at this moment acknowledge and accept Christ as your Lord and Saviour and Friend? It takes only a moment of time.

The most sensitive nerve in the human body often seems to be the one that runs to the pocket-book.—Earle V. Pierce.

The Christian life that is joyless is a discredit to God and a disgrace to itself.—H. Maltbie Babcock.

# Are Your Boys Coming Back From the War?

Paul Brown, Sycamore, Pa.

**P**ROBABLY most parents would answer, "Our boys have gone out to preserve our priceless liberties at any cost. They must take the chances of war." There is another answer: The return of the servicemen with a good measure of health generally can be assured by persistent, believing prayer on the part of their parents and friends and themselves.

The first answer given above is no doubt generally accepted. In a notice of a recent book, *God Is My Copilot*, by Col. Robt. L. Scott, a Christian fighting pilot of this war, the reviewer remarks: "The faith of these fighting men confers no immunity from the law that governs the bullet's flight or the riddled gas tank." With this we take issue. United prayer of loving Christian family and friends will bring a favorable answer. "Is anything too hard for Me? saith Jehovah." The above reviewer, only eight lines beyond his quoted statement quotes two verses from Psalm 139: "If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there shall Thy hand lead me and Thy right hand shall hold me." Who will dare to say that the right hand of the Almighty cannot hold men in danger no matter how great? One air pilot gave God the credit for his miraculous escape, saying, "I was in a flaming plane, and I prayed."

An officer in the first world war gives this account of God's willingness to save men from shot and shell when they pray: "A German machine-gun crew had their gun trained on an angle of our trenches where troops frequently passed back and forth, and the casualties were many. As a last resort volunteers to storm the gun in the open were called for. Fifteen men volunteered. They could see that most if not all of them would die. Even if they succeeded in silencing the gun they could scarcely escape the hail of lead that would follow them back to their lines.

"The young officer appointed to lead them, a chum of the one reporting the incident, before going over, addressed the volunteers as follows: 'Men, I am a Christian. Before every undertaking I pray. Those of you who are willing, kneel with me and pray about this one.' Then he uncovered his head, and kneeling prayed, asking God to spare their lives, but if any must go, that their souls might

be saved. When he rose from his knees he noted that every man of them had knelt with uncovered head. Then they went over the top and raced for the machine-gun nest amid a hail of lead and steel. They overcame the gun crew, tore up the gun and took it with them as they ran back to their trenches—not a man missing or seriously wounded. To the men looking on it was a miracle indeed. Not a man among them will ever say that the day of miracles is past. God has not withdrawn His 'exceeding great and precious promises.'"

During that same war a movement was started in a Pennsylvania city among the mothers of servicemen. They met in neighborhood groups each week to pray together for their boys. We do not know how far this movement spread, but the last report we saw of it announced that it was a matter of record that every boy whose mother was a member of one of these praying groups came home.

The widow in Christ's parable (Luke 18:1-6) pleaded persistently with the unjust judge, "Avenge me of my adversary." To get rid of her the harassed judge complied, and Jesus added, "Shall not God avenge His own elect which cry day and night unto Him? I tell you He will avenge them speedily." Just so will the Lord answer the persistent prayers of His followers praying desperately for the safety of those whose lives are dearer to them than their own. Do not doubt that He will. There are many promises in the Bible that would cover such a case as that.

These groups of praying mothers fulfilled three of the great conditions of answered prayers: First, *united* prayer (Matt. 18:19); second, *persistent* prayer (Luke 11:5-8); third, *earnestness*, "with all your heart." Jer. 29:13. A fourth condition was undoubtedly present, namely, their request was within the will of God. He says, "The generation (children) of the upright shall be blest." Psalm 112:2. This does not mean that the young sons of His servants who love Him shall be slain in battle by His will, except perhaps in rare cases.

But don't overlook James 4:2, "Ye have not because ye ask not." The promises are not "Want or weep and ye shall receive"; but "Ask and ye shall receive." Never forget that natural law takes its

own course until it is interfered with by the prayers and faith of Christians; and this includes casualties from accidents, contagion, infection, and weapons or other violence of war on land and sea and in the air. In Prov. 29:25 we read, "Whoso trusteth in the Lord is safe."

Captain Eddie Rickenbacker has been proving these promises true through two wars. David proved them when hunted for years by the relentless King Saul with an army to do his bidding. We read frequently of an astounding escape from what seemed certain death. We believe that inquiry would reveal that behind nine tenths of these cases was a little group consisting generally of those who love them best, who knowing the dangers they face, were praying desperately for their safety. Prayers that will not be denied get amazing answers. Jesus said, "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that ye shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father which is in heaven. "Don't doubt



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by Frank Vandenberg

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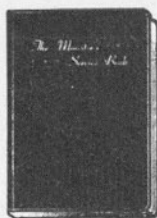
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the promises of God. Pick out one or more that apply, then stand firmly upon them before the Lord, and you shall have joy instead of sorrow.

Study 2 Samuel, chapter 22 (which is repeated in Psalm 18), and you will see how God preserves those who call upon Him.

### The Rice of Life

The following story came from Mr. Cunningham of South China:

One day a well-dressed, intelligent-looking man came to the Street Chapel. He sat and listened well for some time, then left. This was repeated three consecutive days. Then he rose and addressed the Missionary, saying:

"I have heard you speak three times and you always have the same text. Why don't you change it?" Mr. Cunningham somewhat surprised asked "What text?" "Jesus Christ" was the reply. After a moment's silence the missionary replied, "Sir, before answering your question, may I ask you: What had you for dinner today?" "Rice," replied the man. "What food had you yesterday?" Again came, "Rice."

And what do you expect to eat in the future," the missionary asked.

"Rice, of course. Rice gives me strength. I could not do without it. Sir: It is—he hesitated as if for a strong enough word—Sir: It is my very life."

The missionary raised his hand, "That is just what I wanted from you. What you have said of rice, Jesus Christ is to our souls. He is the *Rice of Life*."—Rosalind Goforth in *Christian Readers' Digest*.

## Only Sleeping

My mind travels back this morning to the year 1870. My one sister—there were only two of us—had been put beneath the churchyard sod, and, oh, don't ever make the mistake of thinking a child cannot suffer. I remember one misty morning I had been out to her grave, and we came back and went into the little front room. Father and mother were sitting there—I can see it across the intervening more than seventy years. I noticed what seemed a strange light upon their faces, and I crept up. The Bible was open, my father's hand was resting upon it, and I looked down to see where his finger pointed, and I read: "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord." Then I understood the light on father's face and in mother's eyes.

Twenty-four years passed, and I went into the chamber where my own dead lassie lay. I got down my Bible and turned to the same passage, and there was light and there was glory. Did you see your father and mother on a day like that once? Have you been there yourself?

Oh, brother, go back to the refuge which is in the name of the Lord.—G. Campbell Morgan.

## "Tribulation Worketh"

Christ says to us, "In the world ye shall have tribulation." John 16:33. The word "tribulation" in the original has in it the thought of pressure. Geologists tell us that evidently in the past ages the white Carrara marble was black, but under the influence of heat and pressure it was crystalized into the white beauty as we see it. It is certain also that the diamond which glitters on the crown of the king was once black as charcoal, and by some process it was melted and crystalized into the sparkling stone. And God has methods of cleansing the soul and he does it under the pressure of heat and sorrow.

Dictatorship is that state of existence in which the "unpardonable sin" is to express an opinion contrary to the dominant power. God is a wise sovereign—not a despotic dictator.—William Penn.

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# The GOSPEL in FOREIGN LANDS

## This Is Egypt's Day

The Spirit of God is at work in Egypt! It is the same Egypt that once enslaved and persecuted the children of Israel, but God's love has never changed. The great convention in the city of Cairo has just ended and those who attended are agreed that it was by far the most spiritual of any of the twelve that have been held since the founding of the Egyptian District Council of the Assemblies of God.

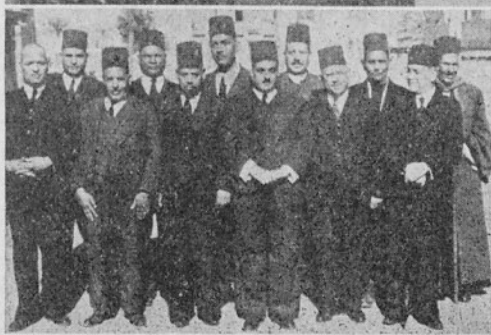
Philip Crouch tells how the Lord blessed even in the preparations for the convention. For one thing, the date was well chosen. A political gathering was scheduled for the same time and the usual three meatless days of the week were dispensed with, so they were able to have meat every day. Also the railway rates, which are now excessively high, were reduced one half and the people were able to take advantage of the reduction.

But the highlight of the entire convention was the spiritual ministry of a number of godly men. One of these was Markus Abd el Messiah. One night he spoke on the second coming of the Lord and the large congregation was noticeably moved, many of them taking definite steps to prepare themselves for that great event. On another occasion he brought a stirring message in which he told of his conversion to Christianity. He is one of the very few who have been won to the Lord from the Mohammedan religion.

In his own words he told how, as a boy, he had started his education in the little village of Kuttab, which was under the direction of the village Moslem Sheikh. On his way to school one day he picked up a Gospel of Matthew from the street. Arriving at school, the teacher saw the book in his hand and asked him what it was. "It is the Gospel of Matthew. I found it on my way to school," he replied. The teacher demanded that he bring the Gospel to him and then said, "Go wash your hands, for you have been defiled in touching this book. Ask God's forgiveness." After burning the Gospel before the class, the teacher washed his hands and said a prayer, asking forgiveness for having touched such an unclean thing. It was an unforgettable object lesson to the entire class.

After finishing the village school, young Markus desired to advance higher in his education. There being no higher school in his own village, he decided to go to a school in a near-by village, operated by the Presbyterian mission. His first day there he was ask-

ed to obtain certain text books, among which was the Gospel of Matthew. Immediately he protested. "I can't touch that book. It will defile me!" But the mission teacher insisted



that the book would have to be secured and studied if he planned to remain in the school.

In great indignation Markus returned home to his father declaring, "I will not lose my religion by going to that school and becoming defiled by handling the Bible." But the father saw things in a different light. "Since there is no other school for you to attend, you must choose whether you will go to school and pay no attention to the Gospel or go into the field and learn to be a farmer." Markus thought it over, long and deliberately. A few days later he made up his mind and went to work in the field. Day after day he toiled away. But the work was so difficult and the hours so long that he decided to go to the school after all. He determined that by exerting a little strength of character he could retain his Moslem faith and still attend the mission school.

Every morning before school a period of worship was observed. The students sang lustily and prayed earnestly. During these times young Markus would sit in the last chair in the chapel with his fingers in his ears. But before long he began to listen a little and from listening he became conscious of the guilt of sin.

One day he could stand it no longer. He went back to his Moslem teacher and questioned his teaching. "I want to ask you three questions," he said. "How may I receive forgiveness of my sins; how may I have peace in my heart; and how may I be assured of eternal happiness?"

The teacher reflected for a while, then answered, "As for the first question, you can daily repeat this verse from the blessed Koran, 'I testify that there is no God but God, and I testify that Mohammed is the Prophet of God.' In this testimony there are 24 letters. Each letter stands for one hour of the day. Therefore, by saying this verse once, you can have forgiveness of sins for one day."

Continuing the instruction the teacher said, "If you will read El Hadis (a collection of sayings of the Prophet Mohammed which is used by the Moslems in interpreting the Koran) you will find that one came to the

(1) Amir Abd el Malik (Servant of the King)—greatly beloved Egyptian Superintendent whose Christ-likeness is a rare example to all. (2) Ordained ministers of Egyptian District Council. Their number is equal to the number of Christ's apostles—pray that their ministry might be as great. (3) Ministers and delegates at 12th Conference of Egyptian District Council. (4) Cairo street scene. The decoration was in honor of a political convention held during the time of our conference.



Prophet and asked, 'Does this forgiveness include even murder?' 'Yes,' was Mohammed's answer. 'Does it include stealing, adultery and other types of sins?' The answer was again in the affirmative."

"And now for question number two," the teacher went on. "When your sins are forgiven, you will have peace. But in asking the third question you have committed a great sin. Nobody knows the destiny of man, save God alone. Don't you know that when God made man He took a handful of dust in His right hand, threw it into the air and it became people? And don't you know that He took a handful of dust in His left hand and threw it into the air and it became people? Those, then, who became people from the dust of His right hand will go to heaven. Those who became people of the dust from His left hand will go to hell. So who can tell from which handful of dust He has come?"

Young Markus went away sorrowful, still weighted down by his load of sin for which he had received no help. Nevertheless, he kept saying over and over to himself, "La illahi illa Allah"—There is no God but God! He repeated it not once, but a hundred times a day; still the peace for which he longed and the freedom from soul distress did not come.

After much thought he decided that his Moslem religion could not satisfy his deep longing and that he would at least try the Christian faith. He secured a copy of the Bible and began reading it from the first page. On and on he read until he came to the Gospel of Matthew. There was unfolded to him the beautiful message of salvation. He began making comparison between the teachings of Mohammed and the teachings of Christ and, after prayer and intense study, he found the peace and satisfaction that passeth all understanding.

This testimony, given by Markus Abd el Messiah, stirred the people who attended the convention. Saul Benjamin was likewise used of the Lord in a mighty way. Though he was supposed to have ministered throughout the entire convention, his arrival was delayed until the closing day due to visa difficulties. But there was such interest in his ministry that the convention was extended two days in order to take advantage of his presence.

Even in the business session the people were moved to praise God for the marvelous reports of His working. The Egyptian Superintendent said in one portion of his report, "The Lord has blessed the work in Egypt by adding 838 souls to our number. Two years ago we had 40 churches and outstations. Today there are 55!"

Report after report was given for the glory of God. All of them were inspiring, especially the one from Nezaltiguadi. There, in a remote village, the church numbers 85 men and 150 women, all of whom have been filled with the Holy Spirit. This assembly has been most energetic in carrying the gospel message to the surrounding villages. As a result of their faithful witnessing, there are

10 villages which are considered outstations of their assembly. Regular services are held in these outstations and the pastor is kept busy going from one to the other, giving the Lord's Supper and taking care of the church meetings.

When one brother was asked in connection with his report how many members he has, he answered, "We have 30 members. Fifteen in our village, five working with the British army in other parts of the country, and ten serving in heaven!"

Thank God for the moving of His Spirit in Egypt!

## *A Letter From Italy*

in which a soldier counts his blessings

Private Ralph King writes to tell us that he has received the Testament we sent. "It came yesterday, just in time for Christmas. Sure is my best Christmas present. I've been getting more than my share of Christmas presents compared to the millions of European children with a very bleak Christmas in prospect. I thank God for America and for blessing us so abundantly. We used to sing the song so often in Sunday School, 'Count your blessings, name them one by one,' and I could scarcely think of anything to be thankful for. A trip through the war zone is what the average American needs to stir his memory and to burn in his mind the fact that he is blessed above all people on the face of the earth.

"We get homesick, though determined to see this war through. I believe the morale is higher than among any other soldiers because we receive plenty of food and lots of mail.

"The people here are much like our own. The children are specially friendly and nice, though hungry, and pleased to accept candy, nuts, oranges or anything we give them. I never could sympathize with foreign children until I came across. Now my heart goes out to them."

Men like this are going to return with a vision for a greater world missionary program after this war. We need your help to aid them spiritually now, and to win hundreds more to Christ through our work among the armed forces. Send your offerings for work among the servicemen to the Servicemen's Department, Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo.

### MISSIONARY CRADLE ROLL

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Ayers, of Saspamco, Texas, are the proud parents of a son, David Leslie, born December 28, 1943. Brother Ayers describes him as a "Christmas gift from heaven which arrived just a little late."



### THINGS YOU WANT TO KNOW

John F. Hall

Furlough French West Africa

"HOW DO THE MISSIONARIES OBTAIN THEIR WATER SUPPLY IN AFRICA?" is an oft-repeated question.

In Mossi Land, Upper Ivory Coast, the Africans are accustomed to digging wells, as seen in the accompanying snapshot. This is a typical well of average depth, twenty feet. Mossi Land has two seasons—about five months intermittent rains and seven months dry season. During the rainy season, the natives use water scooped from any mudhole, puddle, or stream, as well as drawing it from wells. But during the long dry season all must resort to the tedious process of drawing water by hand.

Instead of the "old oaken bucket" they have either a leather goatskin strung on a hoop or half a calabash weighted to be lopsided. The ropes are all handmade, either from twisted leather thongs or fiber from the bark of the baobab tree. Unless ordered by the chief, the natives will not take the initiative and dig a well close by, so women oftentimes have to walk several miles for their pot of water.

If you look closely at the well, you will see that mahogany logs are laid across the mouth. Look still more closely and you will see a series of deep grooves, worn by the numberless times the well ropes have been drawn across them.

In one town where the Christians built their own adobe chapel, I made a pulley by sawing off the butt end of a large log, carved a groove around it and bored a large hole through the center. For axle we used a very hard variety of wood, nailing it crosswise to the well logs. At first the women grumbled, saying that we were spoiling their well; but when they once found how much easier it was to draw water, even a five-gallon gasoline tin full, they begged us to leave it on the well!

Most of our mission compounds have one or two wells. Though the water appears to be clear, we filter it through stone filters for drinking, as an "ounce of prevention" against the germs that lurk in the water.

Cattle herders and townspeople often fight over wells in the long dry season just as they did back in Abraham's day.

Send all contributions to Noel Perkin, 336 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri

## WE NEED YOUR HELP in compiling our SERVICEMEN'S DIRECTORY

Due to lack of spiritual contact, many now in the armed forces have fallen by the wayside spiritually. These calamities can be prevented by constant spiritual vigilance. Many others who have not yet been saved may now be won to Christ, and those serving God are daily in need of encouragement in their Christian lives.

The newly organized Servicemen's Department is establishing a directory of members of

the armed forces from our churches. This file will be used to maintain a correspondence with all our servicemen and also to make it possible for evangelists sponsored by this department to contact these men wherever they may be. You must help us aid your son or loved one by filling out the form below and returning it to the Servicemen's Department at the address given.

THIS FORM IS FOR THE NAME OF ONLY ONE SERVICEMAN.  
If additional forms are needed, they will be furnished upon request.

(PLEASE PRINT PLAINLY)

Rank ..... Name ..... Serial No. ....  
Full Military .....  
Address .....  
Saved? .....  
C. A.? .....  
Does he attend chapel now? ..... Church? .....  
Home Address .....  
Nearest Relative .....  
CHURCH MEMBER? ..... PASTOR'S NAME .....  
Your relation to above person ..... Do you write? .....  
Your Name .....  
Address .....

It is important that we have your name and address so that we may inform you of contacts we are able to make with your servicemen. This information is necessary, also, in the event of a change of address of the serviceman.

It is felt that the men won to Christ through this effort and the spiritual aid to our saved

boys will repay many times over the heavy expenses of establishing the directory. On behalf of our boys in service, we anticipate your co-operation. Contributions toward this project should be addressed to the Servicemen's Department. Above all, we ask you to pray earnestly that by the help of God we shall be able to lead many unsaved to Christ.

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Enclosed find one hundred dollars for which please send the *Pentecostal Evangel* to the names and addresses given on the enclosed list, 200 in number, for a period of six months. This is an experimental project, done we feel in the leading of the Lord. This money has been given by one of the men of our fellowship. —Pastor V. J. Burgraff, Dawson, Minn.

A minister writes from California, saying: "I have been a subscriber for your paper for just one year, and words cannot describe the profit, pleasure, and blessing we have received in our home in reading and absorbing its contents. It is like the Acts of the Apostles all over again. We read every article and practically all the reports in each issue. I like it, and wouldn't be without it. I have placed two of our pastors on the mailing list, and I am enclosing \$3.00 to

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denomination, and am in fact the Secretary of the Southern California Conference of our group. Well, the Lord has been blessing some of our own evangelists by the outpouring of His Spirit, and through their ministry it reached me (after I had been a Christian for 36 years) on January 5, 1936; since which time the Lord has wonderfully blessed and used me in His service, in winning others for Him. Being in close contact with our pastors here in Southern California, and they knowing what God has done for me, sending them the *Evangel* is doubly effective in getting over to them what I see as the greatest need among our people. . . . I am keenly interested in your work and I am noting with keen delight how God is blessing you. . . . We pray for all your work daily."

How glad we would be if many of our readers would follow the example of this good brother, and subscribe for various ministers to receive the *Pentecostal Evangel*. Brother A. B. Cox of Dayton, Ohio, one time sent us 100 subscriptions for various denominational ministers in the Dayton district.

### EDUCATING THE HEATHEN

Instead of converting the heathen, some Christian Missions (so-called) have merely been educating them. A recent article by Robert Bellaire in *Collier's* illustrates this. He was having dinner in Shanghai with Col. S. Nishihara, spokesman for the Japanese army. Nishihara is supposed to be a Christian, registered in the Christian Church of Japan. He admitted, however, that he was a "Christian" for one purpose—to serve the emperor. "The Imperial army ordered me to attend a Christian mission school," said he, "so that I might learn English from your American teachers." He went on to tell how that a great many Japanese officers had registered as Christians to learn not only foreign languages, but higher mathematics, the sciences, history and so on.

What a shameful reprimand to so-called Christian missionaries who spent the money of many trusting American saints for educational and social work instead of spiritual ministry! Our Lord did not tell us to go into all the world to teach the sciences to lost men and women. He told us to preach the gospel, which is the power of God unto salvation to all that believe.

### THE PAST EIGHTEEN MONTHS

Speaking about Britain, the hero of Malta, General Sir William Dobbie, said recently:

"We certainly have been humbled, as at one period disaster after disaster followed in quick succession. Probably never have we suffered such humiliation as we suffered in the period culminating with the loss of Singapore and lat-



er of Burma. And then, as if our cup of humiliation was not full, our armies in Libya were driven back in the summer of 1942, and we lost Tobruk and were forced back almost within sight of Alexandria. Yes, we certainly were humbled. But just as God humbled the Israelites and yet preserved them from complete disaster, so He did with us. The hand of God

was over us, and protected us, and eventually He lifted us up and gave us successes more rapid and more complete than seemed possible. We stand today and look back with amazement on what has happened during the last eighteen months. May God open our eyes that we may see things in the right perspective and discern His hand in it all."

verted two rooms into a meeting place by taking out the wall between the rooms. We started our meetings on New Year's eve and God wonderfully blessed throughout the winter. Many civilians, as well as soldiers and their wives, were saved and filled with the Spirit. Later we bought a piano. In the spring we

## AMONG THE ASSEMBLIES

PONTIAC, MICH.—We recently closed a 4-week meeting with Evangelist Estella Maffett of Canton, Ohio. Some were saved, and some received the Baptism. The church was stirred by our sister's uncompromising messages from the Word of God. Many believe it was the best evangelistic effort ever put forth in the assembly. Our building fund was added to during our sister's stay.—Ollie Evans, Church Secretary.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—Our revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Chas. E. Blair of Nebraska was one of the greatest ever enjoyed by the church. Many came from other Full Gospel churches in this city. A number were saved and filled with the Spirit. Our Sunday School attendance reached a peak of 508 during their stay with us. The average attendance for the last quarter was about 400, or an increase of 44.3% over the third quarter of 1943.—F. Virgil Claxton, Pastor, South Side Faith Tabernacle.

HOUSTON, TEXAS—Eight months ago the Pate Evangelist party, composed of Mr. and Mrs. Harlen J. Pate and Edna Freeman, left the evangelistic field to accept the pastor-

ate of the Caplen Memorial Assembly of God in Green's Bayou Addition in this busy defense area. God has blessed our efforts. Our Sunday School attendance has tripled, and the reorganized C. A. band has grown until our average attendance is 22. Every department of the work has grown spiritually and numerically as well.

We have just closed a very successful revival with R. L. Bennett, presbyter of the Lufkin Section, as evangelist. Thirty-one were saved, 14 were filled with the Spirit, 30 baptized in water, and 36 received into church fellowship. In spite of bad weather, the crowds were very good and the Sunday School rooms were opened to take care of the crowds.—Harlen J. Pate, Pastor.

COLUMBUS, GA.—We have been laboring here as pastor of the North Highland Assembly of God for the past year. It has been a victorious year in every respect. Our spring revival was conducted by Evangelist Bernice Vandermerwe of Sedalia, Mo. In the summer we had Clyde Henson of Ventura, Calif. This fall Evangelist and Mrs. Don Mallough of Seattle were with us. All of these campaigns were beneficial to the church in the strengthening of the saints and the ingathering of souls.

Our greatest progress has been with the Sunday Schol. It has been completely departmentalized, our Sunday School building being remodeled to take care of the new organization. The Lighthouse System of Efficiency has been adopted and is really proving its worth. We recommend the new 4-6 point system in full to all progressive pastors. We are using it in full in every department and it works. Our Sunday School attendance averaged 258 in 1942, and since these improvements have been made we have had an average of 362 for 1943. Our goal for 1944 is 400 or better.

Our next revival will be with Evangelist Christian Hild of Fargo, N. Dak. This will be our annual Easter campaign and we are expecting to break the old record of 811 in Sunday School.—R. C. "Keetah" Jones, Pastor.

KILLEEN, TEXAS—When we came here in September, 1942, there was no holiness church of any kind here. We tried to purchase a building for worship, but the way seemed blocked. At first we could not find any Pentecostal people, but finally got in touch with a family. But they did not offer much encouragement. One night after leaving the service at Belton, a member of that church said he and his wife had a 7-room house for sale in Killeen. We bought it on monthly payments, and con-

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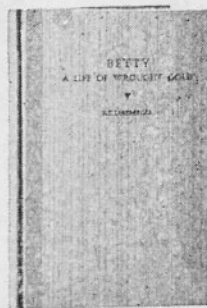
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Christ. This lady had suffered for several years from a grievous affliction in her hands. When prayed for she too was delivered.

Brother Krupnick has promised to return for another meeting in the summer.—T. M. Helvey, Pastor.

MAGNOLIA, TEXAS—For over forty years, old-timers say, people have prayed for a church to be established in the Oklahoma Community, where they could meet to worship God. And now, through the untiring efforts of Evangelist and Mrs. Laird of Tomball, we have our church! We first bought a plot of ground for \$45.00. We cut the timber and had it made into lumber. When that lumber was gone we bought more. Now we have a church large enough to seat 150 people. We have two little prayer rooms and an altar, also a dais for the choir and a pulpit. We painted the church white, inside and out, but the roof is green. We paid \$100.00 cash for a Baby Grand piano. Our little church is called The Oklahoma Assembly of God. We dedicated it to God, December 26, 1943, when we had an all-day fellowship meeting, with basket dinner. There were over 100 people present. On the wall hangs our honor roll, with the names of 62 of our young men who are in the country's service. One star has a white cross on it.

All together, our church has cost us about \$700.00, and it is all paid for. We intend to hang defense stamp books on the wall; when each book is filled, our secretary will turn it into a war bond in the name of our church. We feel that will benefit our church and our country also.

December 31, we held a watch-night service. If you knew what a poor community this is, and how hard our farmers have to work, you could fully understand the "miracle" of our church. Everyone did his part in clearing the ground and building the church. Most of the men and boys are absent now, in the service or on de-

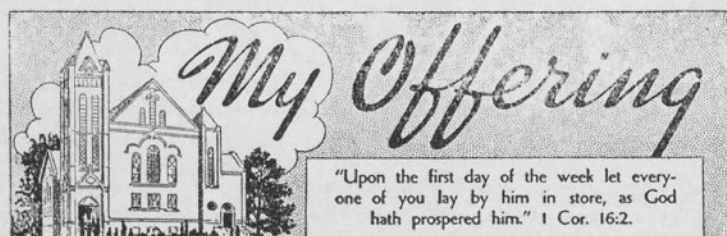
bought the property adjoining our place for a church property. We tore down the old building and rebuilt. With the aid of the District we were able to make the final payment the first of January this year. We now have a clean warm church to worship in. We have met with great opposition, but the Lord has helped us. Our Sunday School is small but is holding up well. We did not have a place to meet for a month on account of having the building torn down, and so had to start over again.—J. F. Stubblefield, Pastor.

OKEMAH, OKLA.—We have just closed a wonderful revival with Lee Krupnick, Jewish Evangelist, of Tulsa. The Spirit of the Lord was present in all the services as Brother Krupnick expounded the Word and exalted Christ. Although the meeting was at the Christmas season and the weather inclement, unusually large crowds attended, many coming from out of town.

Among many wonderful operations of the Spirit during the meeting, were two miracles of healing. Mrs. Bertha Handly, R. R. 2, Box 413, Okemah, had suffered for ten years from arthritis. She was brought to the meeting, and came forward painfully on crutches to be prayed for according to James 5:14. When prayer was offered, her hands were lifted in praise to God as the great Physician began to break the bonds and set her poor afflicted body free. After the service she walked out of church unassisted. It has been a week since this miracle took place. Today I am in receipt of a letter from her (she is a member of the Baptist church), telling of the wonderful joy and

peace that has come to her, and stating that her crutches and medicine are no longer needed.

The other miracle of healing was performed on a young woman, who, before becoming a member of our assembly, was for many years a Sunday School teacher in the Church of



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## Coming Meetings

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 14 days before the date which appears upon it, all notices should reach us 16 days before that date.

HILLSBORO, ORE.—Jan. 30, for 4 weeks or longer; Hans F. Bretschneider, Evangelist.—C. E. Freeman, Pastor.

ANADARKO, OKLA.—Revival in progress; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon M. Murray, Texas Singing Evangelists.—Leslie Moore, Pastor.

BILOXI, MISS.—Lee St. Assembly of God; Jan. 30, for 2 weeks or longer; Chas. C. Robinson, Malvern, Ark., Evangelist.—A. L. Wolfe, Pastor.

MARSHALL, MO.—266 W. Morgan St., Feb. 15—March 5; Evangelist and Mrs. James E. Hamill, Okmulgee, Okla. Neighboring churches invited to cooperate.—Vernon L. Hertweck, Pastor.

CONNEAUT, OHIO—299 Broad St., Feb. 8-27; Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Bucher, Evangelists.—T. E. Harts-horn, Pastor.

NORFOLK, VA.—Calvary Full Gospel Church, Jan. 24—; R. B. Yunker, Union Beach, N. J., Evangelist.—G. G. Benson, Pastor.

CANTON, OHIO—Northeast Ohio Fellowship Meeting, 313 Elgin Ave. N. W., Feb. 7. Services 10:30, 2:30 and 7:00. Ministers' meeting 1:30.—T. E. Harts-horn, Secretary-Treasurer, 751 Main St., Conneaut, Ohio.

### ARIZONA DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Arizona District Council will be held at 11th and Garfield Sts., Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 2-6. N. D. Davidson is pastor.—Charles O. Green, District superintendent; by Charles L. Elmes, District Secretary.

### ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The 27th annual District Council of the Rocky Mountain District will convene at Denver Revival Tabernacle, 9th and Acoma Sts., Denver, Colo., Feb. 15-18. General Superintendent E. S. Williams, guest speaker.—J. E. Austell, District Superintendent.

### OKLAHOMA SECTIONAL COUNCILS

North Central Section, Cushing, Feb. 14-16. Central Section, First Assembly, Shawnee, Feb. 21-23. South Central Section, Lighthouse Assembly, Ardmore, March 13-15. Southeast Section, Broken Bow, March 20-22. Those desiring license can meet the District Board at the above meetings. For information address V. H. Ray, District Secretary, or F. C. Cornell, District Superintendent, Box 1341, Oklahoma City, 1, Okla. First service, 7:30 p. m.—V. H. Ray, District Secretary.

### MISSIONARY PRAYER CONFERENCES

Georgia District Missionary Prayer Conferences: Clinchfield, Feb. 7-8; J. V. Nash, Pastor. Augusta, Feb. 21-22; C. M. Hicks, 2054 Oglethorpe Ave., Pastor. Hoganville, Feb. 28 - 29; S. P. Danford, Pastor. Thomaston, March 6-7; H. F. Freeman, Pastor. Dexter, March 20-21; K. M. Gygas, Pastor.

A missionary under the direction of the Missions Department is expected to be with us in the meetings.—S. W. Noles, District Superintendent, Box 1101, Columbus, Ga.

GREENVILLE, TEXAS—Northeast Texas Bible Conference, 3033 Cornelia St., Feb. 1-3. Wm. F. McPherson of Oklahoma City, Okla., and District Superintendent F. D. Davis, special speakers. Other speakers also.—Earl J. Rogers, Presbyter; Fred D. Wall, Pastor.

### REGIONAL S. S. CONFERENCE

FT. WORTH, TEXAS—Regional S. S. Conference, First Assembly of God, 1326 S. Jennings Ave., Feb. 18-20. Customary arrangements for entertainment. Write us how many will be in attendance from your School. Those from distant points will find Friday the most profitable day to attend.—C. N. Rice, Host Pastor.



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# The PASSING and the PERMANENT

## UNREACHED CHILDREN

Seventeen million children in the United States never have been to Sunday School, according to the *Gospel Minister*.

## NORWAY'S BRAVE BISHOP

Bishop Berggrav, Primate of the Norwegian Church, is still a prisoner. His guards are changed constantly for fear he will win them from Nazism to Christianity.

## JEWS IN BRITISH FORCES

The best-kept secret of the war is said by Lord Strabolgi, British Laborite peer, to be the fact that more Jews are serving in the British armed forces than men of any other religious faith, in proportion to membership.

## CANADIANS REPATRIATED

Two missionaries of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada were repatriated from China on the *Gripsholm*—J. R. Spence and Clare Scratch. A great welcome meeting was held in Evangel Temple, Toronto, on their return.

## A BROKEN PROMISE

The *Free Methodist* reminds us of President Roosevelt's campaign promise in 1932: "By no possibility, at any time, or under any condition, at any place or under any circumstances, shall that institution the saloon, or its equivalent, be allowed to return to American life."

## RELIGION IN GERMANY

In an effort to bolster the morale of the people, Nazi leaders are giving some good advice. "Forget your 'sorrow over the loss of goods and chattels' by meditating upon 'indestructible things,'" they are saying.

## REFORMED PASTORS IN JAIL

According to the Swiss Evangelical Press Service, a number of Reformed pastors have been imprisoned, including the president of the Reformed Federation. The reason given is that they declared from their pulpits that the bombing of German cities must be considered a just punishment for the sorrows which Germany had brought to other nations.

## CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS

Ten thousand men are registered as conscientious objectors in the U. S., with 6,000 in work camps or medical or farm work, 1,500 in prisons, and the remainder not yet assigned, according to the American Civil Liberties Union. In addition, an estimated 6,000 conscientious objectors are giving noncombatant service in medical units of the Army.

## A TRIBUTE TO MacARTHUR

A Methodist preacher proudly showed Dr. Bob Shuler of Los Angeles a letter from his son, somewhere in the South Pacific. In the letter were these words: "There's a regular revival of religion going on in this island among the men. The things that General MacArthur has been saying have done more to make the boys want to be Christians than all the preaching these big city preachers ever did."

## VENEREAL DISEASE IN U. S. A.

The American Social Hygiene Association is authority for the report that "of the first two million men examined under the Selective Service Act, no less than 90,600 (or 4.53%) were found to be infected with syphilis."

## OUTGOING MISSIONARIES

The Foreign Missions Conference of North America states that 154 American missionaries, representing 31 American mission boards, were assisted in securing passage to their fields last year, as follows: 53 to Africa, 68 to China, 26 to India, and 9 to the Near East. Many others were sent out independently. Doors closed by war are gradually reopening.

## PROTESTANT GIVING IN 1943

During 1943 the average Protestant church member gave \$15.74 to benevolences and church expenses. According to Religious News Service, the total giving in nineteen major Protestant denominations amounted to \$376,946,856 as compared with a 1942 total of \$352,533,507. Thus the giving of the average member is slightly increased, but it is still far below a tenth of his income. "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me . . . in tithes and offerings." Mal. 3:8.

## ROSH AND TARSHISH

Commenting on the recent conferences between the U. S., Britain and Russia, the *Alliance Weekly* says:

"We have seen Rosh and Tarshish sitting at one council table. The Scripture reveals the latter (with her young lions) questioning the acts of the former as she engages in another war of aggression in days that are yet to come. Ezek. 38:13. Peace is possible for a time, but 'permanent peace' is too long a period for us to accept, however desirable the vision may be. Until Satan is bound, his deception of the nations (Rev. 20:3) cannot be terminated at any human conference."

## COULD GOD BE RIGHT?

A professor of Mills College, California, turned shipyard employee in order more effectually to study the needs and problems of the worker. After ten months of such work and study he came to the conclusion that the "seven-day week is ineffective." He said, "I am disposed to think that a change to a uniform Sunday off throughout the yard and the industry would simplify and speed total production."

Could it possibly be that God was right, after all, on this question of one day of rest in seven?

We understand that all builders of merchant ships were ordered by the Government to abandon the seven-day week, as of Jan. 1. The reason was a matter of expediency, however, rather than a matter of morals; the shipyards have reached their goal and less liberty ships will be needed in the future. The question now, therefore, is whether the seven-day week ever was necessary, or whether God's plan would not have been better.

## "WE WILL NOT BOW DOWN"

The *Presbyterian Survey* reports that over 5,000 of the Korean Christian leaders have been put in jail because they would not bow at the Japanese Shinto shrines. Among them is Pastor Choo Kichui. When the authorities ordered him to take his people to the shrine, he refused. When he was put in jail, his wife pastored the church. When she was jailed, the elders preached. They, too, have been imprisoned and beaten over and over again, yet Pastor Choo and his faithful ones still refuse to bend the knee at Shinto shrines.

## THE MAN OF TOMORROW

Donald Grey Barnhouse, editor of *Revelation*, tells what happened recently in Rochester in a large Presbyterian church. Several hundred people were present for a meeting under the Federal Council's "Christian Mission on World Order." A local seminary professor was on the program for the "devotional period." He announced that he would read the Scriptures in his own version, and without any apology. He began, "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels and have not the spirit of the man of tomorrow, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. . . . And though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not the spirit of the man of tomorrow, I am nothing. . . ." He read through the chapter substituting his phrase for the word "charity" in the King James Version, and ended, "And now abideth faith, hope and the spirit of the man of tomorrow; but the greatest of these is the spirit of the man of tomorrow."

He finished, and announced that the audience would pray. But just here a tall layman stood up and said, with a notable Scotch accent, "Would you please do me the favor, the next time you read from the sacred Book, to use the King James Version?" The reader was mute, and the layman continued, "I have had some Hebrew and some Greek and know that such dealing with the Word of God is nonsense." He stood erect, without saying anything further, and the reader also stood still and said nothing.

Down from the platform came the Executive Secretary of the Rochester Federation of Churches, took the layman by the arm and spoke to him in a tone that the audience could not hear, but they heard the layman say, "What are you going to do? Throw me out?" "No," replied the cleric, and this time his voice could be heard by many. "The meeting is being disturbed. Let us go to the back of the room and talk it over."

"No," replied the Scotsman, "if you ministers are in such nonsense, this is no place for me. It is time for me to go." He picked up his hat and coat and walked out, shaking his head as he went.

And well he might. As if the man of tomorrow could be any different from the man of today. "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." John 3:3. The difficulty with men is that they refuse to believe in man's complete ruin in sin; they therefore refuse to believe in God's perfect remedy in Christ.

Keep your eyes open for these services of the Christian Mission on World Order. They are almost absolutely without the Christ of the Bible.