

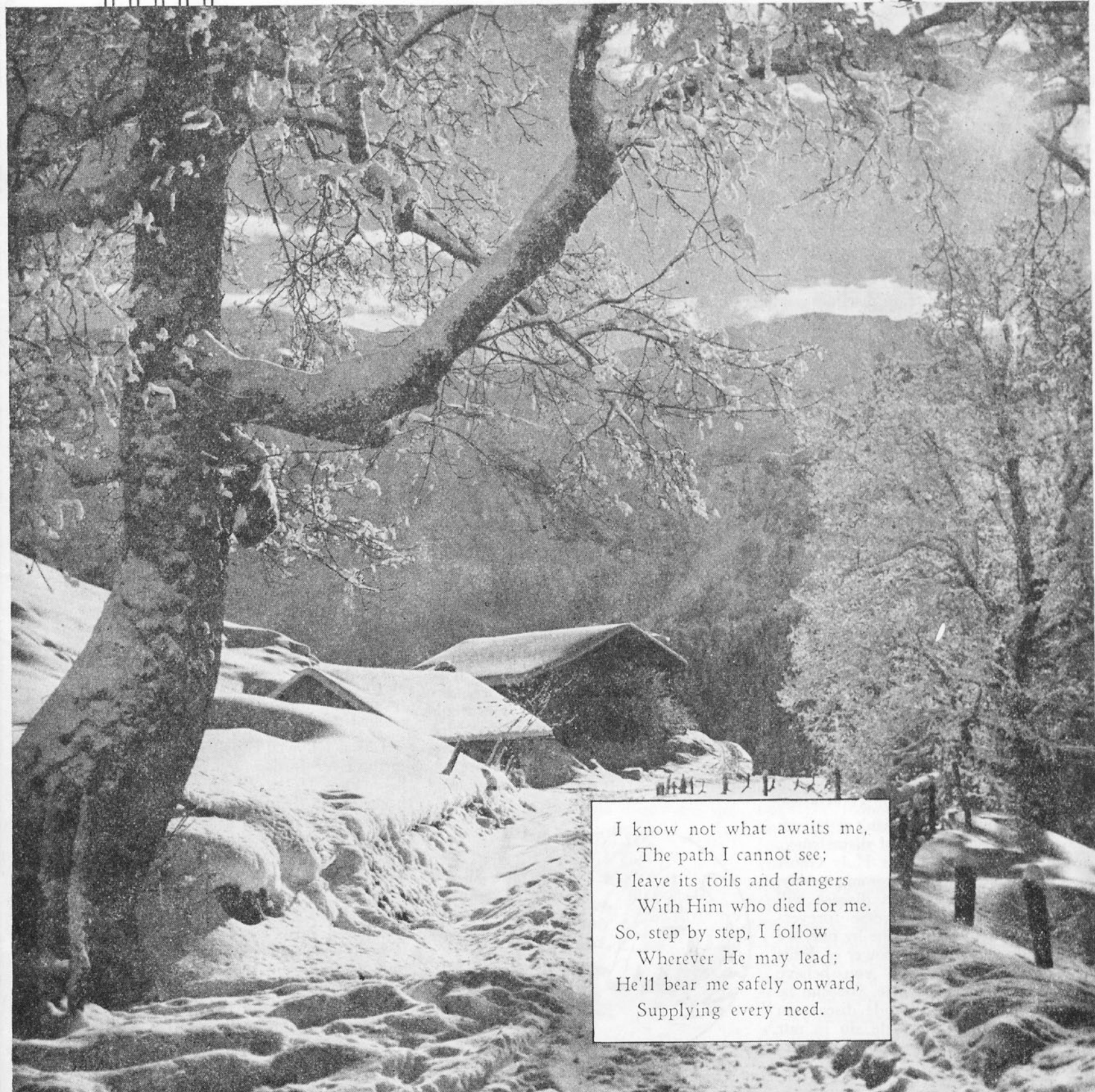
NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD

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I know not what awaits me,
The path I cannot see;
I leave its toils and dangers
With Him who died for me.
So, step by step, I follow
Wherever He may lead;
He'll bear me safely onward,
Supplying every need.

Swiss Photo by Karl Meuser, Engelberg

Elisha, the DOUBLE PORTION Man

Evangelist Oral Roberts

at the Constitutional Convention
Pentecostal Fellowship of North America

TURN with me to Second Kings, chapter two, and read with me this marvelous chapter which speaks of the translation of Elijah.

These are the last days. God is raising up deliverers with a double portion of His Holy Spirit to meet the tormenting need of a stricken generation. In spite of the heroic efforts of our medical men, we have more sickness, more insanity, and more human defeat and degradation than the world has ever known in all of its terrible history. We are face to face with a tremendous challenge. We have Him in us of whom John said, "Greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world." We have Him in us who walked the dusty shores of old Judea and brought deliverance; in fact, HE HEALED ON CONTACT. Either to be touched by Him, or to touch Him, meant deliverance.

You can be set free by the matchless, miraculous power of the Son of God.

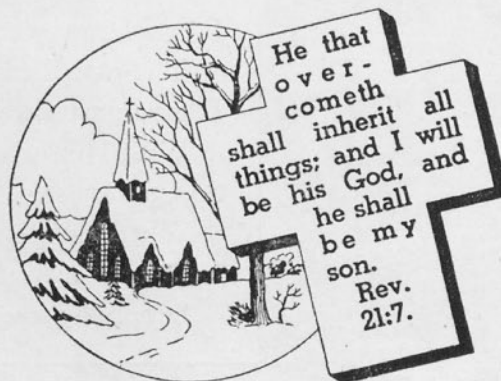
Jesus Christ called His disciples and said, "I give unto you power over all the power of the enemy, and nothing by any means shall hurt you." Jesus dropped the plans of world conquest upon the shoulders of His own disciples. Some of them had forsaken Him and fled; they denied Him, but all of them had rallied and had closed down their church for ten days for spiritual repair and stayed in the upper room until the dynamic Holy Ghost Himself came and filtrated from the heavenly world, and so filled and thrilled and empowered them that the first act after Pentecost was a miracle. "Such as I have, give I unto thee; in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk," said Peter, and the lame man walked. And this one miracle did more to build faith around Jerusalem than all the preaching up to that time. Neighbor, we must preach God's Word, we must sing God's Word, we must live God's Word, but we must put THIS WORD into literal action, and bring the power of God upon literal human misery, and take that misery out of human lives in Jesus Christ's name. Hallelujah!

There isn't a sin, there isn't a human disease, there isn't a mental disturbance, that can stand before God's Holy Ghost people. I believe there's coming a day, when Christ returns, when disease will be driven out of this universe forevermore, but until that time, one by one, we can be made whole by the power of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Do you believe that? I can be made whole, you can be made whole without a single disease in our bodies, without a single sin in our souls, without a single agitation or tor-

ment of mind. Perfect love casts out fear and torment. We can have deliverance, I tell you! Oh, what a message to give to a suffering world! Brethren, they'll take it, they are wanting it, they are looking for it today. They have looked up and have not been fed.

I for one believe in doctors. I believe in medicine. I believe in the realm of psychology and psychiatrists. I know it's a limited field, but I salute them for what they are doing. The only thing I've ever said about the psychiatrist (and I've studied it in two universities and know a little about it) is that the psychiatrist can take you all to pieces, but he can't put you back together again. However, they have done and are doing a good work.

One of the greatest medical men in this nation wrote me a letter, unsolicited, having been in our meetings secretly. He said, "Brother Roberts, years ago the honored practice of medicine was tied in with the priesthood and men believed God, but we have grown so scientific that we have robbed man of his own initiative. We've squelched his faith, and we have depended upon the herbs of this earth and the knife in our hands, and we are face to face with a terrible fact. People are not getting well; we are not conquering disease." He went on to say, "You have in your heart the secret from God; for when we fail, YOUR MINISTRY CAN SUCCEED, and God can do what we cannot do." I believe every sincere doctor will say that. There is a turning point. The Holy Ghost men, the older ministers, have fought these battles and lived for God and we've broken down much prejudice along these lines, and doctors, who would fight healing in years gone by, are rallying today, and there is a definite turning back to God. We are going to see another revival. You may mark my words!



I picked up *True*, the men's magazine, in Denver, during our meeting in the municipal auditorium there, and read of a world-renowned scientist who had studied the cycles of the earth, so that he could predict approximately the weather conditions in 1950, 1970, and in 2000. He could also predict political conditions and so on down the line. He had made a study of religious conditions and he said the cycle of religion points to one thing, that there is to be a spiritual revival in the next few years. He is not a man of religion. Brother, I'd rather be alive tonight, and have God's power in my heart and life, and face the people of our generation, than to have lived in any other man's day!

Elisha went out to perform miracles of deliverance upon the heels of Elijah. What we need is deliverers for the whole man, not parts of us. We have too many specialists. One trouble with the medical profession is that many of their great men do not know about the general conditions of the body. One of them knows about the ear, another about the throat; another is a foot doctor and so forth. We are a lot like that. One group spiritualizes and deals only with the soul, and their doctrine makes no provision for the healing of the body. Another has taken up the mind, preaching that mind has the power over material things and that the soul and body are secondary. Then some of them have confined their ministry to the body; they have a healing ministry only for the body and that's all there is to it. But Jesus Christ came to make men whole, to deliver the spirit, soul and body. There should be no specialized ministry in these last days. Every minister needs to preach the wholesome gospel of deliverance for spirit, soul and body that Christ Jesus brought to this suffering race when He walked the shores of this earth.

Elisha followed Elijah. They got down to the river Jordan, and Elijah pulled off his mantle. He smote the water here, and he smote it there, and the waters rolled back, and he and Elisha, arm in arm, walked across dry shod. They reached the other side and stood there talking. Now about a stone's throw away a little whirlwind began to gather. You've seen them, cone-shaped, as they start perhaps a hundred yards away and begin coming toward you, and getting larger all the time as they gain momentum. It swept over toward Elijah, and as it neared him it just unfolded, and there was a chariot of fire drawn by horses of fire. Elijah

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Following the CLOUD

Harold Horton

at Central Assembly, Springfield, Mo.

AND ON the day that the tabernacle was reared up the cloud covered the tabernacle, namely the tent of the testimony: and at even there was upon the tabernacle as it were the appearance of fire, until the morning." Fire until the morning! Until the day dawns and the shadows flee away. Fire until we get to heaven—and fire forever then. "So it was alway." I'll repeat that. "So it was alway." What about you, dear friend? Fire always! Isn't that wonderful—and truly Pentecostal? "The cloud covered it by day, and the appearance of fire by night. And when the cloud was taken up from the tabernacle, then after that the children of Israel journeyed" (for it was the cloud they were after). "And in the place where the cloud abode, there the children of Israel pitched their tents" (for it was the cloud they wanted, and it was the cloud the Lord wanted them to want). "At the commandment of the Lord the children of Israel journeyed, and at the commandment of the Lord they pitched: as long as the cloud abode upon the tabernacle they rested in their tents. . . . Or whether it were two days, or a month, or a year, that the cloud tarried upon the tabernacle, remaining thereon, the children of Israel abode in their tents, and journeyed not: but when it was taken up they journeyed. . . . And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, Make thee two trumpets of silver; of a whole piece shalt thou make them: that thou mayest use them for the calling of the assembly, and for the journeying of the camps." Numbers 9 and 10.

And on the day that the tabernacle was reared up, the cloud covered the tabernacle. Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples, and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. I want to use this beautiful double miracle of cloud and fire as a type of the Pentecostal blessing we are enjoying. You people, I am assured, are Pentecostal. One hundred per cent Pentecostal! One hundred degrees centigrade temperature. Or, if you understand it better, 212 degrees Fahrenheit. Or, if you understand it better still, boiling point! With a genuine, upper room experience, with a Niagara inflow and a Mississippi outflow, promoted by equatorial fervor and sustained salvation by tropical love—always. That is the only sort of salvation that will do for me. An up-and-down, inside-

and-outside, center-to-circumference, all-round-about salvation. Thank God for Pentecost. Cloud above and around, and fire within and upon us, till Jesus comes.

On the day that the tabernacle was reared up, the cloud covered the tabernacle. You know what that means. Moses had gone up into the holy mountain, among the sacred burnings and the thunderings and the lightnings and the seraphic trumpeting and the terrific earthquakings. There he had received from God that supernatural, divine Architect's plan for the wonderful structure that was to stand so long in different parts of the wilderness as the habitation of God in the midst of that great camp of His people. He came down the mountain, his heart aglow with revelation for the people at the foot of the mount; and not for them only, but for you and me. He descended with his face aglow with a glory that he wist not. Face to face with God he experienced such streams of divine effulgence that his face unconsciously reflected it. Oh, that our hearts, too, may glow with the glory, and our faces with the beauty of the Lord in whose presence we live! In his heart he grasped this holy plan (the Word of God) for the tabernacle (type of the church) to be erected in the midst of God's people on earth. With delight he told them what he had received. He set them all to work, as your pastors do. Leaders and people offered willingly, gladly giving of their possessions for the building and support of the sanctuary.

God did not gather His material by compulsory tax. He invited everybody to bring what they could by freewill offering. Those who had gold gave gold. Those who had silver gave silver. "For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not." If we have not dollars then dimes will do.



But dimes will not be acceptable if the Lord has blessed us with dollars. They gave cloth or skins or lumber or linen or silk or dyes or brass or other elements of the material required, according to their individual ability. God accepted that. Then they got to work.

Everything had to be done according to the pattern revealed. All was to be done with meticulous care and exactitude before God could accept and consecrate and bless it. When everything was completed according to requirement, when every pillar and post was established in its specified position, when all the fillets were laid on the top of the pillars, when the white linen was hung from the posts, when all the skins were stretched over the covered parts of the tabernacle, all the pieces of furniture made of specified material and measurements and placed in their specified positions, when every tent cord and pin was eventually fixed in exact position as God had planned it (how awesome in exactitude is the plan of salvation!) then and only then God ratified His good pleasure with everything that was done by filling the Holy of Holies, the dark chamber of gold, with the Shekinah glory! That was the end for which the tabernacle was erected—that it might be the earthly receptacle of the glory; teaching that the impenetrable darkness of man's soul should be ablaze by the Holy Ghost with heaven's dazzling light. "He dwelleth in the thick darkness." Hallelujah!

That tabernacle without the glory was comparatively an empty thing of wood and cloth and skins. You are the temple of the Holy Ghost. God dwelleth not in temples (however magnificent they may be) made with hands. The redeemed are the tabernacle, the dwelling place of the Most High. The Lord has erected us that He might dwell within us in felt glory and power. What an empty tabernacle this is if we are not filled with the Holy Ghost! The Lord has saved us that He might fill us with His glory; that the inner sanctuary of our souls, the holy of holies, the central spiritual being, the secret cavities of our physical frames, might blow and vibrate with the glory of God. That the darkness of our hearts might be irradiated with heaven's Shekinah light. God has saved us for no lesser purpose and to no less mighty end.

God has fashioned you a tabernacle for His indwelling. He wants you to receive the mighty baptism in the Holy Ghost. All that could be seen of that tabernacle, apart from the glory cloud, was cloth and skins. What a type! All that I can see of you, all you can see of me, apart from the Pentecostal glory, is cloth and skin. An outer raiment of cloth and an inner raiment of skin! Thank God for these
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TWO PORTRAITS

A JEWISH friend of ours used to announce his Sunday night topics on the board outside his church. One day the passers-by—many of whom were Jews—saw the announcement, "Portraits for nothing." "Can we take 'em home?" they asked. "Sure thing," said the pastor. On Sunday night he gave them from the Word two pictures, one of a sinner, the other of a saint. He also pictured a Savior who loved them enough to bear their sins and who provided for them His own sanctity.

In the first Psalm we have two portraits, portraits that are given to us without money and without price, and we can "take 'em home" with us. One is of a blessed man who is likened unto a fruitful tree. The other is of the ungodly who is likened to the flimsy chaff. Let us carefully examine these two portraits.

A Picture of Christ

We quote the first three verses of this Psalm from the Septuagint Version—that version which was used universally in apostolic times: "Blessed is the man who has not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, and has not stood in the way of sinners, and has not sat in the seat of evil men. But his pleasure is in the law of the Lord; and in His law will he meditate day and night. And he shall be as a tree planted by the brooks of waters, which shall yield its fruit in its season, and its leaf shall not fall off; and whatsoever he shall do shall be prospered." Who has met this high standard? Every son of Adam has "sinned, and come short." Only He who is the Son of God has met this standard.

The last clause of verse 3 is translated by Delitzsch, "And whatsoever he doeth he carried to completion." Has He begun a good work in you? Then be "confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it." Phil. 1:6, R.V.

Christ came to seek and to save lost sinners, and to raise them to His own holy standard, to call them to a life like His own. His Word says to us: "For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His

steps: who did no sin . . . who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness." 1 Peter 2:21-24. The Lord is calling each of us to a life like His own.

Complete Separation

We learn from this first Psalm that we are not to go to the ungodly for counsel, nor to seek the companionship of such, for if we do we will soon be filled with their conceit and their contempt. It was the unbelievers who "laughed Him to scorn" when Christ declared that the daughter of Jairus was not dead but sleeping. But He put them all out. They did not witness the miracle of His raising this child from the dead. There are plenty of unbelieving scoffers today, who despise the power of Pentecost and the ministry of the miraculous—Michals who exhibit the curled lip of contempt at the Davids who yield to the manifestation of the Spirit. Leave the Michals to their barrenness and be willing to be "yet more vile," patiently bearing "the scorning of those that are at ease" and "the contempt of the proud." Psalm 123:4.

The saint does not have to go to the ungodly for counsel, for he can say in faith, "Thou shalt guide me with Thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory." Psalm 73:24. He can declare, "Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors." Psalm 119:24. The Lord has given us counsel to keep away from the companionship of sinners, to come out from among them and be separate. Do not pitch your tent toward Sodom.

Feeding on God's Word

This blessed man of Psalm 1 who delights in the Word of God, and like the clean animals of the 11th chapter of Leviticus, who had a separated or divided hoof, he is one who "chews the cud"—that is, he meditates continually on the Word of God, day and night, assimilating it until it becomes a part of His very character. Have you ever asked the Lord for a large appetite for His Word? Have you ever requested Him to expound to you that which is written in the law of Moses, and in the Prophets, and in the

Psalms concerning Himself, and to open your understanding so that you might understand the Scriptures? Luke 24:44, 45. He is just as willing to do this for us as for those first disciples.

The Psalmist declared, "My meditation of Him shall be sweet" (Psalm 104:34), and our meditation can be equally sweet, for there is no one and nothing so altogether lovely as our Lord Jesus Christ as He is revealed in the Scriptures of truth from Genesis to Revelation.

Fruit in Due Season

As we delight ourselves in the Word and meditate on it day and night, we shall make deep roots, going down, down, deep into the River of God, which is full of water—the blessed Holy Spirit. Result? Abundance of fruit!

But some may say: "How can I bring forth fruit? I am getting old." The promise is, "The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree . . . they shall bring forth fruit in old age." Psalm 92:12, 14. Accept the gracious promises and your last days will be your richest and best. Da Vinci painted *The Last Supper*, his best picture, when he was seventy-seven. Alexander Maclaren compiled his great work, *Exposition of Holy Scriptures*, when past eighty. Tennyson wrote his best poem, *Crossing the Bar*, when eighty-one, and said he could not have produced so great a poem before. Smith Wigglesworth was having a magnificent ministry when the Lord took him home at eighty-seven.

Prosperity

"And whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." Verse 3. Do not let us interpret this in a carnal way and think that every saint will actually acquire a pile of filthy lucre. That might prove a great snare to us. We have seen some Christians living in glorious victory when they were poor; but when they became rich in this world's treasures they became filled with the love of money and forgot God. The Laodiceans called themselves rich; but He whose eyes are as a flame of fire declared, "Ye are poor." On the other hand, He said to the suffering saints in Smyrna, "I know thy poverty (but thou art rich)." Rev. 2:9. There is a life in the Spirit where there is true prosperity. Paul was rejoicing in this spiritual prosperity when he spoke of himself as "poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things." 2 Cor.

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Revival Conditions

Will YOU Pay the Price?

SINNERS may be evangelized without much weeping, but not many will be born again without travail-fellowship with the sufferings of Christ over multitudes astray. In the days of the early Church and in this latter day, there was weeping and supplication and singing in the heavenly choirs upon whole assemblies; in this atmosphere many sinners were converted. All the seed that had been sown in their hearts would germinate and come to full fruition. God broke their hearts—the very noise of the intercessory weeping and the solemnity of the atmosphere broke them up, and they fell on their knees and cried out to God in our regular meetings: “Out of the mist at His presence, souls like the dew were born”—as in Acts 10.

Prayer is the faith that takes; thanksgiving the faith that RECEIVES.

Be a Receiver

“Whatsoever things ye desire when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.”

Multitudes! Multitudes! in the valley of decision. The day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision. Joel 3:14.

Charles Finney said, “We could have a revival any time we wanted one, if we would pay the price.” He referred to a heaven-sent revival, where it is not necessary to urge sinners to come to the altar. Mr. Finney, and Mr. Nash prayed till almost exhausted.

Revivals are born in heaven in answer to earnest prayer. The big head, pride, conceit, pomposity, preclude the possibility of a Holy Ghost revival, for God says, “I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit.”

The tried and proven method has been abandoned, and works, works, works have been substituted for prayer, with the consequent result—death and falling away. All previous revivals came in answer to much earnest and prevailing prayer. It is easy to see which today's leaders like the best, prayer or works. Much depends on leadership. King Josiah did that which was right in the sight of the Lord and the people followed him; Ahab did evil and the people followed him; and so it goes all through the Bible.

John Wesley's preachers were expected to pray six hours daily—and he has six million followers, now largely departing from his teaching.

Before Jonathan Edwards preached

that sermon—“Sinners in the hands of an angry God”—his people prayed all night. Result—over five hundred seeking salvation. He spent twelve hours daily in his study. Wherever there is much prayer there is a continual revival, souls saved every week.

Peter said, “It is not meet for us to serve tables; we will give ourselves continually to prayer and the Word.” When he was in prison, chained, prayer was made without ceasing and God delivered him.

Jesus prayed all night, fasted and prayed forty days, and should we not fast and pray if we want souls?

God is the very best paymaster in the world, but Peter did not get a large salary. He said, “Silver and gold have I none.” But today's leaders, with a much better salary, will not pray. It is unreasonable to expect a very great blessing with a small consecration.

1 Cor. 7:5: “That ye may give yourselves to prayer.”

Eph. 6:18: “Praying always with all prayer and supplication.”

Acts 1:14: “They continued with one accord in prayer.”

Rom. 12:12: “Continuing instant in prayer.”

Col. 4:2: “Continue in prayer and watch in the same.”

C. H. Spurgeon was asked why he had so many converts continually. For answer, he opened a door to a room where people were on their knees praying.

Ramabai in India instituted the prayer tower, where prayer was made twenty-four hours daily. Soon over nine hundred were swept into the Kingdom. Others, following her example, have the same result. It is ever and always the same. But we must remember that some pray more where there is an audience, and that it is possible to glorify self in one's testimony.

The natural laws of the spiritual world (though unseen) are always in operation, the same today as ever before, ready to be connected up with earnest prayer, and the powers of heaven move to save souls, though many miles away from the meetings. As God has worked in the past, so He is waiting and ready to work today. Gravitation toward lost souls is found where there is earnest prayer. It is the old, old path. What a privilege! What condescension, that man should share in

PRAYER AT DAWN

Very early in the morning. Mark 16:2.

Let our first thought be of Jesus
At the dawn of each new day,
For we dare not tread without Him
In an unknown, untried way!

Clear He sees what lies before us—
Well He knows each coming hour:
Let our first thought be of Jesus—
Of His love, His will, His power.

—F. M. N.

the salvation of lost souls. Another reason why more souls are not saved today is because we do not get men to realize they are lost.

If preachers would lay aside some work and gather their people together one day each week, to fast and pray, from nine to five o'clock—and those who could not come in the day time might start at five o'clock and continue till ten p.m.—there would be no trouble about a revival. All history proves this, and our God still hears and answers prayer.

We say we want a revival; do we mean it? Will we pay the price? Some day we will answer to God.—*Redemption Tidings*.

A DESPERATE HOUR

It is a desperate hour. The tragedy is that the situation is desperate but the saints are not. It is too late in the day for half-measures. The need is too urgent and the time is too short. A lot of our religious projects are beside the point. We are trying to meet a short-term emergency with a long-range plan. Too many are trying to be leaders and we are wasting time, money and energy merely duplicating each other. If we spent the time in prayer that we spend trying to outdo each other, we would have had a revival long ago. Everybody has his own little mold for God's revival and is not willing for God to break his little mold.—*Vance Havner*.

A PASSION FOR SOULS

Bishop Taylor Smith had his Master's passion for preaching the Gospel. Not long before his death he was taken ill in San Francisco and was ordered to the hospital. There two friends visited him. It was eleven o'clock at night when they reached the hospital. When they opened the door of his room they saw the bishop with his two hands on the head of the nurse, praying earnestly on her behalf. They felt it was too sacred a scene to intrude. Later the nurse came out in tears and said, “That dear old man! I am the third nurse he has led to Christ today.”—*The Evangelical Christian*.

Looking Ahead

Ernest S. Williams

on National Radio Hour, "Sermons in Song"

WE ARE entering a new year. Every year seems shorter than the one before. Soon our last year will be here; then we must go into eternity—a rather serious thought, isn't it?

When the poet Longfellow was advanced in years, his hair as white as snow, an admirer asked him how it was that he was able to keep so vigorous and write so beautifully. Pointing to a blooming apple tree near by, the poet replied: "That apple tree is very old, but I never saw prettier blossoms upon it than it now bears. Although old, the tree grows a little new wood every year. That is where the blossoms are." We cannot keep back the march of years, but if we live right we can keep on growing a little new wood so that our lives may continue to bloom and to be fruitful.

The Psalmist prayed, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." A cheerful girl said concerning the new year, "It is going to be a beautiful year." A friend asked how she knew it would be a beautiful year, to which she replied, "A day isn't a long time, and I know it is going to be beautiful because I am going to take a day at a time to make it beautiful." Even if the future does not look very bright to you at present, you can make it beautiful by beautiful living one day at a time.

When a machine was first invented for the recording of the human voice, some lawyers were invited to see a demonstration. One of these felt keenly the guilt of his own heart at the time. Listening, as the recording was taking place, something within him said, "You have a recorder in you that is recording your whole life." This lawyer then asked if it were possible to remove a record, once it was made, and he was told, "Oh yes, just demagnetize it and the old record is completely gone." Then something within him said, "That can happen to you. The whole record of your past can be blotted out." Then he asked, "Could the recorder be used again?" and was told, "Yes, the recorder is as good as new. A completely new record may now be recorded." Then that something within said, "That can happen to you. A completely new life and new record can be yours." What was that something within, that spoke to that man? It was conscience, moved upon by the Spirit of God.

I know not what the record of your past may have been, but I know God can blot out all that is evil; for "the blood of Jesus

Christ God's Son cleanseth from all sin." As we begin a new year, you may begin it with an entirely new record. God will begin to write the graces of Christ into your character, for He has said, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold all things are become new." It is my earnest desire that you start the new year with a beautiful clean record. Will you not ask God to bless you? Will you not take Jesus, the sinner's friend, to be your Savior?

FOLLOWING THE CLOUD

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wondrous tabernacles of cloth and skins, all full of the glory! The Lord keep them burning and glowing with Pentecostal glory till Jesus comes!

"And on the day that the tabernacle was reared up, the cloud covered the tabernacle." I emphasize that. Not the day after, to see how the structure was progressing. Not a month after to ascertain how it was enduring the stress of the weather. Not a year later to see if its behavior merited embellishment, or if exposure to rain and frost and storm had deteriorated it. No, no. But *on the day*, the very day that the tabernacle was erected, the mighty miracle took place, and the astounding glory of the Lord possessed and flooded it!

The Lord furthermore designed that over the mercy seat under the overshadowing wings

of the cherubim the inner glory might burst visibly and vibrantly forth. If the glory is in, it will just have to break forth. If you've got the glory, you just can't contain it. It must leap forth out of the eyes and hearts and tongues. Through the roof there it burst, and hung in a canopy of radiant cloud by day, over the whole of the camp, and at night in a blazing canopy of fire. Hallelujah! "On the day" the very day. What does that mean? For us? On the day that the tabernacle was reared up. That means that at that very moment we are washed in the blood of the Lamb; at that very instant (without waiting a fraction of a minute) when we have committed our all to Jesus and His redemptive work on the cross—at that very moment we are ready to receive the glory of the Lord.

Some people are waiting to be holy or empty or surrendered enough to deserve the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Holiness becomes the tabernacles of the Most High. But only by virtue of the blood of Jesus, the bleeding Lamb, can any of God's blessings be enjoyed. That sacred blood is always infinitely holy. By virtue of that precious sprinkling you are by faith as holy as He. "All the worth I have before Him is the value of the Blood." That precious oblation, if you trust it only, will assure you on earth heaven's richest benefactions. That alone. We are all worthless apart from the blood of Jesus which God sees upon us. But all are infinitely worthy, invaluable indeed, inestimably glorious, because of the sprinkling of that precious fountain. The moment we are assured that nothing that we possess is meritorious, and that we are reposing all trust in the blood of Christ only, at that moment we are ready to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

In the early days of the war, when the bombs began to fall in London, the pastor of a London Assembly of God went to his hall one morning at eleven o'clock. He never had been there at that time before, and he knew not why he was going then. When he arrived at the hall, once a Baptist Chapel but now purchased by the Pentecostals and converted into a double Baptist, he learned the reason why the Spirit had urged him to come. He found one of Hitler's incendiary bombs burning in the Sunday School room. He was able to pick the thing up with some instrument, and throw it out on the grass where it could burn away to its heart's content.

Twenty-three years ago in that same London chapel, another kind of incendiary bomb fell through the roof. There was nobody to put it out. There was nobody who wished to put it out. It was a Sunday night when two Australian sisters were proclaiming the gospel very choicely and competently to a full company of hundreds of people. After the meeting about fifty people came out for one sort of blessing or another, some to be

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saved, some to be restored, some to be filled with the Spirit, some to be healed. I made straight for a tall young man of about 35, poor, ragged unkempt. He was emaciated and derelict.

"What did you wish?" I asked him. "Did you want to be saved?" "Let me tell you," he said. "When I was a boy at Sunday School I think I had what that woman was preaching about. I think I was born again. When I grew up I left Sunday School. I found a nice woman, married her and had some bonny children. I got a good job and went along happily till I got into had companionship." Watch your companionships, young people. They can lift you up to heaven or drag you down to hell. "I got into sin, then into grosser sin, and at last into utterly gross sin, and here I am now down and out. I've lost my wife, I've lost my children, I've lost my home, my job, my health, my self-respect, and as you see, sir, I'm down and out."

"Kneel down there, friend," I said. "I'll pray for you."

"But let me proceed," he broke in. He was very insistent. "When that woman was preaching, I had such a funny feeling."

I was curious. "What do you mean?"

"I was trembling all over," he said. "Indeed I was shivering. Now that was unusual, for I wasn't cold; I was hot. I've never shivered hot in my life before!" I was intrigued.

He continued: "Another thing happened to me, sir. I'm almost ashamed to tell you. I wanted to shout!"

I was cautious. "What might you have wanted to shout?" I asked.

"It was a word that is not in my vocabulary at all. Something within me was urging me to use a word I never have uttered, so far as I know. I wanted to shout 'Glory!'"

"Why didn't you?" I said. "That is the Holy Ghost."

"Is it, sir?" he asked. "Can I have what that woman was preaching about?"

Thank God, she was preaching the full gospel, the apostolic gospel from Acts 2:38. "Repent, and be baptized—and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." That is what the Bible calls salvation. Anything short of that is just some part of salvation, one third, or two thirds. Thank God for a three-thirds salvation preached and enjoyed. "Yes," I said, "if you get right with God you can have the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Kneel down there."

At last he knelt. I got out my little Testament and read 1 John 1:7: "The blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin." Before I finished reading the verse, he clenched his teeth, squeezed his fists, bit his lips, attempting to suppress something. He didn't manage it. He threw up his hands, opened his mouth, and shouted in the heavenly tongue for a quarter of an hour! When at last he opened his eyes, a shade of disappointment fell over his face when he realized that he was not in heaven but still on this cold earth. But there and then he achieved his heart's ambition. He lifted up his hands with his voice and shouted as loud and ecstatic a "Glory!" as you could! And off he went for another spell of a quarter of an hour speaking with other tongues. We almost had to throw him out. He might have been there yet! As he

left he shook my hand like a pump handle and said, "Have you any more meetings like this?"

"Yes," I said.

"When?" he asked.

"Tomorrow night," I replied.

"I'll be there!" he said. Thank God. What had happened to him? Two hours before he had been down and out, a derelict, unsaved, in the gutters of London. But now he was saved, sprinkled with the redeeming blood, erected, reared up according to the pattern, a tabernacle fit for the glory of the Lord and filled with the Shekinah, baptized with the mighty Spirit of God.

There is a confirmatory instance in the Scriptures. Recall that on the day of Pentecost the streets of Jerusalem were filled with devout but unsaved people. You can be highly moral and deeply devout and lost for ever! How solemn! When they heard that mighty miracle of simple peasants speaking in languages they had no chance of learning, they asked, "What meaneth this?" Not what meaneth this confusion, this fervor, this public testifying, but what meaneth this miraculous speaking with foreign languages? And Peter stood up and told them it was their Messiah. They had missed Him. In ignorance they had flung Him as a criminal upon a gibbet on Golgotha. In their blind fury they had made an end of One they thought was an impostor. But His Father had flung Him back where He ought to be, on the sapphire throne. Having received from His Father the promise of the Spirit, said Peter, this Messiah hath shed forth this they were enquiring about. *This*, he said, was the *that* of the prophet Joel: "I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy." "Then, what must we do?" they cried with conviction. What must we do, that is, not merely to be saved, but to be saved

in this way! With this supernatural accompaniment! And this manifest ecstasy!

When I first heard people speak with tongues in a great London convention, though I had been saved since I was twenty, and a lay preacher since I was twenty-one, I felt at that moment as if I were not even saved. Their spiritual experience seemed so much in advance of mine that in comparison I felt like an unregenerate man. I knew God was in them, manifesting Himself in this supernatural way. I had no such manifestation of His presence or favor. If that is being saved, I thought, then I must have missed it somewhere. I told the Lord He would have to do something for me! He did! Hallelujah! Within a few days He filled me too. That glorious experience seemed like a million-fold new salvation! "What must we do," they asked, "to receive this sort of salvation, this salvation that shines on the countenance and speaks in ecstatic tongues never heard before?" "Repent," said Peter, "and be baptized . . . and you too shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." They did repent. They were baptized in water, three thousand of them. And most assuredly when they had thus fulfilled their part of the divine contract, the Lord fulfilled His. They too received their Baptism, with the like manifestation of other tongues as the 120, for that was what they were asking about. Personally I am assured beyond fear of challenge that not merely 120 (they began the happy business) but 3,120 were magnifying the Lord in another tongue on the day of Pentecost. What a manifestation! What exactly had happened to them? A few hours before 3,000 were ignorant of the plan of salvation. Now saved, washed, holy tabernacles reared up according to the pattern, ready to receive the glory, all baptized with the Holy Ghost! *On the day*. On the day that the tabernacle was reared up, the cloud covered the tabernacle.

(To be concluded next week)

The Congo Dancer

A True Story by E. H. Richardson

THERE ARE certain vices which are, from the nature of them, bound together. They thrive the one on the other. Dancing, drinking and immorality have a world-wide appeal. The devotees of the dancing cult are found in every clime.

Over in the African Congo dancing, drinking and immorality of the worst nature are indulged in by the native populace.

When the moon is high in the sky the African must have his dance, and he will dance for hours, stirred by the rhythm of drums and the effect of drink. The crowd will form a circle, in which the star performer will sing and dance, applauded by the onlookers. At a given sign the dance will break up, and there is a determined rush of wildly excited men and women to an orgy of wild abandonment.

One of our lads was a star performer, a dancer of no mean ability. They sang his praise from place to place, and spoke of his prowess over village fire and hearth. On one occasion,

when the moon was riding high in the sky, he danced and jumped, contorting his body in all evil suggestive lines; then, feeling unusually tired, he retired to his hut for a rest. The physical reaction was unexplainable, and A. felt depressed. He reasoned within himself and pitied himself, asked himself a dozen questions, but failed to stop his wandering thoughts. He dashed out into the dance again to drown the thoughts and to stifle the voice within. That night he had the beginnings of a change that was dramatic in the outworking.

To the village in which A. lived there came an evangelist. He asked for particulars of the various people, and the case of A. was brought to his attention. "That's the man we want," he declared.

He met and conversed with A., who was insolent. To all words of entreaty and love he retorted, "Keep your religion, the white man's religion. I want nothing to do with it—and keep away from me."

Would that discourage you? A soul-winner needs the love of God and the skin of a rhinoceros. "I'm going to pray for you," declared the evangelist, "until you are saved."

"Leave me alone to my business, and keep your prayers," retorted A. over his shoulder as he passed on in the path.

The evangelist met A. once more, and asked him if he would not like to learn to read. In reply to a question, he had to admit the text-book would certainly be the Word of God. The old sinner shyed at the trap.

At the next monthly beer-drink and dance the tom-toms played out their message and A. writhed his body through the series of snake turns and passes, and once in his rest hut, tried to shut out images that were haunting him.

Inside that hut there came the voice of the Unknown, the terrifying Presence. "A., unless you wish to perish in your sin and folly, repent and turn to the gospel." Surely he was going silly, he thought. But again the Voice persisted in its message of repentance. The dancer dashed out to the dance. "On with the show, drown the Voice and stifle the message." The attempt ended in failure, and once inside his hut again conviction shot home its arrows. Divine grace again sent its voice, and the triple message worked havoc with the stronghold of Satan. The lad dashed out of the hut and away from the milling crowds toward the home of the evangelist.

Late though the night was, he found his way there and politely coughed. "Come in," said a wide-awake voice, "we have been expecting you." (How's that for real, thoroughgoing prayer?) In shot A., weary in mind and body and perplexed beyond measure. Down on his knees he was shown the path of the just, the road that leads from sorrow and sin to the great plains of rest and justification before God. As the night passed away, so did the night of sin and shame, and the converted dancer welcomed the sunshine of a new day.

Those of us who have known salvation have also known the onslaughts of Satan. He never lets anyone go from his domain without a fight. Old habits, vices and temperamental attitudes have all been the ground for an attack against the soul. A. was no exception to this, and he had his fights and trials.

Though the dancing community knew that the lad was now converted, they confidently predicted his return to them on the ground that the dancer's legs would propel him to the dancing circle once the drums began to call. When the monthly dance was held, over the air came the message: "Come to the dance, come to the dance. A. will be the star turn." Over and over the message was drummed from one community to another.

In his hut kneeling in prayer, was the new convert. A battle raged in the soul. Rhythmic messages reached his brain and automatically reached the dancing legs. What a struggle over man-soul. How the Psalmist prayed: "My feet had well nigh slipped." Have you ever had slipping feet? Then you'll understand the untutored lad's struggle.

Outside there came a new force. The wide-awake evangelist and some of his friends had come with songs and drums and the louder the dancing note the more the Christians sang and drummed. In a real practical way they were helping their new comrade over the first of his

hurdles. So the period wore away, with the new convert remaining true.

A further dance and the same results. Then, on a memorable occasion, the re-created one came out to say, "Thanks for your help, but now I need it no more, for 'Greater is He that is in me than he that is in the world.'" The victory was won. The craze was broken. The devil was a defeated, cast-out foe. The flag of triumph was now unfurled and fully spread in the breeze.

Temptation number one had been successfully overcome. The old hymn sets its note: "Each victory will help you some other to win." There is nothing more sure; trials will follow us while here on earth.

Trial number two came after A. was married to a sweet Christian girl. In course of time a tiny mite came to gladden their home, and for months supreme happiness was theirs.

When death came, claiming the little one, the parents were stunned. The heathen relatives pressed for native ceremonial, including the use of charms, incantations, drink and dancing. "This calamity," said they, "is due to your

A WORD OF THANKS

We are grateful to all our friends for their many cards and other expressions of Christian love during the holiday season. Our prayer is that God's richest blessing may rest upon every one in all the time that remains before the return of our Lord.

Signed: Ernest S. Williams, Wesley R. Steelberg, Gayle F. Lewis, Ralph M. Riggs, Fred Vogler, J. Roswell Flower, Wilfred A. Brown, J. Z. Kamerer, Noel Perkin, Stanley H. Frodsham.

turning away from our rites and ancestor worship. You must reinstate the old customs or worse will befall you." The converted dancer was assailed on all sides by clamoring relatives, but Mr. Wide-awake turned up again with his Christians to interview all relatives and discuss the real cause of death and God's gift of life.—Romans 6:23.

The little one was laid to rest, and victory number two was assured. The ex-dancer and drinker, contortionist and immoral liver was steadfast. His wife, a gem of a woman, stood with him the test of the evil one.

Today A. is numbered among an illustrious band of teachers bearing His gospel in triumph to the people of Congo-land.

TWO PORTRAITS

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6:10. He had his eyes on the unseen and eternal. The Lord says to us, "I counsel thee to buy of Me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich." Rev. 3:18. The unsearchable riches of Christ are for those who ask, who seek, and who knock.

The Chaff

In contrast to this portrait of this ever-green, fruit-bearing tree, we have this word: "The ungodly are not so." They are like the chaff blown away by the wind. John the Baptist summarized Christ's spiritual ministry: "Whose

fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly purge His floor, and gather His wheat into the garner; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." Matt. 3:12. He will say to the wicked, "Depart from Me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." Matt. 25:41. "The fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone." Rev. 21:8.

Two portraits! Let us "take 'em home" to our hearts—S. H. F.

A PALESTINE JEWESS SAVED

Among the hundreds of young people from many lands who gathered at the Youth for Christ World Congress at Beatenberg, Switzerland, was a converted Jewess from Palestine. Her family is one of the oldest and most influential in Palestine. She is the sixth generation born there. This Jewish young woman named Sara spoke at the Youth Conference and told how she was saved. She said:

"We live in one of the Palestine colonies. An American missionary, Mrs. Gibson, came to our home and asked for a place to stay for a time as she was not well. My mother moved by an impulse of charity said to her, 'My daughter is in school in Jerusalem, so you can stay with us until her vacation.' I came home for the week-ends. Mrs. Gibson told me of the rejected Messiah. I did not believe at first, but gradually her words began to penetrate into my heart. Later Mrs. Gibson returned home to America on furlough. I became very ill with a tropical lung disease. For forty days I lay in a hospital hovering between life and death.

"Finally I told the Lord that if He would heal me I would seek Him. God healed me completely in a wonderful way. I went to the mission house where Mrs. Gibson worked. There I was converted. The Lord did a wonderful work in my heart. He changed me completely and blessed me. Isn't it wonderful to find the Messiah in the land of Israel where He lived and in the streets where He walked! Please pray for the Jews in Palestine."

After finding Christ, Sara returned to her home. For six months she tried to lead her people to the Lord, and for six months her people tried to lead her back into Judaism. Neither side succeeded. Then her people sent her to study at a university in Switzerland, as her stay in Palestine would bring reproach upon them.

Sara told how she had received rich blessing at the Youth Conference. In closing, she blessed the audience in Hebrew: "Borooch Elohim Tihiye Alechem" (God's blessing be with you!).

At the close of the Youth Conference Sara went with a group of young people to speak at various meetings in France. At Cannes Sara and others gave their testimony. When the invitation was given to accept Christ, 43 people responded—among them a Jewish family. The meeting at Cannes was sponsored by another Jewish family who were saved during the recent war.

Has YOUR Sunday School received an offering yet for the new Gospel Publishing House? Will YOUR name be in the Copper Box?

THE PASSING AND THE PERMANENT

Compiled by Robert C. Cunningham

CRIME'S COST AND CURE

"Crime costs us \$28,500 a minute and \$1,710,000 every hour," says J. Edgar Hoover, F.B.I. Director. He believes that Christian teaching is the only cure for our crime wave.

WAYWARD YOUTH

The predominance of youth in today's army of criminals is one of the saddest features of the times. Of the 377,933 fingerprint arrest records received by the F.B.I. during the first half of 1948, ages 21, 22, 23, 19, and 20 predominated in that order. Ten percent (37,803) were females.

WASTED BILLIONS

The American people are wasting billions of dollars on things which are absolutely unnecessary and positively harmful. During the past fiscal year they spent \$9,640 millions for alcoholic beverages, and \$3,880 millions for tobacco. By way of contrast, they spent \$48,276 millions for food during the same period.

FOR WORLD GOVERNMENT

Mrs. Anita McCormick Blaine, whose father founded the International Harvester Company, has donated a million dollars to found a new global organization known as the Foundation for World Government, with headquarters in New York City, according to *The Bible and The News*. Henry A. Wallace reportedly will be a trustee of the new Foundation.

WASHINGTON CATHEDRAL

According to *Pathfinder*, work on the huge Washington Cathedral has been resumed. When completed it will tower 288 feet upward from its site on a landscaped 374-foot hill. Already it has cost approximately ten million dollars. No doubt it will be a beautiful edifice, and many proud church-goers in the nation's capital will take great pride in it; but will the gospel of salvation through the Blood echo from its stately walls, and will the redeeming power of God's presence bless its sanctuary?

PENTECOST IN ROUMANIA

The December issue of Donald Gee's quarterly magazine *Pentecost* has many interesting pictures, not the least of which is the cover photo showing a crowd of happy folk returning from a Pentecostal baptismal service in Roumania, singing hymns and playing brass instruments. A report from Pastor Trandafir Sandru says:

"The Apostolic Church of God in Roumania now comprises about 500 churches. In many towns we have one or two churches. In Bucharest, the capital, we have four. Almost every Sunday in Roumania we have one or more water baptismal services. About 1,200 have been baptized in water this year, and hundreds of others baptized in the Holy Spirit."

The Government reportedly is quite favorable toward evangelical churches. "Our people never enjoyed such liberties before," Brother Sandru says.

I N C R E A S E

Are we as earnest as the Koreans in our Sunday School work? According to *Dawn*, the Sunday Schools in the Kwangju district of Korea increased two hundred per cent every year for fourteen years. The number of Schools has increased from one to 45, and the average weekly attendance from 100 to 2,900.

TESTAMENTS FOR THE POLES

George T. B. Davis of Philadelphia writes: "I am glad to state that the Million Testaments Campaigns is providing great numbers of Polish New Testaments for Polish Jews and Gentiles both in Poland and in Germany. Recently we published 75,000 copies in America, and already more than 50,000 of these have been forwarded to Christian workers in Europe for prayerful distribution among Polish Jews and Gentiles. Another 25,000 Polish New Testaments are now being printed for us in Sweden. We will publish still more New Testaments as funds are available."

A CALL FOR DISCIPLINE

Paul Mallon thinks that the answer to juvenile delinquency is one word—*discipline*. "This is not old-fogeyism, but ultra-modern psychiatric doctrine. The instinctive tendencies of children must be curbed by discipline until they have reached the age where self-restraint enables them to conform to social customs and to take advantage of social opportunities. Too many parents and children themselves erroneously believe that modernism permits free expression of their instincts. This leads to the current eyesores of our vaunted civilization in which prostitution has been flaunted conspicuously in cities by grade-school girls, thefts and crime before the age of reason has been reached, and murder of parents by children who find them troublesome."

PRAY FOR THE GREEKS

A Christian worker in Greece says: "Only the Word of God can save Greece in this hour of crisis. The suffering of the people is so great that it is almost indescribable. We want to place New Testaments as quickly as possible in the hands of prisoners, patients in hospitals, high school and university students, intellectuals, and the masses of the people. There are entire villages and communities in Greece where they have never seen a New Testament in modern Greek. And very few understand the ancient Greek. Right now is the time to give New Testaments to the Greek people! Tomorrow may be too late! Let us act quickly!"

In co-operation with the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Million Testaments Campaigns of Philadelphia are publishing many thousands of New Testaments in modern Greek. Please pray earnestly for God's blessings to rest upon the production and distribution of these Greek Testaments, and that a mighty spiritual awakening may come to this land that has suffered so greatly in recent years, and that is still in peril from foreign aggression.

ISRAEL SIDETRACKED BY U. N.

Count Folke Bernadotte, in a last testament before his assassination, recommended that the United Nations should recognize the new State of Israel. At the meeting in Paris the Security Council sidetracked the matter, however. The application was sent to a special committee where it may languish for another year.

TOURISTS IN ISRAEL

A large stream of tourists will soon begin to flow into Israel, Israeli Communications Minister David Remez forecasts. Jews from all parts of the world are expected to visit the new Hebrew state as soon as conditions are settled. If he would read Isaiah 60, he would see that Gentiles as well as Jews shall flock to Zion, and nations which once oppressed the Jews shall become their servants—but this will not be until the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and the sons of Jacob turn from transgression. Isaiah 59:20.

FEAR, A KILLER

In a recent sermon Pastor Norman Vincent Peale, of New York City, told of a conversation he had with a physician in that city. He asked the physician what caused most disease among his patients.

The doctor answered, "Seventy-five per cent of the people who come to me are basically ill because of either fear or resentment, or both." "Can a person have the real attributes of illness through fear and resentment?" asked Dr. Peale.

The physician replied, "He can, I believe, die from fear and resentment."

How many of God's saints are sick because the love of God is not shed abroad in their hearts? Love casts out fear, for fear hath torment. "He that feareth is not made perfect in love." 1 John 4:18. Love conquers fear and resentment, too. We are bidden, "And above all things, have perfect charity (love) among yourselves: for love shall cover the multitude of sins." 1 Peter 4:8. We ought to love everyone—and it is impossible to hold resentment against anyone whom we truly love.

AFRICA AWAKENING

Western civilization is penetrating Africa like a flood. Pervading all is an intense materialism. The white man's standard of money and wealth, with all the sordid ways of gaining it, has in many places become the African's ideal.

Dr. Eugene Nida of the American Bible Society recently returned from Africa, and he says: "Many Africans have embraced Mohammedanism, for in Islam they find an easy transition and desired social acceptance with no color bar. *More natives in Tanganyika last year became Mohammedan than became Christians.*"

"Many other Africans are turning to communism, for the communist press has championed their rights and fired them with hatred of their overlords. Other Africans have sought a solution in dissident movements. For example, in South Africa there are approximately 800 such groups, of which one has the bizarre name of Holy Castor Oil Church, illustrative of the tragic confusion in an old society hastily covered with a warped veneer of the new."

Dr. Nida concludes: "Only a Bible-centered teaching and evangelistic program can hope to meet the needs of an awakened Africa."

Egyptian Churches Blessed

Joseph M. Gutel, Egypt

WE HAVE been visiting the churches in the villages much of the past month. Mrs. Gutel has remained in Cairo to supervise the boys who are living at the mission station and attending secondary school and Mr. Brown and I have been carrying out the plans we made last summer to have three day meetings in as many of the villages as possible. Some of our churches have not been visited for a long time and all need help and encouragement. This is the best time of the year to visit in the villages as the weather is mild, and there are practically no fleas now. It is also easy to baptize the newly-saved as the Nile river is in full flood and there is water near almost all the villages.

In Maghagha, one of the villages recently visited, there has been a good church and we have a nice building but so many of the people have moved away or left the church that they have been unable to support a pastor. They have had to meet together without a regular leader, depending only upon the visits of nearby pastors. Our meeting which began on Friday was to close on Sunday night but there were over one hundred and twenty-five present instead of the usual ten to fifteen. We decided to continue for another week and I stayed and held the meetings. God blessed and we had people seeking salvation every night. As we had other meetings scheduled for that week, Mr. Brown went on to the next village where he baptized twenty-two in water in a nearby field that was flooded by the Nile. These waters

are very dirty and the mud is often so deep that one cannot stand long in the same place, but it is a real encouragement to see so many of the Christians willing to take their stand before their unsaved friends and relatives.

The church we visited last Sunday was in a village that has only twenty Christian families out of about two thousand families. Many of those in the church had walked long distances from other villages. Some of the regular attendants walk seven miles to church and seven miles home every Sunday in order to meet together and worship with others who are of like precious faith. As we sat with this group singing about the glories that await us in heaven, we rejoiced that God had called us to work among such a zealous, God-fearing people. They do so enjoy meeting together and having the blessing of God upon them.

One of our best meetings was a convention held in Beni Mohammadiyat. The local church took it upon themselves to invite all the surrounding churches and to supply the visitors with food and a place to sleep. There were about fifty who came for the three days. There was not only singing and praying at service time, but almost all the time. In the Saturday night service there was a mass move by the sinners present as the convicting power of the Holy Spirit swept over the place. For an hour or more men and women all over the church were crying out to God for salvation, and everyone was conscious of the power of God.

The Fall of Tsinan

Helen Gustavson, North China

TSINAN, the capital city of the province of Shantung, China, fell to the Communists September 23. Reports state that much destruction was caused by street fighting, and bombing of the city caused many fires. We have no word yet of the fate of our church or of Mrs. Hsiao and her daughter Mai Guei. Pastor Hsiao came to Shanghai to meet me on September 8. When he left Tsinan, no one in the city seemed to be aware of such a sudden attack. His brother, Samuel Hsiao, who was

the chief of the English department of the Shantung government, assured his brother there was nothing to fear for Tsinan. The governor of Shantung lost his life in the battle of Tsinan. We do not know the fate of Samuel Hsiao and his family.

The Tsinan Assembly of God had planned a welcome meeting for me. They had planned to rent a large church for the occasion. We have never had our own church building, and our rented quarters were small. In spite of

this drawback there has been a constant revival spirit in their midst.

Since the beginning of the Tsinan Assembly of God work, some 1,000 converts have been baptized in water. Pastor Hsiao reports to me that this year they have baptized eighty converts. He also told me of a very outstanding miracle, which has been reported in a Chinese Christian periodical. The Lord laid the burden upon the congregation to pray for a bed-ridden, hopeless cripple. They prayed earnestly for about three months, and the man was healed. He is now in normal health and a happy Christian.

Two other brethren of our Tsinan Church, Mr. Liu and Mr. Su, escaped to Shanghai at the beginning of the attack by the Communists. Mr. Liu was at the Tsinan airport together with eleven other passengers, awaiting passage on the only plane to leave that day. When the plane arrived, the Communists opened fire on the airport. In the excitement to take off again, all the passengers' baggage was left behind. The passengers barely got on board the plane. One was hanging onto the door as they took off. With the help of the others he was pulled inside, and the door was closed. The takeoff was successful although some shots hit the plane, but none of the passengers were wounded. Mr. Liu arrived safely in Tientsin, but empty-handed, having even lost his Bible. Arriving at Shanghai, I helped him with some necessary things from the relief clothing. Both Mr. Liu and Mr. Su needed suitcases and so I gave them two of mine, together with other things from my outfit. I also loaned Mr. Liu my Chinese Bible. He has now enrolled as a student in a Theological Seminary here in Shanghai. He plans to study for a year and then enter the ministry again. Mr. Su is supplying in a Bible School in Shanghai. He was a deacon in the Tsinan Assembly of God. His family is still at Tsinan. These brethren are now greatly distressed in not knowing the fate of their families, or church. Please pray for them.

Welcomed to Liberia

Mrs. Lettie Lewis, Liberia, Africa

A GRAND welcome was given me when I arrived at Newaka, which will be my home for this term. As our plane circled over the Mission, we could see natives running toward the airfield. By the time we landed, no less than sixty to eighty were at the field shouting their "Ho do-do" and other greetings, native fashion.

As it was the afternoon for prayer at the Mission compound, the new missionary was called upon to bring the message. It was my first experience of preaching through an interpreter. I am rather used to preaching through an interpreter now; however, I will be glad when I shall have the language mastered enough so that I won't need one.

The next day I was introduced to New Hope Town, the leper colony. This is the place to which the Lord called me many years ago. A similar welcome was given me there. I wish I could picture these people to you. Many of them hobble around with a walking stick. Upon further investigation one finds that all or most of their toes are gone, and perhaps most of their fingers, too, because of this dreaded disease. Not only do the middle-aged and elderly people touch one's heart, but the



Left, Helen Gustavson with Mr. Liu and Mr. Wei, refugees from Tsinan, investigating relief clothing at Shanghai.

Center, Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Osgood with Helen Gustavson at the Shanghai Missionary Home in October 1948.

Right, Mr. Liu, Pastor Hsiao, and Mr. Wei at Shanghai in October 1948 after Tsinan had been taken by the Communists.

Working in Travancore

R. W. Edwards, India

WE HAVE moved and are in our own new field of labor. It is on the eastern edge of Travancore. Across the mountains, west of here is John Burgess' work, so we shall help him in his busy convention seasons.

His wife and son are not well and must remain in the hills several months of the year, so it is a great sacrifice for Mr. Burgess to do missionary work. We could not spare him from the field for he knows and loves the Indians so much.

Mrs. Burgess has been a great blessing in the hills where our son, Clarence, and several of our missionary children attend. The school is such a worldly place with dances, shows, smoking, etc., but it is the only American school in these parts. Mrs. Burgess has helped Clarence and a few of the older children who have salvation to start a group which has meetings in her home. There they pray, sing and when possible have an outside speaker. Clarence says that more and more students are coming. We cannot tell you what it has meant to have Mrs. Burgess there, for it is such a burden to have children away for months at a time in such a worldly place. Mrs. Burgess also has a Sunday School where Clarence helps with the younger children. Perhaps God has a purpose in keeping her there as our own children need spiritual help as much as the Indians, especially those in the 'teen ages.

God wonderfully led in finding a suitable house in which to live. It was the only one for miles around, and belongs to a Christian man, but because there was no Christian fellowship, he left the house and it has been standing empty for over ten years, seemingly waiting for us.

We are in the midst of six villages all within walking distance, and most of the people have never heard the gospel. We have John and David, two Indian workers, and, their wives here with us. John is a convert from Hinduism and has had one year of Bible School and

children, who are full of leprosy, also do. These sights are almost more than one can endure.

The number in New Hope Town has increased steadily. Recently we have had to close our doors because of an insufficient number of buildings and a shortage of rice. We have 273 patients in the colony at the present time. We turn lepers away daily, advising them to return in two months, at which time we hope to have more houses. Please pray that God will grant wisdom in this matter. We have fourteen houses, each with three to six rooms; one twelve-room house, the Keller Memorial Chapel, which seats about 250, the native pastor's home, and a small building for storage space. There are six buildings going up now. One and one-half miles of road connect the Newaka Mission with New Hope Town. This has all been done within sixteen months' time by the lepers who are able to work.

Behind the Chapel, there are two clinic rooms where bi-weekly injections of Chaulmoogra Oil are given. On clinic days we begin work with a chorus, sometimes in English, other times in Barroba, one of the native dialects, and then we have prayer.

will attend again. He was married in June. We are trusting God for support for these workers. We will need another worker when John must return to Bible School.

It will not be long until we shall have to build little churches as there is no place to have a service except under the trees. We can build a mud church for \$150 and the same amount will buy the necessary land. We took up our first offering for a building last Sunday and have promised to add to it according to what they give.

Last Sunday was a typical day. We were up at 5 a.m. to prepare the messages for the day. At 7:30, people began coming to have their wounds dressed. We teach them to clean them and then we bandage them. There were twelve patients and two homes to go where the people had wounds which prevented them from walking.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Edwards conducted a Sunday School in the next village. She sat on the ground with the children in the shade of a wall. It was a good Sunday School. From 9 to 12 we had a meeting in our home for a few believers, mostly for our workers, but some outsiders came. In the afternoon there were callers. From 4 to 7 p.m. there were street meetings in two villages and we paraded the streets shouting Scripture verses and giving out tracts. Several Scripture portions were sold, and attentive crowds listened to the gospel. It was a great thrill to work like this for the Lord though we came back almost too tired to walk.

We visit many homes. As we were leaving one home after dark, Mr. Edwards just missed being kicked by a cow that sensed a strange presence. Nearly every home will have a cow or two inside.

Please pray that the signs shall follow as we preach God's word. We have already seen some healings. One child that had not opened its eyes for a year, opened them as we prayed. It is a battle with the powers of darkness.

One of our clinic men is very hungry for God. Just recently he was in the clinic reading John 3. I asked him if he understood what he was reading. He wanted me to explain it to him, and I was very happy to do so. God opened up the Scriptures and helped me to give illustrations so he could understand. After a lengthy conversation, with tears filling his eyes, he replied, "Ma, I see now."

Another clinic man said to me this morning, "Ma, for true I feel God calling me to preach His gospel, but I said, 'God, if you want me to preach the gospel, I must be healed.'" Please pray for Peter's healing. He is a devout and sincere Christian young man.

Sunday finds us in the Keller Memorial Chapel ministering to the spiritual needs of these people. It is a great inspiration to hear them sing praises unto God, and He has been blessing in a remarkable way. But it seems that the powers of darkness have kept these people bound and blinded so long that it takes a constant repetition of the Word before the light penetrates their benighted souls. We earnestly covet your prayers, for we realize that without Him we can do nothing, but with Him we are more than conquerors.



Bettiah Building

Hilda Wagenknecht, India

GOD HAS graciously blessed the Orphanage and School at Bettiah during the last few weeks and has given us the revival for which we have been praying. At the beginning of the year we had to take on three new teachers who were not Pentecostal, but were fine Christian young women. However, we were not satisfied until all received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Some weeks ago we began praying very earnestly about this need. The other week all three of our teachers received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and are now rejoicing in Him. Their lives are so changed and they are a great blessing to all. We have a full staff again of nine Pentecostal teachers.

The girls, also, began seeking the Lord and in just a short time seventeen were filled with the Spirit and others are still earnestly seeking God. Some who had received and had grown indifferent were refilled and now have a new desire to pray and serve Him. There is a wonderful spirit of prayer here with the girls often praying till late at night. We thank God for His wonderful working in our midst.

Since our Orphanage and School has grown so very much during the past years we have felt for some time the need of another building in order to accommodate all the children. Our original place provided for eighty children. A few years ago we were able to put up another dormitory which gave room for twenty-five additional children. However, our numbers have grown to one hundred and seventy-five girls and we are more than crowded. The rooms used for classes are converted into dormitories at night, which means that desks and benches must be moved out and beds put in their places. Each morning, the beds are removed and the desks are put in.

The teachers and the children have been very patient in spite of all this extra work. Since our numbers have grown so, there is not even room in the classrooms for each class. About ten children have to sit out on the veranda while the lessons are being taught and this has made our work difficult. If we could build one more large building, it would care for the present needs. The children would be comfortable, and the work could be carried on more efficiently.

It is estimated that a building the size we need will cost four thousand dollars. A few years ago we were able to buy several thousand bricks which we still have on hand to help toward erecting this building. As the children look at these bricks they are inspired to pray that somehow God will send in the needed funds so that their home will be completed. If the Lord lays this need upon your heart, we would be grateful for your gift, and God will richly bless you for it.

Please send your offerings for this building project designated "Bettiah Building" and send to Noel Perkin, Secretary Foreign Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Mo.



SERVING THE SERVICEMEN

Friends and members of our Assembly of God churches have recently submitted hundreds of new names of members of the armed forces to the Christ's Ambassadors Department. The Servicemen's Division of the Department has mailed an introductory letter and a copy of REVEILLE to each serviceman, and in return has received many letters of appreciation from saved and unsaved alike.

A Christ's Ambassador from an Oklahoma church, now stationed in Guam, writes of a meeting that he and some of his buddies conduct of an evening in addition to the scheduled chapel services. Twenty-three servicemen have been saved in these unofficial gatherings in about three months time.

In addition to Sunday and weeknight chapel services, army chaplains are regularly afforded time each week to speak to the personnel of their organizations in presenting a series of "character guidance" lectures. The Office of the Chief of Chaplains, Washington, D. C., supplies each man with printed reference material for his consideration in preparation for the class. As in chapel, however, the method of presentation and the final authority as to what is said rests with the chaplain. The chaplain finds that this affords an excellent

opportunity to present to his men the Word of God.

The accusation that men in the armed forces are notably sinful is indicative of the failure on the part of the churches to reach these young men for God before they donned the uniform. It is this lack of salvation, rather than the military atmosphere that prevails in a camp, from which sinfulness springs. Men who have been soundly converted, born again, set free from the habits of sin, and have dedicated their lives to God, serve their officers with excellence.

An old proverb, "Soldiers in peace are like chimneys in summer," hints that though peacetime servicemen have few physical dangers to face at present, there is always the possibility of a new outbreak of hostilities. Christians pray that another major mobilization will not be necessary, but their responsibilities to the servicemen do not end there. Draftees who wear a military uniform today will be civilians in the future. Those who are Christians must be strengthened in the faith. The sinner must have other opportunities to hear the "gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation."

The Servicemen's Division of the Christ's Ambassadors Department affords our friends a means of keeping Christ in the consciousness of military personnel. Your contributions to support this work will enable the C. A. Department to send REVEILLE and other Christian literature to your sons and husbands. Forward your contributions, and the names of those in the armed forces, to the Christ's Ambassadors Department, 434 West Pacific St., Springfield 1, Missouri.

ELISHA, THE DOUBLE PORTION MAN

(Continued from page two)
ascended in the whirlwind! Up, up, up he

went and vaulted over into the city of God.

Elisha stood there with his neck stretched, and he cried, "Master, Master, the chariots of Israel and the horsemen thereof." What did he mean? He simply meant, "There goes the army and navy of Israel. He is worth more to Israel than all the army and navy of the king's might." He looked up. That mantle slipped off Elijah's shoulders, and started falling down, and when Elisha looked over and saw it on the ground he took off his own, ripped it into shreds, tossed it aside, and walked over and picked up the ARMY AND NAVY power of Elijah. Glory to God! He walked over to the water, and what a great thing it was to do. (You know, a man can make a fool of himself if he doesn't have God's power, but he will never do it when he has the real power of God. God will protect him, and nothing will go wrong.) He said, "Where is the Lord God of that army and navy power going yonder?" He smote the waters and they rolled back. Hallelujah! The last-day church can have the power of the early church if they pick up the mantle of those miracle-working prophets and apostles of old. We can roll back the waters of sin, disease and fevers in the last day. We CAN do it and we SHALL do it by God's power.

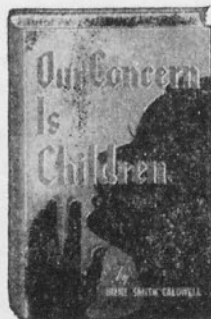
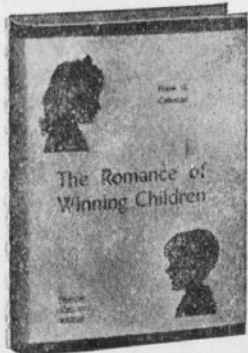
Elisha was just a farmer boy, but he had the army and navy power of God on his shoulders and in his heart. He walked out upon the desert land of old Judea and performed twice the miracles of Elijah. Elijah performed seven, and Elisha thirteen miracles. You can take any of Elisha's miracles and they will stand up with Elijah's any day of the week. He made the lost ax-head swim; he purified the water supply of the city; even his bones had vitalizing power after he had been in the tomb for several months. Elisha received a double portion of the spirit of Elijah. Let's get in the circle of God's will tonight and follow the Spirit of God, and we can lick the devil on any issue.

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Faith for the Storm

Then this double portion man had faith for protection in time of storm. When Ben-hadad, the king of Syria, announced his plans for the conquest of Israel, Elisha sent word over to Israel's king and said, "Now you be in a certain place and you'll be saved." The Syrian king was defeated. He planned another maneuver, but Elisha divined that. Pretty soon it grew boresome, and Ben-hadad said, "Which one of my crowd is working with the King of Israel?" They said, "None of us, but Elisha is telling in the bed-chamber of the king what you are telling your army." Ben-hadad said, "We'll put a stop to that." He marshaled his army, a great host, and they marched out across Judea to lay hold of this wonderful man of God. A whole army after one man! The devil has always had a healthy respect for God's anointed people.

They marched all night, and early the next morning Elisha's servant got up and saw this great army surrounding the city with their horses and chariots. He ran to Elisha and said, "Alas, my master, how shall we do?" And Elisha said, "O Lord, open my servant's eyes, and let him see that they that are with us are more than they that are with them." Hallelujah! God opened the servant's eyes and when he looked with a spiritual eye he saw the mountain was full. It was full of chariots of fire and horses of fire. The double portion of the Spirit of God was there to protect him, and Elisha gave an order by faith and defeated the entire army of Syria. He had a faith for the storms of life.

We are face to face tonight with the tragedies of life. We might as well stop joking about it, if we are joking. We have problems in our churches. We have people who can receive deliverance from no one. They have paid out good money to receive deliverance. But what a doctor cannot do, our heavenly Father is abundantly able to do, and He is willing to do it in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. If, instead of spending our time fighting men who are trying to help, though it is by human skill, we will spend our time in turning our own faith loose, we will not have to resort to men as much as we do. See what I mean? It is not time to fight, it is time to believe. The storms are upon us, and God will give us the secret that the apostles, the prophets and the first deacons had. God will give it to us. He is a God of power. He is very much alive tonight.

Faith for Suffering Humanity

Elisha had a heart of faith for suffering humanity. I love that about God's men. One day a preacher died, and pretty soon the debts this preacher had accumulated bore down with relentless fury upon his widow and orphan children. I suppose the people did then much as they do now. They said, "Lord, You keep him humble and we'll keep him poor." So when the preacher died, he owed about everybody in the country. He just didn't make enough at his church. The debts were upon the widow and her two sons, and she did what every church member has a right to do—she called upon the man of God. The trouble was purely of a natural cause—and God delivered her. You know, it's amazing how much good a preacher can do for people without money if he will have faith in God. God will solve for us our money problems.

Brethren, this subject of money is a very



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Stanley Howard Frodsham

Some years ago the editor of the Pentecostal Evangel attended a great revival campaign of Smith Wigglesworth's. He said to the revivalist, "I want your story." "All right," said Wigglesworth. That day and the following ones the man of God related the story of God's goodness to him, also of the many lessons that made him in his later days such a giant of faith. It was a thrilling story.

The final chapters of this book have only recently been completed, with the help of two who were very close to Brother Wigglesworth—his daughter and son-in-law—Alice and James Salter. This book is entitled "Smith Wigglesworth, Apostle of Faith," and the first edition of 5,000 copies is now off the press. Already request has come from both England and Sweden for permission to reprint.

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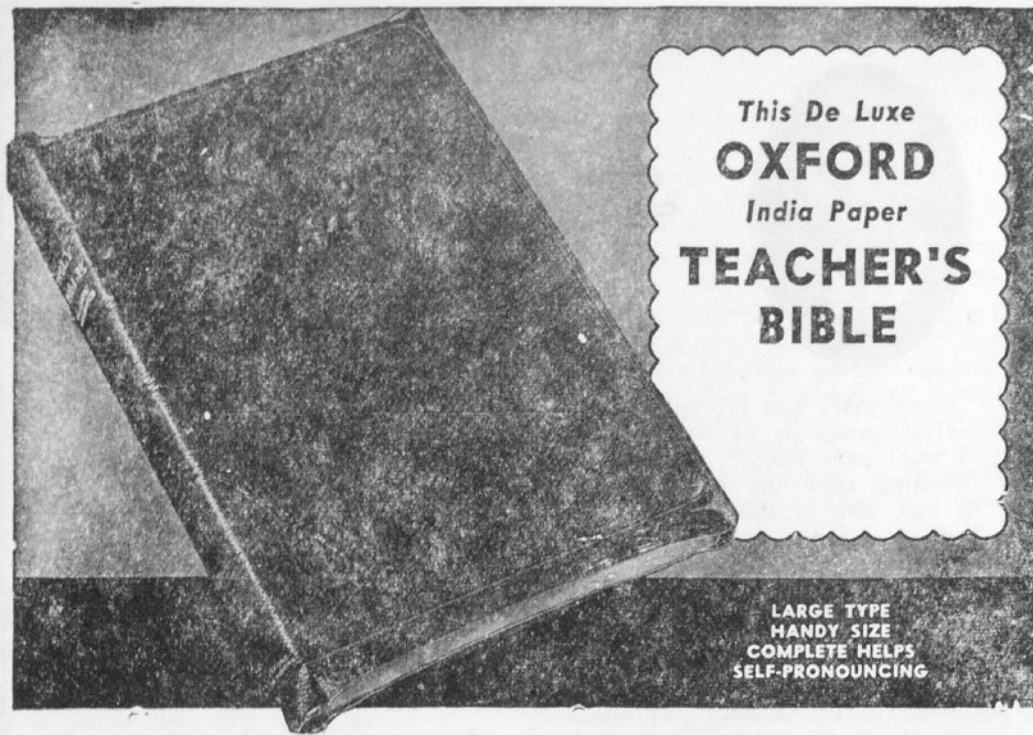
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touchy thing and a very important thing. We need faith along this line. When the Lord's and Peter's taxes were due, Jesus had the secret. He said, "Peter, go fishing, and the first fish you catch will be the banker in the lake." Peter went fishing and cast out his hook, and the first one he caught had a coin in his mouth. He pulled out the coin and went and paid the Lord's and his taxes. God has always been concerned about the financial trials of His people. Why? Because a man with money troubles is a sick man. That sounds funny, but it's a tragic fact. Did you know that eighty-five per cent of our diseases are functional? They are not brought on by germs, but because we are emotionally upset; we've worried and fretted and been torn up in our souls. The American Medical Association, that body of men who are not known by their faith, said that eighty-five per cent of all diseases are brought about because we are broken down within our innermost beings. A doctor told me that eighty-five per cent of the patients who come to his office should never have gone past their own minister. Preachers, we have the opportunity of a lifetime.

Elisha responded to the widow's need and said, "I want you to borrow all the pots and pans, cups and vessels in the neighborhood." And he said, "What do you have in the house?" She said, "A little pot of oil." "Well," he said, "you go into that room with your sons and shut the door, and get those pots and pans around

you, and pick up that little pot of oil and start pouring." Hallelujah! If God made the earth out of nothing and hung it on a circle, and scooped out the bed for the ocean, and flung the stars from fingertips so that this earth is not off balance at all except for a few hours (it is off, first of all, because Joshua's faith made the sun stand still, and second, because Hezekiah's faith turned back the hands of the clock) our Almighty God can do all things! You can pick up a little bottle of oil and pour all your pots and pans full if you believe God. That's interesting to me. I have a wife and two children and they have to be fed three meals a day. We have bills to pay, a home we're paying for, and it is very necessary that we have enough to meet our obligations.

When you are money-sick you are usually whipped. There are preachers today whose heads are between their knees, but not for the same reason that Elijah's was between his knees. They are whipped because their needs are not met and they don't know the way out. There is a secret. LIFT UP THAT LITTLE BOTTLE AND START POURING. God Almighty will fill the need. When the widow got through he said, "Is that all?" She said, "That's every pot and pan in the whole town." "Well," he said, "you can stop." You know, God has given us a whole lot more than we have taken, for God said in the third Epistle of John, "Beloved,



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I believe that Bible deliverance is equal for soul and body. If we believe, it will put power in our hearts. If we've got it, we'll win in these last days. Jesus Christ made men whole. They can still be made whole in Jesus' name!

Men Made Whole Bring Revivals

In Jesus' day a revival swept over the land through divine deliverance. Those who were made whole stirred the people for God. The lame as they walked and ran had a dynamic effect upon the people, turning them back to God. One of the men who was made whole

walked up to Jesus and said, "Lord, let me go with you wherever you go." He said, "No, go back and set your town on fire." And he did, he did! The demoniac paved the way for a revival when Christ would return, and the whole community turned out to welcome the Lord. Isn't that right? One delivered man, one delivered woman, is a more powerful testimony than all I'm saying tonight.

I think the healing of the impotent man, just after the day of Pentecost, reinforced the preaching of the apostles as nothing else could at that particular time.

Power in His Bones

Elisha, the double portion man, had vitalizing power in his bones. He died, because healing is in its proper place and when our times are

out we are going to be with God. (Who would want to stay when our death-day has come?) I don't know the death-date of anybody, and I don't want to know. That is for God to know. But I know that as long as we live we have a right to believe that we can be made whole in Jesus' precious name.

Elisha was buried in a certain tomb by the side of the road. One day the Moab army was coming into Israel and one of the soldiers died. They were going to bury him, but they spied a band of men coming and they had no time to dig a grave. They saw what appeared to be an open hole, and they just cast the dead soldier over into that hole. It happened to be the tomb of Elisha and his bones were there. When the dead soldier was let down upon the bones of Elisha he revived. God raised him from the dead! The double portion man had vitalizing power in his dead bones!

Elisha lived fifty years. He had a ministry far longer than Elijah's. I'll tell you that this last-day church of ours has had a longer span than the early church had. The early church did its greatest work in the first century, and partly in the second. Here we've been going all these years, and especially the last hundred years. What an opportunity we have tonight to bring the double portion of God's Spirit to a lost and suffering people!

The Lord's Healing

INFECTED GALL BLADDER HEALED

The Lord surely has been merciful and good to me. I was in much pain from infected gall bladder. Our pastor, A. W. Phillips, and his wife came and prayed with me, and God touched my side. All the pain and soreness went away. This was in February, 1948, and it has been well ever since. I praise His wonderful name. —Mrs. Edna Brumage, R. 4, Box 100, Keyser, W. Va.

(The pastor A. W. Phillips, Box 141, Orange, Virginia, states that the physician had diagnosed Mrs. Brumage's case as infected gall bladder and had hoped to build her up so an operation might be possible. He also states that she had been unable to eat certain kinds of food up to the time of her healing, but since prayer was offered she has been able to eat any food she desires.)

DRUNKARD SAVED AND HEALED

I was an awful drunkard. I would stay drunk for days at a time. When I would sober up I felt ashamed of myself, and would vow never to take another drink, but when I would get with old friends I would give in and drink again.

On Sunday night, August 29, 1948, I became very sick and was passing blood through my bowels. The next morning I began vomiting blood. Even pieces of stomach lining came out with the blood.

My doctor was called, and all my children were called home. My brothers and sisters gathered. The doctor did all he could for me, but it seemed there was no chance for me to live. I was so weak I could scarcely raise my head from the pillow. My room began to look misty. I realized I was dying and was lost,

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without God. It was then I called upon God to forgive my sins, and I asked others to pray for me.

Charles D. Ewartt, pastor of the First Assembly of God in Cleburne, and an evangelist, Brother Austin, prayed for me, and from that very hour I felt the sweet peace of God. I know that He has forgiven my sins. I could feel my strength coming back. I stopped vomiting and stopped passing blood. In three days I was out of bed.

Praise God, I don't have any desire for strong drink now. I threw away my snuff and tobacco, after using it for forty-five years. I am glad God struck me down to make me realize I was lost. I am now trying to be a good husband and father. I do thank the Lord for sparing my life and giving me a chance to begin working for Him.—C. M. Reynolds, 1107 Chase Ave., Cleburne, Texas.

(This testimony was sent to us by Mrs. F. L. Erickson, 204 S. Walnut, Cleburne, Tex., Secretary of the First Assembly, who says Brother Reynolds is now attending church regularly.)

Among the Assemblies

MIDLAND, MICH.—The Midland Assembly of God enjoyed a good revival campaign in November with Evangelist Paul May of Pontiac. A number were saved, others reclaimed. Our Sunday School attendance has continued to increase, and we are looking for God's continued blessing.—Carl E. Ladd, Pastor.

PARKIN, ARK.—We recently closed a 2½ week revival meeting at Hite's Chapel Assembly of God, Route 2, with Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Ramsey as the evangelists. Several were saved or reclaimed, and 6 or 7 received the Baptism. A number were healed. The church was greatly blessed through the ministry of Brother Ramsey and his wife.—Ernest A. Sharpe, Pastor.

CHANDLER, ARIZ.—We have had a 2-week meeting with Evangelist Terry L. Smith of Eloy. There was a great moving of the Spirit, and through the ministry of the evangelist our people were blessed and strengthened. The meetings were well attended from night to night, and God is blessing in our regular services.—J. W. Dollins, Pastor.

LONDON, KY.—A great revival meeting has just closed. There has been rejoicing in heaven and among men. It has been a revival that has accomplished much deep and lasting good. We praise God for Evangelist Paul Kauffman's rich and unusual ministry, and Mrs. Kauffman's winning messages in song. They are from Toronto, Canada.—Lyman A. Jollay, Pastor, London Gospel Tabernacle.

BETHEL, OHIO.—We recently concluded an 11-day revival meeting with Norman C. Ruppert of Dayton as the evangelist. This is a new work and it was the first revival we attempted. God graciously helped us. Two were saved and they are earnestly seeking to be filled with the Holy Ghost. Our portable tabernacle was filled a number of evenings, and everyone was blessed and encouraged. We would have continued the meetings, but our brother previously had been engaged to start a meeting elsewhere, so we were forced to close. However, the fire that was kindled is still burning, and we are anticipating great things from the Lord.—Searl Stover, Pastor.

BRISCOE, TEXAS.—We are grateful for a good meeting held here in November by Evangelist and Mrs. Bob McCutchen of Austin. Several were saved or reclaimed, and one received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Sister McCutchen did very good work with the boys and girls. We feel that much good was accomplished in the children's services, and also in the entire church.—H. C. Lonis, Pastor.

TORRANCE, CALIF.—We have just closed a 3-week meeting at the Assembly of God in this city. Evangelist and Mrs. Ralph Markey were used of God in a very precious way. The blessing of the Lord was manifested throughout the entire three weeks. Brother Markey seems to have a special ministry in praying for the sick. We are thankful for those healed, and for the goodly number of unsaved and backsliders who came to the altar.—Ida W. Sande, Pastor.

Coming Meetings

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 16 days before the date which appears upon it, all notices should reach us 18 days before that date.

WAMPUM, PA.—Dec. 29—Jan. 8; J. Lee and Myrtle Gorman, Evangelists.—E. C. Schmid, Pastor.

BESSEMER, PA.—Jan. 9, for 2 weeks; J. Lee and Myrtle Gorman, Evangelists.—E. C. Schmid, Pastor.

TURTLE CREEK, PA.—Jan. 2—23; Gay Benson of Lancaster, Evangelist.—Kenneth W. Wilkerson, Pastor.

NEWARK, N. J.—Bethel Assembly, Jan. 2—16; H. E. Hardt, York, Pa., Evangelist.—Milton T. Wells, Pastor.

WILLOWBROOK, CALIF.—Assembly of God, 1942 E. El Segundo Blvd., Dec. 29—; Bill Durbin, Evangelist.—Harold Pegg, Pastor.

CACHE, OKLA.—Jan. 2, for 2 weeks or longer; John Hart of Oklahoma City, Evangelist.—Fred Carrington, Pastor.

ST. PAUL, MINN.—St. Paul Gospel Temple, Holly Ave. and Mackubin St., Jan. 2—16; Christian Hild, Evangelist.—Ivan O. Miller, Pastor.

KLAMATH FALLS, ORE.—Assembly of God, 1746 Oak St.; Dec. 31, for 2 weeks or longer; Wayne Fagerstrom, Evangelist.—Kelsey C. Prinzing, Pastor.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—Glad Tidings Temple, Jan. 9—23; John H. Bostrom, Evangelist.—L. R. Keys, Pastor, 1451 Ellis St.

LONG BEACH, CALIF.—City and County-wide Divine Healing Campaign, Foursquare Gospel Auditorium, 2416 E. 11th St., Jan. 2—9; The Lummer Party, Evangelists. Full Gospel churches of Long Beach and surrounding area sponsoring campaign. James Adams will conduct 2:30 p.m. service; F. R. Lummer will preach and pray for the sick at 7:30 p.m., daily. For further information or room reservations contact Wm. M. Nickerson, 2416 E. 11th St., Long Beach, Calif.

MIAMI, FLA.—City-wide Tent Meeting, Jan. 7—; Oral Roberts, Evangelist. Pastor Thomas Miller and Evangel Temple, together with Pastor Orville C. Smith and Central Assembly, co-sponsors. Afternoon services in Evangel Temple, N.W. 7th Ave. and 36th St.; evening services in tent, near Central Assembly, N.W. 27th Ave. and 9th St.—Orville C. Smith.

INDIANA MINISTERS' INSTITUTE

Indiana District Ministers' Institute, Assembly of God, Main and Park Ave., Jasonville, Ind., Jan. 31—Feb. 2. Ralph M. Riggs, guest speaker. Free rooms for ministers and companions. Meals reasonably priced. Write Zella Anthony, 306 S. Park St., Host Pastor, for reservations.—Roy H. Wead, District Superintendent.

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COMPTON, CALIF.—Trinity Temple, Jan. 2—16; Carl and Edna Goodwin of Pomona, Evangelists.—J. L. Isaacs, Pastor.

MOVILLE, IOWA—Jan. 4—; Harvel L. and Mrs. Flaherty, Evangelists.—Vernon D. Fest, Pastor.

ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA.—First Assembly of God, Jan. 9—; A. L. Van Meter, Quakertown, Pa., Evangelist.—C. R. Inman, Pastor.

TERRE HAUTE, IND.—Twelve Points Assembly of God; Jan. 11, for 2 weeks or longer; Leonard E. Page, Evangelist.—Wm. C. Richardson, Pastor.

PHOENIX, ARIZ.—Southside Assembly of God, 12th and Apache Sts., Jan. 2—; Evangelist nad Mrs. Roy Mann.—L. H. Gundlach, Pastor.

MEDFORD, ORE.—Assembly of God, 11 Newton St.; Jan. 2, for 2 weeks or longer; L. H. Sheets, Portland, Ore., Evangelist.—G. O. Baker, Pastor.

GRANITE CITY, ILL.—Youth Revival, First Assembly of God Tabernacle, 24th at Grand; Jan. 16, for 2 weeks or longer; Bob Bryson and Kenny Forman of Texas, Evangelists.—Hilliard G. Griffin, Pastor.

TENNESSEE BIBLE CONFERENCE

Mid-Winter Bible Conference, Tennessee District, Faith Chapel Assembly of God, Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 25—27. G. R. Kelly, Host Pastor. Wilfred A. Brown, General Treasurer, main speaker. Accommodations furnished by the church as far as possible. W. G. White, Superintendent.—H. E. Darnell, Secretary-Treasurer, Box 385, Madison, Tenn.

MISSISSIPPI PRAYER CONFERENCE

Mississippi District Prayer Conference, Mississippi Tabernacle, 2300 W. Capitol St., Jackson, Miss., Feb. 15—16. Aaron A. Wilson of Kansas City, Mo., guest speaker. Rooms as far as possible. For information write Chas. S. Craighead, 157 Road of Remembrance, Jackson, Miss., District Secretary-Treasurer; or Jeff Gibbs, Box 52, Laurel, Miss., District Superintendent.

MID-WINTER BIBLE CONFERENCE

Mid-Winter Bible Conference, Alabama District, First Assembly of God, Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 7—9. Arthur Graves, Principal of SEBI, main speaker. First service, Monday, 7 p.m.; then services 10 a.m., 2 and 7 p.m., daily. For reservations write Pastor Carl E. Perry, 24 Polk St., Montgomery, Ala., or T. H. Spence, District Superintendent, Route 1, Pike Road, Ala.—Howard P. Trawick, District Secretary.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.—Two-week Seminar, South Central Bible College, Jan. 3—14; Ralph M. Riggs and David Burris, teachers. This seminar open to all ministers and Christian workers. For additional information write Oattie E. Gaugh, Executive Vice-President, South Central Bible College, Box 436, Hot Springs, Ark.

Convocation service at South Central Bible College evening, Jan. 17, in connection with opening of second semester of school, Ralph M. Riggs, speaker.—Oattie E. Gaugh.

SOUTHWESTERN PRAYER AND BIBLE CONFERENCE

Eleventh Annual Prayer and Bible Conference, First Assembly of God, Peak and Garland Sts., Dallas, Texas, January 18—20. Sponsored by the Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, West Texas, and Texas Districts. Monday, Fellowship Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Then 3 services daily: 10 a.m., 2 and 7:30 p.m. Closing service Thursday 10 a.m. For room reservation write Room Committee, First Assembly of God, Box 804, Dallas, Texas.—A. C. Bates.

ILLINOIS MINISTERS' INSTITUTE

The Annual Ministers' Institute of the Illinois District Council will be held at the First Assembly of God, 24th and Grand, Granite City, Ill., January 11—13. H. G. Griffin, Host Pastor. W. A. Brown, General Treasurer and A. E. Gidman, Indianapolis, Ind., guest speakers. Rooms provided for all ministers as far as possible. Applications for accommodations should be sent to Pastor H. G. Griffin, P. O. Box 125, Granite City, Ill., as soon as possible. Neighboring churches will co-operate in providing rooms.—W. R. Williamson, Superintendent.



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OHIO MINISTERS' INSTITUTE

AKRON, OHIO—Northeast Ohio Ministers' Institute, First Pentecostal Church, North Howard and York, Jan. 10—12. James Van Meter, Pastor. Speaker: John Warton, New York, N. Y.—David M. Hogan, Secretary-Treasurer, Northeast Ohio Fellowship, Elyria, Ohio.

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