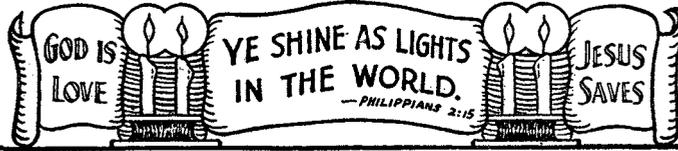


# FAITH AND VICTORY

THIS IS THE VICTORY THAT OVERCOMETH THE WORLD, EVEN OUR FAITH. — I JOHN 5:4

HAVE FAITH  
IN GOD



A PAPER  
FOR ALL  
CHRISTIANS

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## The Only Church

“What church do you belong to?” said the neighbor  
one day,  
What a pity said I, that any must say  
To a neighbor or any, what church do you own?  
When there’s only one pathway that reaches the  
throne.

Only one church that the records will show—  
Only one to gather in, If we we “gather to Shiloh.”  
Only one will identify you in your final great need—  
The one in the judgment, the Judge will give heed.

“I belong to this one,” you “belong unto that,”  
Awful pity, in the judgment you will fall down so flat  
If your name can’t be found in the one Jesus built,  
The one He died for and His blood freely spilt.

Strange, men will make creeds, for them clamor and  
rave,  
Turn down Christ’s word, His church that will save  
For the dogmas of men that steer wide the goal,  
Forsake man in his extremity and sink his poor soul.

Let us set to our seal, it is but a new birth,  
Midst all of our blessings can release us on earth—  
Can strike the right note, can touch the right chord—  
And renewing our spirit, set us stock free in the Lord.

Oh men, for Christ’s sake, why not prospect around,  
And get in the church that, in the Bible is found?  
If you hope in that day of eternal reward.  
To hear your name called by the mouth of the Lord.

And rest in His favor, from the calamity on men  
Set free from all demons and their diabolic din  
Where blessed of all ages share the bliss that is due,  
The souls of the faithful all eternity through.

Only God’s church will save you from human wreck-  
age and sin

The church that Christ built— our Lord and not man  
Only one will admit you to heaven above  
The church of the first born—of the Son of His love.  
—J. H. Pierson

## Are You A Christian, Or A Church Member?

In Acts 11:26, we read, “The disciples were called  
Christians.” The Word really is Christian, because it  
is evident that they belonged to Christ. Indeed, they  
were His very possessions. Many today call themselves  
that precious name, who are merely church members.  
Church membership apart from faith in Christ is mere-  
ly profession without possession.

The disciples were Christians in the true sense of  
the word. They had received Christ as their personal  
Savior and were saved, twice born, of the water and of  
the Spirit. Many today who claim to be Christians  
merely because their name is on the Church Register  
are just Church members. There is a vast difference  
in belonging to man’s church and belonging to Christ.

“And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man  
was born in her; and the Highest himself shall establish  
her. The Lord shall count, when he writeth up the peo-  
ple, that this man was born there. Selah. (Psa. 87:6-7.)  
Zion here is a reference to the church of God. God’s  
own church, which is established in heaven and on earth.  
God puts the members in the Body (Church) as He sees  
fit. As soon as we repent and except Jesus Christ as  
our personal Savior, we become a member of Zion or  
a member of God’s Church. Salvation puts us in the  
Church of God and nothing can put us out of the Church  
but sin. But not so with man-made organizations or  
churches. In man-made organizations man takes the  
privilege of putting you out of his organization or church.  
But man cannot put you out of God’s own church, no-  
thing can put you out of the Church of God but sin.

—R. H. Freeman.

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## Which Church?

“Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots.” Jer. 13:23.

Nay, never! because nature has made them thus. Neither can man change the Church from its original state because it is a divine institution. “Of Zion (Church) it shall be said, this and that man was born in her: and the highest himself shall establish her.” Psa. 87:5. “Upon this Rock I will build my Church.” Matt. 16:18. Christ declared the fact that it is of divine origin and built upon—

### A SURE FOUNDATION

Man was not the foundation as some would have us believe. The foundation is the revelation from God that Jesus is the Christ the Son of God. “For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.” 1 Cor. 3:11. “And are built upon the foundation of apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone.” Eph. 2:20.

### AND ARE NAMED

From Isaiah 62:2 we read: “And thou, Zion (Church) shall be called by a new name which the mouth of the Lord shall name.”

Several centuries later, recognizing the fulfillment of this prophecy under the new covenant, the apostle Paul in his epistles unto the different congregations designated them—the Church of God. 1 Cor. 1:2, 10:32, 15:9; Gal. 1:13; 1 Tim. 3:5. Also as recorded in Acts 20:28, speaking unto the Church at Jerusalem, termed “IT,” the church of God, which He, the Lord purchased with his own blood.”

### IT IS FOR THE REDEEMED OF THE LORD

Isaiah 62:12. “I will seek out my sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day.” Ezek. 34:12. “That there be one fold, and one shepherd.” John 10:16.

Being scattered in that dark night of apostasy and superstition that plunged the world into spiritual darkness—forcing the woman (Church) into the wilderness (obscurity) unto her place, where she is nourished for a time, times and half a time,” 1260 years. Rev. 12:14. But thanks be to God, the saints are now being sought out by the Holy Spirit and placed into the one fold, through:

### JESUS CHRIST, THE DOOR

“I am the door, by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out and find pasture.” John 10:9. It is He, “that openeth and no man shutteth, and shutteth and no man openeth.” (Rev. 3:7.)

### AND GOD ADDED UNTO THE CHURCH

“Daily such as were saved.” (Acts 2:47.)

The Palmist said we who are born into her, which birth is brought about by entering the door (Jesus Christ) through faith. “By grace are ye saved through faith.” (Eph. 2:3.) “Ye must be born again.” (John 3:7.)

### THEN ABIDE BY THE LAW!

“The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul.” (Psalms 19:7.) “The law shall go forth from Zion (Church of God) and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.” (God’s people.) (Isa. 2:3.)

This prophecy according to the context has to do with the time of the end. Therefore the perfect law,

(doctrine and unity) that which converts the soul is now going forth from the Church of God and the testimony of the Lord (entire sanctification) from her devotees. The experience of holiness—Baptism of the Holy Ghost, unifying God’s people enables them to distinguish the true Church and heed the warning and answer the call of Rev. 18:2-4.

### COME OUT OF HER MY PEOPLE

Having left Babylon, (confusion) the Elect recognize the New Testament, and that only, as a sufficient discipline for the government of the Body, thus:

### EMBRACING HER FUNDAMENTALS

1. Justification by repentance and emersion in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
2. Entire sanctification, or baptism of Holy Ghost by the blood of Christ and the power of God.
3. All the Ordinance as instituted by the Lord.
4. Healing for the body, included in the atonement.
5. Spiritual phase of the Church to be governed by the Holy Spirit.
6. Unity and oneness of all Christians.
7. Return of Christ for Bride (Church) and the end of the world. Even so, Come Lord Jesus.

—Orie F. Jones.

### THE FAMILY OF GOD

We read in Eph. 3:14, that “For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named.” We see that part of God’s family is in heaven and part are here on earth. There are no half brothers or sisters in this family, we have the same father and mother.

Let us read in Rom. 7:4, “Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.” So we see that Jesus is the husband. Now turn to Gal. 4:26, “But Jerusalem which is above, is free, which is the mother of us all.” This Jerusalem is the New Covenant, the Church, or the Bride of Christ. We have become dead to the old law, or Old Covenant and become alive in Christ. We are born of the Spirit and become the children of the New Covenant, for which Christ shed His blood to redeem us from under the law and set us free in Christ Jesus.

Christ has only one Bride or Church, and every child that is born into the family of God becomes brethren. There is no other way, God has only one way and there is only one way to get into the family of God, and that is by Jesus Christ. John saw this coming down out of heaven. “And I, John, saw this New Jerusalem, new covenant, or the Church of God coming down out of heaven.” It is the same Jerusalem which Paul was speaking of in Gal. 4:26.

Now in this world we see families that the children are half brothers and sisters and sometimes the parents have other companions of which is contrary to the word of God. “For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband.” (Romans 7:2.) We understand by this verse of scripture, that a woman is free to marry again

only if her husband be dead, but if her husband is living she is still bound to him by the law of God. So when Christ came, He fulfilled the old law to a letter. He said, "Not one jot or tittle should pass from the law until all be fulfilled." When He hung on the cross in dying agony He said, "It is finished." In other words the law is fulfilled and now the new law, or New Covenant will take an effect. 'Twas then the law became dead to us by the body of Christ. When he arose and ascended on high, the City came down as a Bride adorned for her husband. The glory of His power filled all the house, they were married to Christ and brought forth three-thousand souls that day and they travailed in pain for more children to be born. They were legitimate children as Christ had purchased her, his wife, with his own blood. In Acts 4:4 we read where five-thousand, all brothers and sisters filled with the Holy Ghost, rejoicing that more were being born. Seeing the wonderful works of God, new born babes shouting and praising the Father.

Finally the time came when other women, or creeds came in and wanted to be recognized as part of the Bride of Christ. But they wanted to eat their own bread, wear their own apparel, and be called by his name just to take away their reproach. Oh, let us wear the name of the Church of God, but we will teach a thousand year millennial, we will teach there is no use to keep the ordinance, we will teach that you can join any church you desire to. Dear ones, this is not the family of God; the family of God is an exclusive family, just one Father and one Mother, one Church, and no other. There aren't as many true children as there are illegitimate children, for we read in Gal. 4:27; Isa. 54:1, "Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband." The true Church of God is His Holy Bride and we see that there are not many getting real salvation these days, but thousands are joining themselves with the desolate.

Dear reader, it is time that you awake and see what the Church really is. It is not every building that bears the name of the Church of God, but it is every person who lives a pure clean life, free from sects, creeds, strife, selfishness, and idols. Free from sin of all kind, teaching and practicing the full Word of God. The family of God, love and care for each other, and spend their money to carry on the work of God because they belong to God, and all they have belong to Him. The family of God has all things in common, the preachers preach and practice unity of the spirit and faith, divine healing, baptism by emersion. Also, they teach and practice foot washing, and the Lord's supper, just as Jesus taught the same night He was betrayed.

Christ also taught us to go on to perfection not laying again a foundation of repentance. We are taught to present our bodies, a living sacrifice, holy, or fully, not holding one thing in reverse to ourselves. We should be completely given up to Christ for time and eternity, just be used as He sees fit and live to glorify our father and mother, Jesus Christ and the Church, or the New Jerusalem. We see many people carry the name Holiness or Church of God, yet they do not carry the marks and sufferings of Jesus, neither do they follow in His

steps.

"They have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, that can hold no water." (Jer. 2:13.)

We, as the children of the most high are willing to live and abide by every word of God.

Your Brother in all the truth,

—W. I. Miles.

## The Church Of God

"And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter: and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." (Matt. 16:18.)

I want you to notice that Jesus said, "I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against IT." Designating that there is only "One" body of Christ and He is the head. We find that the prophets spoke of the coming of Christ of God. Isaiah spoke of the coming of Jesus in many places. Isaiah 28:16 tells about the corner stone that starts the church. Notice that this stone is tried, precious and sure. So we see that the Church had a good start. Now we notice that Jesus is not all the Church, nor is He all the foundation. (Eph. 2:19-22.) This shows us that the apostles were a part of the foundation. If Jesus could not have found anyone with whom He could entrust the mystery of the gospel, or who had faith sufficient to accept Him as the Son of God, He would have had to wait until a later date or not have any church at all. But God saw that the time was at hand and although some would reject Him and crucify Him, yet there would be enough of the faithful few for His kingdom to be established in the earth. (Dan. 2:44, 45; 7: 13-18.)

The Kingdom of God did not come before John the Baptist, nor at his coming, but when Jesus was born. John only preached of the kingdom, as in Luke 16:16. Many people believed John and were made ready to receive the king when He appeared.

Jesus was born as King of the Jews, but was rejected, as it tells in Acts 4:11. However we find that those that rejected and set Him at naught went right on building as they do today. There are many Churches today, with many foundations, and all of them claiming that Christ is the head of their body. Is Christ divided? Isaiah 4:1 speaks of this. He says, "Why call me Lord and do not the things that I say?" (Luke 6: 46.)

While Jesus was with the disciples, He gave them power to do His works, with authority in the Kingdom as in Luke 9:1, 2. However, He knew that He was going to be killed, resurrected, and ascend to the Father, so He promised them another comforter. (John 14; Luke 24:49) tells of the promise and where they should wait to receive it. Acts 2:1-4 tells about when the Spirit was sent from God. If the disciples need this power in order to make a good foundation for the church, then we must have the same power to make a good church. As a child has received life from its mother, to have life, so we must have life from God to be born again. (1 Peter 2:1-6.) Acts 20:28 and other scriptures tell the name of the "Church" so we need not be confused along this line.

—Earl Laughlin.

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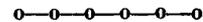
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## Editorials

"Thanks be unto God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." The Lord is blessing our souls in the printing work and encouraging our hearts to do all we can in getting this precious truth to the souls of men. If those who are sending offerings here to keep the tracts and papers going out could see the continual calls and response from the office with tracts, papers and booklets together with letters, which are sent out daily, they would be encouraged and would know that their labors and sacrifices were not in vain. There are some dear souls that will reap great reward for their sacrifice of love service in getting the clean gospel to men.



It is hard to estimate the value that God places upon His dear humble Saints. People generally value things by what they cost, and when we think of what it cost heaven to purchase us, we can readily see that the cost was exceedingly great as Jesus, who suffered and died for us, was the brightest jewel of heaven, the only begotten Son of God, and therefore we, being born of the Water of Life, and the Spirit of God, are the "Beloved of the Father, heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ." (Rom. 8:17.) "We are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that we should show forth the praises of Him who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light." (1 Peter 2:9.) "We have been made rich by Jesus becoming poor." (2 Cor. 8:9.) We are the "Household of faith." (Gal. 6:10.) "The family of God." (Eph. 3:15.) "The New Jerusalem." (Rev. 21:2.) "The city of God." (Heb. 12:22.) "The Kingdom of God." (Heb. 12:28.) "Mount Zion." (Heb. 12:22.) "The house of God, which is the Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth." (1 Tim. 3:15.) "An habitation of God through the spirit." (Eph. 2:22.) "We are fitly framed together." (Eph. 2:21.) "Knitted together." (Col. 2:2, 19.) "Tempered together." (1 Corinthians 12:24.) "Set and fitted together." (1 Cor. 12:18.) "Raised up together, and made to sit together." (Eph. 2:6.) "Resurrected and joined together." (1 Thess. 4:17.) "And will ascend up together, and shall continue with the Lord always together."

Brethren and Sisters, let us not forget what manner of folks we are, for the inheritance is exceedingly great, far too great to trifle with and lose our birth right. Keep yourself and all your possessions at His good pleasure, and will. God created man for His own pleasure, and glory and if He is not getting pleasure and glory out of your life, you are failing God. Failing to fulfill the purpose that He created you for. If God has prospered you with perishable riches, show faith in God in love for perishing souls, and be liberal to help the cause of God along and the extension of the gospel to the many darkened souls. How dare any one to claim to be sanctified wholly, and at the same time withholding possessions and means from the work of God.

Read in the latter part of the 9th chapter of 2 Cor. and see what God's Word says about giving. Brethren and sisters, let us measure our lives to all the word of God.

Brother Willie Murphey is operating a linotype for the "Masonic Orphan Home" printing shop here in this city, and they recently purchased and installed a new linotype which cost about \$4,600. I have been thinking what a blessing it would be to the work of God here at the "Lord's Print Shop," if He would install a new linotype in "His Shop," as the old one has been used so much that it needs to be replaced by a new one very badly. I was speaking to someone about it the other day and telling them how that the Lord owned the cattle on a thousand hills, and was much more able to install a new linotype in "His Shop" than the Masons, for He is far richer than all the Masons. It was suggested that He could not get folks to let loose, sell, and give as He would want them too. I am persuaded that God has people who profess to be His dear children, that could easily place a machine in the "Lord's Print Shop," and would have treasure in heaven where thieves could not break through and steal. A linotype machine is one of the most important factors in a print shop. We are asking God to install a new linotype in "His Print Shop" here at Guthrie. Will you be agreed in prayer with us?



The doctrine of, "Once in grace, always in grace" is harmful and deceitful to many, yes, very many precious souls, as many are overcome by Satan, and backslidden in heart because of believing this theory they think that there is a spark in their soul somewhere, and somehow they will be entitled to go to heaven. They go on through life professing, only to reap bitterness, weeping and much sadness in the end, on the judgment day.

Peter backslid when he cursed and swore that he did not know the Lord, but his faith did not fail him, and he went out and wept bitterly, and repented, and was restored and forgiven. Judas, by transgression, fell and was never restored or forgiven, as he had sinned against the Holy Ghost, he had committed a sin that would not be forgiven in this life or the world to come.

Paul, in telling the Galatian brethren of their backsliding, said, "My little children, of whom I travail in birth again, until Christ be formed in you." Christ could not be formed in them again unless they had lost Him out. In the fifth chapter and fourth verse of Gal., he tells them plainly that, "Ye are fallen from grace." There is a sin that one can commit that will not be forgiven. You read about it in the sixth chapter of Hebrews, and it has reference to willful transgression after they have tasted of the heavenly gift, and they do despite unto the Spirit of grace. There are a few that get into this condition, and there are a host of poor souls that transgress through temptation and fall away, and go on in a sinful state, traveling the broad way to destruction because they have been taught to believe that doctrine of, "Once in grace, always in grace."

We find in Ezekiel 18:24, and also in the 26th verse, how that when the righteous turns from his righteousness, he will die in his sin. Also read Ezek. 33: 33; 3: 20.

The whole Bible is filled with warnings and exhortations against backsliding and falling away.

The "Lord's Print Shop" is in need of a young man to operate the linotype, and to do "make-up" and press work. If the Lord is talking to any young man's heart for this work, please write to us about it. The principal qualification for this work is to have a real experience of Bible salvation with fairly good education and a willingness to endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

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**OBITUARIES**

Clarice A. Robart, born in Dubuque, Iowa, July 19, 1865. Passed away at her home, 928 15th Ave., So., March 1, 1938. Age: 62 years, 7 months, and 12 days.

Surviving are her husband: John J., One daughter: Mrs. C. F. Wohlrobe of Edina, Minnesota; 1 son: Thomas E. Robart, of Flint, Michigan; 2 sisters: Mrs. Charlotte Donders of Oak Park, Chicago, Illinois, and Mrs. Rose Woerderhoff of Omaha, Nebraska; 2 brothers; George Muekel of Spirit Lake, Iowa, and Francis L. Muekel of Minneapolis, Minn.; and three grand-children.

She was a minister in the Church of God, Minneapolis, member of League of Minn. Poets, and Iowa State Group of Poets. She has made her home in Minneapolis the past 21 years. Burial will be in Crystal Lake Cemetery in the spring when the frozen ground is thawed out.

Sister Robart was well known in different states as she has been in the ministry for many years. She was loved and respected by many and will be greatly missed from the circle of her friends and loved ones. Bro. Robart has sorrow of heart by the sudden passing away of his much loved wife. She suffered a stroke of paralysis and could not talk for several days before she passed away. Her hope was in God whom she had fervently served.

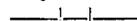
Funeral services were held in the "Enger Funeral Home," in Minneapolis, Minn. and were conducted by Fred Pruitt of Guthrie, Okla. The text of scripture used was Psalms 146:5. "Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God." A large audience gathered in for the services and the Lord blessed and gave out the blessed truth to those present. There are a few Saints at Minneapolis, and we had services several nights and over Sunday before I returned home.

May God comfort the hearts of those who have suffered the loss of Sister Robart. By living faithful they can meet her some day.



Bobby Edward, little son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Madden, was born Jan. 7, 1935, and passed away Jan. 15, 1938.

Bobby was very sick more than three months when God saw fit to remove him from this world to a better one. He left to miss so much his smiling face, his father, mother, six brothers and one sister. May God comfort them. He was laid to rest in the cemetery at Newalla, Okla. Funeral services by O. B. Wilson.



Mrs. Nettie Ziegel Blue Crawford, was born Jan. 1, 1906, and passed away Feb. 6, 1938, age 32 years, 1 month and 5 days. We found her sick abed last fall,

and worked and prayed with her until she passed away, and we feel that her peace was made with God, as she seemed to enjoy God's service so much.

She anxiously awaited the Saint's visit and always manifested, a humble Christlike spirit, and we feel that we can say, "Rest on." She leaves to mourn her loss, one son, her husband, a mother, sisters and brothers. Funeral texts: Job, 14:1; and 3:17-19. —Katherine Key.

Laura Myers from Big Rapids was born October 12, 1860 in Wood County, Ohio, and departed this life March 16, 1938, age 77 years, 5 months, 4 days. She was married to Samuel Richard on November 13, 1888. To this union 2 sons and 3 daughters were born. 1 son and 1 daughter passed before she did.

She accepted Jesus as her Saviour in 1892, and has remained true and faithful since that time. She leaves to mourn her departure; her husband, 1 son, Clyde of this city and 2 daughters, Clara Green of Lansing and Cora Dehn of Belding; 17 grand children and 1 great grand child.

Funeral services were conducted by Bro. C. Brandt. Text, Rev. 14:13 and Psa. 17:15. —C. Brandt.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Sister Nora Cayle of Tenn. has been afflicted with nervous troubles for many years. Doctors say there is no cure. It has afflicted her eyes so much that she has not been able to read for nine years. Pray through for her.

Remember Bro. Earl M. Brown's little girl in prayer as she is afflicted with very bad tonsils and her body is being poisoned.

Pray earnestly for Inez Dalton of Pulaski, Va., as she is sorely afflicted in body and has the care of four children and aged parents and seems to have no support. She has pleaded earnestly for the saints to ask God to help her in this awful trial and afflictions.

Sister Florence Burris of Low Wassie, Mo. has been afflicted and in bed for about a month and seems to get no better. She asks the saints every where to pray for her healing.

Mrs. Cora Uitmey of Ind. is afflicted with a blood issue for six years, is nervous and loosing her eyesight. Please pray earnestly for her.

Pray for Mrs. Maggie Jones who has been sick for several months. Pray for Sister Murdock's daughter for both soul and body.

Pray for Mrs. Elizabeth Hamrick to be healed of rheumatism and Mrs. Graham to be healed of T. B. She has three children and is certainly needed in her home.

Pray that God will save Gertrude Conrad of W. Va. and also her husband, she asks the saints to pray for them.

Pray for Perlie Mae Brown of Bellville, Texas who is afflicted with a tumor. Pray for her mother who is suffering with rheumatism and is unsaved.

Sister Marler of Mo. writes that the woman whose mind was poor and the saints prayed for her, is much better. She asks prayer for a brother that has stomach trouble for a long time and also a sister that has the dropsy. Pray for sister Marler for her hearing to be

restored.

Wanted—Book, entitled, Cleansing of the Sanctuary." Any one having this book for sale, please write to W. A. McCoy, W. 3rd and Upland Ave., Dayton, Ohio.

Bro. W. T. Tomlin of 1030 S. 25th St., Kansas City, Kansas wants the book entitled, "Revelation Explained."

#### ASSEMBLY MEETING NOTICE

The Church of God, Annually assembly at Chillicothe, Ohio will begin April the 17th (Easter Sunday).

Those coming will please bring bedding. The Meeting house is four miles south and west of Chillicothe. At Court house take Highway 23 to Puoil Station, turn to right on 772; (Huntington Pike) come two miles; turn to left one mile. Our home is across the road from Church building. This place is called "Liberty Hill."

All are welcome to this meeting.

John and Lula Strong,  
Chillicothe, Ohio. R. 7

#### CAMP-MEETING NOTICE

The General Southern Camp-meeting of the Church of God will be held on the Saint's camp grounds here at Hammond, La. beginning July 1 to continue over two Sundays, or until July 10. This gives an opportunity to attend here and the National Camp-meeting at Monark Springs, Mo. also. More particulars later.

There will be a Campmeeting of the Church of God held at Tulsa, Oklahoma beginning July the first and last until the 17th. We will have 9 days' meeting in June starting June 22 in the tent before our Campmeeting. One service in the day and every night we will have one or more ministers with us.

Bring your straw ticks and bedding; straw will be furnished to all. This meeting will be run on the free will offering plan. Come praying for a good meeting.

For further information write to Brother Sam Barton, R. F. D. 3, Box 680; or Bro. B. J. Douglas, 1602 N. Peora, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Seminole, Okla. Dear Brother and Sister Pruitt: This is from Sister Miller. I am still saved and trusting in the Lord each day and have felt so good since you prayed for me some time ago, the burden left me and my children have got the victory over old Satan, the Devil, I am so glad.

Remember me in your prayers.

Yours saved Sister in Christ, —Annie Miller.

Shawnee, Okla. Dear Brother and Sister Pruitt: My husband sent in a request for prayer for me, and I am glad to report victory. The Lord healed me on Sunday, February, 20. My brother is also much improved.

We thank the Lord for all His benefits and find the Lord and the Saints a present help in every time of need.

We appreciate your prayers in our behalf and trust that you will continue to pray for us. We will not forget to pray for you and the gospel work.

With love, your Sister, —Mrs. Rada Watkins.

## The National Camp Meeting

Bro. John Strech writes me that they have been working now for some time on the dining hall for the National Camp meeting. He says that they have the hall built up to the plates and have used about all that has been sent in for the building. I believe that every congregation ought to make an offering for this dining hall and individuals do all the Lord lays on your heart so this work will not be hindered but can be done while help is available. We are expecting this to be the greatest and best Camp meeting ever held by the true children of God. Saved men and women are an "Habitation of God through the Spirit." Eph. 2:22 They are the "Family of God" Eph. 3:15. They are the "House of God" and the "Church of God" 1 Tim. 3:15. They are joined together, knitted together, tempered together, Framed together, and are raise up together and made sit together in heavenly places. God places the members in the body as it pleases Him. Let each member abide in Him and function freely and properly in their respective places in the Church which is His Body.

Send your offerings for the National Camp meeting building program to Bro. John Strech, R. 5, Neosho, Mo.

### To the readers of Faith and Victory:

As we are receiving some letters asking what we mean by "Representative Ministers," which we mentioned in our meeting notice. These eight Brethren were chosen because of their geographical location to answer questions concerning the National Camp-meeting. They also represent the true Church of God, free from compromise or rank fanaticism. Ministers who are in either extreme would not feel free in the pulpit. We want all God called and sent ministers who preach all the Truth to come and be free in the Lord —G. E. Harmon.

### Newcastle, Ind. Greetings to the Saints:

We report victory in Jesus' Name. Since we returned from the assembly meeting at Guthrie, we have been busy for the Lord here with the home congregation.

We began a meeting with the congregation here on February 13th, and it is still in progress, starting the fourth week. Bro. Earl Brown was with us for three days of the first week. There have been 18 prayed through to definite victory, several sanctified, and others at the altar for prayer. Our God is still saving souls, sanctifying, and healing as in days of yore and calling men out of sectism and strife.

We are very glad to hear of the progress and plans for the national camp-meeting; also for the stand which the ministers have taken. Nevertheless, we want to be certain that none of God's true ministers are crushed or held away. Neither should we be too quick to say that our brothers and sisters, who have been discouraged and have seen discouraging things, are compromising, but every true humble minister, who loves the truth, should come with an open heart to be submissive to the Spirit of God, and God's true ministers.

May God's blessings rest upon all of God's true ministers and co-workers with the Saints.

Your Bro. and Sister,

—T. Z. Lawson.

## LOVE

Love is the strongest tie that binds. This world was once wrapped in sin and lavished in crime and idolatry, when death reigned and left the world without hope, and in despair. To return and regain what they had lost by living in sin was an impossibility. John, the beloved disciple, saw the sad condition of man; he wept much because he could see no way in which man could return to God.

Then an angel spoke to him and said, "Weep not, behold the lion of the tribe of Juda hath prevailed. God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16.)

So we see that it was only through love, that man was brought back in touch with heaven again.

So man without love, is without God, and is drifting, sadly drifting, take the motherly love from the child, that is brought into this world, it would soon drift into the awful state of savagery.

Love is the only tie that holds the world together. The world today is making desperate efforts to unite and stand together, by joining labor unions, fraternal orders, sect churches, and other institutions that are sought out and organized by man; even the solemn duty and obligation in matrimony is not kept when love ceases to be. So the only way that man can unite and stand together is to accept Christ and cease to live to ourselves or for ourselves.

Paul says that the love of Christ constrains us. My prayer is that the church be more filled with the Spirit of Christ, and have an eye single to His glory; then there will be no "isms" and sins in the body. Paul in writing to the Romans says, "Love worketh no ill to his neighbor, therefore Love is the fulfilling of the law."

Your Brother seeking more of God's love,

—R. M. Porter.

### "HOME SWEET HOME"

Home, if it is what God intended it to be, is a paradise on earth. I have known some homes that were almost a hell on earth. As little as we think about it, home was intended to be the crowning or last step to perfect happiness in a sinless life. Happiness in the home depends on having God there to rule and abide. A Christian home depends on Christian marriage—a home where Christ is first in everything. If all saints would obey God in marrying "only in the Lord" there would be more happy homes. It is foolish and dangerous for Christians to marry unsaved people. Those who do it sin against God and makes sure of much trouble. Some have thus married thinking they will get him or her saved, but it nearly always goes the other way. And the result of such unwise marriages is an unhappy home. The next thing is a divorce. The devil steps in and helps fix up the papers, which is usually like this: "Extreme cruelty, incompatibility," etc. The sad part of it is, in some cases, there are little innocent children to grieve for mamma or papa, and thus an awful sin is committed against the innocent. We have heard

this: "Oh, well, I'll marry again and make them a better home."

Dear reader, I must warn you on the authority of God's Word, that when you so disregard God's word, you have just added another sin to the catalog of sins to be repented of or be barred out of Heaven. There is only one cause given in the Word of God for putting away a companion; that is for "fornication." Mat. 19: 9. And that does not say one may marry again.

In some places there are nearly as many divorces as marriages. The sacred marriage vow is soon forgotten, then dissension, jealousy, suspicion, or even hate turned the marital cup into gall, and the anticipated love into ashes. Drinking, unfaithfulness, and brutality play their part in these home tragedies, and God only knows the many, many souls forever lost because of the above condition.

Marriage is a sacred institution of God. So when there is trouble in the home, He should be the first One to go to for advice, instead of a lawyer, and O how good the result. Sorrow gives place to joy, grief to happiness. The home is saved, God will bless that home. The innocent children will bless you, dear father and mother, when shame, disgrace and dishonor are all under the blood.

In conclusion, just a few scriptures to prove my statements. "If her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; **only in the Lord.**" 1 Cor. 7:39. "Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers." 2 Cor. 6:14-18. If home is "dearest place on earth, the nearest place to heaven," it must be a place where there is harmony between husband and wife. Human love is good, but it takes more than human love to perfect true happiness in the home.

The writer has had sixty years of a happy home. Happiness was perfected in that home when Christ came in to abide and govern. And O we miss that home, for she has gone to a happier Home above. I'll meet her there.

Yours, for a happy home, —G. E. Harmon.

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## Where Are You Walking?

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The Gospel Trumpet people once walked by the Word, but they lived their day and speaking in a general sense have gone into sect Babylon as all other religious bodies have done before them. Instead of winning souls out of Babylon, they first friend-shipped Babylon, then fellow-shipped her by accepting titles such as Reverend and Doctor of Divinity and also drifted into worldly conformity having a hireling ministry, far away from the truth as we have it in God's word, and as Bro. D. S. Warner was inspired to teach it. There are a number of old ministers that once heralded forth the precious word of God against Babylon. It was inspiring and really uplifting to hear them. But today they have joined arms with the image of the beast, going down the worldly religious path together, having left the OLD PATH. I pray God will yet cause them to see their utter helplessness, and return back to the unchangeable word of God and put righteousness to the line and judg-

ment to the plummet, gathering souls out of Babylon into the oneness of God to walk with Christ.

"He that walketh with wise men shall be wise." (Prov. 13:20.) "Can two walk together except they be agreed?" (Amos 3:3.) "If we walk in the light as He (God) is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son cleanses us from all SIN." (I John 1:7-)

"But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, and many shall follow their pernicious ways, by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of." (II Peter 2:1-2.)

"Mark them (or take note of them) which cause divisions and offenses contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned, and AVOID them." (Romans 16:17). Do not go to their meetings when you know they have departed from the truth. St. Paul says to avoid them. They have left the old path; they have forsaken the way of truth; for they that are such, serve not the Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple. (Rom. 16:13.)

"Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of the Lord Jesus Christ that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." (1 Cor. 1:10.)

And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy upon the Israel of God. (Galatians 6:16.) "For we are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." (Eph. 2:10.)

"But now in Christ Jesus ye who were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ, for He is our peace who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us." (Eph. 2:13, 14.) "That we might be agreed and walk together, and walk in love as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us an offering and sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savor." (Ephesians 5:2.) Nevertheless, whereunto we have already attained let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same things. For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you, even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ. Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things." (Phil. 3:16-19.)

Let us walk in the light of the word, and we will be agreed in the same. He that is of God heareth God's word. James says, "Be not hearers of the word only, but be ye doers of the word." All real doers of the word do agree on it. They are one as Jesus prayed they should be. (John 17:21.) And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ." (II Thes. 3:5.) When we all mind the same rule we will not only flow together in one spirit, but we will flow together and walk together, and we will be ONE, YES, ONE IN CHRIST, see alike, believe alike and teach alike. The Holy Ghost is not divided.

—J. J. Robart.

# « Young People's Section »

## Bells of Easter

Ring them out! glad bells of Easter,  
On that glorious Easter day;  
Angels came to His sepulchre,  
And they rolled the stone away.

Ring them out! glad bells of Easter,  
He the bonds of death did break;  
Every smiling blossom tells us,  
He is risen for our sake.

Ring them out! glad bells of Easter,  
Every bird on leafy spray  
Helps us to proclaim the message—  
Christ the Lord arose this day.

Ring them out! glad bells of Easter,  
Sound the news from shore to shore  
Jesus rose a mighty victor,  
Lives and reigns forevermore.

Ring them out! glad bells of Easter,  
A new life to us He'll bring  
Tell the news to all creation,  
Let the bells of Easter ring.  
—Bessie Metcalf.

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## Editorials

There is only one genuine life insurance policy. All other so-called life insurance policies which deal with material benefits does not and can not insure your life here or hereafter. Webster defines the word "insure—to make sure or secure." This cannot be done by any man or company of men; it is beyond their power. Yet there is One who is able to assure you of everlasting life if you will meet the terms of the contract. Physical death will come to all, but that is merely a door of entrance into a greater and fuller life if that genuine insurance policy is in force at the time of our departure. God's Word describes this policy and states the terms. Reader, you can have this policy in full force if you are willing to pay the price. Christ says: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my sayings, he shall never see death." Again He says, "I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

Sin is the only thing that bars people from eternal life. You will have to quit the sin business, forsake it, repent and accept Christ's blood as an atonement for the remission of your sins. The Word says: "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God

is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. But now being made free from sin, and become the servants of God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life." Rom. 6:22-23. You may have a knowledge of this change from death to life, for a scripture says "We know we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren." Love is the propelling force in the Christian's life, for "God is love."

This genuine life insurance policy covers everything. There is no need of any other kind of policy whatsoever. In this unique policy there is a clause providing for the supply of temporal needs in this life. It reads thus: "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." This policy also specifies healing for the body, comfort in sorrow, joy the world cannot give, peace that passeth understanding, a glorified body, joint heir with Christ, and immortality in a heavenly world without end. Can you think of any better benefits than these?

Reader, you cannot afford to be without this policy. Drop all counterfeits and seek the Lord. He is pleading and anxiously waiting for you to come and enter into a perpetual covenant with Him.

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The people of the world are waging war. The people of God should wage peace.

—L. D. P.

Adair, Okla. Dear Young Readers:

How is it with your soul? Are you striving to please the Master with your whole mind, strength, etc.

I sometimes wonder what has become of our young Saints, such few testimonies in the paper, such a few coming out to the Saint's gathering. My heart aches when I see this neglected. Old Saints go to meeting when they can hardly walk a block, and some are too tired to keep awake. Time is so short and people are getting more careless. When they are isolated they cry for the meeting of Saints, and when the gospel is brought to their door, they are too tired. My heart is so heavy thinking about the neglected souls. Will some be too careless or too tired to step over the threshold of heaven's door? I fear there will be many who will be so near, yet miss it all in the end. May we let the gospel stir our hearts, be diligent, and please don't neglect your never dying soul.

There is much I would like to write, but can't find words to express the feeling of my soul.

My soul is satisfied in Jesus and I find everything in Him. I need not go to this vain world for pleasures or treasure. My mind is stayed on God, praise the Lord for a satisfying portion.

May we seek to please God rather than man. Let us keep our mind and affections on Jesus. "Time is short. Let those who have wives live as though they

had none, those who are weeping as if not weeping, those who are rejoicing, as if they were not rejoicing, those who buy as if not possessing. O those who use the good things of this world as using them sparingly; for this world as we see it is passing away. I want you to be free from anxiety. The unmarried man is anxious about the Master's cause, desiring to please Him; while the married man is anxious about worldly matters."

We should live as though we had nothing but heaven in view, not be hindered by our loved ones. My opinion is, that young people should not seek companionship, let the Lord do it for you, you don't know how to choose anyhow. He said that He would supply all our needs, so if we need a companion, God will send one and they will be just right too. Too many young Christians have done the choosing themselves and the outcome isn't so good. I mean they are not spiritual, but neglectful about their souls. In so many cases one or the other backslides.

May the Lord bless you and stir your zeal for the Lord is my prayer.

Your Sister in the Lord, —Selma Hiebert.

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Glendale, Calif. Dear Young People:

I've heard from quite a few of you, so will take this way of answering. I wish more of you would write to us, through the Young People's page. When I receive the paper, I look at this part first, anxious to hear from some of you. I love you all and am interested in your welfare.

This leaves us all well and thankful for His many blessings. He has blessed our home with a darling little baby and we are thankful for him. We named him Vernon William. We want to raise him for the Lord.

My husband is still working at the newspaper office, and we are still very much in love with each other.

I am also thankful to the Lord that He still keeps me saved. How we do lean upon Him and trust Him. He is the rock of our salvation. When we lean on Him, He is steady, solid, and holds us firm. Then we need not be afraid of the wiles of the devil. It makes no difference how he may howl or sweep down upon us, he cannot move us, because we are on the Rock. Doesn't that give you boldness and comfort to know you are saved as long as you are on the rock? Then when we are on the rock, we can stand like a rock in the billows. Nothing can harm us. Then why are we afraid? Why don't we boldly proclaim our love for the Lord. The devil bothered me with timidity for a long time, but since I have seen so much ungodliness in the world, I'm glad I have Jesus to keep me from such wickedness, that I am glad to tell what He has done for me and consequently have gotten victory over timidity. The devil is working hard for our souls, so we must be careful and watchful.

May the Lord bless each one of you with both spiritual and temporal things. I would like to hear from all of you Young People through this page, even if it is only a few lines. So I will close with Christian love to all.

—Mrs. Marie Pruitt—Miles.

Rutherford, N. Mex. Greetings to all the Saints in the name of our Lord:

My trust is still in the Lord, and by His grace this is my testimony:

"God is my strength  
When battle is waging,  
And devils are raging:  
Tho, waters rise o'er me,  
Tho' mounts stand before me,  
In Jesus, my Lord, I will trust."

His ways are just and right, and I thank Him for the lessons which He has taught me, though some of them were hard ones.

Recently, in a time of doubt and fear, the devil kept telling me to give up and then I could get saved again sometime. The Lord encouraged me to press on by giving me this dream:

I was walking near the top of a snow covered mountain, when I got too near the edge of a precipice, lost my balance and fell into a snow filled pit. I lay helpless in the cold deep place; but in answer to my cries for help, a hand reached down and lifted me to a path which led to the top of the mountain. I started to climb, but the way was dangerous and slippery. I began to doubt my ability to get to the top, then my feet slipped, and I began to slide back. I looked around and saw that several people were trying to climb up behind me and knew that if I slid farther, I would drag them with me. Some of them were strangers and some were acquaintances and relatives. I didn't want to hurt any of them, so for their sakes, as well as my own, I started to climb again. This time I reached the top.

When a child of God falls, he isn't the only one to receive injuries from the fall. Others are watching and are often hurt more than we realize. Before I was saved or knew much about salvation, I was always disappointed, and when I heard about one of God's soldiers who had deserted and joined the ranks of the enemy, I realized that to do such a thing is to crucify ourselves the Son of God afresh, and it makes the cross heavier for the faithful Saints, who have labored and prayed for that soul.

I pray that the Lord will give us all more strength to stand in the hour of trial.

Yours in Him,

—Geneva Bailey.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Marshall, Mich. Dear Brother Pruitt and Co-workers in Christ:

Greetings in Jesus' precious name. I feel led to write a testimony for the glory of God. About the last week in February I sent in a request for prayer for my wife. At that time she was in a critical condition and we supposed by the nature of the affliction that it was cancer. The face and nose were swollen to almost double size, and the partition in her nose was mostly eaten out. We became frightened about it and sent a request to Guthrie and the Saints in general. After we thought that it had had time to reach Guthrie, God in His great tender mercy, with that divine great hand of His, wiped it all away. He is the same God we always loved to trust. It reminds me of the former part of this refor-

mation, when God was doing wonderful things for His dear Saints and our whole trust was in Him as it is today. Many wonderful healings were done for us by Him and when at the point of death many times. I mention for the glory of God, and as a warning to precious souls that are now reading the Faith and Victory paper of a promise she made to God. We had two little girls, one who was 8 years of age and the other was 11 years of age. Both were little Christians. The younger had 62 warts on her body, especially the hands; some big seed warts which were very sore. This woman said that if she could see God take those warts off the girl, that she surely would believe in God. We had a great desire to see that soul saved, so in order to prove to her that God would do this thing. On Saturday night when she was washing and getting the girls ready for the services next morning, which we had in our home, my wife asked the little girl if she believed that God would take the warts off if she would ask God. The little one said that she believed that God would take them off. My wife said that she would ask God to take them off, and in the morning they would be gone. She asked God to take the warts off, and sure enough, the next morning there wasn't a sign of a wart on the whole body of the little girl. She came praising God from her bed the next morning, and when wife asked her what she was shouting for she said that God had taken all the warts away. She didn't stop praising Him until she got to this woman's house to show her that God had taken all the warts away.

This is to warn this woman of her promise and to show people the power of our Lord.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. VanZanett.

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Alma, Mich. Dear Sister Pruitt:

The Lord bless you and all the readers of Faith and Victory paper is my prayer. I am thankful to be able to say that I am still on the victory side shining for Jesus in this corner of the world. What a wonderful privilege we have just to shine for Jesus. Some of us cannot preach, nor sing, but through grace ALL can shine. Praise our God. In ourselves we are nothing. It is only through the power of the Holy Spirit that we can be a praise in the earth. The Lord has taken out of my heart all desire for the sinful and worldly things and as the song says, "I Feel Like Traveling On."

Some sweet day I expect to see inside those mansions in glory. There to meet and greet my precious Saviour, and all the blood washed of all ages. How wonderful beyond our earthly comprehension. My soul rejoices. It is more than our finite minds can grasp. Not one can afford to miss heaven. We may be despised and rejected of men here, but honored and received of our blessed Redeemer now and at last. Many times we meet up with people who seem to halt between two opinions because they shun the cross, but there is no middle ground with God. It is either heaven or hell. May we all be honest at heart and walk in the true Bible way of holiness and purity.

I still have pleasant memories of the good Camp-meeting at New Castle last July. Well, time flies and soon another Camp-meeting will be here and we will be praying and planning for it, especially the National

Camp-meeting at Monark Springs, Mo. How precious it will be to meet one another again in true fellowship of the Spirit of God and enjoy the preaching of the pure Word of God which feeds our souls. I hope that I might be there.

May His grace, mercy, and peace abound toward all there at the office, and bless the truth being sent out through the dear Faith and Victory.

Your Sister through the Blood, —Hazel Mann.

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Beaumont, Texas. Dear Brother and Sister Pruitt: I am enclosing twenty-five cents for my subscription to Faith and Victory paper.

The three copies I have received have been a blessing to me and I am very thankful to the dear one who sent my name in for the three month subscription. Pray for me, that I might do the will of our dear Saviour always.

May the dear Lord bless you all and the Holy Spirit encourage your heart to every "good work."

Your Sister in Christ, —Mrs. Carrie Hammons.

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Okmulgee, Okla. To the Saints and faithful Brethren in Christ:

By the living grace of God, I am fully saved today. Praise the Lord. I am still on the "66" highway (Holy Bible) and in the language of the poet, I can truly say, "I promised the Lord that I would serve Him 'till I die, I'm on the battle field for my Lord."

As I am now past 71, I don't think that I will be with you much longer; but by heaven's grace I intend to keep saved. I expect to spend the remainder of my life in the service of the Lord. My wife labors with me in the gospel, and we trust in the Lord for everything.

We ask your earnest prayers that God of all grace may continue to strengthen our souls and bodies to live and work for Him until He shall call us home from labor to reward.

—L. L. Jackson.

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Neosho, Mo. Nearly two years ago, I fell, while on my way to a dentist. My right knee hit the edge of the step and injured it very bad. I would get better for a while and then it would get worse again. The Saints prayed for me and my healing could have come long ago, if I would have been in accordance with God's Word all the time; so His promises to the Saints could come to me.

I had a blessed week with the Lord last week; I had so many good things to tell Sunday in Sunday School. During the song service the Lord laid His hand on my knee and healed it instantly. The devil said right away, "I would not say anything about it, it might not hold." I rebuked him in Jesus' name and said, "I am healed." Then I spoke to the congregation and said, "Let me praise the Lord." We had a wonderful praise service. I thank all the Saints that have ever prayed for me. By God's grace I intend to make heaven my home.

—Sister Gile.

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Adair, Okla. Dear Saints far and near:

Greetings in Jesus' name. I am saved from sin, and trusting in my Savior. A week before the Guthrie

Assembly meeting started, I took sick and getting worse, I sent in a prayer request. I felt that the Lord had touched my weak body, and got better from time to time.

I praise God for His healing power, and thank the Saints for their prayers for me. Dear Saints, make your request known, as Brothers and sisters are ready to call upon the Lord Jesus, our Saviour, who is still a healer in Zion. He will take care of His children.

I love to read the Faith and Victory, and the first thing I look for are the prayer requests to see if some of my dear Brothers and Sisters are suffering, or desire other petitions and before reading any further, while my heart is broken for their sake, I get down on my knees and call upon the Lord.

Dear Saints, we need to watch and pray, to live the life that our Saviour lived before us and left an example for us to follow. We may want to be Paul, Peter, or John, but—can we bear if people tell many things and lie about us, and smite us? It is not what we say, or the noise we make. Jesus wants us to live the life of Christ. Let us live to be ready to die.

I desire your prayers that I may be meek and a useful vessel.

Your Brother in Christ,

—A. J. Hiebert.

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## Prayer And Supplications

“And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves, that they were righteous and despised others. Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

And the publican standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast saying, “God be merciful unto me a sinner.” I tell you this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: “for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.” Luke 18: 9-14.

While meditating upon the two prayers mentioned above, I was made to think that there are many vain prayers offered today because the prayers do not approach the Deity with the proper attitude of heart and soul. We know that it is alright to pray and prayer is always in order. Jesus said that men ought always to pray and not to faint.

The place which these two men chose for the occasion was a proper and fitting place. The word says, “My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer.” Both prayers seems to have been addressed to the Deity—God. But there was something radically wrong with the first prayer as well as with the prayer of the prayer. First, his assemblage of words could hardly be styled as a real prayer as there was no request made, and the Pharisee

seems to have had no consciousness of any need.

He prayed with himself. His mind was more upon himself. He exalted, flattered and esteemed himself very highly and was very righteous in his own mind, “Every one that exalteth himself shall be abased.” Jesus teaches us to say even after we have kept all the precepts and commandments, “we are unprofitable servants, we have done that which was our duty to do.”

Now let us consider the prayer of the publican, he also went up into the temple, his prayer was also addressed to the God of heaven. His prayer of course was not long; being one of the shortest on record. But notice the attitude of the publican, he humbled himself. He would not so much as look toward heaven but smote upon his breast. “The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.” Psa. 34:18. “A broken and a contrite heart, O God thou wilt not despise. Psa. 51:17. Second, we find he had a petition. “God be merciful unto me a sinner.” He felt his need and realized his unworthiness, in hope he pleaded for mercy. This man went down to his house justified rather than the other. His prayer was heard, his request was granted.

It is pleasing to God that our prayers be mingled with thanksgiving and praise and that we rejoice in the deliverance that He has wrought in our behalf. Truly He makes our hearts to sing praises but the parable of the two men that went up to the temple to pray, was spoken unto certain, or unto a class of people that trusted in themselves. They should have trusted in God. But they trusted in themselves that they were righteous and despised others. Therefore their prayers brought no answer from heaven, nor any approval from Jesus.

David said, “I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.” When we receive an answer to our prayers, it also brings joy to our hearts. Truly He takes away our burden and leaves us with a song.

*“Prayer is the sinner’s contrite voice,  
In turning from his ways,  
And angels in their songs rejoice,  
And cries, “behold he prays.”*”

—Ulysses Phillips.

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### “JUST ONE WAY”

There’s only one way to heaven  
So don’t try to make your own  
Just get out that dear old Bible  
You’ll find there the way plainly shown.

Some think that way is old fashioned  
But listen; friend, this is true  
Christ marked the way that leads to Him  
And leaves it up to you.

FAITH and VICTORY PAGE 13.  
 The way of the world is very broad  
 And many poor souls walk there  
 And are in the hands of Satan—  
 And of their danger they are not aware.

Please take this kindly warning  
 If you stay on the Road of Sin  
 You will ne'er walk the streets of heaven  
 No, Christ will not let you in.

Do let Him make you pure and clean  
 So you'll be fit for that place  
 And you will enjoy that meeting  
 When you see Christ face to face.

You'll be glad you followed Jesus  
 And took up your cross each day  
 And be assured that you were wise  
 To walk the narrow way.

—Anon.



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 Sunday, April 3, 1938.

**SERVING OTHER RACES**

Daily Readings and Meditation

March 28-April 3.

- M. Serving others far away. Mark 7:24-30.
- T. Serving others nearer home. Mark 7:31-37.
- W. Other races helping. Jer. 38:7-10.
- T. Helping other races. John 4:7-12.

- F. Overcoming race prejudice. Acts 10:28-33.
- S. Religious narrowness rebuked. Luke 9:49-56.
- S. A Universal Kingdom. Isaiah 11:12-16.

Printed Portion.....Mark 7:24-37.

Mark 7:24. And from thence he arose, and went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered into an house, and would have no man know it: but he could not be hid.

25. For a certain woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet:

26. The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenecian by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.

27. But Jesus said unto her. Let the children first be filled; for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to the dogs.

28. And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs.

29. And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter.

30. And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and the daughter laid upon the bed.

31. And again, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, he came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis.

32. And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him.

33. And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue;

34. And looking up to heaven, he sighed, and said unto him, Ephphatha, that is, be opened.

35. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain.

36. And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it;

37. And were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well: he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

Golden Text: God is no respecter of persons. (Acts 10:34.)

**POINTS FOR EMPHASIS**

- I. Jesus in Phoenicia.
  - (b). Great faith and its reward.
  - (a). The cry of human need.
- II. Jesus in Decapolis.
  - (a). The journey.
  - (b). Another call to duty.
  - (c). The miracles and their results.

**COMMENTS AND APPLICATION**

Tyre and Sidon were cities of Phoenicia, a narrow country bordering the Mediterranean Sea. The Phoenicians were a sea faring people with but little land, thus

they were good sailors and became very venturesome. Phoenicia had been the home of Jezebel, one of the vilest characters in the Old Testament. Baal worship with all of its horrible features had spread from there. Can you recall the experience Elijah had at Mt. Carmel, a short distance from there? This country was truly in need of the gospel. Notice the words, "And he could not be hid." Popes might arise to obscure the gospel light; darkness on every side. Bibles might be reduced to a few dust covered copies hid away in some monastery; people may be starving for the bread of life, yet as a mountain stream with an underground fountain, for its source will only fill up and overflow all obstacles so this fountain of everlasting life cannot be hid.

In today's lesson, we find that Christ had no respect to nations, but one in need is a duty indeed. The lady demonstrated a wonderful faith in Jesus. The result was that the unclean spirit was cast out of her daughter. Sometimes the Lord seemingly does not hear us and passes on by, but when we have received proper instructions He sends the answer.

The humble position the the Syro-Pheonician woman took, in being willing to gather even the crumbs from the Master's table will bring to us good things from Father's store house into our souls.

In verse 31, we find Jesus turning to the community of Decapolis where another needy soul came to Him for help.

We notice that He looked into heaven, acknowledging God, and sighed, showing sympathy and pity on the man, and when he spoke the word, the work was immediately done.

#### FINDING OURSELVES IN SERVICE

Sunday, April 10, 1938.

Daily Readings and Meditation

April 4-10.

- M. Finding Christ in His Lordship. Mark 8:27-33.
- T. Finding ourselves through service. Mark 8:34-38.
- W. Obedient service. Rom. 6:25-23.
- T. Fruitful Service. Phil. 1:19-26.
- F. Enduring service. Matt. 7:24-29.
- S. Rewarded service. Matt. 25:34-40.
- S. Commissioned for service. Heb. 1:10-14.

Printed Portion.....Mark 8:27-38.

Mark 8:27. And Jesus went out, and his disciples into the towns of Caesarea Philippi: and by the way he asked his disciples, saying unto them, Whom do men say that I am

28. And they answered, John the Baptist: but some say, Elias; and others, One of the prophets.

29. And he saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Peter answered and saith unto him, Thou art the Christ.

30. And he charged them that they should tell no man of him.

31. And he began to teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the

elders, and of the chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

32. And he spake that saying openly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him.

33. But when he had turned about and looked on his disciples, he rebuked Peter saying, Get thee behind me, Satan: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but the things that be of men.

34. And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me.

35. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.

36. For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

37. Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

38. Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the Holy angels.

Golden Text:—What shall it profit a man, if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul? (Mark 8:36.)

#### POINTS FOR EMPHASIS

##### I. The World's Estimate of Christ.

(a). Peter's confession.

(b). Our confession.

##### II. Jesus Predicting His Death.

(a). The objection of Peter.

(b). The reproof.

##### III. The Sermon of Life and Death.

(a). Voluntary service. "If any man will."

(b). The way of the cross.

#### COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

Finding our places, and faithfully giving service within that calling is of great importance. Ye are all obedient servants of some one. We may think that we are having a good time in running after worldly pleasures, but the word says that if we sin, we are the servants of sin.

Jesus, the great prophet, who had risen and was wresting the leadership of the nation from them was the center of attraction. His miracles and life giving power had swayed the minds of the people so much that they followed Him in multitudes.

Jesus presents the question of Messiahship to His disciples, that they might be prepared for the ordeal's to follow. The people said that He was one, while the disciples said He was another. Thus they were to meet opposition.

On many previous occasions Jesus had hinted His approaching death to the disciples, but now He speaks plainly to them. Even though it was hard to tell, and hear, they must be told. While Peter's impulsive move was very much out of order, and prompted from sympathy with Jesus, yet Jesus did not entertain for a moment a thought that was contrary to the divine plan.

This example of decision and determination should inspire us to meet with courage, the few light afflictions that come our way.

While Jesus was tender and compassionate, He had no time for sympathy seekers, nor could sympathy swerve Him from duty.

The sermon of life and death is very applicable to us, not only in the beginning of our salvation, but also in retaining it. Jesus said, "Except a corn of wheat fall to the ground and die, it abide alone."

As a seed is placed into the ground, and apparently is dead and decaying with no evidence of life, yet a sprout comes forth to reproduce much fruit. So it is with the Christian. As we yield ourselves to God, our will, our ambition, our desires, as we humble our hearts before God, (though defeat seems certain,) He will bring forth new life in His likeness.

The plant will receive warmth and moisture from the earth, to produce a rapid growth. So also as we embrace and receive the blessings from God, we will grow into that more abundant life.

Jesus brings out the importance of denying ourselves and taking up our cross. This often comes by the path of suffering. This is not the suffering that is unavoidable, nor that which comes to us as a result of our own sins, but the suffering that we voluntarily assume for Jesus sake. As we give the money that would furnish us comfort, as we give to feed the hungry, or help save the lost, as we give up the ways of the world, and devote our lives in spreading the gospel, we are taking up our cross to follow Him.

The sign of Jonah is that Jesus was to be put to death, and come forth on the third day to life.

**THE VICTORIOUS SERVANT**

Sunday, April 17, 1938.

Daily Readings and Meditation

April 11-17.

- M. The victorious servant. Acts 2:22-32.
- T. The exalted servant. Acts 2:33-36.
- W. The victory foretold. Isa. 53:7-12.
- T. The victory witnessed. Acts 1:6-9.
- F. Man's fairest hope. 1 Cor. 15:19-26.
- S. Risen with Christ. Col. 3:1-7.
- S. The pre-eminent name. Phil. 2:5-10.

Printed Portion.....Acts 2:22-36.

Acts 2:22. Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know:

23. Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:

24. Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

25. For David speaketh concerning him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face, for he is on my right

hand, that I should not be moved:

26. Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope:

27. Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

28. Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.

29. Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.

30. Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne:

31. He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

32. This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

33. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

34. So David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,

35. Until I make thy foes thy footstool.

36. Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

Golden Text: This Jesus hath God raise up, whereof we all are witnesses. Acts 2:32.

**POINTS FOR EMPHASIS**

- I. Witnessing for Jesus.
  - (a). Before and after Pentecost.
  - (b). Effects of the Holy Spirit.
- II. Peter's Sermon.
  - (a). Introducing Christ as the Son of God.
  - (b). His life, death, and resurrection.
  - (c) David's prediction—witness.
  - (d). The ascension and coronation.

**COMMENTS AND APPLICATION**

In order that we make a success of a Christian life, we must begin right. Peter, who was timid inasmuch that he denied his Lord, is now declaring boldly the facts concerning Him.

Let us notice closely the truths that Peter brought forth. While this sermon lasted a good while, yet the condensed record that we have can be read in only a few moments. The 22nd verse shows that Peter called them to witness that Christ did His mighty works according as the scripture had prophesied, and that the miracles proved that fact.

God had a plan whereby He proposed to save man, offering them forgiveness of sin, and a return into His presence. The whole life of Christ had been in harmony with this program.

Peter let them understand plainly that they were responsible for rejecting, persecuting, and slaying the Son of God. "Ye, by the hand of lawless men did crucify and slay."

While the people gathered their information concerning the coming of Christ from the Old Testament, they did not understand the two phases of prophesy concerning Him. One, referring to the first coming of Christ, picturing an humble servant, persecuted and suffering death while the other, referring to the second coming, and foretelling the awe and splendor of Christ, as a final judge, and ruler of the world. As many people are today, the confused and overlooked by the first, but seized eagerly by the second. They interpret the glory and endless reign in terms of worldly glory and power.

As we study this lesson on this, another Easter in memory of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us by the help of God, examine our hearts, asking ourselves the question, Has the death, burial, and resurrection of the Lord Jesus been in vain in our case. If not entirely, do we know for sure that we have been resurrected from a dead state in sin to a new life in Jesus? It matters not how it was with us years ago, but does the Spirit of God witness with our Spirit just now, that we are born of God? How tenderly the Spirit of God talks to our hearts as we ponder in our mind the scene of Mary, coming very early in the morning to the tomb where our crucified Savior had been laid. As is always the case when we look to Jesus, her sorrow was turned to gladness, for behold that which was sown in weakness had come forth in power, victorious over death. In a glorified body, bursting asunder all bands and straps, purchasing for full redemption for soul and body. If any have not enjoyed these experiences, Jesus is waiting to take you on a pleasure trip to behold the wonders of each scene, to experience the realities accomplished by each ordeal. May the Lord bless us all in our prayer.

#### RECEIVING VISION FOR SERVICE

Sunday, April 24, 1938.

Daily Readings and Meditation

April 18-24.

- M. The transfigured Christ. Mark 9:2-10.
- T. Moses sees God. Ex. 33:8-11.
- W. Daniel's vision. Daniel 7:9-14.
- T. Saul's vision. Acts 9:10-19.
- F. Peter's vision. Acts 10:9-14.
- S. John sees Jesus. Rev. 1:13-18.
- S. The Son's heritage. Heb. 1:1-9.

Printed Portion.....Mark 9:2-10.

Mark 9:2. And after six days Jesus taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them.

3. And his raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them.

4. And there appeared unto them Elias with Moses:

and they were talking with Jesus.

5. And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.

6. For he wist not what to say; for they were sore afraid.

7. And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

8. And suddenly, when they had looked round about, they saw no man any more, save Jesus only with themselves.

9. And as they came down from the mountain, he charged them that they should tell no man what things they had seen, till the Son of man were risen from the dead.

10. And they kept that saying with themselves, questioning one with another what the rising from the dead should mean.

Golden Text: This is my beloved Son: hear ye him. Mark 9:7.

#### POINTS FOR EMPHASIS

##### I. The Transfiguration.

- (a). Jesus' transfiguration on the mountain.
- (b). Moses and Elias appear.
- (c). Peter's suggestion.
- (d). The voice of God—Jesus only.
- (e). Jesus only. Disciples anxiety.

#### COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

The daily Bible readings again offer most inspiring and helpful side reading, and should not be overlooked in studying our lesson. We read in the word that without vision, the people would perish.

As people come apart from the little things of the world, Jesus will reveal Himself unto them, and they will be convinced and burdened for the same things as Jesus was.

The ambition of most sects is to build large magnificent buildings and gather numbers on their church roll. Some tell us of the towering cathedrals of the Far East, and their enormous seating capacity, but when people get their minds more on piling up bricks and mortar, than of saving lost souls, that church is only one more of the many fallen churches. Most large churches are built when the burden for souls is at a very low ebb.

The people of today need a vision of the transfigured Christ. They have forgotten the words "Go ye, into all the world." And "This is my beloved Son, hear ye him." Jesus came down from the mountain top in the midst of suffering humanity, trying to help them. If we really desire to serve Jesus, we will not need to go far until we find those in need of the gospel.

Moses and Elijah, represented the law and prophets, who served their purpose, and now we are to hear the teaching of the New Testament.

The lesson for May 1, is: Following Vision With Service. (Mark 9:14-29.)