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A PAPER
FOR ALL
CHRISTIANS

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My Precious Old Book

Though its covers are worn, and pages are torn,
And some pages bear traces of tears;
But more precious than gold, though it is so old,
It can shatter, and scatter my fears.

When I prayerfully look in my precious old book;
Many pleasures and treasures I see;
Many tokens of love from my Father above,
Who is nearest and dearest to me.

This old book is my guide, a friend by my side,
How it lightens and brightens my way!
And each promise I find, so gladdens my mind;
As I read them, and heed them each day.

To my book I will cling, of its worth I will sing
While trials and crosses are mine;
For I can not despair, while surrounded with care,
As long as this volume is mine.

My old book will shine on when time is all gone,
And Jesus has taken His Bride.
It will land us above, in a heaven of love;
And forever, we'll walk by His side.

—Ballard E. Orr

Depression

THE CAUSE — THE CURE

Less than one hundred years ago, Daniel Webster, one of America's greatest statesmen, uttered this solemn warning: "If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering; but if we and our posterity neglect its instructions and authority, no man can tell how sudden a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury all our glory in profound obscurity."

On being asked what was the chief cause of the depression, Congressman Clyde Kelly replied, "Spiritual bankruptcy. We have been worshipping the Golden Calf. The results are seen all around us." Senator Capper said, "Had there been the universal acceptance of the principles of Christian justice and charity, there would be, today, neither economic nor spiritual depression. The world forgot Christ in the rush for money. The only God that many of us know seems to be the almighty dollar."

In answer to the question, "How do you account for this state of affairs?" the Senator replied, "There are too many dust covered Bibles, prayerless homes, deserted churches without even the semblance of a prayer meeting. There is widespread spiritual ignorance and desecration of the Sabbath day. These form part of the religious background of the past decade."

"As a business man, and as one whose privilege it is to have a part in shaping the policies of our government, I say to you that the greatest need in the world today is a wider acceptance of, and a greater devotion to the fundamentals of Christianity."

The Bible says, "Be not deceived, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man (or nation) soweth that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting." (Gal. 6: 7-8)

"The wicked shall be turned into hell and all the nations that forget God." (Psa. 9: 17)

Our beloved country, which was founded and settled by a God-fearing people, has become a crime-ridden, pleasure-loving, God-forgetting nation. Hence we have depression. If we turn to God again we will have deliverance. It will not be sufficient to become a little religious, go to church and say a few formal prayers. The God of the Bible is a God who has revealed Himself to us in the person of His well beloved Son, Jesus Christ. To get back to God, we must cast ourselves as helpless sinners at the feet of Jesus Christ, accept Him as our sin-bearer and allow His atoning blood to cleanse us from all sin. When we do this, God has promised to make us new creatures with new interests, new desires; old things pass away and behold all things become new. (2 Cor. 5: 17) We do not need more religion; we need more truly regenerated persons who have had a vital touch from God and who have been lifted above the beggarly elements of this world into a realm of spiritual life and who live to the glory of God and not to the satisfying of fleshly appetites and lusts.

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1John 1: 9)

It is the blessed privilege of each individual to be raised above the unstable things of earth which satisfy not, and to be lifted into the glorious realm of spiritual life in Christ Jesus. Jesus came into the world and died for us that we might have abundant, overflowing, eternal life; not depression.

"God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Rom. 5: 8)

"This is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life, and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life." (1 John 5: 11-12)

"Verily, verily, I say unto you. He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." (John 5: 24)

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." (Acts 16: 31)

"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life; and he that believeth not on the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him." (John 3: 36)

Is it not simple, my friend? Confess to God that you are a poor, hell-deserving sinner and ask Him, for Jesus' sake to save you and make you a new creature. Then simply believe that He does just what you ask Him to do, because He says, "Him that cometh to Me, I will in no wise cast out." (John 6: 37)

May God help you to come to Him just as you are, right now. He has life, not depression, for your weary, sin-sick soul.

For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? (Mark 8: 36)

COME UNTO ME, ALL YE THAT LABOUR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN, AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST. (Matt. 11-28)

— ooo — Holiness

When some people who have heard of holiness, found a people who professed it, by watching their lives, were so disappointed that they have lost interest in it, because many who profess it do not have it. Then, there are others who have started to live right and have found things in the Word that they were not willing to accept and do. These, by wresting the Scriptures, have gone into a deception and are bringing many things upon themselves. (See Rom. 1: 18-32) Thus they have misinformed many people about holiness. (Eph. 4: 20-24). "But ye have not so learned Christ: If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts: And be renewed in the spirit of your mind. And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."

If there be a false holiness, what is the true? Webster says it is a state of being holy. And to be holy, means to be saved, delivered, made free from sin (Matt. 1: 21), and to live that way in this present world. (Tit. 2: 11-14). But, some will say, How can

these things be? First, by confessing and forsaking our sins. (Prov. 28: 13). This is brought about by really being sorry that we have sinned against God, and not just sorry that we are caught. (2 Cor. 7: 10). Second, through faith; that is, believing that Christ is able and does blot out our sins, washing them away in his blood (Rev. 1: 5). This is the first step back from the fall of man and is called justification, or being justified. (Rom. 5: 1). For when man fell he became a sinner by nature and by practice. By forsaking our sins we quit the practice.

The second step or work of grace, is to get rid of the nature which is called carnal. (1 Cor. 3: 1). This is accomplished by faith and consecration. (Rom. 5: 2; 12: 1) And when our consecration is complete and we believe the words of Jesus (John 14: 15-17), he will send the Spirit of Truth to be our abiding comforter, thereby making us partakers of the divine nature. (2 Peter 1: 4)

Thus we are restored to the state of purity and innocency from which our foreparents fell, and bear fruits unto holiness (Rom. 6: 22); which are love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance. (Gal. 5: 22, 23.)

Some reasons for holiness:

First, God is holy and his people are commanded to be holy. (1 Peter 1: 15, 16)

Second, heaven is holy. (Isa. 57: 15).

Third, there is only one way to get there, and that is the way of holiness, upon which nothing unclean or unholy can come. (Isa. 35: 8; Jno. 14: 6).

Fourth, the holy Bible tells us of the way. So if we do not believe in holiness we do not believe the Bible and are not God's people. But praise God! we do believe in it, practice it, and enjoy it.

—Ray Key

— ooo — HELL

We read in the Bible these words, "In hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torment." (Luke 16: 23.) We also read, "It is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire." (Mark 9: 47.) "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." (Psalms 9: 17.) "For a fire is kindled in my anger, and shall burn into the lowest hell." (Deut. 32: 22.) These scriptures teach that there is a hell, and that it is hot.

The beloved disciple, John, in his revelations, saw a pale horse, and the rider was death; and hell

followed after him. (Rev. 6:8.) Truly, hell and destruction is the consequence of death, and death the result of sin. The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through the Lord Jesus Christ; life is up, but death is down, heaven is up, but hell is down. Things go up by force, but anything will go down by itself, when left alone.

Yes, thank God, it is faith, wisdom, salvation, and power that speeds us on up the straight and narrow way, but the way of death, hell and destruction is only crowded with unbelief and deception that has always denied and rejected the power of God. Thus we plainly see that hell is a place of punishment after death, where souls that have lived low down, sinful lives, are tormented forever for their wickedness. The Bible also says, "Her feet go down to death and her steps take hold on hell."

Hell is referred to as a principle, as well as a place. This character has made the world drunk on wine of her fornication, and does occupy high places in society, and in some of our so called churches of today. Nevertheless, it is written, "The dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God, and they that hear shall live," and "I am he that liveth and was dead, behold, I am alive forevermore, amen, and have the keys of hell, and of death." The key spoken of here is power and authority to bind or loosen.

God's Word is the key. He has given it to His ministers to prayerfully and carefully use to His glory, and to the salvation of precious dying souls. Thus we read, "Others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire." (Jude 23.) "Death and hell delivereth up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to his works. And death and hell were cast into a lake of fire." This is the second death. "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life, was cast into the lake of fire." (Rev. 20:13-15.) —G. W. McMillan.

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A Business Man's Confession

A business man, at the close of a strenuous day, called at the hospital to see his beloved wife. To his sad disappointment, the kind doctor laid his hand upon his shoulder and said, "There is nothing more we can do; the end is near."

After a short stay with his wife, this man turned his steps toward home with a sad, heavy heart. He went out of the hospital and with bowed head sat down on the steps. Finally, he cried out: "O, God, won't you spare my wife?" Then he looked up into the starry heavens and for the first time in all his life

he really saw the handiwork of God. He saw himself as never before, and he cried out, "O, Lord, what have I ever done for thee that I should ask any such favor? I have been selfish, living all for self. I have spent my life grasping for money and have had no time for God or my fellow men. I have not even taken time to enjoy my wife or my home. O, Christ, thou Son of God, if thou wilt spare my wife, I will surrender and set our home in order and give Jesus the first place in our lives. I will take God into my business and render unto God what belongs to him." He arose and went home with a feeling in his heart that in spite of circumstances all would be well.

The next morning when this man went to the hospital he met the nurse, who said, "Shortly after you left last night a great change came over your wife. The doctor could not understand it but she is much better and the doctor says there is hope for her." The man went in to see his wife and she greeted him with an old-time smile and said, "I am going to get well; I shall soon be home with you again."

She gained very rapidly and was soon home. They set their house in order and set up the family altar and their home became a house of prayer. He kept his promise and took God into his business. His business increased and God made him a blessing to many.

Many today are trampling the mercy and blessings of God under foot. They never recognize that God is the author, owner, and giver of every good thing they enjoy. "I girded thee, though thou hast not known me" (Isa. 45: 5). How sad, not to know our great God, who so many times has protected us and bestowed his divine favors upon us.

Friend, I pray God to awaken you before the death angel calls at your door and it is too late. I long to be a brother to you and help you to find and fill a greater place and purpose in life. I long to help you to make home and life sweeter, so that when home is broken up there will be fond memories of the past. Your brother knows by experience that the fondest memories of the past, after a companion has been called away, is that of a Christian home. You, like this business man, can settle the whole matter in a moment and it will change the whole trend of your life. Just invite Christ into your life. "But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were afar off are made nigh by the blood of Christ" (Eph. 2: 13). —Sel.

A Sister in Ark. wants the article in the last month's paper entitled, "God Loves You" put in tract form. It will make six pages and will cost \$3.00 for one thousand tracts. Who will answer her prayer and supply for this?

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Free-will offerings sent in to the work will be thankfully received as from the Lord and used in the furtherance of the gospel work as God directs unless otherwise specified. All personal checks and Post Office Money Orders should be made payable to Fred Pruitt or to FAITH PUBLISHING HOUSE.

"Work on, work on, nor doubt, nor fear.
From age to age this voice shall cheer:—
Whate'er may die or be forgot,
Work done for God, it dieth NOT."

FAITH PUBLISHING HOUSE

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Greenville, S. C. Faith Publishing House:

Dear Sir:

Will you please send me some of your tracts? I want something that will help lost souls to find Christ, and also for young Christians. Many young men have found God because of these tracts. One was led to God from reading "48 Hours In Hell," and another from "The Last Cool Drink." Others have said that these tracts led them to God. I keep the rack filled where I work, or try to, but my supply is low at present, and if you have any that might help, I will use them for the glory of God and the salvation of lost souls.

May God bless you in your efforts you are making, to carry on God's work.

Yours in His service,

—Mrs. J. E. McNeece.

Editorials

Work for the Lord has been going on nicely and the workers have been very busy since the last issue of the *Faith and Victory* paper was placed in the mail for distribution to the many readers throughout the United States and also to foreign countries.

Our hearts are encouraged in the printing work and we see vast opportunities ahead for getting the truth to souls by the printed page. There is also a gathering together and settling down of many precious God loving souls. The way that things are shaping themselves, we see in the near future, a building together insomuch that the Church of the living God will shine and increase as darkness envelops the masses of people who reject the lowly crucified ways of Christ. The God of heaven has done much shaking up and shaking out in the last few years and those that cannot be moved from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus will remain and travel the "Highway" of holiness with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads and sorrow and sighing will flee away.

Your servants here at the "Lord's Print Shop" have it settled in their hearts to keep separated from the world and its follies, from the flattering tongues of men, from worldly attachments and to keep our faith and confidence stayed in God. The only safe place for a child of God in these perilous times is to keep clear from all the world, with its pride and fashions and let his life be hid with Christ in God. Those who put on some of the world and endorse those that do, are paving the way for the spiritual down fall of many precious souls. Those who are not definitely set against compromising measures and speak and act clearly against them will eventually be so darkened and blinded that wrong will seem right to them. They will call darkness light; evil good, and will come to the place where they will be persecutors of God's righteous saints. Brethren, the spirit of iniquity is already at work. We exhort you to keep thyself pure and unspotted from the world.

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The congregation of saints here at Guthrie are pressing on with deep determinations to follow on with the Lord to the end. God is working among us and saving a few souls and sanctifying believers. The Scripture is being fulfilled among us which reads: "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples if ye have love one to another." Last night at prayer meeting there were three at the altar to be sanctified wholly. Prayer and supplications were offered by the saints until each one was fully satisfied.

The three weeks revival meeting was blessed and

owned of God. The saints were much helped and built up and quite a few were at the altar of prayer.

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In company with Bro. E. M. Miles of Jennings, Okla., your servant visited the state Hospital for the insane at Norman, Okla. We were called there to pray for an inmate of that place who was devil possessed. We found the man in a pitiful condition. We had been burdened for him and were fasting and looking to God for his deliverance before going to visit him. When we got there, it seemed the Lord had gone on before and had so worked that the authorities gave us permission to visit and pray with him, and had so worked on the man that he was ready for the visit.

While we had our hands upon the man and was earnestly engaged in praying for him, one of the doctors came into the room and watched us for a while. He came up near and wanted us to stop, saying that we were disturbing the patients and said much more. We pleaded with him and told him how much this man needed to be delivered and he left the room, but soon returned and talked with us again. We entreated for the man's sake and he soon left and never came back any more. We continued to pray and work with the man; after two hours of labor in prayer and working with him, the Lord delivered him from the demons and clothed him in his right mind and also spoke peace to his soul. He exclaimed with a strong voice: "Thank God, I am delivered at last!" He rejoiced and praised the Lord. He said, "I never could praise the Lord before. I could think of it but never could say it, but now I can say it." Then he would praise the Lord again. He put his hand over his heart and said, "There is a big change in there; my heart is working good, it never did this way before." Again, he praised God. It was a clear case of deliverance. Let us pray earnestly that God will keep him free, as there is no inducement for him to live right in that place, and it will be some time before he can get out to go home to be with his wife and four children; because the doctors will have to watch and examine him and the board will have to pass on him before he will be released. Let us remember this poor man. There are many in this place who are possessed and if managers of such places would be in sympathy with prayer for them and would give freedom to Holy Ghost ministers to visit and continue in prayer with them, many could be delivered and set free. I noticed that whenever we knelt to pray for this man, many of the other inmates would set up a moan and take on, which was evidence of devils.

Quite a number of our readers have sent in offerings for the purchasing of the new Linotype since the last *Faith and Victory* paper was issued. Most of the offerings have been small and not sufficient to buy the machine as yet; but we are encouraged by them, as we see that God is working and answering your prayers. We are expecting God to soon supply so that this much needed machine can be bought and installed in the "Lord's Print Shop." We are well aware that the enemy is doing all he can to keep this work in a crippled condition. He would like to close it up entirely; but our eyes are upon the Lord and we know that he can and will use some one, or more than one, so that the machine can be purchased and installed in His Shop. Please keep on praying and agreeing with us in this matter. Let us not limit the Holy One of Israel.

The many readers that have been receiving free tracts from the "Lord's Print Shop" for years ought to be deeply interested in having means supplied for this most essential machine inasmuch that they will pray earnestly that God will so supply that this machine may soon be installed; for without a Linotype Machine, very little literature of any kind could be printed and sent out.

We have always contended and now know that God is able to carry on His printing work without making debts and having His work all burdened and pressed and entangled like the majority of the institutions of the world. Believing this, we have prayed and looked to God to supply for the needs inasmuch that we do not owe one cent on all the equipment or any thing else that the Lord has given us to use. However, there is one party who has loaned us a thousand dollars with low rate of interest as long as they live and after that the money belongs to the Lord's work with no more interest to pay. If there is any one at present that has money to let the Lord use in this way so the Linotype can be purchased; also a metal saw and trimmer which is also much needed in "His Print Shop," we feel sure that God would bless the giver, and the work here in the "Lord's Print Shop" would move on without being crippled and hindered as at present. Let us all continue to pray, for prayer changes things.

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Books wanted: "Heaven, A City, A Place, A Home," by Edward M. Bounds. Also, "Light of Christianity" by Charlie Orr. If you have these books for sale, write to R. A. Justice R. 1, Belmont, N. Car.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for William Fink and wife of Ill. They are both sick and he is unsaved.

Pray for Mattie J. Kaffman of Ill. Her eyes are failing her and also pray for her daughter who is badly afflicted with rupture and nervousness and other afflictions.

Pray for E. Myers of Oreg. who is almost helpless.

Pray for Bro. Thomas Decker of Ind. who is hardly able to go since having the Flu.

James E. Morris, who was prayed for on the fast day of February 20th, is much better he writes us. He has been better since the day of praying. He has several other afflictions on his body so please continue to pray for him.

Pray for Bro. Henry Steele of Wharton, Ark. He is very weak in body and has fever.

Sister Marie Whiteside of Winlock, Wash. desires the prayers of the saints. She has had a deep cough for some time which seems to be T. B. She is looking to God to heal her. Have special prayer for her and the others where she is rooming as they seem to have the same affliction.

A sick man in Washington is praying to be saved and healed. Please agree in prayer for Him.

Pray for Sr. Legg of Moss, Miss.; is badly afflicted.

OBITUARY

Bro. Bennie Kingsberry was born in the 19th century to Charles and Letta Kingsberry in Braden, Okla. He passed away after a brief illness, May 1, 1938. He leaves to mourn their loss: a wife, Mrs. Ardella Kingsberry; one son, Alfonzo Kingsberry of New Mexico; one daughter, Mrs. Beatrice Suddieth of Akron; six grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Lena Batties of Spirro, Okla.; and other relatives and friends. He was a very sincere brother, having full hope of heaven. He told his wife that it made no difference whether he left this world or stayed here. He was saved and rejoiced about how good the Lord had been to him. We will miss him, yet we sorrow not as those who have no hope. We feel sure that our loss is heaven's gain.

The funeral was held May 4 by Sister Cordelia R. Jones, assisted by H. S. Chaney.

The text used was taken from Pro. 14:32 and 2 Cor. 5: 1-9.

On Dec. 8, 1935, the Lord blessed Mr. and Mrs. Albert Eck with a little baby girl, whom they named Lavera Ruth. She brought much pleasure to the home, and was loved very much. She suffered with heart trouble, being attacked with it when only six weeks old and suffered as though she would die many times. The Lord would show mercy and relieve her. The spells with her heart continued to return time after time. At the Tulsa camp meeting the Lord gave us victory over this heart trouble and she began to improve, although not entirely well.

On the eighth day of May 1938, she was eating peanuts and sucked one down her wind-pipe. It went into her lung and caused her to pass away on May 10th, after thirty hours of suffering. She was two years, five months and two days old. While living, she would come to her

mamma with her bruises and cut fingers and say, "Mamma. pray to Jesus." Often in her suffering, she would ask for prayer; even though she was young, she showed great love for Jesus.

She leaves to mourn her departure: her parents; one brother, Donald, age 7 years; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Eck, Mr. and Mrs. R. Johnson; uncles and aunts and little cousins; and many other relatives and friends.

Song 261 was read from the "Select Hymn" song book.

Funeral services were conducted by Fred Pruitt. Text of scripture: Matt. 18: 3. Her little body was laid to rest in the cemetery just west of Meno, Okla., near where her parents reside.

Nathaniel Irving, son of R. L. and Ethel Irving, was born in Clearview, Okla. May 17, 1912 and departed this life March 22, 1938.

During his illness in the hospital he was visited by many friends. Among them was a group of young people that prayed for him. During this time he claimed a hope in Christ and said that he was ready to die and was not afraid. He said he wanted to come out of the Hospital before he passed away.

He is survived by a son, a daughter, mother, father, grandmother, two aunts, six uncles, and a number of relatives and friends.

—NOTICE—

There will be a tent meeting held in Chicago from the 22nd of May on into June. The tent is located in the 2100 block on West Adam Street.

Brother Lawson from New Castle, Ind. will be the evangelist. Nothing but the old time gospel will be preached. All the Saints are requested to remember this meeting in prayer.

Anyone wishing to inquire can write to Bro. Michal Klockner, 1142 Fullerton Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

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Camp Meetings

The camp meeting at Newcastle, Indiana will begin August 18th and continue until August 28th. We are looking forward to a good meeting.

All coming, come prepared to take care of yourself as much as possible. Straw will be furnished on the grounds. The meeting will be run on the free-will offering plan. For further information write: T. Z. Lawson (Pastor) Box 393, Newcastle, Ind.

The Church of God Camp-Meeting at Boley, Okla., will begin on the 19th of August, closing on the 28th.

This meeting will be run on the free-will offering plan, bring straw ticks and straw will be furnished free.

Come one, come all, and hear the good things of God, as we are expecting the usual good meeting.

W. W. Crawley, R. 4, E. 95, Okemah, Okla.

The 31st annual camp meeting of the Church of God will be held on the General Southern Camp Ground at Hammond, La., one mile southwest of the Illinois Central depot; July 1 to 10, inclusive, with three daily services,

and early morning prayer meeting. Hammond is located on highways 51 and 190, and I. C. railroad. Able ministers of the New Testament are expected here to preach the Word as the Lord inspires. Come, all of you who love the Lord, and let us have a good time together and try to get help to the unsaved. Let the unsaved feel welcome to come and receive spiritual help. Let us make this one of the best camp meetings we've ever had here. Come to stay through the meeting, and if you can, bring your straw tick, sheets and pillows along; otherwise, if you don't have them to bring, come without and we will do the best we can for you. Straw for beds will be furnished free. For further information, write to; Chas. H. Bailey, Box 668; Robt. R. Forbes, Box 543; or Mr. and Mrs. Ray Key, Box 370, Hammond, La.

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Bellflower, Calif. Editor of Faith and Victory, Greetings in Jesus:—Just felt like writing my testimony this evening. I am so glad that Jesus sweetly saves me and I love Him with all my heart. The Lord's work here in California is much brighter and all are much encouraged. I am so thankful that our troubles are all out of the way. The ministers met during the assembly meeting in Los Angeles and renounced the things that caused the troubles and decided for the old-time truths as were formerly taught; and each (where it was needed) humbly asked each others' forgiveness, both in public and private. I never in my experience saw any more melting down than was done here in southern California, and we are doing our utmost to endeavor to keep the Unity of Spirit in the bonds of Peace. We go to Los Angeles for the 2:30 meeting on each third Sunday. Each second Sunday, the all day's meetings are in Whittier, and the first Sunday in Glendale, the fourth Sunday in Pomona, and as our congregations have increased to more congregations than Sundays, we have to have meetings in different places on the same time as at others. The camp meeting will be in Pasadena, Calif. the last of Aug. but particulars will be published later, in which we will give location and date with directions on how to get there. Let's begin preparation for the camp meetings. Plan to go and how to meet the expense, which is necessary to run a camp meeting. Let each lay by him in store as God has prospered him and the needs will be met without any strain.

Yours in Jesus,

—E. M. Zinn

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THE LORD'S CALL

When the Lord called me in 1920, I was living in San Pedro, Calif. running a rooming house. I had been attending a protracted meeting at Penial Mission.

One night when I came home, I sat down in a chair before undressing for bed. As I sat there, (not asleep) I saw a vision. Jesus appeared on one side of me and Satan on the other. Jesus said, "Will you serve me?" I answered, "I can't preach, I can't pray, I can't sing, I can't testify. I don't know what I could do for you, Lord. He ignored all those excuses and asked the same question again: "Will you serve me?" I turned in my chair, took a good look at Satan and answered, "Yes, I will." They

both disappeared in a moment.

He found something that I could do and love to do because it is His work. He has given me my work on the road, and told me to talk to people that I meet and to men working in the fields, about their souls. I am thankful to my Lord for seeing something in me that He could use and for fitting me for the work which He asked me to do. Just a full consecration to the Lord for service is all it takes to please precious Jesus.

Some one may ask how Jesus and Satan looked. In answer to such a question, I will say that Bro. Paul saw Him in His glorified state but I saw Him in a meek and lowly state. He was pure and holy. Satan was proud and haughty and looked at me as if to say, "If it were not for Him (Jesus), I would show you what I would do for you." Thanks be to God, he has no power at all except what the meek and lowly One permits him to have.

Jesus is the essence of purity and light and Satan, the essence of sin and darkness. Such a realization should prompt any one to choose to serve the Lord of heaven and earth, as I did. That is my choice to this day. Praise the Lord!

I now use chalk and paint in my work for the Lord. One day I found a piece of chalk and picked it up with the thought: "I will use you to the glory of God." I used it up on the first bridge I came to, then I got some more. I saw that chalk did not last long enough, so I got some paint to use. I have written hundreds of mottoes and the Lord dictated a great many of them. Thousands of people are looking on those mottoes every day and if only one out of the thousand gets some good out of them, I am doing a wonderful work for my King. Regeneration mottoes are what the devil hates most. He will try to get me to spoil them in some way. (I add this that it may be a help to others.) Regeneration is the first step, then sanctification. The blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin. One request common in my mottoes is: "Run the references on the word "believeth." I give these scriptures: Jno. 3:16; 1 Jno. 3:01; Acts 8:37-18.

A servant of Jesus Christ, a Bro. to all saints,

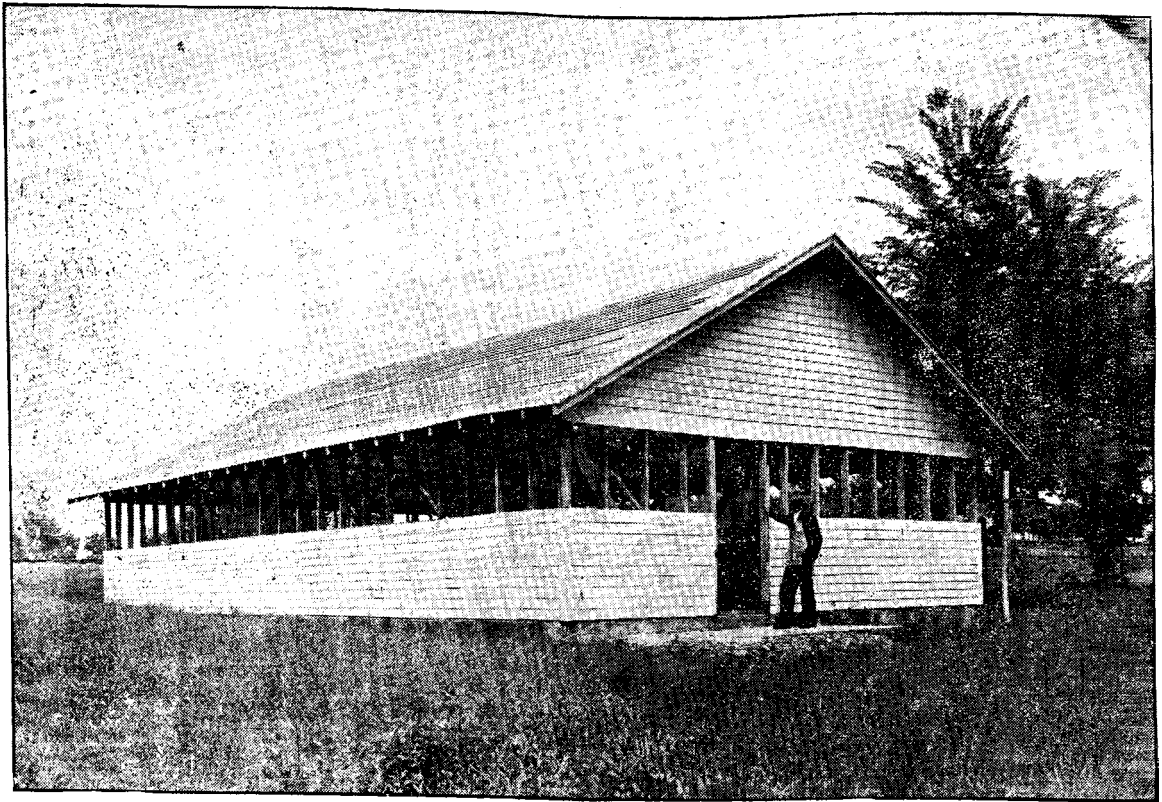
—J. B. Thorn

Mother's Day

What other eyes may never see,
Or other hearts may know;
Where other hands would seldom be,
Or feet would dare to go;
Is pictured most majestically,
Through God's unfailing grace;
And flowered out most tenderly,
In every mother's face.

Potentially, every woman by nature is a mother and none but the Lord Jesus Christ has ever superceded her in the tender and faithful ministrations which she performs. Though there be differences in her kind; regarding conduct and appearance, as vast almost as the ends of the earth, still she stands without a peer in the realms of inspiration and in the sacrificial devotions peculiar to love.

William Alex Kane, The Prison, Lansing, Kan.



Partially Completed Dining Hall at Monark Springs Park, Neosho, Missouri.

THE NATIONAL CAMP MEETING
July 17th - 31st, inclusive.

The National Camp Meeting of the Church of God at Monark Springs Park, Neosho, Mo. will convene on the 17th day of July and continue two weeks. We are expecting saints and others from all over the United States and Canada to be present in this meeting. Neosho is located in southwest Missouri on Highway Nos. 71 and 60, not far from Joplin and Carthage. It is easily reached by auto over paved roads from three directions.

I have just received a letter from Bro. Strech and he says for the saints to bring their "Select Hymn" song books with them when they come to the meeting as that is the song book that will be used principally in the meeting. You who have no "Select Hymn" song book should order one at once. We have them in stock at 75 cents each, post paid to you. Those who want tents to live in while at the meeting should write to Bro. Strech and let him know so he can have it ready for you. The rent on a tent for the entire meeting will be only a few dollars. Each one coming should bring a drinking cup with them. There are nice cool springs of water to drink from, and plenty of shade trees in the park. Everyone should bring their own bedding if possible. Straw will be furnished free.

The saints everywhere should remember that this meeting is being run on the free-will offering plan and you should think of the means that will be needed to get the meeting started and supply for this as God directs.

On this page you will see the picture of the dining

hall which has recently been erected on the Camp grounds. It is good and roomy and will have screen wire around the middle part of the walls to make it cool and nice for dining purposes. The building is not finished as yet and Bro. Strech writes me that they need means to buy 12000 shingles in order to finish the roof and have it ready when the meeting begins. The saints who have some of the Lord's money should remember this need, and send direct to John Strech, Neosho, Mo.

This will be a lovely park to spend two weeks feasting on the good things from Father's table.

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Ontario, Calif. Dear Bro. Pruitt, I greet you in Jesus' name:— Bro. Pruitt, professors do not want reproof, they want flattery. For myself, I can say the way of the just is as a shining light, it grows brighter until the perfect day.

The best act of my life was when I gave my heart to God, fifty-nine years ago last February. I am now ninety-one years old. I am in the graduating class, praise the dear Lord.

—P. G. Conkle.

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Carthage, Mo. Dear Bro. and Sr. Pruitt:— I had an awful pain just below my heart. It was so bad that it hurt me to lift a plate. I had it for about two weeks and suffered very bad night and day. I told the dear Lord if He would heal me, I would testify through the Faith and Victory paper. He has healed me and I am glad to testify to the same. Your sister, —Emma Ritchie.

« Young People's Section »

Life's Journey

Life is a serious journey,
In this wicked world, alone;
But with our Saviour Jesus,
He will guide us to His throne.

When trials and tests are many,
And life seems sad and dreary,
Just take it all to Jesus,
Who helps the weak and weary.

When doubts and fears o'ertake us
And gloom obscures our way;
We need not be discouraged,
Only look to God and pray.

For Jesus Christ our Saviour,
Who fights life's battles for us.
Will help us gain the victory,
If in Him we keep our trust.

When life is fair and tranquil
And things are at their best,
Deep in our hearts there is hope
Of blessed eternal rest.

—Olive A. Phillips.

Editorials

Eternal Truth

"For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth." (2 Cor. 13: 8). Thank the Lord, the truth of the gospel cannot be overthrown. It has withstood every attack from without and within since Christ first began preaching the gospel of the kingdom nearly two thousand years ago. The enemies of the truth caused Christ to be crucified, but His innocent blood sealed the truth and destined it to stand intact when the world and all things therein are being consumed with judgment fires.

The disciples of Christ were persecuted and martyred, but the truth marched on. Its adherents have been oppressed, imprisoned, beaten, beheaded, and burned but the truth has never been extinguished. The Pharaohs, the Herods, the Neros, and the Bloody Marys have labored in vain to put it down. The truth has outlived them all and seen them buried each in his turn. It is an anvil that has broken many a hammer in this world, and will break many a hammer still.

The truth is still truth amidst abuses of those who hold the truth in unrighteousness. The truth remains though it may be covered by the rubbish of falsehoods and traditions of atheists, infidels and unauthorized man-made

churches. The existence of the truth does not depend on forms, ceremonies, church buildings, organs, money or any act of favor from the hand of man. It has lived and continued when all these things have been taken from it.

On the other hand, our defending the truth does not make it any more true than it is; it stands for itself alone. The truth does not necessarily need defending, but it does need to be uncovered and revealed to the world by those who believe it. When Jesus was arraigned before Pilate, He was asked the question, "What is truth?" (Jno. 18: 38). It is the duty of every believer of the gospel and lover of the truth to answer the question as though the world were asking, "What is truth?" This will mean a sacrifice of time, talents and all. Everyday living of the gospel is the best exhibition of the truth. The true Christian adorns the gospel — makes it attractive.

Since the apostolic truth of the morning Church has been hidden by the darkness of Catholicism and mists of creeds and dogmas of sect Babylon, it now becomes the solemn obligation of God's people in this "evening time" to uncover, reveal, and promulgate the real truth of God's Word. Preach it from the pulpit, demonstrate it in the life, and publish it from the press. The prophet David says: "The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." (Psa. 68: 11). The Lord has given the truth and it is our duty to publish it.

The Wesleyan and Trumpet movements as a whole, have drifted from the spiritual vigor and insight of truth which they once possessed. History shows that no movement as a whole has ever been brought back to the standard from which it has drifted. Knowing that these movements have struck the rocks and realizing that they can not be reformed, God's people should obey the command: "Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord and touch not the unclean thing and I will receive you."

Thank God, there are yet a people who are contending for the apostolic faith and the apostolic practice. They are not searching for "new light" which leads toward the world and making a "fair show in the flesh," but accepting more and more of the same light which brought favor and power to the apostolic Church. The true increase of light does not eclipse the former light, but merely adds to it. Saints of God, let us rejoice in the truth and reveal it to all the world.

—L. D. P.

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A seal will not make an impression in wax if it becomes like wax. The Christian can never impress the world with a holy and separate life by becoming like the world.

—C. E. Orr

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Paris, Texas Dear Young People:—I am just so glad for Jesus this morning. I was glad when He said unto me, come into the house of the Lord. I thank my Saviour that there is space in the Faith and Victory paper

for the testimonies of boys and girls, even though we are the smallest, youngest, and tenderest vines in God's vineyard.

It seems that our precious young boys and girls are drifting, drifting. No doubt, you have heard someone say, "Oh, I'm just too young to carry the load of a Christian." Young reader, you must stop and ponder. We must not leave all the burden for the lowly Nazarene to bear; but must do our part. He was whipped and lashed up the hill with his load, knowing that he soon would suffer on the cross. The thought of His pierced hands and feet, presents a sad picture to our minds; but it was all for you and me, that we might inherit the Kingdom; that we might be beautiful buds to blossom in His great garden. Praise God, forever!

I do want to try to be the most beautiful flower blooming there for Jesus, don't you? Precious ones, you can be. All you need to do is to call upon Jesus while He may be found. Jesus always hears when we call. Why not forsake all those idol gods which you are serving and follow Jesus? I feel like I am one of the smallest of God's children, but I know that my Redeemer wants to be your Redeemer too. He will surely save your soul. Thank the Lord! He saved me four years ago and He is still blessing me today.

I am now married and Jesus has blessed husband and me with a darling little blue-eyed boy whom I hope to see shouting the praises of God some day. Pray for me that I will be a fit mother to raise my little child and that I may live true so that my unsaved husband can see Jesus in me.

Your humble Sister in Jesus, —Mrs. Jaunita Satcher

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Springfield, Mo. A few lines to the young folks:—

As we have no place to go to church, we felt like saying a word for Jesus through the paper.

We are both saved to all we know and understand. We enjoy the young folks' testimonies very much. Each time we see one, we think there is one more still in the battle. Though it takes lots of praying, yet let us keep close to Jesus and win the victory.

We need each of your prayers that we will live a real life for Jesus.

Your bro. and sr. in Jesus, —Paul and Hattie Davis

CORRESPONDENCE

Clovis, N. M. Dear Saints of God and all Faith and Victory readers, Greetings in the name of our blessed Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who said, "Follow Me and I will make you fishers of men." —This beautiful Lord's Day morning May 1, 1938, I am wondering if all the saint ministers, gospel workers, and all who are called to be saints and claim to be following Jesus can truthfully say, "We are seeking to save poor lost men and women," and "I am sure that I am working in the Lord's great harvest field just where He wants me?"

It seems strange to me that there are so many of God's precious little flocks and His isolated saints calling for help while at the same time, we find several preachers, who claim to be called of God into the ministry, hanging around one church where they are not particularly needed.

We find some of these preachers who go away out in the country and settle down on a little piece of ground and are working hard to make a few dollars with which to keep their mortal bodies alive while they are starving their own souls and letting poor souls starve whom God has called them to feed. We all know that the good Master has so arranged it that while we feed poor hungry souls, we too, may feast on the good things from our heavenly Father's bountiful table. I have never heard of a congregation that was well able to take care of a pastor that had to call very long for help. Brethren, are we following the Lord for the loaves and fishes or do we have a real loving sacrificial service to offer to our blessed loving Lord who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own precious blood? Yes, I wonder why these idle preachers (shepherds) don't hurry to the call of our Lord's precious starving sheep? Hear what God's word says, "Woe to the idol (idle) shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword shall be upon his arm and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened." (Zech. 11-17) How can we say we are following Jesus when we have allowed our ears to become so deaf that we can't hear the call of these poor starving souls? It seems to me that we need a vision like Isaiah saw in Isa. 6th chapter. And it may be we will need a live coal from the altar to touch our lips which would purge us from our carelessness and indifference and then, when the call comes, we will be ready and willing to say, "Here am I send me." Jesus said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments." How will Jesus know we love Him unless we obey His call and go to the rescue of the least of these, His brethren? Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it to one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

In conclusion, I want to say a few words concerning trouble coming up in congregations. We all know that according to God's Word; God, himself, sets every member in the body (Church). "But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body (Church) as it hath pleased him." (1 Cor. 12-18)

When God sets us in the body, He assigns each one of us our place to work and He expects us to stay in our place and work faithfully. God has no place in His kingdom for a lazy person. If each one of us will stay in the place where God placed us and faithfully discharge our own duty, we will be too busy to cause any trouble or even to listen to anyone who is trying to cause trouble. If we will all see to it that we have on the whole armor of God and our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace and every one of us be peacemakers, then there will be no room for trouble among us. We find some in the congregations who seem to feel that God has called them to line the saints up, and it is generally according to their own standard. God called me to preach His gospel, and nowhere in His Word does He instruct me to line the saints up. If the gospel of Christ, which is the power of God to save souls, fails to line people up; what is the use of us poor weak mortals to try it? Preach the gospel and get folks saved and the first thing they do will be the necessary lining up. Brethren, are we sure we are working faithfully in the place where God placed us

in the body?

Your brother, who is contending for the faith which was once delivered to the saints, —Geo. W. Stephenson

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Montrose, Colo. Dear Brother Pruitt and Workers in Christ:— I feel led to write a testimony for the glory of God.

I am a worker for Jesus and have been for years. I always get joy out of working for our dear Saviour.

I think the work you are doing to get the Word of God to the dear people, is wonderful; and I pray for the good work to continue.

I ask for the prayers of our brothers and sisters. I have been bothered with rheumatism for some time. Also pray for my daughter-in-law, who is sick with it too.

May the dear Lord bless all of you, and the Holy Spirit encourage your hearts to every good work.

Your Sister in Christ, —Mrs. W. T. S. Brown

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E Akron, Ohio Dear Ones, Greetings in the Precious Name of Jesus;— We are still saved and encouraged to follow Jesus to the end.

Ero. Kingsberry took sick Saturday morning and passed away Sunday night at 9:15 p. m. He had a stroke on the left side. The Dr. said a blood vessel bursted. I am sending his obituary.

Much love to all the saints, Your Sister —C. R. Jones

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Osyka, Miss. Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Greetings in Jesus' dear Name:— I feel led to write as a witness of what the dear Lord can do. He has proved to be a great help in time of need to me. Any time that you need help, you can get it from the Lord, if you seek it in the right way. We may think we need help when we do not; but the Lord knows best and He will take care of us if we will only put our trust in Him.

Jesus is the best of all physicians and He has proved that to me. Praise His dear name! He can heal and will, if we do our part. He is the same yesterday today, and forever. (Heb. 13:8). In Matt., Mark, Luke, John and other Scriptures, you will find a number of instances where He healed the sick. Jesus is the only one who can heal us from the dreadful disease of sin. Praise the Lord!

Your Sister in Christ, —Mrs. Fermon Lea

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Sumter, S. C. Dear Ones in Christ, Greetings in the precious name of Jesus:— I am praising the dear Lord for this blessed Bible Salvation that saves from all sin; the world and worldliness, vain pride and foolishness thereof; also takes all hatred, race prejudice and respect of persons out of the heart and makes us humble and little where we can love the dear Lord and all of His dear saints of every nation, race and color. He also makes us love the precious souls that are still lost in sin and the world, and desire them to turn to the One who loved them so much that He died on the cruel cross and shed His precious life's blood to redeem them; give them victory and peace in their souls; enable them to reign with Jesus in this life, a conqueror over sin and the devil. We do not have to wait for a Millennium Age (which will never be here) to so live. Praise the dear Lord! Jesus set up, or estab-

lished, His Kingdom in the hearts of His people at His first advent near 2000 years ago. He is reigning King now, and we that are washed and redeemed by His precious blood are translated into this Kingdom and we reign, kings and priests with Him. Praise His Holy Name! May the dear Lord bring many more into this Kingdom.

Pray for me, that I keep true to the Lord.

Your humble Bro. in the Kingdom, —A. Newell

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Glendale, Calif. To all the dear saints scattered abroad, Greetings to all in Jesus' dear name:— This finds me encouraged in the Lord's service, desiring to ever be filled with the spirit of God, and to be some encouragement to some one along life's journey. We shall not pass this way again, and all are going down the valley, one by one. There is no work nor device in the grave, whither we go. We need to redeem the time because the days are evil. Soon all will be said and done for us.

I thank God, the saints are my people, and the one true God is my God. I am enjoying a visit here with the saints and expect to go on to Washington to visit my two sisters.

Saints, let us keep on the whole armour and fight the good fight of faith. If the Lord be for us, who can be against us? Pray for me that I shall ever love and serve our loving Saviour.

A sister in Christ,

—Ruth Murphey

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Only One Door

One time an artist drew a picture of Christ standing and knocking on a door. He called one of his friends and asked him if he could see anything wrong with the picture. His friend said, "There is only one knob on the door and that is on the inside. How is Christ going to get in?" The artist told him that the one on the inside must open the door and let Him in.

Sinner friend, if you want Jesus to come in, you must open the door and let Him in. If you lock your heart's door against Christ, God cannot save you. Jesus said in St. John 14:6, "I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh to the Father but by me." Jesus Christ is the only way you can come to God. Jesus said, "I am the way." No man or preacher can save you. You must come through Jesus Christ, who is the only true way.

Salvation is full and free, and bought without money. Jesus Christ Himself, purchased our salvation on calvary. "Without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sins." Without repentance no man shall see God. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shall be saved. —R. H. Freeman.

HE CARETH FOR YOU

"Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God? But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows." (Luke 12: 6-7).

The above text, the words of which were uttered by our Saviour, Jesus Christ, suggests to us that He is minutely interested in us, His creatures; and that He places an inestimable value upon us. When we know in our hearts that God remembers every sparrow and that He takes notice of every one that falls to the ground, truly that will give us faith to believe that He cares for us in every state and condition of life. Truly He knows every heartache, He sees every pain, He understands every sorrow, and is acquainted with all our griefs. He has not said that He would not let the troubles that are common to man come to us in this life; but we read in His word: "The righteous cry: and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles." Again we read: "Many are the afflictions of the righteous; but the Lord delivereth them out of them all." Have you an affliction? God sees it. Are you being persecuted or misrepresented? Jesus knows it. Does your body suffer pain? He has also suffered for us; the just for the unjust. Have you met with an accident; has your body been bruised? He was bruised for us. Has the hand of death taken away your loved one? Jesus wept at the grave side too. He knows how to comfort those that mourn. Does the enemy try to make you think that God does not care, or that He has forgotten you? Remember, Jesus cried in the anguish of His soul: "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" Though the way appeared dark and lonely, yet was He not forsaken; God brought Him forth from the grave with great power and glory. He has given us a hope that reaches beyond this veil of sorrow and anchors in the land of eternal day where all sorrow will be ended; where there will be no more tears, no more heartaches, no more bruised and mangled bodies, no more pain, and no more death. Praise God! Let us press on a little farther and endure the pain a little longer; soon the conflict will be ended, the warfare over. He says in His holy Word: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Yes, God sees, and He knows, and He cares. He says, "My grace is sufficient for thee."

Dear souls, in trial, in test, in sorrow, —press on; He careth for you. —U. Phillips

The Sea And The Waves Roaring

"And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth, distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring." (Luke 21:25.) Oh, these wonderful and awe inspiring words that fell from the sacred and

holy lips of Jesus. How they have been and are being fulfilled today. How many, oh, how many are ignorant of their meaning, and that they are coming to pass! And scarcely more, perhaps, than the rabbit that walks into the trap, do many times realize that every stride they make is carrying them to the time and place Jesus spoke of when He said, "For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth." Reader, let me ask you, do you hear the sea and the waves roaring? This does not mean the sorrowful voice of the mighty billows of the broad Pacific, or the cold and stormy Atlantic. The voice of the tumultuous waters of the scurrying Ganges, which, it is said, goes with such a howling rush that fishes do not choose to inhabit it. Nor the lion-like voice of terrible Niagara. No, not the voice of any of earth's frenzied waters. It is the roar of the storm that is raging on the sea of human life! Have we ever read of in history, or witnessed a time when we sensed so much unrest among the nations of earth as at the present time? Was there ever a time recorded in history when all nations were as nearly ready to go to pieces? Was there ever a time when there were as many "running to and fro" and knowledge so increasing? Was there a time when there was such a roar of the covetous devil, such a mad rush to get rich, no difference how? Was there ever a time when there was such a clamor for personal aggrandizement and fame? Was there ever a time when there were so many raving maniacs after worldly pleasures? Is it evident that the licentious devil has ever before been such an extensive wholesaler in honeycombing the morals of the human family? For several years the nations have been talking disarmament and world peace, while arming to the teeth. This is none other than fulfilling the scripture that says, "They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace." (Jeremiah 6:14.) The world's congress of religions of recent years, fellowshiping anything in one common brotherhood, is a roaring billow of Gog and Magog's gathering against the "holy child, Jesus," squarely contrary to Bible truth. (2 Cor. 6:14-18.) Was there ever a time in the world's history, when, among enlightened nations there was such a horrible spectacle of female nakedness as there is today? All these and many more like things are but the voice of the roaring waves of the satanic malcontents of the infernal regions showing according to scripture the the sands of time are nearly run. Reader, seek God!

—J. H. Pearson.

"GOD WITH US"

I thank God for His presence with me today.

We read in Matt 1: 23: "Behold a virgin shall be with child and shall bring forth a son and they shall call his name Emanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us." It is greivous to think as we live in this gospel age or in this evening light, that there is a number of us passing on into eternity, not conscious of God's presence. As one spake of old: "Surely, God was in this place and I knew it not." (Gen. 28: 16, 17)

I read an article in a Faith and Victory paper, dated Sept. 1937, on Sanctification. Through it, the Lord taught me how He uses His ministers as vessels and how He appears in a message. It made me think of Jno. 4: 25. "The woman saith unto him, I know the Messias cometh . . . he will tell us all things." No doubt, she was looking for some great thing to happen; but listen to the presence of God in the 26th verse: "I that speak unto thee am he." The disciples wanted to see the Father and listen to the reply: "Have I been so long time with you and yet has thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the father." (Jno. 14: 8-11.)

Jesus came from His Father and went back to Him, so His followers had need of another comforter. The Master said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments and I will pray the father and he shall give you another comforter that he may abide with you forever, even the spirit of truth whom the world cannot receive because it seeth him not neither knoweth him, but ye know him for he dwelleth with you and shall be in you." (Jno. 14). I thank the Lord for His presence that keeps me saved and sanctified.

Your brother in Christ,

—E. J. Trotter


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"Study to shew thyself approved unto God."

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STUDY

"The entrance of thy words giveth light."

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Sunday, June 5, 1938

Daily Readings and Meditation

May 30 — June 5.

- M. Mary's gift of love. Mark 14: 3-11.
- T. Peter's boast. Mark 14: 27-31.
- W. Zeal born of love. Phil. 2: 12-18.
- T. Love shown in deeds. 1 John 3: 16-19.
- F. A prayer of love. Eph. 3: 14-21.
- S. Love to Christ pre-eminent. Matt. 10: 32-39.
- S. A song of devotion. Psalms 116: 1-14.

Printed PortionMark 14: 3-11; 27-31.

Mark 14: 3. And being in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on his head.

4. And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this waste of the ointment made?

5. For it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor. And they murmured against her.

6. And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me.

7. For ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always.

8. She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying.

9. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her.

10. And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests, to betray him unto them.

11. And when they heard it, they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray him.

27. And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered.

28. But after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee.

29. But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet will not I.

30. And Jesus saith unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice.

31. But he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all.

Golden Text: She hath done what she could. Mark 14:8.

POINTS FOR EMPHASIS

- I. True service.
 - (1). Hirelings (men pleasers).
Reward — vanity.
 - (2). True Pastors — Eternal reward.
- II. Giving
 - (1). Mary's gift of love.
 - (2). The criticism — defense.
 - (3). Our gift—(intensions), (desires), (actual gift).
- III. Peter's failure.
 - (1) Prediction — fulfillment.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATIONS

We have a most vivid contrast of success and failure in our lesson today.

Those who labor usually have a reward in view. If, for their reward, they have the honor and applause of man in mind, they will no doubt preach those things that are pleasant to the ear, whether they are in harmony with the Word of God or not. Mary had an eternal reward in mind, therefore no sacrifice nor gift was too valuable for her to offer. We need not be surprised if some criticize us as we make our gift; but if our gift is in accordance with the divine will, Jesus will be our defense as he was for Mary.

"For ye have the poor always with you," stands as a door of opportunity unto us — a door that is ever open to see what we are going to do about it. Those who have rewards in view are more prompt to help the destitute than to help those who may return the favor.

How much would we give or do to have Jesus to speak these words concerning us: "She has done what she could?" Does this not stir our hearts for a more consecrated life, a closer walk day by day with our Saviour?

I am made to wonder if people realize how little is recorded to their credit in heaven the past day, week, or even year? Do you think that that large real estate transaction or that shrewd investment of a thousand dollars or so, are recorded up there? That fast, shrap bargain that you made which netted you a nice fat sum will find no place there, even though you placed one-tenth of it in the church treasury. But thanks be unto God, He has so arranged it, that even the poor can lay up treasures in heaven. A kind deed or a few encouraging words to one cast down will provide us "bags that wax not old eternal in the heavens." The words: "In as much as you have done it unto one of these my little ones, ye have done it unto me" stirs our very souls to be of more service to those around us.

As long as we are in the body we have to deal with temporal things, but let these words of Jesus be printed so deeply in our hearts that we may be continually aware of the dangers connected with the fleeting temporal things: "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul, or what will a man give in exchange for his soul."

FACING THE SUPREME TEST OF SERVICE

Sunday, June 12, 1938

Daily Readings and Meditation

June 6—12.

- M. The test of sorrow. Mark 14: 32-42.
- T. The test of betrayal. Mark 14: 43-50.
- W. From affliction to glory. Heb. 2: 5-12.
- T. Enduring the cross. Heb. 5: 1-10.
- F. Power in Submission. Gen. 32: 24-32.
- S. The ministry of pain. Heb. 12: 9-13.
- S. A cry of distress. Psa. 42: 6-11.

Printed Portion Mark 14: 32-46.

Mark 14: 32. And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray.

33. And he taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy;

34. And saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here, and watch.

35. And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.

36. And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.

37. And he cometh, and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? couldest not thou watch one hour?

38. Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak.

39. And again he went away, and prayed, and spake the same words.

40. And when he returned, he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) neither wist they what to answer him.

41. And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: it is enough, the hour is come; behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

42. Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand.

43. And immediately, while he yet spake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders.

44. And he that betrayed him had given them a token, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he; take him, and lead him away safely.

45. And as soon as he was come, he goeth straightway to him, and saith, Master, master; and kissed him.

46. And they laid their hands on him, and took him.

Golden Text: Not what I will, but what thou wilt. Mark 14: 36.

POINTS FOR EMPHASIS

- I. Facing the cross.
 - (1). Jesus went to Gethsemane, to cavalry, to victory.

(2). We have like experience.

II. Our help.

- (1). Companions, friends and loved ones.
- (2). Jesus our constant companion.
- (3). Enemies and miserable comforters.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

In our lesson today, we find Jesus doing the thing he so often told us to do: "Come ye apart and pray." With only a few friends left, he resorts to the Garden where in agony he wrestles for strength and victory.

If there is no cross, there is no crown; and if there is a cross, there needs be Gethsemane. Many make a failure because they attempt the cross without going to the garden. Many times does God prepare us for a hard trial.

While Jesus was God, yet he was man—"He was made in all things like unto us." Even though he did no sin, yet he was made sin for us. Jesus takes his disciples with him. There is a craving in the human soul for companionship. In severe trial or serious illness we call for those close friends to hold our hand or speak comforting words.

Not my will, but thine. There is no Christian grace more beautiful and necessary than that humble submission to the will of God. The difficulties which we are to encounter during our pilgrimage here are many and great and so peculiar that without due preparation, we are unable to remain patient when we meet them. The Nations prepare for war in time of peace; so also, we must arm ourselves against that day.

In verse 41 and 42 we find an opportunity had gone; it was now buried in the past. Jesus did not talk so much about that because it could not be recalled; but calls to arise to meet another opportunity. Opportunities are continually knocking at our door, although we have failed to recognize so many of them. Let us arise and be ready.

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THE SUFFERING SERVANT

Sunday, June 19, 1938.

Daily Readings and Meditation

June 13-19.

- M. The suffering servant foretold. Isa. 53:4-9.
 T. The crucifixion. Mark 15:22-32.
 W. The great sacrifice. Mark 15: 32-41.
 T. The sealed tomb. Mark 15:42-47.
 F. Christ's Priesthood. Heb. 6:13-20.
 S. Suffering and serving. 1 Peter 3:13-22.
 S. Suffering Christ's sufferings. 1 Peter 4: 12-19.

Printed Portion.....Mark 15:22-39

Mark 15:22. And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull.

23. And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh; but he received it not.

24. And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take.

25. And it was the third hour, and they crucified him,

26. And the superscription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

27. And with him they crucify two thieves; the one on his right hand, and the other on his left.

28. And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors.

29. And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days,

30. Save thyself, and come down from the cross.

31. Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves with the scribes, He saved others; himself he cannot save.

32. Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him.

33. And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.

34. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

35. And some of them that stood, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Elias.

36. And one ran and filled a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down.

37. And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.

38. And the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom.

39. And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God.

GOLDEN TEXT:—For even the Son of man came not be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many. Mark 10:45.

POINTS FOR EMPHASIS

I. Preparation for Trial.

1. The place.
2. The crucifixion.
3. Attitude toward his persecutors.

II. The death of Jesus.

1. Agony and suffering.
2. Divine and human testimony to his diety.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION.

All the lessons for this month are very solemn and should be indeed serious. Should anyone feel that these are just the same lessons over and over, that we have had many times, we venture to say that something is hindering in your experience. It is not so important that we should know the kind of material the cross was made from nor the exact location of the crucifixion, or the tomb, but it behooves us to know for sure that Jesus suffered and died on the cross for us, and that He has risen for our justification. Further than this we should know that we are covered by His atoning blood spilt on calvary for us.

In verse 23, we find that Jesus refused the pain-easing and sense-dulling drugs offered Him. We find Him willing to go all the way, drinking, as it were, the very dregs of the cup of suffering. Not because he had to, but because He was willing. Is the contents of verse 24 according to prophecy? "And they crucified him." Let these words sink into our hearts as we repeat them.

Did the inscription placed over Christ belittle Him or did it further show the divine arrangement of God.

Do we receive the practical application in: "He saved others, Himself he cannot save?" and is it not true with us?

Our lesson today teaches us that the heaven and earth both witnessed that He was the Son of God. When did Christ tell the people that if they held their peace the rocks would cry out and praise Him?

Does verse 38 have a special significance to us?

In our temptations and trials and suffering, can we so conduct ourselves that those who are looking on will have to testify as did the centurion—Truly this man was the son of God? Lord inspire our hearts for a greater service for you.

SHARING SERVICE WITH THE LIVING CHRIST

Sunday, June 26, 1938.

Daily Readings and Meditation

June 20 - 26.

M. Deliverance from death. Psalms 16: 5-11.

T. The empty tomb. Mark 16: 1-8.

W. The visible Christ. Mark 16: 9-16.

T. The ascending Lord. Mark 16: 17-20.

F. Resurrection and life. John 11: 17-27.

S. "Alive for evermore." Rev. 1-18.

S. Jesus' prophecy concerning Himself. Matt. 16: 21-28.

Printed PortionMark 16: 1-8, 14-16, 19, 20.

Mark 16:1 And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had brought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.

2. And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

3. And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?

4. And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.

5. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.

6. And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.

7. But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.

8. And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any man; for they were afraid.

14. Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat

at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.

15. And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

16. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

19. So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

20. And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

GOLDEN TEXT:—And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them. Mark 16:20.

POINTS FOR EMPHASIS

I. The Women Visit the Empty Tomb.

1. Faithfulness.

2. The message.

3. The return of the women.

II. Early Appearance of the Risen Christ.

1. The ascension.

2. The missionary effort. (The commission.)

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION.

We come today to the close of a six month's study of the gospel of Mark. The lesson climaxes in resurrection of our Lord.

The crucifixion and death which we have been studying would have been a sad tragedy had it not been for the resurrection, and for the resurrection to become a living force, people must hear the gospel of the good news. He who is saved has not only a precious experience, but also has something to tell others.

As the stars that light up the heavens only are revealed as the sun goes down, so also these holy women who had been ministering unto Christ before, are even more appreciated and honored as the light of Christ, the Great Illuminator, with His disciples had seemingly gone out. There are many who let their lights shine when all things are going well, but the world needs more lights that will shine right on, regardless of dense darkness. The darker the night, the brighter the light will shine.

Many times our hardest trials are those that never reach us. There will enough difficulties reach us without us worrying over those before hand. The Lord's grace is sufficient if we only know that He is pleased with us.

The commission is for us all to tell of God's love toward us. "Who answered the Lord's call by saying, "Here am I, send me?"

If our response was written down, just how would it read? We know the gospel according to Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, but what is the gospel according to you?

Our lesson for the remainder of the year will be of characters of the Old Testament.

The lesson for July 3, will be Joshua: A Choice of Loyalties. (Joshua 1:2-6; 24:14-21.)