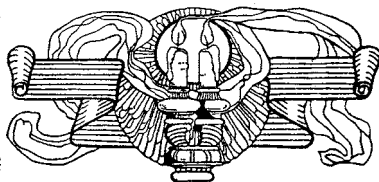


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Come To Him Now

“REMEMBER NOW THY CREATOR IN THE DAYS OF THY YOUTH.”—ECCLESIASTES 12: 1.

How sad a picture could be seen by man
If only he would pause awhile to think
That all before the bar of God must stand,
That even now his feet are on the brink.

And why he does not pause I cannot say,
But time goes slipping by, nor waits for man,
And those who serve the devil day by day
Will lose the Home prepared in God's great plan.

O blessed is that one who surely knows
The Saviour's blood the blackest sin will blot,
But sad the one who hears amidst his woes
The voice that says, “Depart, I know you not.”

How easy to neglect salvation's call
The while your heart still beats so stout and brave,
But call to mind the stoutest oak must fall,
That with each breath we're nearer to the grave.

O give your heart to Jesus while you're young,
And never let your light of love grow dim,
Entreat and pray with those you live among
That all some day may find a home with Him.

—O. C. Porter.

EXCUSES

WHAT ABOUT YOURS?

Dear Reader: Do not throw this paper in the waste-basket, read it carefully and thoughtfully. Even though you may not be aware of it, your soul is in great danger if you have not been “born again” in God's way.

Upon which of the following excuses are you building your hopes of escaping Hell and reaching Heaven? Whom will you blame if like the rich man in Luke the 16th chapter you die, are buried and in Hell you lift up your eyes being in torments?

The excuses made by the unsaved for not accepting Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, such as “Not Now,” “Cannot believe,” “Cannot hold out,” “Cannot get free from Sin,” etc., as well as those who are pinning their faith to theories of “science falsely so called,” including the doctrine of evolution. In addition to these will be found those who are “stumbling over hypocrites.” Men are a fault finding people they sneer at the Church and talk much of hypocrites in it. And are condemning God's people, and make the assertion that one church is as good as another. It seems that folks are trying to make a religion to suit themselves instead of making themselves to suit religion.

Listen to the word: “Unto the pure all things are pure; but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled. They profess that they know God; but in works they deny Him, being abominable, disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate,” Titus 1: 15-16. “So are the paths of all that forget God; and the hypocrites hope shall perish,” Job 8: 13. “He answered and said unto them. Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written. This people honoreth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me,” Mark 7: 6; Isa. 29: 13. There are hypocrites in all professions, but of all hypocrites, the false teacher of religion is the most dangerous one. Our Saviour compared the false teacher to a wolf in sheep's clothing, and said that the true Christian should beware of him. Those people who look on the hypocrites in the church to find fault, are like a man that leans on a rotten tree on a bank, the tree will break off from the man's weight and the man will fall in the river with the tree and drown. So it is with the man who is leaning on the hypocrite in the church, they will fall in the pit together “where there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth” Matt. 13: 42, and Matt. 25: 51. No my friend there won't be any hypocrites in the next world, and if you don't want to be associated with them in the next world, you better get right with God. John 3: 36.

One of the apostles was himself the very prince of

hypocrites, but he didn't get to heaven. You will often find that the person with whom you are dealing is a hypocrite himself, because he is not true to his convictions and is only using others as an excuse for not becoming a Christian. See Rom. 14: 4-12. "Who art thou that judgest another man's servants? to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand." and Matt. 7: 1-5 show that judging another is inexcusable from Rom. 2: 1, "Therefore, thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another thou condemnest thyself: for thou that judgest doest the same things."

Some will offer as an excuse, "I am afraid I cannot hold out," meaning by this that they have seen many professing Christians who were not living the right kind of lives; or they have themselves attempted to live a Christian life without having been converted, and are at times perfectly honest in this excuse. It is true, there will be temptations, but God will be faithful to the tempted one. 1 Cor. 1: 13. To those that say "Not Now," you cannot say "There is plenty of time to settle this matter," for God says, "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of Salvation." 2 Cor. 6: 2. Listen to His solemn warning against delay, "Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man repented* ***I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh****Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer." Prov. 1: 24-28. You cannot blame the one who handed you this paper for in love to your soul, realizing your awful danger, he sought to faithfully warn you and turn your thoughts toward "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world." John 1: 29.

Some make the excuse how can we be made free, and kept free from sin. It is Jesus alone that can make you free and keep you free from sin, "The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin" 1 John 1: 7. There are many places in the Bible which speak of the Blood of Jesus. You know that the blood is the life of your body. It flows into every part of you. As it flows out into each part, it brings life and vigor. If it fails to enter any part, that part becomes diseased and unclean. If your blood is poor, it supplies you with poor life. As the blood flows back it carries with it what has become impure, that it may be cast out of the system. Your body could not live without blood. It is life to you. As the blood is life to your body, so the living Jesus, if you take Him to you, becomes life to the soul. As the blood within flows into every part, so Jesus wants to be in every part of

your soul. His life should enter into all the details of your soul life. He should be in every thought, every word, and every act.

As when the blood stops flowing into any part of the body, that part becomes diseased, so it is with anything into which you do not let the life of Jesus enter, it becomes diseased. When one part of your body is sick, or diseased, it makes all parts suffer, so it is you do not let Jesus enter all parts of the soul life, it is to bring unhappiness to the whole life. If you take Jesus into every part of your soul life, He will keep every part in perfect health and vigor. The more you take Jesus with you, the more you are kept cleansed of sin. Many try to keep themselves clean from sin, but they make poor work out of it. Some try to have Him cleanse them of only a part, and the rest is always making them trouble, like envy, jealousy, fretfulness, anger, pride, impatience, peevishness, formality, sloth, prejudice, carnal confidence, evil shame, self righteousness, etc. Jesus says, "If a man love me he will keep my words, and my Father will love him and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him." Jno. 14: 23.

Reader: You may say you do not believe all this, but the mere fact that you do not believe it does not alter the facts. "Who art thou that repliest against God? He that believeth not God hath made Him a liar." The responsibility of spending Eternity in Hell is yours and yours alone, and you are left without excuse. Rom. 1: 20. Where will you spend eternity? The "prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself; but the foolish pass on, and are punished." Prov. 22: 3. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved," Acts 16: 31.

In conclusion I want to say this: what it means to be a real Christian. It is to glorify God before men, by a holy walk and conversation. 1 Tim. 4: 12, "But be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." A Christian must have one ruling purpose in his life. That is to keep God's holy will and commandments, and to walk in the same all the days of his life. To live a true, pure and successful life, socially, morally and spiritually, should be the object and aim of all: and, as one of the steps toward this end, we advise the reading of the inspired word of God.

—S. E. KESSLER.

"For it is written, as I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God."—Rom. 14: 11-12.

Many Called, Few Chosen

So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen. We are chosen through obedience. We must obey God's eternal word by excepting Him in our hearts. We must be fully sanctified free from sin, then we can walk up the shining path of righteousness in the foot steps of Jesus. We must obey Eph. 6: 11. Paul says, "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Now let us find out what the whole armour is.

First: We see there is a breastplate of righteousness; fully being born again.

Second: Our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace.

Third: Says, *above all*, taking the shield of faith.

Fourth: Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the spirit which is the word of God.

Friends, I really believe we will have to be clothed in this whole outfit in order to be a chosen vessel, meet for the Master's use. We will have to have it on to be able to go through our great trials and difficulties. We must have it on to defeat the devil in his craftiness.

First: We must get the truth into our hearts; we can not afford to believe every wind of doctrine though it may look good, for we know that God's word tells us to try the spirits and see if they are of God. We must be born of God's Spirit, which is the breastplate of righteousness. We have no business contemplating with religions, which have no depth to them; such as those which do not believe in the blood of our dear Saviour or they may not believe in the Deity of our Lord, these kind of religions are dead spiritually and are carnal, they are not founded on the Rock, Christ Jesus.

Second: Our feet must be shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace. We can not afford to run to the things God would want done in his gospel work. We should never use our feet in a dance hall or to take us to shows, card parties and such like, but on the other hand, we are to use these feet of ours to spread the everlasting truth of God. We must visit the sick, widows and orphans. What right have we to use these feet for the devil after God has redeemed us by his most precious blood? How can we do things for Satan after God has paid such a dear price for us? Let us not step over on Satan's ground to obey him, but let us obey the gospel of Christ.

Third: Says, *above all* taking the shield of faith

wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. Above all else, we are to have faith, without it, it is impossible to please God, without it we can not be saved and without it we are lost. Faith is the most important of all in this armour, for it takes faith to get all the rest. We cannot possibly please God in nothing without faith. We are unable to believe the word He has left for us, except we exercise faith to do so.

We are in a great war, we have a great battle on hand, and if we do not use this shield to fight off the enemy we certainly will lose the victory, we must have faith in God and believe Him at any cost. Believe that he lives and will help us. Believe that he will fight for us. When Satan brings bad thoughts to us, let us use our shield against him. When Satan tries to trip us and make us do wrong, let us hold fast to God and believe that He will lift up a standard against him.

Fourth: And take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Let us get our minds under the blood. We must think right and use our brain to work for God. Let us read Isa. 26: 3, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee." Because he trusteth in thee. If we have our helmet on, our minds most certainly will be stayed on God. The word says, as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he. So dear reader, if you have evil thoughts all the time and never good ones, better talk to God about it. You must not have your helmet on fully. We have no time to be loosing, we must not let Satan use our minds, for he is not worth while to think upon. We really have no time to give him, for the time is short, let us "redeem the time for the days are evil." In order to have peace we must keep our minds on God, if you have let down your helmet pick it up again, and then you will have peace and sweetness. The devil brings confusion, but God brings joy and peace. Something has been said of the sword that dear old book of God.

Let us see what Jesus did when he was tempted. These are his words when Satan tempted him, "It is written." We likewise can do the same, we can give him Bible; he cannot compete with it, his power is limited. We need not fear him, for if God be for us, who can be against us. Satan may tell you that the Bible is not true; but the word says in Psa. 119: 105, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." He may say you sure don't need salvation. John 3: 7 says, "Marvel not that I said unto thee, YE

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EDITORIALS

Owing to our being in camp meeting so much of the time in the last two months we were unable to get a paper out for August. We regret that so many of our readers were dissatisfied in not getting the August number, but it seemed needful that we attend some camp meetings, not only for service in them, but the change was good for the health of our bodies as the continued confinement in the office work is hard on body and mind.

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In this issue we have several reports sent in of camp meetings held and you can see by reading them that the Lord is verifying His promises to those who abide in Him and are not afraid to launch out upon His promises.

The first camp meeting we attended was at Canehill, Ark. There was a goodly number of saints gathered there and the word was preached with anointing and power from heaven and many heard the true gospel which Paul, Peter and John preached in the early morning Church; some were sanctified, bodies healed and the saints much encouraged and built up in the Lord. After returning from this meeting the Okla. City meeting was soon in progress and God soon began to work in this meeting, as it progressed many were convicted of sin and began to come to the altar of prayer. The preaching was clear and straight and given by the Holy Ghost, as the Lord would choose and lead into the pulpit of His ministering servants.

The altar would often be lined with those seeking to get saved and those wanting to be anointed and prayed for the healing of their bodies. God surely did

work in a wonderful way, souls saved, believers sanctified and bodies healed.

Bro. G. E. Harmon of Glendale, Calif. attended the Hammond, La. camp meeting and reported a glorious meeting there. From there he came to the Okla. camp meeting and was used much by the Lord in giving out the truth of the Bible.

Bro. H. Robinson of Akron, Ohio was also present in this meeting and many other ministers of the state of Oklahoma. There were ninety-six taken pa. in the ordinance meeting. The Lord certainly triumphed over the powers of evil in this meeting and the faith of the saints was much increased.

The next meeting we attended was the camp meeting at Springfield, Mo. We drove through in Auto and took most of our family with us, was gone from the office for two weeks. From the very beginning the Lord gave victory in this meeting and the truth of the Bible began to fall like rain upon the earth and souls were pricked in heart because of sin, and soon began to fall around the altar, confessing their sins and begging God to have mercy and to forgive them, some nights the altar would be lined with seekers. The Lord also sanctified believers and healed bodies and the little family of God there was added to by spiritual birth and greatly built up in God. On the last Saturday of the meeting the saints all observed the ordinance, forty-four taken part in this service; it was a happy time in Zion. On Sunday after-noon we all went out to the James river southeast of the city where ten followed the Lord in Baptism. Bro. John Strech administered in this service. It was a beautiful sight to see them lowered into the water as was Jesus by John the Baptist and brought forth from the watery grave to walk in newness of life. The saints decided to have another camp meeting there next year. It was very encouraging to them. Bro. C. S. Forbes of Chandler, Okla. was used of God in the ministry of the word, also Bro. Ed. Whipple and his sister Susie and Sister Hood of Forest City, Mo. and Bro. John Strech of Neosho, Mo.

Bro. William Cramer of this office and Bro. G. E. Harmon of Calif. went to the Shawnee camp meeting, which was in progress during the same time as the Springfield meeting and they report great victory there as it also was in other meetings.

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After we returned from the Springfield meeting, Bro. C. S. Forbes and Bro. G. E. Harmon held a few nights meeting in the chapel here in Guthrie. It was very refreshing and good, they preached the old-time truth of the reformation with power and authority and was much help to the saints here. Bro. G. E. Harmon left today for Clovis, N. Mex. to begin a meeting there and from there he expects to return to his home and family in Calif. He stated that in the three camp-meetings which he has just been serving in, that there were more souls saved than he had saw for a long time.

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When we returned from Springfield to the office, there was so much work awaiting us that we hardly knew where to begin, but looking to the Lord for wis-

dom and guidance, we have started into it with renewed courage and shall move on with the work as He gives the strength and ability. The good done in sending out tracts and papers is far reaching and eternity alone will reveal the many souls that have been saved directly and indirectly by the reading of these tracts and papers. So we are pressing on by His grace against sin and all uncleanness with deeper determinations to print and send forth the old-time truth of this information which is in accordance with the Bible and sanctioned of God. The Lord has sealed the truth upon our hearts that we are not to receive honor of men, neither receive dishonor, but to fear God and seek His honor and to receive chastening of the Lord, being exercised thereby unto greater godliness. The needs of the work and the responsibilities are shifted upon Him who has called us and given us the charge. We know that our heavenly parent knows and will do that which is right with every one of His creatures.

We realize a great peace and freedom in our souls as we write these lines and rejoice to know that our names are written in the Lamb's book of life. Truly the "Path of the just is as a shining light which shines more and more unto the perfect day." Prov. 4: 18. The ungodly eat the bread of wickedness and we who are saved, eat the bread of righteousness and our souls flourish under the Fathers care and protection. We are exhorted in the 23rd verse to, "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." Those who allow their minds to dwell upon and seek temporal, perishing things will find that kind of a life issuing out of their heart and their deeds will be done with selfish motives and purposes. Those who gird up their minds and think upon things pure, clean, lovely and heavenly will have no evil, but they incur the smiles and approval of God upon them.



We earnestly desire and covet the fellowship of every reader of Faith and Victory, and we know that the closer we get to Christ, the greater will this fellowship flow and our hearts and souls will have one object in view and we will work together for the cause and Kingdom of Christ. We each one ought to be at our best for God and use all the time, talent and means that God has and is giving us to the advancement of pure and undefiled religion in the earth. When we give to the furtherance of the gospel or to the poor, we are only giving back to God what He has given us, so we have nothing to boast of. Oh, how God fearing and humble of heart we ought to be. Let us each one dwell in the secret place of the most High, that we may abide under the shadow of His wings.

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CAMP MEETING REPORTS

The State Camp-meeting of California has come and gone, but we believe its affects will continue through out eternity. The meeting began with victory and continued through the entire camp-meeting.

Bro. Shoot of Guthrie, Okla. and Bro. Walker of Pasadena, Calif., L. E. Davey of Duarte, Calif. besides several other ministers were present.

The ordinance of Feetwashing and the Lord's Supper were observed on Sat. 5: 30 P. M. Baptizing on Sunday at 2: P. M. Ten followed the Lord in baptism and the following ministers were ordained to the ministry. Bros. L. C. Kuns of Lindsey Calif., Eugene Harmon of Glendale Calif. Sisters Emma Holden of Sanbernardino, Calif., and Sister L. Robinson of Los-Angeles, Calif. These ministers having proven worthy of recognition; we send them forth bidding them God speed in the salvation of the lost of the earth.

During the camp-meeting the Lord got hold of an old man perhaps 80 or 90 years old and he was led in the tent for service and after listening to the word of God, made his way to the altar and the Lord saved him. Seemed like God just had the arrangements made and everything worked accordingly. Wonderful when God can have his way.

The last service on Sunday night God's word was so searching that many came to the altar cowed in submission to the dictates of the Spirit, our God true to his word met them and gave them their hearts desire. The unanimous decision by all, was that the camp-meeting was one of the best and one of the reasons for this was, the ministry was to the standard on real Bible unity, so God could have his way.

The trustees of the Old People's Home of Pomona met in the Chapel for a session together with the ministers to consider and discuss the different things and to counsel the advice of the ministry. As various reports have been circulated by the enemy, we thought perhaps some might have received the wrong impression concerning the home.

It is to be a home for the aged saints, a place where they can spend their closing days in peace and quietude with godly association. And the home of course

will need finance to start with particular, and those who could help with their means would not only help themselves, but others also later on. As fast as means can be secured the home will be in a position to take care of the poor saints. This we feel is the real object of the home, to take care of the poor saints who are not able to take care of themselves. Some reports have went out that only those who had plenty of means could come to the home, leaving the poor out, we want to say again, the home will be open for the poor saints as soon as we are able to care for them. To this end we are striving and covet the prayers and co-operation of the saints through out the country.

At this writing some are talking of helping with their means, who may not need a home at present. And if we can make the needs and the object of the home clear and plain, no doubt others who may have means will be glad to help. We believe the management of the home is on a sound basis, and a very worthy cause. And we shall be glad to explain what may not seem clear to all who may ask us, and we also will be open to suggestions for the betterment of the Home.

Yours in Christ,

—E. M. Zinn.
Bellflower, Calif.

Dear saints, elect of God, Holy and beloved, greetings. May God bless and encourage all hearts and build up and make strong His people is our prayer.

The camp meeting at Neosho, closed July 14th with glorious victory. Praised be Jehovah. God gave us a wonderful feast from Heaven. Truth from most every angle was taught with power. God witnessing by saving souls, sanctifying believers, healing the sick. This encourages our hearts, so we shall press on for Him.

We feel the Lord will let us have camp meeting here again next year; but probably one month later as the Lord would be pleased. So the little flock of God here is prospering in fruit bearing for Him who died for us.

So pray for us that we all do His will and live in His fear; and too my body is not strong. Pray that God will give us strength to carry out His plans.

As ever yours on the Rock. —John Strech.

Bro. Fred Pruitt: Dear Bro. in Christ, Greeting in Jesus' name. At this writing we are all well and saved, praise the Lord. I am writing in about the camp meeting we had; I feel it would be to the glory of God to write.

To the saints of God scattered abroad: Undoubtedly you remember reading in the Faith and Victory concerning the meeting that was to be held in Akron, Ohio on the 5th of June. First, I will say the devil did every thing he could to prevent this meeting, we did not see any way of having the meeting if the bank failed us. but the Lord opened the way about two days before the meeting began. We secured a tent also two lots and we had a wonderful meeting, praise the Lord. We did not know what ministers were coming to the

meeting since we could not get the ones we wanted. The Lord knows who he can use, so he sent some ministers to the meeting, Bro. and Sister Strong of Chillicothe, Ohio, Bro. George Peak, Bro. P. N. Thaxton of West Virginia also Bro. Henry Robinson of Okmulgee, Okla. Bro. and Sister Strong came from the state of Michigan. They were told to go and see if it was the old-time saints, preaching the old-time truth, so they came and found it to be so.

Saints, I am almost persuaded to say that the real Church of God had never been in Akron until this meeting was held. The Spirit of God had the right away from beginning to end. It was not hindered one single time to my knowledge. There were many sermons preached and the true light was held up and many souls seen the light. There was not any one saved during the meeting, but the saints were more encouraged than ever before to stay with the old-time truth, we decided if the ministers preach the old-time truth we will hold up their arms, if they don't, we are going to live it just the same. There are several true saints scattered throughout these northern and eastern states that are anxious to hear tell of some true saints. We cordially invite any God sent minister, not that we don't have any, but we welcome all.

After the meeting was over the Lord saved about fifteen souls, young men, women and some children; one young man was saved and healed. Truly God is gathering his people together by his mighty hand. We are trying by the help of the Lord to get a place to worship, we realize the responsibility that rests upon us as saints to show to the world that we are the real church of the living God. We are sure that the so-called church of God has the word, but that's not enough, we have the Word and the Spirit, they agree.

Brethren and Sisters, we are standing on the old-time truth and don't mean to be moved. We hope next year the Lord willing, to have a more glorious meeting by the attending of more saints and ministers.

Your Bro. in Christ, out for the straight truth,
E. D. Robinson, 640 Roscoe Ave. Akron, Ohio.

Richwood, W. Va.—Dear Bro. Pruitt, and Co-workers: Greetings in Jesus' dear name. I received your good letter while at meeting in Charleston; was glad to hear from you.

The meeting at Akron, Ohio was fine, we feel sure much and lasting good was accomplished. Bro. Robinson from Okla., Bro. and Sister Strong from Chillicothe, Ohio, Bro. Tharton and myself and home talents were the workers. There were good crowds and good interest. I left before the meeting closed, but understand there were several consecrations.

Our meeting at Charleston was exceptionally good for a new field. Many expressed themselves as highly pleased with the preaching. Conviction was manifested most every service. Some professed salvation and we feel sure many were drawn to the true way. Bro. Strong did most of the preaching. There were several saints from other parts, most of the con-

gregation from Richwood were there. We expect a permanent work will be established there. Lets pray to that end. We are to have a special meeting at Richwood soon.

With much love and good will to all the dear saints, I am your Bro. and co-worker in Christ,
—Geo. Peek.

NOTICE FOR MEETINGS

Any saints, or others desiring meetings during the coming Winter in Ohio, Ind., Mich., and Ill. For proper arrangements, dates etc., write me early for necessary information as I can arrange for dates early.

Yours in defence of the only one Bible way,
—Earnest Cartwright. Scotts, Mich.

AN EXPLANATION AND CONFESSION

By the reading of church history we learn that there has been a number of reformations in the religious world, both in the Jewish and Christian church. About the year 1880, it pleased the Lord to bring about another reformation. This we believe to be the last reformation of time. I embraced the teaching of this reformation in the year 1890. These teachings became inwrought in my life. I considered them to be in full accord with the Bible, and I still believe so.

Plainness of dress for Christians was one of the teachings of this reform. The pioneer preachers taught the non-use of the necktie. About the year 1913 some of the brethren began to advocate the putting on of the necktie. I opposed this, but they donned the tie. Soon other innovations were made. Because of this I separated from those who had made these worldly compromises. I was separated from them about two years when because of some happening I returned to affiliation with them to an extent. After affiliating with them about eight years, I put on the tie and wore it for more than a year. In the year 1925 I became so wearied with the increasing worldliness of the leaders and many of the people which I then and now call the Trumpet people. I made confession to my wrong in returning to them and putting on the tie to the real saints in California and my confession was accepted.

Recently I have learned that there are those in different places who have not heard of my confession and are yet puzzled as to where I am standing. I take this opportunity and channel to tell all who may read this that I have repented of my return to affiliation with that people who were drifting to the world and of putting on the tie again and God has forgiven me. For the past four years I have been clear from them even in outward affiliation, and in every way and am standing firm and solid for all the teaching of the pioneer preachers of this reformation, because I know such teaching to be in full harmony with the Bible.

I am expecting, by the help of God, to guard the congregation here from any worldly innovations. God has fully forgiven me for my wrong and I humbly ask all to forgive me. I very willingly make this confess-

ion to the readers of this paper and to all, for I am glad to remove from off the pure, uncompromising church of God any reproach that I may have put upon it, and am glad to lift up the pure teaching of this reformation, and say to all that I am standing like a stone wall for all these glorious truths. I am standing for the truths of this reformation in the spirit of the reformation—the spirit of love.
—C. E. Orr.

OBITUARIES

Sallie Porter was born in Delta Co. Texas, July 4, 1867. Died July 6, 1929 age 62 years and 2 days. She was married to John Hartgrane at the age of 15 years; later was married to Sam Edward Porter with whom she died at her brother S. H. Williams's house. She seemed conscience of her death by refering to two incidents, especially which the Lord had granted her. Then concluded by saying, she had nothing more to live for and was ready to go, that she was satisfied.

During one of her struggles for breath in time of a weak spell she asked the Lord why let her suffer so. She was ready to go and take her home. Sister Porter was religiously inclined from her young days. She united with the M. E. Church and lived a consistent life until the year 1918, when she received more light on Christianity, then she walked in the light according to 1 Jno. 1: 7, living a consistent Christian until she was called to her reward.

She leaves an husband, two children, one brother, four grandchildren, one daughter-in-law, a sister-in-law and a host of friends to mourn their loss, but heavens gain.

Funeral services by the writer, text is found in Gal. 6: 7-8.
—S. T. Walker.

Bro. Robert R. Klepzig was born in Dawitt Co. Ill. Nov. 6, 1861; died near Delaware, Shannon Co. Mo. Aug. 17, 1929, age 67 years 9 months 1 day.

He was converted two years ago, after which time he lived for God. He leaves 3 sisters and 2 brothers. The sisters are, Sister Lizzie Harper of Delaware Mo. Mrs. Margrett Hasty, of Delaware Mo. Mrs. Mary Cawhn, of Neosho, Mo. The brothers are, Mr. Walter Klepzig of Winona Mo. and Mr. Wilis Klepzig of La.

Bro. Klepzig was loved by all who knew him. Funeral by the writer.
—John Strech.

ONENESS

BY G. E. HARMON.

My soul has been stirred of late since reading the conglomerated and tangled mess that some folks are putting out, and calling it Bible unity or oneness. It looks to me like an excuse or apology for sectism; but thank God, there is such a thing as Bible oneness.

A oneness that can be seen and felt, a oneness that sinners can see. A church void of this oneness, has

lost its saving power. "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples; if ye have love one to another." "All men," the infidel, the atheist may know, yea the world may know, I in them and thou in me that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me. Jno. 17: 23. We are all one in Christ Jesus. Gal. 3: 28. All made one by the blood of Christ. Eph. 2: 13-15. We are one because all have the same mind.

"Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be like minded one toward another according to Christ Jesus; that ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God." Rom. 15: 5-6. "Be of the same mind one toward another." Rom. 12: 16. How we may have the same mind? By having the mind of Christ; "for who hath known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct him, but we have the mind of Christ." 1 Cor. 2: 16. By reading 1 Cor. 1: 10, we will see the results of having the mind of Christ.

"Now I beseech you brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." If people cannot see the perfect oneness and unity in these scriptures, they are spiritually blinded or drifting; and when a person commences to drift from these precious truths, the line between right and wrong becomes almost invisible; and then is the time men loose their vision of the pure Church or Bride of Christ. And when their vision is thus dimmed, they are ready to fellowship most anybody, just so they don't deny God's power to save, sanctify and heal.

But says some, we are so different, no two ministers alike; let us see what the word says about that. "Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing; for they shall see eye to eye, when the Lord shall bring again Zion." Isa. 52: 8. The saints are so much alike, that it has been said by sinners, when you hear one testify, you have heard all.

Listen, and take heed to this, "Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel." Phil. 1: 27. If we have the mind of Christ, our conversation will be in heaven. Phil. 3: 20. Then we will act alike, talk alike, see alike, be alike, for we will be like 1 Jno. 3: 2.

Now to you who are trying to make so many excuses for differences in opinions, I would ask if we have

the mind of Christ, are like him, and our conversation (or our conduct) is in heaven, our affections on heavenly things or "things above" Col. 3: 2? Why are we not all alike? Christ had a literal body, he also has a spiritual Body, His Church, both are his Body, and both are alike in moral purity. As He lived in his literal Body He also lives in his spiritual Body. There is a very close relationship between his literal Body and his spiritual Body the Church. "For we are members of his Body, of his flesh, and of his bones." Eph. 5: 30. In fact we are substantially the continuation of His life in our lives.

Now in conclusion, I wish to give a few Bible rules that will help us if we wish to be real Bible saints and manifest that ONENESS for which Jesus gave his life. A Bible lesson or rule that we "may know how to behave ourselves in the house of God, or Church of God." 1 Tim. 3: 15. "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world." Titus 2: 12. Now if we have not been taught, we must be if we would be saints, and can be if we are teachable. First, we must love God "with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength." Mark 12: 30. This is the first commandment, and the second is like, namely this, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Now if you know just how much you love yourself, you know by this how much you must love your neighbor. Did you ever hear of a man going about telling people what a mean man he was and causing people to loose confidence in him? No, I think not, neither should you do so to your neighbor. How much should saints love each other? "Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." 1 Jno. 3: 16.

Listen saints, that is the kind of love we have when we are "born of God." "By this shall *all men* know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." Jno. 13: 35. Some people's love seems to be measured by how much the other fellow humbles his heart and makes confession to them. If we are real saints we must exemplify the sweet life of Christ in our lives and walk as He walked. 1 Jno. 2: 6. The above is the process by which we are knit together in ONE, framed, builded and fit together.

"There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all,***and in you all."—Eph. 4: 4-6.

LITTLE FOLKS' PAGE

"HE SHALL GATHER THE LAMBS WITH HIS ARM, AND CARRY THEM IN HIS BOSOM" (Isaiah 40: 11).

Noble Lives

It is THINKING pure thoughts,
Each moment, each hour,
That fills our lives with
Strength and power.

It is SPEAKING the kind word
To all we meet,
That makes our lives both
True and sweet.

It is DOING the good deed
All the way along,
That makes our lives grow
Noble and strong.

—Sel.

Kind Words

Dear children: I wish to talk to you a few moments about the way we should talk and about the kind of words we should always use.

When some one speaks cross and unkind to us; how should we talk back to them? Should we speak harsh and unkind to them in order to get even with them? We should never speak unkind to any one or anything. It is very needful to always be kind and talk kind while we are children, so kindness will grow up with us. A child that always speaks kind is one that is loved by most every one. I know you little children enjoy having people love you and talk about you, as being a kind little boy or girl; don't you?

When we get angry and talk harsh and rude, we displease Jesus and we never want to do anything that doesn't please Jesus. Because he loves us so much, even more than our own mothers do. When Jesus loves us so much we ought to love Him enough to always try to do the things that please Him. Sometimes when we speak unkindly to some one, we may wish all of our life time that we had never spoken those unkind words.

A sister use to talk harsh at times to one of her brothers and later on her brother was taken away and now sleeps beneath the sod. Yet to this day she regrets that those unkind words were ever spoken. When once they are spoken they can never be unspoken. How careful we ought to be about the way we talk. If we have spoken unkindly to some one, lets not be to stubborn to humble ourselves and ask them to forgive us when we see we have done wrong.

"A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger." When some one speaks harsh and ugly to us, lets always give them a soft answer and that will help to make them ashamed of themselves. Some of you may say, "That is easier said than done" and I will admit that it is the truth. But if we find it hard to keep from saying ugly, unkind words, let us ask Jesus to help us to always be kind and always speak kind words.

Jesus loves to help little children and he is sure to help us be good if we will ask him. I know we all want to be good, so we can go to heaven and be with Jesus all the time.
—Rachel Norcutt.

Green Brier, Ark.—Dear Bro. and Sister Pruitt: I am a little girl ten years old. I would like to have about 40 different tracts and one of the little papers, "Faith & Victory." It sure is a good little paper.

Pray for me that I might go on and stay in the right path. I got saved when I was nine years old. Praise the dear Lord.

Yours in Christ, —Miss. Mabel Howard.

CORRESPONDENCE

Burkburnett, Tex.—Dear saints in Christ Jesus: How I thank God this evening for the blessed privilege we have. We can read the dear book and keep His commandments, walk in his foot steps and have his love in our hearts and none can hinder. There is nothing that can separate us from God, if we will stay in the center of His will. Your sister, —May Ransey.

Meno, Okla.—Dear Bros. and Sisters in Christ: I have been reading "Faith & Victory." The testimonies from the saints of different places are so encouraging to me, and I felt this evening that I should write to the paper too.

I give Jesus all the glory and praise for keeping me saved and sanctified, even through the darkest shadows of night. Yes, He will bring us all through if we will but trust him and abide in him and keep all of his word abiding in us to the best knowledge and understanding that we have. Of course, there might be things that we do not understand just so, but if we will trust Him, He will not fail to show us the right.

Yes, I know, I must need be more on the mountain top of inspiration, and I willing confess, I make lots of failures. I cannot dare to trust my own, for I am sure if I would do that I would be led away into

by-paths and fall into pit-falls. But you may think that since I have to see I make failures that those are the by-paths and pit-falls, and yes, they might be. But Jesus (the good shepherd) cares for his own and as he daily walks with me and shows me the way, He must then point out the failures. That is why I tell you this, because the Lord is leading me away from them and keeps me saved. They are to me stepping-stones to draw me closer to my Savior, and therefore I can still continue to sing, "All the way my Savior leads me." Yes, He is leading me into paths of right as daily my life race I run.

We ALL have the privilege to let Him lead us. Praise the Lord. Pray for me.

Your sister, —Carolina Eck.

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Russellville, Ark.—Dear Bro. in Jesus: I am writing you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I still thank Him from the depths of my heart for stooping down and lifting up such a sinner as I from my iniquities. And by His help and grace I intend to go with Him all the way.

I am sending you the address of a lady who would like to receive your little paper, "Faith & Victory." I believe she would appreciate the paper very much.

Please keep sending the paper to us. I am sorry that we have not been able to send an offering before now, but by the help of the Lord, we will send one as soon as possible.

Yours in Christ, —Mack Chenoweth.

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San Diego, Calif.—Dear Bro., Sister and household: I greet you in the name of the dear Lord Jesus Christ. I am writing you to tell you how I love the method you are using to get the truth to sinners and encouragement to those of the saints who need it to keep the faith once delivered to the saints.

Praise God for the way of faith. I am living by faith and not by sight. The Lord brought me out of Methodism and I was astray for twenty years and then found the saints through one of God's children, and I at once took up gospel work in Oregon and lived faithful to the cause for several years under those of the faith, that was taught by Bro. Warner. But after a few years that wife and I spent in the Blue Ridge Mountains of N. C. in a house to house work for the Lord and being some what isolated, for the time being. We later returned to the west and again met with what we supposed was God's people, but instead we found a money begging people with but little faith and full of worldliness, with a human head to what they called the Church of God.

Oh, Bro. I saw plainly they had taken the world in to please the Devil. I learned that true ministers had been branded on the back with the Devil's branding iron. I got to the place where I could scarcely testify for God in their midst and I begged the Lord to set me free once more and praise His name. He called me out and showed me the "good old highway." So once more I placed my feet in it; and for five years I

have been declaring the word to lost souls. Called of God, sent of God and ordained of God. I have never asked for even a penny for my service, and the Lord cares for me.

I am preaching for the colored saints here and doing outside work, distributing papers and tracts and carrying on prayer-meetings in cottages.

Your Bro. in the Lord, and the old-time faith,
—W.C. Swing.

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Natchitoches, La.—Dear saints of God, at Faith Pub. House, and also scattered abroad, greetings to all in the blessed Saviours' name. Who is all an all to us, who sees what we need before we ask. Bless his name forever.

I am still under the blood of Jesus. Glad to say I yet have a made up mind to continue to seek the kingdom of God. Today I have a little trial, a little bridge to cross, I am asking the saints everywhere to pray for me that I may have victory over all Satan's plans. And it don't take nothing but prayers to overcome. So pray that I may be more like Jesus.

Yours in Christ, —Sidonia Benjamin.

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Alma, Mich.—Dear Sister Pruitt and Co-workers: Once again I send greetings to you in the precious name of Jesus. I didn't mean to leave your letter so long without answering, but I kept thinking of the offering and so waited until I could send a little gift. Trust this finds all well there and busy for the Lord. Am still praising God for Salvation full and free, and its getting better right along. Am satisfied with God's dealings with me. Not that I'm worthy, nay, but it is through His great love and tender mercy.

I had the privilege of meeting sister Laura Richard and family at Barryton, Mich. a few days ago. They are precious saints, out and out for God, and we had such a good time together in the Lord. While there it seemed like we were at the vestibule of heaven. To see them brought back fresh courage to my heart. Oh, how I thank the Lord for their faithful humble lives. Truly God's people are of one mind and one Spirit; Praise God for the real oneness of the saints. "They all see eye to eye and speak the same thing." Some people say where the Word is silent they are silent, but they forget that the Holy Ghost is our teacher and will He not teach us all the same thing. It takes more than the Word—it takes the Spirit and the Word to keep and lead individuals. The Spirit teaches where the Word is silent.

Thank God too for Faith and Victory. When it comes I just sit right down and devour it from cover to cover. May God ever keep it spiritual and lead you by his Holy Spirit. You don't know what a help it is to me.

Suppose you all had a good camp meeting at Okla. City this year? How I long to be in a good Holy Ghost camp meeting. I see the saints in Akron, Ohio had a good camp meeting this year.

Yours in Christian love, —Hazel Mann.

A Letter From Robert Longley

Suva, Fiji Islands.—Dear Bro. and Sister Pruitt, Family and Workers:— It is with a heart gladdened by the joy unspeakable and full of glory through the precious Gift of God through Jesus, that I am privileged to send all of you these few lines of greeting, praying and trusting that you are well and blest and encouraged in your work—indeed that your cups are running over with the good things given from above. and that hungry and thirsty souls are being fed and watered by the bountiful overflow. May that pure and clean Fountain issuing out from the Throne of God ever keep your souls refreshed and well supplied with life-giving words for the people.

Bro. Pruitt, I was very glad and encouraged to get your good letter and to know how all of you are getting along, and also to hear of the saints in general. I can imagine that you are in the midst of some good spiritual feasts attending the various Camp Meetings that are announced to be held this Summer. I trust that the Lord opens the way for you all to attend as much and as many as possible, both for the refreshing and blessing of your own souls and also to minister to the souls of others as the Lord helps. I appreciated the nice new tracts that you sent. and if you still have some on hand, you may send me a small package of assorted ones. I hope that the work there is going along good by the blessing of the Lord, and that all needs are being supplied both spiritually and temporally.

I was sorry to hear of Bro. Me Gaha's death, especially on Sister Me Gaha's account. as she no doubt will be very lonely without him. I hope all the saints at Anthony are getting along better, and that the Lord will raise up some one to look after the spiritual needs of the congregation there. Dear old Bro. and Sister Helm, they have certainly kept up for long years of service and have been so faithful through all the storms and tests. Perhaps Sister Anderson would be the one the Lord could use there, and it would be in rather a central location so that if she felt led to hold meetings at other places she could do so. I haven't heard from anyone there for some time now. I hope Bro. Prouse keeps well as the Lord has enabled him to be much of the spiritual life of the Church at Anthony.

Bro. Pruitt. I have been aiming to write an article or something for the paper, but haven't got at it yet. Bro. Sperber and also a Bro. and Sister Brown have come from New Zealand, and as the place where Bro. Sperber was staying before he went away seemed not to be available, I made room for him, to come in with me, and also the Bro. and Sister Brown have taken a little room near to where I stay, and my knowing the people I made the arrangements, etc., and of course it has all taken time. Bro. Sperber and Browns aim to be going to the other side of the island to see the John family and others at the different places there, in a few weeks time. The little meetings at my room have been very helpful, and there has been an

added interest and others coming, and though I am not in prison like Paul was at Rome, nor would I compare these little meetings to any that were at his place; but I often think of the expression that he dwelt in his own hired house and received all that came unto him. Any way it seems that the Lord is placing a greater interest in the hearts of many for the saving Gospel of Jesus. I suppose you have my letter stating that it seems almost inevitable that I remain on here a few weeks longer than I had previously thought and planned, but I will find out the dates of sailing and will let you know when I will be leaving. There have been quite a number of earthquakes in the South Island of New Zealand lately, and there are some people here who have friends and relatives in the districts of the quakes. From all accounts it has been pretty severe, I read a letter that a young man here got from a Christian Bro. who lives in the affected district. At one place the top of a hill turned over and completely buried a farm house, with a mother a son and a daughter, in about fifty feet of earth. The husband and father was working on the side of another hill when it happened and was helpless to rescue them from that great depth of earth. Of course all these things are a definite warning and are only one of the many signs of the coming again of the Lord. Still, in spite of all these loud-speaking voices of warning the majority of people continue to get worse and worse, being lovers of pleasures and the fleshly life more than lovers of God.

Now, I see I must be closing, and I send all my best Christian love and regards. I truly hope Bro. William is keeping encouraged and will also be privileged to attend the Camp Meetings, giving the linotype a good rest, and that it will act all the better when he resumes its operation again. Remembrances to all the dear saints there, and in prayers also for you all.

Your Bro. in Christ, —Robert Longley.

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MUST BE BORN AGAIN." He may tell you that you cannot be healed. Let us look in Isa. 53: 5 and see if he tells the truth, "But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed." Jesus is in the healing business today, as well as he was when he walked the shores of Galilee; for in Heb. 13: 8 says, "He is the same yesterday, today and forever," that means just what it says. He did those things while he was on earth and he changes not, for that is what he said and his word is true.

Satan may bring this thought to you, now you know you cannot live right. But it is written in Jno. 14: 6, "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." He may tell you that you cannot like some one

who has done you an injustice, but it is written in Matt. 5: 44, "Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you."

Now let us come back to our text. God is now calling many to repentance, and always has been. I venture to say that every one in this wide world gets a call from God to repent and be saved, but just how many heed this warning of God, just how many will give up their load of sin and walk in newness of life, how many will give up the world and its pleasures. I say unto you there are but few who will give up all to follow Jesus. There are but few who will say, I am going all the way with him and there are some who start out with the Lord and some time later will turn back to the world and its folly for a little pleasure with the wicked; but I say unto you they are not happy and never shall be until they turn from their evil way and return unto God. After one has been saved they are never happy out side of Christ, because they miss the blessings upon their soul and God's presence. In Heb. 11: 25 Paul says, "Moses chose rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasure of sin for a season."

I believe Paul had great faith in God, and feared to get away from his presence and he knew he had a crown of righteousness laid up for him in the eternal heavens. I feel I would rather die than to go back into the world of sin. We all suffer things in the flesh at times, but what a glory it will be when Jesus comes to take us to himself. We cannot even imagine what it will be like. In 1 Cor. 2: 9 it says, "But as it is written, eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." My won't it be wonderful for all those who are washed in the blood and ready for the appearing of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Are you ready my friend for Him if He should come now? Are you living above reproach? Are you living in the holy way? If not my friend, let God come into your heart and take the old addamic nature out of you, making you a new creature in Christ Jesus, then old worldly pleasures and desires will pass away and all things shall become new in your life. Make your calling and election sure, for eternity is forever and ever—without end.

My friend, that is a l o n g, l o n g time, so you had better take my advice and seek the Lord while he may be found, forsake your way of sin and become a child of the most high God.

Matt. 11: 28, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Matt. 7: 13-14, "Enter ye in at the strait gait: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

—Ethel Lasley.

Healing For The Body

WHO IT IS FOR, AND HOW TO OBTAIN IT.

In these modern twentieth century times, as we view the greatness of man, and his wonderful scientific improvments on every line; we are made to stop and reflect on the greatness of a God that can bestow on man such wisdom.

If we visit our up to date Hospitals, and see the wonderful X-ray pictures, and the skillful operations that are performed. Some people want to put their lives in surgeons hands, and trust to his dexterity in place of trusting "the great God of the universe." Who is above all, and surpasses any skill ever exhibited in this time world.

When we go to view divine healing from a Bible stand point, some people will tell you that medicine and surgery preceded divine healing, but not so. The first instance of divine healing ever exhibited was instituted shortly after the world was created.

We read in Gen. 2: 21-22 these words. "And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept; and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead there-of: and the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man." So we have record of the first healing, when He closed up Adams' side, and He did the work well to. No place in the Bible do we ever read where Adam had an infected incision or suffered from adhesions or anything of that sort. When God lays his healing hand upon a poor sufferer he heals completely with no after effects. Some may say, Well, does the disease not return? It may if God deems it so, but its a rare instance and then I believe its mostly our own fault for allowing Satan to impose it on us, for its God's will for us to be free or he would not have healed us in the first place.

God says, he tempts no man, but when we are tempted its when were drawn away with our own lusts and enticed, and I believe this holds good in cases of Divine Healing to. Of course Satan will bring back symptons of the very thing God has delivered us from. But God says, "Resist the devil and he will flee". So let us trust God.

Healing did not begin as you see with Christs' ministry for we read in Psalms, "O, Lord heal me." So they must have known God's power to heal and seen it demonstrated. In Mal. 4: 2, these words are recorded, "Unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings." And this promise is still true yet. Thank God.

Now, I will endeavor to point out, who is eligible for healing. Every sufferer in this world. Oh, you may say, but I'm not saved. That makes no difference. We have records in the Bible, where sinners were healed. We have for example in Luke 8, the demon possessed man. God cast out the devils and healed him. Now you surely will agree with me that a demon possessed man was not a Christian and when he was healed God sent him home and he immediately began to work for God by publishing the mighty power of God. He did not remain a sinner.

Then immediately we have two more healings following. The woman with the issue of blood and Jar-ius's daughter. Now the woman did just what some Christians of to-day are doing. She tried medical skill first, but sad to say, she grew worse, but she was determined to see the thing through, for she went the limit, for we find these words, "Which had spent all her living upon physicians," neither could be healed of any. Say brethren, this poor woman was in a corner so to speak. She did not know what to do, but lo, she heard of Jesus and came. It was no easy matter for we find she had to press her way through. It takes effort on our part. Healing is a contract. God fulfills his part, but in order to get results and make it binding, we must do ours. But some will say, I haven't enough faith. Well you will never have any more unless you begin to exercise what you have. This poor woman exercised what she had by coming and pressing her way through. Jesus said to this poor woman, "Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace." So we see what brought her healing. I don't think that sweeter words ever fell from the lips of Jesus, than these.

The next point, I wish to emphasize is this. Trust God for everything. Have no reserves. Some Christians can trust God for a little cold, but rush to the hospital for appendicitis; while others are just visa versa, they would gargle with listerine for sore throat, but get real serious before God if the hospital was awaiting them. Now both these attitudes are wrong. Just have child-like faith and take Him at his word, and the work will be done. You may think this is just

a little thing and I'll not trouble God. But little things some times become serious, and then it would be hard to grasp faith if we had been trusting man.

This question is asked, "Does God heal every one who comes?" Absolutely no. God has infinite wisdom. He can look down into the very recesses of our hearts and see if it will be to his glory. It certainly would be useless to heal a person to serve the Devil. God created man for glory and service and he heals likewise. Our healing depends on our motive for coming to Him for healing. If we expect to serve Him and glorify his name, he will touch our bodies, but let us examine our hearts before we come lest we ask amiss.

Now if the sufferer comes in the right attitude, there may be trouble some where else. Either the ministers or the congregation. My how some people shudder when you mention these names. But brethren, we have in this world some of the most spineless creatures, who call themselves ministers of the gospel. Why some of their professions would put Satan to shame, and cause an upheaval in Gehenna could it be heard in that place. There is no use to dodge the issue, we might just as well face facts. Some will say Divine Healing is no command, well we do not have many in the New Testament, such as "you must." It generally is if you love me or something to that effect. But I have never read where Jesus commanded to call in the doctors like these ministers prescribe. My Bible in James 5: 14-15 tells what to do in these words: "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith shall save the sick and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

So sufferer be sure you have the right motive, then obey these scriptures, and leave the results with an all-wise God. Be resigned to his will and all will be well.

Then we have the Church in general. I think the assemblies in lots of instances hinder faith. I have in mind now professed Christians who patronize doctors more than worldly people; you can see the doctor's car in front of their homes more than in front of sinners. Now this sets a wrong example. It shows where your heart is. I heard a ministers say, "That he could tell which place his laymen lived nearest to. The drug-store or God, by the one they patronized when they got sick." Now this is an undeniable fact and we need to awake to the situation and pray God to give us faith to practice what we preach; both by example and precept.

Then last of all concerning the laymen. We need to have unity and not union. We must be of one soul and one mind. We cannot be divided and practice healing. For God does not work in this way. We must stand together on every issue. One half cannot practice healing and the other half resort to remedies. Neither can we as individuals practice healing and doctor at the same time and fully please God. God is a jealous God and we must trust HIM ONLY; if we expect to enjoy the blessings of healing.

—Ivy Hiwiler.

Move In God's Time

In Acts 17: 30 we read, "And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent." Also in Heb. 1: 2, "God who at sundry times and in divers (or different) manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets hath in these last days****."

By carefully noticing the reading of these texts, we will see at a glance that God works by times, in other words, God, requires men to move according to the time. First after man's fall in Eden, the word of God was taken from man. Man was left to group his own way or was filled with his own way. Prov. 14: 14. Also, Gen. 6: 5. Now man could only know God through inspiration as God would give it. Job 32: 8. But the time came that God gave a law and man now to know God, he must know Him through the law. Why? Because by the law was the knowledge of sin. Rom. 7: 7, also verse 9. Here you see was what we might call a second time, that is the time for man to know God by inspiration was past; the law had supplanted the inspiration period and taken its place. Let me say right here, when God ceases to work at any time, men are certainly in danger to try to hold on to that time. Keep this in mind as it will be useful later on in this article.

Next, coming back to law period while God had blessed and accepted man's worship; there came a time for the gospel dispensation, here the Jews wanted to hold to the law and worship God in their former way, but as the time had changed, God had moved up to that time they could worship, but could not worship God acceptably; in other words, God rejected them.

Now we are about to arrive to our main point, that is I don't think that time stopped because the pure gospel was being preached; there were to come a time of falling away. 2 Thess. 2: 3. Remember with God this is the last time, but the gospel of God was to be evil

spoken of. 2 Peter 2: 2. But we are about to drop a link out of our chain of thoughts. The gospel brought about a unifying of the people of God or gathered them into one body. Eph. 4: 4-6. It was a complete body. Eph. 4: 11-13. As we previously said, there was to come a falling away and there did come a departing from the faith. 1 Tim. 4: 1-4, also Jude 3-4. Then followed the dark night of Catholicism and the massacring of the people of God by the thousands, ignorance, superstition, witchcraft and every evil work. Then came the scattering of God's people into creeds and isms. False prophets had full sway over God's heritage. Jer. 23: 1-2. God's people were ruled over with force and cruelty. Ezk. 34: 1-4.

Next came the cloudy day of the reformers; such as Jno. Huss Wycliff, and Luther, in which God's people were scattered; yet those that were honest in heart, God blessed even though they were in confusion. Remember at the time of this ignorance, God winked at; but now—next comes the time of the evening light in Zach. 14: 7-8. Now that God has moved out from all confusion and creeds and isms, (Rev. 18: 21-23) He is not sending us to preach his people is scattered and divided, but He is sending us to call them out. 2 Cor. 6: 14-18. Tell them to come out and God declared He will receive them.

A man wrote in a certain paper to this effect. He told of two boys, that wanted to play together, but one boy had a cross dog that would interfere in case any boy played with his master boy. So he said in order to get to play with each other the boy got the cross dog after something, then while the dog was after the object, the two boys played together. Then he concluded by saying, "we had to co-operate or worship with every Christian, regardless to where he was." In other words; we would have to lay down our church and he lay down his and work together. My what a compromise.

First I want to tell that Brother, we have no cross dog, but we have the "Church of God," the pillar and ground of the truth, which is written in Heaven; Jesus Christ himself the chief corner stone. She is the only one of her mother. And we don't have to lay her down to worship with no Christians, but every child of God that gets one glimpse of Her, will bid farewell to every sect and creed, to live in Her. She is the rose of Sharon; the Lily of the valley. There is no spot in Her.

Don't forget the point, we are not living back in the scattering time, but in the gathering together time. God says, "Come out of her my people." Rev. 18: 14.

Your Brother,

—S. T. Walker.

I Didn't Mean It!

So many times we have said things which we did not mean at all and yet it cut and hurt some body and left such a deep scar on the table of their hearts that it may never be erased; while we quiet forgot all about and never thought anything more of it. Other times when our words were brought to our notice, instantly or soon after, we said, "Oh, but I did not mean it." Yes, it was true, we did not mean a bit of what we did say neither did we fore see the result thereof, if we did indeed we would have been glad to refrain from saying it.

In saying or doing things we do not mean, we create wrong views of ourselves, while we ourselves have the right view and entertain the right attitude towards others. But just because we have said or done something thoughtlessly and without meaning it, others estimation of us, their attitude towards us is broken and they view us from an entirely different angle and treat us accordingly. When we notice this change in them, we are surprised and later if ever we find the cause in those few words which we said and which we never meant, we marvel still more to see that those few words should have had such erroneous results. The results were indeed not erroneous, but just proper and correct, while to us it seems everything upside down. When those same careless words are repeated to us in an entirely different light and setting than we meant, we are taken back with astonishment and wish we had never uttered those words.

"Whatsoever ye whisper in the ears, shall be proclaimed upon the house-top." We regret very much indeed and shed tears silently. Some times we make up our minds, that we are not going to say any more frivolous things; a few days later we break into some other line and say some meaningless thing, creating the same wrong impression upon the minds of our listeners which later or again bears the same bitter fruit, little realizing at the time of our saying it, that such is going to be its results.

In saying and doing things which we do not mean a bit, we are obeying our enemy, the Devil or some one of his imps. If we look back we shall see many places in our lives where we said or did something without meaning it, which was the means of leading us into sin. We did not mean to sin, but the deed was done, bringing in its sting of death on our souls and destruction upon all the workings of grace in the heart. Indeed its the devil's work to get us to say or do things or even think it in our minds, while we are conscious

of this one thing that we do not mean it, hence our hearts remain guiltless until such a time we see the consequences thereof. Even then we do not feel the full weight of guilt as when we do for doing things purposely, wilfully and deliberately. Just because in our hearts we do not feel condemnation, we fail to see the seriousness of such things and unconsciously continue the same thing. If we realize that every time we say, think or do something without meaning the same and which we feel we would not indulge in, if others whom we respect and esteem were to be present, we are obeying the Devil; it would certainly help us to be vigilant and sober. We are not to yield our members, (minds, hands or lips) to unrighteousness.

Anything that is not right, is unrighteousness. And "all unrighteousness is sin." We not necessarily tell lies, steal or profane in order to be a sinner. All forms of unrighteousness is sin. And the wages of sin is death. Oh! how terrible our harmless and meaningless sayings should bear such dreadful fruit. While this is the fruit of it upon our souls, we have to raise a reverential curtain as to what happens on others sooner or later.

If we have been guilty of saying things which we did not mean, let us quit it right now and make up our minds that by the grace of God we are not going to say anything shaky, frivolous or anything which we don't mean. However this does not apply to those things which are done out of hearts of pure love. Let us give vent to every impulse of love and godly words and deeds, and refrain from anything that is not so.

—G. G. Samuel.

A Lamentable Truth

This is not an appeal to the men of the holiness movement; they will never rise up, and demand a change from their women folks! They are created so weak on the side next to the female, that they have no courage to oppose what she determines to have! No, this is an appeal to women themselves! If they cannot be reached, if they cannot be convinced, if they cannot be persuaded, the devil has got the holiness movement, just as he captured the pair in the garden, just as he degraded womanhood for ages, and just as he is now causing throughout the world a lost, ruined womanhood to lead a not unwilling manhood to both their damnation and destruction.

Do not our holiness women know that worldliness of any sort, admitted to the holiness churches, means final ruin to the movement? What has been

generated through so many tears, prayers, heart agonies, ostracisms, divisions of churches, walkings out under the open sky in order to start again, will be slain in less than a decade by the worldliness of the women of the movement, and this fair and promising movement will be buried as its many predecessors have been damned by the subtlety of Satan!

Our Will

“And the Spirit and the bride say, Come, and let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst Come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.” Rev. 22: 17.

According to this, those will be in heaven that willed to be there. Those that sought the Lord with all their heart, and with a willingness to love and serve Him with all the mind, soul and strength.

We can have in our heart, love, joy, peace, long-suffering, meekness, temperance, patience, forbearance, gentleness; or we can have in our hearts, evil speaking, bitterness, hatred, murder, envy, strife and malice. We can will to love and serve God, or we can remain in our sins and be a captive slave to Satan. Which do we will to be? When it is too late to clean up to be ready for the judgment day, then those that are lost can look back and see, and also say, “It might have been.” Yes, it might have been that all could have been saved, redeemed from their sins, if they had willed it to be so. I say we make the choice ourselves for either heaven or hell. “If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land.” Isa. 1: 19.

We make the choice ourselves between God, or Satan. God wants heaven filled with those who will love and serve Him from the heart. There is no compulsion, God wants volunteers. God gives us the choice, and we can, and must exercise our own wills in the matter, between God or Satan; between heaven or hell; between good and bad; between fellowshiping saints or fellowshiping sinners. If we will eat husks and try to live on them, (misconstrued scriptures) we will die in our sins and be lost forever. We must have the pure word of God for us to be able to live, and if we don't live on the word by obedience, then we die in our sins. “For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” Rom. 6: 23.

If we are in sin, we are in the death state already. Adam died spiritually the day that he disobeyed God. And if we choose Christ and live the life of a saint, we can be saved instead of lost. God has given each of us

an opportunity in life, to make Him our choice if we will, and if we neglect to hear Christ and his invitation to “Come unto me, and I will give you rest.” Matt. 11: 28.

If we neglect to hear Him, we surely will be lost through all eternity. If you have once tasted the love and favor of God. Confess your wrong to Him, and ask his forgiveness that you may be restored again in peace; for God is merciful if we confess our sins and plead for his mercy. But let us not willingly committ sin, lest He never give us godly sorrow again and without this we can't repent. —I. Edith Kriebel.

Disappointment

“Disappointment—His appointment,”
Change one letter, then I see
That the thwarting of my purpose
Is God's better choice for Me.

His appointment must be blessing
Though it may come in disguise,
For the end from the beginning
Open to His vision lies.

“Disappointment—His appointment,”
Whose? The Lord's who loves me best,
Understands and knows me fully
Who my faith and love would test;

For, like loving earthly parents,
He rejoices when He knows
That His child accepts unquestioned
ALL that from His wisdom flows.

“Disappointment—His appointment,”
No good thing will He withhold.
From denials oft we gather
Treasures of His love untold.

Well He knows each broken purpose
Leads to fuller, deeper trust;
And the end of all His dealings
Proves our God is wise and just.

“Disappointment—His appointment,”
Lord, I take it then as such,
Like the clay in hands of potter
Yielding wholly to His touch.

All my life's plan in His molding,
Not one single choice be mine.
Let me answer, unrepining

“FATHER, NOT MY WILL, BUT THINE.”
Sel. by, —Ruth Lamb.