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

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IN GOD



A PAPER
FOR ALL
CHRISTIANS

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A Shelter In The Time Of Storm

*“Behold a King—a man shall be as a hiding place from the wind, a covert from the tempest.”—
Isaiah 33 :16.*

Cover me, Jesus, cover my soul
With the blood of Thy cross
While these surges roll,
And these waters wild and deep
Would draw me down with an angry sweep
From the Rock where Thou hast placed my feet,
The Rock where Thy might and my weakness meet.
Come to me, Lord, o’er these waters wild,
And keep me true,
A helpless child.
Teach me Thy covert-keeping power,
And to seek Thee, alone, when the storm clouds lower.
Ah, Thou art mighty and ralest the sea;
My Lord, my God, I trust in Thee!
Shelter me, Jesus within Thy love—
The waves below, the clouds above.
But serve Thy purpose Thy love, Thy power
Shall draw me close, in this storm-tried hour,
To the wounded side of my Lord and my God,
Who, loving me greatly, hath used the rod.
In sending this tempest dark and wild,
That, fearful and trembling,
A timid child
Might learn His love and know His might,
As the foaming spray and the falling night
Shut away the sight of the well-known shore,
Till my trust be in Him forevermore.
Cover me, Jesus, cover my soul,
Though waters deep
Or treacherous shoal
Seek to dismay me, a child of Thine,
Thou art my shelter, dear Lord of mine.
Thy voice is sweet in this dark, wild tide,
I am safe with Thee, and satisfied.

I thank Thee, Lord, for this lesson sweet,
For this Rock in the sea,
Where the wild waves beat,
Where I must stand all alone with Thee,
Where the harbor I loved I cannot see,
The shore-line gone, but all alarms
Hushed, as a child’s, in its mother’s arms.
—Mabel Chandler Hart.

Prayers And Supplications

“I exhort therefore, that first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men: for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour.”
1 Tim. 2:1-3.

“I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up hands, without wrath and doubting.”
1 Tim. 2:8. “Pray one for another.” Jas. 5:16.

“Prayer is the soul’s sincere desire,
Uttered or unexpressed,
The movement of a hidden fire,
That burns within the breast.”

“The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.” The holy scriptures teach us that the desire of the righteous shall be granted. What a wonderful privilege is granted unto the children of God, that they may make their request known unto their heavenly Father in the name of Jesus Christ and to know that the ears of the Lord are open unto their cry. No doubt many are not aware of the greatness, the blessedness and the fullness of this wonderful unmerited opportunity. That mortal man can in faith and confidence approach unto the Divine Creator to make his wants and petitions known and for the encouragement of those who pray many prayers that seem at times to be unheard, unnoticed, and unanswered Jesus said that “men ought always to pray and not to faint.”

It is often necessary to importune and to hold on in prayer. I am sure that every blood-bought soul who know their sins forgiven, know what it is to pray. They know in a measure the value of prayer. Jesus taught that men ought to pray. Paul exhorts the church to pray; he solicited the prayers of the saints on many occasions. He knew that when men pray in earnest that they would receive help from on high. Now he is interested in the souls of men. All men everywhere lay close to his heart, rich men, poor men, educated men, unlearned men, kings, rulers, governors, servants, civilians, men of all ranks and all classes, and knowing the benefits and power of prayer he seeks to enlist the prayers of all praying people of God in the behalf of humanity everywhere.

I am persuaded that if there ever was a time in the history of the world when the human race needed an intercessor, or some one to plead its case before God, it is now. Dear light holder, ye soldier of the cross, how intense is the fire that burns in your bosom? How fervent are the prayers that you send up to the throne of grace in the behalf of the lost? How often do you feel burdened enough for unfortunate humanity to send up a real fervent universal prayer in the interest of all men everywhere. Do you pray for kings, rulers, governors, presidents, officers, civilians, servants, all men everywhere? Or is your prayer limited to local interests only and the local congregation that you may chance to be associated with: seldom going beyond your personal acquaintances? Do you know that the world in sin is lost? The effect and influence of your prayers going by the way of the throne of God in Jesus' name can be felt around the globe. The effect being increased or decreased according to the earnestness, and the fervency of the passion and the amount of faith that accompanies the petition. Were you ever in trouble, or under a burden, and some faithful child of God came and laid their hand on your shoulder, or took your hand and said, "I am praying for you?" Did not those words strengthen your soul? Did not your hope grow a little brighter? It seems I can hear you say, "Yes! Truly so!"

While it is a fact that there are multitudes that are not interested in prayer, but there are others whose hearts long and whose spirits sigh to know that somebody who is in touch with God, is praying for them. James says, "Pray one for another." Dear pilgrim on life's way when you pray do not forget those struggling souls who are battling against the tide of sin, against the accusations of Satan, and

the jeers of their neighbors and supposed to be friends. Though you know them not and have never met them face to face, join them in the spirit of prayer; share their burdens and sorrows. God will hear your prayer in their behalf. The Heavenly Father careth for them just as He does for you, just as He heard others pray for you, He will hear you pray for them. May God bless every child of His. May He ever shield them from the stormy blast, and deliver them from every Satanic snare, encourage them in every battle, comfort them in every sorrow, cause them to triumph in every conflict, and give them a happy entrance into the paradise of God and a welcome around His throne forever is our prayer. Amen.
—Ulysses Phillips.

The Future Home Of The Soul

Because of the unbelief in the world today concerning the future abode of the soul, I feel a stir in my soul to give a few plain scriptures which ought to be enough to settle the question with any honest thinking man or woman.

"The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." Psalm 9:17. "Marvel not at this, for the hour is coming in the which all they which are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth. they that have done good unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation." Jno. 5: 28, 29. "And whosoever was not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire." So we see it is not just a state, but a place of fire. "Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." Matt. 25:41. It is an everlasting fire "where the worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched." Mark 9:43-48.

The beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom, and was comforted. The rich man died, and in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torments. And he cried, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am tormented in this flame. Luke 16:19, to finish. Oh how terrible to even think of, for a soul to be imprisoned in the confinement of hell, everlasting fire unquenchable.

We do not say this is literal fire, for we can not see how literal fire could effect a spiritual being. Be that as it may: it will be a never ending punish-

ment. The same Bible that teaches us there is a heaven in which God dwells, teaches us there is a hell "prepared for the devil and his angels". But some say that hell means the grave, and put their own construction on the words: Sheol (Hebrew) and its counterpart: Hades (Greek) in order to explain away the warnings of Christ and the apostles; that is—that wicked men will be punished in hell fire forever. There may be a few scripture texts where "Hell" is used out of its regular order, and can be applied to the grave, but Sheol with its counterpart Hades applies to the state of the soul after death. It would be ridiculous to say the following means the grave, "Burn into the lowest hell." Duet. 32:22. "The wicked shall be turned into hell (Sheol) and all the nations that forget God." Psalm 9:17. "In hell (Hades) he lifted up his eyes being in torments." "I am tormented in this flame." Luke 16:23-24 So whether Hades or tartarous is used to denote the state of the wicked between death and the judgment or Gehenna before the judgment it will be hell; eternal torment.

In the creation God placed man under law. He violated that law, therefore, he must pay the penalty of a broken law. A law without a penalty for its violation would be a nullity. That penalty is called death. Death means separation; physical death is the separation of soul and body; spiritual death, the soul cut off from union with God; eternal death, man eternally separated from God. Man has the promise of eternal felicity, a blessed union with his Maker, provided he lives in obedience to the law of his God. He can obey or disobey; he is his own free moral agent, can choose good or evil, life or death. He disobeyed a just and good Law; a just God can not repeal a just law. Therefore the justice and immutability of God demands that man pay the penalty for his crime. Who is to blame, the Law-giver, or the violater? Reason answers the violater. Mercy rejoiced against judgment" and the love of God provided an atonement in Jesus Christ. "Behold therefore the good and severity of God." The dealings of Jehovah with mankind in past ages are given as an example of what the future will be.

When God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth he said, "I will destroy man whom I have created," but Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord. Gen. 6:5-8. God had faithfully warned the people that his "Spirit shall not always strive with man." Gen. 6:3. But no doubt they said as do people today, God is too good to destroy us, but the awful day of wrath came upon the degenerate

world. The Spirit of God ceased to strive: mercy's door was closed, too late now to pray.

But some say, "Is there not a place of purgatory where I may be purged from my sins and made ready for heaven even after death?" No, there is no such place mentioned in the Bible; it is only to be found in the deluded mind of man, hatched in the pit, rocked in the cradle of delusion, and reared in the degenerate mind of man. "As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man." Then look at the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah. Lot was delivered because he was righteous. God rained fire and brimstone on those wicked cities.

Again, on account of the rebellion of Pharaoh, God led Israel through the Red Sea and then destroyed Pharaoh's hosts. Again when the Israelites made a golden calf, God said to Moses, "Let me alone that my wrath may wax hot against them: and that I may consume them:" Had it not been for Moses acting as a mediator they would have been destroyed. He opened the earth and destroyed Korah, Dalthan, and Abriam, and their hosts all because of disobedience.

Again on account of the Jews corrupting themselves in idolatry, God sent Nebuchadnezzar to Jerusalem who destroyed it and the sanctuary, slaughtered the Jews, and left their city a heap of ruins. Finally his own chosen people rejected him as the Messiah and condemned him to be crucified. They cried, "His blood be upon us." This is the cause of the days of vengeance, distress and anguish in the land. They fell into the hands of a sinful avenging God. Such a time of trouble never had been known nor as long as the world stands ever will be. Behold the goodness and severity of God." God breathed out His wrath until eleven hundred thousand people perished in the destruction of Jerusalem; the remainder who escaped were scattered among all nations of the earth. Even their land that was cursed seems to still be under the curse today.

We could quote scripture after scripture to show God's dealings with man in the past which are solemn warnings of the severe impending doom that will fall on the transgressor in the great day of God's future wrath which will far exceed any that this world has ever seen, because of the fact that they that are in the graves will be raised with all on earth to stand before the judgment bar of God. Oh my sinner friend, make peace with your God now, for there will be no chance after death.

—G. E. Harmon.

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"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."

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EDITORIALS

What is your candid opinion about the world? Is it growing better or is it sinking down in evil?

As we view the world in comparison to the standard of purity taught in the Word of God we are bound to truthfully say that the wickedness is great in the earth, even as it was with the antediluvian people whom God warned through his righteous servant Noah and they hardened their hearts against the warning, bringing the wrath of Almighty God down upon them and He sent the great flood and destroyed all living, except Noah, his wife and his sons and their wives.

There is an abundance of religion in the world, but the greater part is self-righteousness and hypocrisy. Satan has cleverly corrupted the world with a feigned piousness and many people claim to be children of God and yet sin more or less every day. Satan has great religious revivals and thousands upon thousands shake hands with the preacher, sign a card or turn over a new leaf as they call it. In other words they make a profession of religion and get their names on some man's church book. When once Satan has accomplished this and gets men to make a profession of religion it is almost impossible then to get these souls to hear the truth and really get saved, and so they go on the "blind leading the blind," and they both fall into the ditch. How sad the ending; these are the ones that Jesus speaks of who will weep and wail and gnash teeth in hell fire and brimstone.

The Apostle Paul tells us in Timothy that, "Evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived." Jesus says himself, "As the days of Noah were, so shall also, the coming of the Son of man be." Matt. 24:37. By observation we know that the people are acting much like they did in the days of Noah. There are very few that really care for the pure, clean gospel of Christ, and they prefer an adulterated gospel which really gives them liberty to do as they please in a heart corrupted state. Another sad condition which exists is that many who once walked in the pure way and was separated from the world in spirit and deeds are loving the world and counting much of the scriptural truth as non-essentials and are clearly persuading others to follow them.

The truth uttered by Jesus Christ is glaringly manifested in these last days and few are showing indications of being saved and ready, having on a wedding garment.

Jesus said, "Enter ye in at the strait gate: 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." Yes, dear soul, how few are finding the narrow way. But look at the great host of religious souls on the broad way that leads to destruction.

Jesus told the disciples, "Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven." There is only one way by which our righteousness can exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees and that is to have the righteousness of

Christ in our souls; then and then only shall our deeds be wrought in God for Paul says, "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." Phil 2:13.

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There has been an abundance of articles sent in lately for the Faith and Victory paper, and we are glad to know that God is inspiring souls to write. The articles were written on various subjects and some of them were so poorly written that it is hard to make them out. There are enough articles to fill the paper several times, and you can readily see by this that it is impossible for us to put all of them in the little paper, and so we shall look to the Lord to give us wisdom and heavenly leadings as to what should go in the paper. If your article does not appear in print you will understand there was no room. The article may be good and carry much good truth but space will not permit the printing.

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The Lord has certainly kept the workers here at the Office busy in printing and sending forth tracts, papers and booklets. The calls for literature are many, and the tracts printed are soon sent out and then more must be printed. We have just finished one run of 64 thousand tracts, besides many other smaller runs and yet there are many tracts to print. The funds for buying tract paper has been exhausted and our eyes are turned heavenward as our prayers are continually directed to our God and your God. We know and you know that prayer moves God on His throne. If God was not moved to act because you and I prayed, it would be foolishness and mockery for God to exhort us in His Word to pray and our praying would all be in vain. We know that prayer does move God on His throne, therefore, when in need we importune unto Him, letting our requests be known with supplications and thanksgiving.

Through the kindness of God we have the paper folder installed and it is ready to fold this Faith and Victory paper. This will mean a great help in the work of printing and preparing the gospel to be sent forth by the printed page. We are very thankful to God for this folding machine.

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Not only has the Lord plenty of work in the office for us to do, but we have many calls in personal spiritual work. A car load of us visited the old people at the county farm one Sunday afternoon, and the Lord made the services very blessed and helpful. Sister James Chase of Iowa and Sister Humphrey of Nebraska who have been visiting the congregation this winter accompanied us to the farm and they took note of the interest these old people took in the preaching of the Gospel. Quite a number held up their hands for prayer and the deep conviction was clearly seen on their faces. There has also been much sickness in this country with flu and other troubles, and we have had many calls to come pray for the sick, and God has done some marvelous healings, sometime lifting the suffering and pain before hands were removed. Truly, Jesus is just the same. Continue to pray for us here at the "Lord's Print Shop" as we surely need your prayers and encouragement in the Lord.

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This offer will stand good until March the 25th. Get yourself a good book or so to read while at the same time you have the paper going to others for a year and they will receive a great benefit. Let each of us do all we can for souls that need the gospel.

If you prefer to buy the books, all six of them will be sent prepaid to you for fifty cents. Your choice of them will be sent to you for ten cents each.

We have ten copies of the 1936 Faith and Victory papers bound together and covered with a nice paper cover and we will send them to any address in the U. S. for 25 cents each. Send and get your book of last year's papers. They will furnish yourself, friends and neighbors with good soul food.

You may wonder how we can afford to send these books out at so small a price and also pay the postage on them. It is because we are anxious to do all we can to get these good books to the people that they may be encouraged and also we desire very much to get the Faith and Victory paper in as many homes as possible as it will eventually mean the salvation of many more souls. Our stay in this body will be short and we want to do all we can while opportunity is ours. Will you please co-work with us in getting the gospel to men?

PRAYER REQUEST

To the dear saints scattered abroad. I am asking for special prayers for my unsaved husband and that the Lord may call him back to the fold before it is too late.

And also prayers for my grand-son, who is 13 years old and has never walked in his life. So I request prayer for him to walk if the Lord's will. If not I say Amen. Also pray for my grand-son. He has some kind of throat trouble. Pray for my unsaved family that the Lord may call them before too late.

Yours in the one body,
—Lizzie Murdock
R. 2, Box 200, Henryetta, Okla.

OBITUARY

Ann McCarty, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McCarty was born near Louin, Miss. May 3rd, 1930. She died January 10, 1937. Besides her father and mother she leaves four sisters and three brothers and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her death.

When God reached down and took little Ann home, bitter sadness filled the hearts of many loved ones, but that same God gives us peace and contentment in knowing she has gone to a home where there will be no more pain or sorrow. We trust God who alone is able to fill the lonely spot caused by little Ann's death. As her teacher I knew her well. I sometimes thought I loved her next to a mother's love. She always wore a bright and smiling face.

Funeral service was conducted by Bro. Gregory and Bro. Lee. She was then laid to rest in the family cemetery near her home. There is a new star in heaven shining down on her loved ones so bright. May this star lead us to worlds so bright.

—By her teacher, Irene Pugh and Novella Pugh.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Magnolia Curry was born Sept. 15th, 1892 in Buenavista, Ala. Monroe County. Died Jan. 14th at 8:25 P. M., 1937. Was married to C. C. Curry Jan. of 1916 in Beatrice, Ala.

She joined the Meceadonia Baptist Church at an early age, and was always devoted to her church. In 1918 she came to Boley, Okla. and united with the Antioch Baptist in the spring of 1918 under the preaching of Laten. There she remained until she found the true light under the preaching of Bro. H. Robinson. She lived a saved and consecrated life. She was sick one year with dropsy and trusted the dear Lord until the end came. During her sickness she would often say, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him."

The funeral service was conducted by Bro. Crawley. Text—Psalm 15:1. Her favorite song was, "I am waiting, I am longing for the summons to come." Sister Curry lived the whole truth of the Bible. Never resorted to one remedy of any kind during her illness. She leaves to mourn her death, a loving husband, three children, a mother, two sisters, three brothers and a host of other relatives and friends. But our loss is heaven's gain.
—Mrs. Callen, Boley, Okla.

OBITUARY

Golconda, Ill.—Dear Bro. and Sister Pruitt: With a sad heart I will endeavor to write a few lines. January the 22nd my mother (Mrs. George Millikan) suddenly

passed into eternity to be with her Saviour, who she greatly loved.

Two years ago last September she suffered two paralytic strokes. The Lord saw fit to spare her life, although she never completely gained back her health, but was doing the work and caring for her aged companion who is in bad health. On the morning of the 22nd after doing her morning work she suffered another stroke about 10 o'clock and passed peacefully to her reward about 1 o'clock. At the age of 69 years.

Mother was converted about 45 years ago. The Lord has been her physician for 38 years. Mother was a reader of the Gospel Trumpet for many years, then she began to see them drifting from the Bible standard, so much worldliness creeping in. Seemingly they were as worldly as any of the sect churches, so she no longer subscribed for the Trumpet.

Then a Sister gave her a copy of the Faith and Victory paper and she has been a subscriber to it ever since. She suffered many persecutions from the Trumpet people over this paper, but she lived close to God every day. She enjoyed reading every word in the Faith and Victory paper and would subscribe for it for her friends.

She has been a help and comfort in many homes for she always had a word of encouragement for everyone. She was often called to the bedside of the sick to pray for them. Mother was reared an orphan: she always prayed to be spared to raise her children; this prayer was answered. She leaves to mourn her departure her companion and 8 children, 4 married and 4 single who are teaching school. We know by her every-day life that she is sweetly resting, watching for her loved ones to come home. While this heartache seems almost unbearable, we know we can meet her again where there will be no more sad parting.

Her funeral was conducted by Othmar Hill of Carriers Mills, Ill. We ask your prayers that we be able to bear this great sorrow. Yours in Christ, —Eva Millikan.

OBITUARY

Brother William E. Harding was born Sept. 7, 1896 at Freeport, Harrison County, Ohio. He departed this life Jan. 21, 1937, at the age of 40 years, 4 months and 14 days.

In 1919 he was married to Laura Stocksedale of New Philadelphia, Ohio. To this union were born three children, Delmar 15 years, Virginia 12 and Vernon 9. He leaves to mourn their loss his wife and three children, his father and mother, one brother, Charles of Dover, Ohio, one Sister Mrs. Mary Shonk of North Canton, Ohio, other relatives, the saints and a host of friends. He was a faithful Christian brother up to his death and trusted the Lord through all his afflictions. The Lord came to his rescue many times in answer to prayer relieving him of pain. He had full hope of heaven and wanted to go. We feel sure that our loss is heaven's gain, therefore we sorrow not as those that have no hope.

Then all that you and I could do
Could never repay Him so true,
His Life He gave, His blood He shed,
To redeem us from the dead.

CAMP MEETING NOTICE

The Neosho, Mo. Church of God Camp Meeting will be held near the saints' chapel beginning on July the 9th and lasting until July the 19th.

The Neosho saints extend a hearty welcome to all lovers of the truth, and they will make every preparation possible to make your stay at the meeting comfortable and profitable to you both in soul and body.

They have the same restrictions as in previous years on gossipers, trouble makers and on those who would bring their trouble in the meeting to disturb and hinder the soul saving work of God.

A very large gathering of saints and others are expected at the meeting and God will furnish able ministers to proclaim the gospel on justification, sanctification and the doctrine of divine healing and all other essential Bible truths.

Bring straw ticks, towels, bedding etc., as the meeting is largely attended and thereby many burdens accompany it which we gladly bear as much as we can. Tents will be furnished at \$2.00 for the ten days. If you want a tent, please notify us before you come.

Do not stay away from this meeting because you have nothing to give. Come and enjoy the good things of God.

Those sending means to help prepare for the meeting should send it to John Strech, R. 5, Neosho, Mo. and also write him for any information you need.

CAMP MEETING NOTICE

The Church of God Camp Meeting at New Castle, Ind. will be held from August 19th until August the 29th. This will be a general Camp Meeting for the true, humble saints of God and all who need help in soul or body.

Bro. T. Z. Lawson desires that all the saints who expect to attend the meeting, especially the ministers should write him as he wants to make as much arrangements as possible before he goes west to be in the Guthrie Ministers' Meeting in June and Camp Meeting at Neosho, Mo. in July.

—T. Z. Lawson, Pastor, Box 393,
New Castle, Ind.

Within An Inch Of Hell

"Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able." Luke 13:24. "The kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force." Matt. 11:12. "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint." Luke 18:1.

These and kindred scriptures have an infinite meaning, an eternity of meaning, which only a few in each age have understood.

The incident about the eagle lighting down on the carcass a cold freezing day some distance from the falls of the great Niagara is befitting.

The hungry animal become intensely engaged in feeding on the carcass. When very near the falls he stretched his wings to rise. It was too late. His feet had frozen to the dead animal. He pounded the ice with

his wings, trying to rise, but in vain. He was fast. He still beat the ice and shrieked most vociferously, and went over the falls with a scream, and was crushed to death beneath the falling ice below.

This is but a faint picture of the millions intensely engaged picking and feasting on the filthy carcass of this world while the tide of their nature sweeps them over the falls into the Lake of Fire below to call for water to cool their tongues in the awful forever—all because of indifference and lack of desperation or striving to enter in. Thousands of professors know nothing of this desperation with a violence in it, which alone opens the gate of the Kingdom. Hence they will never get away from the frozen carcass to which they are frozen.

If I have a mission to the world in these last hours of my life, it is to scream—desperation! desperation! in the ears of the multitude who are within a few rods of the Falls of Perdition feasting on the carcass. A few setting suns and they are gone—Gone forever to the Infernal Regions of despair. Many, many thousands this moment are within an inch of Hell living in their lusts and feasting on the carcass.

If I could stand at the mouth of Hell and see the thousands going over the Falls with their garments dripping in holy blood, such a sight would doubtless bring the real people of God to their knees and turn them loose in the streets to ring bells, blow horns and rush into the business houses, seize men by the collar who are frenzied over the drifting carcass and scream in their ears like a Charles Wesley—

"A point of Time, a moment's space,
Removes me to that heavenly place,
Or shuts me up in Hell!"

Then coming out of the business house rush into every street and alley, with tears streaming down our faces and cry like the man on the wall of Jerusalem, "Woe! Woe! Woe to this city!" Woe to the lawyer! Woe to the doctor! Woe to the banker! Woe to the merchant! Woe to the peasant! Woe to the beggar! Woe to the hireling preachers who are robbing the souls and bodies of men! Woe to all except the few who are walking with God with garments white.

Let the few and true pray and fast till this holy desperation seizes every one of us, and we will see a revival of pure religion now as in the days of old. —Sel.

FREEDOM FROM SIN

Those people who lived under the law of Moses could not keep its commands, therefore blood sacrifices were made daily for the sins of the people, and in every sacrifice there was a remembrance again made of sins, for it was not possible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins. Heb 10:3-4.

These sacrifices were a shadow of "the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." "But NOW once in the end of the world hath He (Christ) appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself." Heb. 9:26. This one supreme sacrifice ushered in the "new covenant" or "better testament" which is able to "make the comers there unto perfect," because the worshippers once purg-

ed have no more conscience of sins." Heb. 10:1-2. It is clearly understood that the present "new testament" age is superior to the Old Testament system. Therefore, it is not necessary for those "once purged" to have a remembrance made again and again of sins.

Yet with all this knowledge of the higher standard of teaching and practice of the "new testament," multitudes of people today prefer the old order or system by which they continually commit sin. Futhermore, the majority of denominational church-members of today following the law system, "make a remembrance of sins" by this expression, "O Lord, forgive us our many sins." To such people the "better testament" holds no superior benefits, as far as freedom from sins is concerned. Thank God, through faith in the complete atonement of Christ, the child of God does not have to continually repeat the process of sinning and asking forgiveness. Remember this truth, dear sinner or "sinning" Christian, the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ offers you a better experience.

—L. D. Pruitt

CORRESPONDENCE

Forest, Ill. —Faith Publishing House, Guthrie, Okla., Dear brothers in the faith, please accept my profound heart-felt thanks for those gospel tracts of which I so highly regard as though they were sent direct from heaven. I hold dear such kind favors more than a gift of many dollars.

I delight in writing to the honor and respect of such dear, good Christian people. It has given me work in the Christian faith to distribute those gospel tracts.

As I pick up the daily paper and read about the destruction of the high waters through the southern states I realize that it is only God speaking to the world of humanity of the more greater things that are coming upon the earth. We have now come to the Bible prophecy which says, "When ye see all of these things come to pass, then look up and lift up your heads for your redemption draweth nigh." Luke 21:28. "For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled." 22 verse. On every hand are the needy and distressed. The prophecy of God's Word is being fulfilled. Surely the restraining power of heaven is being taken from the earth preparatory to the winding up of this world's history.

What I now state is not for ridicule but that you may have in mind the facts as have actually existed and it will enable you to see the fulfillment of the prophecy. There is heard the shrieks of the hurricane like the voice of demons upon a mission of destruction.

I am ever yours in the Christian faith, —Eli Sheldon.

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2 Convent Road, Dehra Dun, India—Dear Bro. Pruitt, Greeting: Your letter of December 21 with M. O. for \$10.00 has been received. It came in a week late; for this reason I am late in answering it. We appreciate this kind offering and pray God's richest blessing to rest upon the donors whoever they may be. He knows them and their special needs and can make this up to them in some special way.

He still hears and answers prayer; very few believe this.

We appreciate your continued interest and prayers. God bless you all and your work. Philemon 7. Our labor in the Lord is not in vain. Oh, for faith at all times to believe this and put Him to the test. To do this requires real spiritual energy and a fixed purpose and a settled posture and habit of faith. This is our privilege and there is grace abundant.

We are all well and my heart is encouraged to press the battle and hold on. These are days of severe trials and great excitement on every side, a departing from the faith, a seeking of the easier way. I see no easier way and no letting up, but an increase of evil to the end. The devil is trying his best to wear out the saints or crush them out. We remember you daily in our secret place. In gospel bonds,

—Robert Jarvis.

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Richmond, W. Va.—Dear Bro. and Sis. Pruitt: Greeting in Jesus dear name. I thought I would write my testimony for what the Lord has done for us. When our baby was 5 weeks old, he was taken sick on Thursday morning and lay all day long without even opening his eyes. That evening we took him to the hospital and the doctor kept him all night. The next day he told us that the baby was worse and that he couldn't do anything for him. He told us he had bronchial pneumonia and spinal meningitis. The doctor gave him up saying he would not live more than a day and a half, so we brought him home, and had prayer for him and the Lord heard our prayers and healed him. Today he is almost 3 months old. He is as well and strong as any baby.

So pray for us that we will live close to the Lord. Your Sister in Christ,

—Mrs. C. G. McElwain.

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Pomona, Calif. —Dear Saints at Guthrie: I'm glad I'm still on the Lord's side. I know I have the victory tonight over sin and all this world. All the devils in the world couldn't tell me and make me believe I'm not saved. I am so glad for a know-so salvation.

I sent in a prayer request for my baby who had pneumonia. The Thursday before Dec. 13, God touched his body, and he began to amend from then on. He is healthier and stronger now than he was before. The saints here were so glad to come and pray and set up. I pray God's richest blessings upon them. A request was sent in for my mother in Illinois. We received word from her that her trouble was disappearing. God still is on His throne and He still answers His children's prayers.

We thank the ones who remembered us by their prayers and presence and the encouragement I have received through your little paper. Let us all keep true and faithful. A sister,

—Mrs. Perry.

◆ « Young People's Section » ◆

Is Your Name Written There?

When the book of life is opened,
On that final Judgment Day:
Will your name be on the pages,
Showing sins are washed away?

Christ will put it there, dear reader,
If you really want Him to,
He is giving all that offer,
And he leave it up to you.

Why don't you see about it now?
And be assured of a future home,
It's far more important than material things,
So do not drift and roam.

Then on that day when your name is read,
With rejoicing there you'll surely be,
And will feel like singing Glory to God,
Who cleansed your heart and made you free.
—Mrs. Harvey Sorensen.

EDITORIALS

Very early in life people naturally manifest worldly ambitions. Young people start out in life with great ambitions of a worldly nature. They plan to make a mark in the world, to gain fame and honor. In their mind they have a vision of high achievements in this world. The very thoughts in anticipation of the possibilities of a bright future thrill them with exalted emotions. The lure of self-exaltation soon binds them to the world—they love the world and the world loves them.

In the beginning of the creation we notice that God disapproved of this worldly nature in the children of men. At that time the people said, "Let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." Gen. 11:4. This plan displeased the Lord, and He confounded their language, so that they could not understand one another's speech. They were scattered abroad and did not build the tower of Babel.

Christ teaches that those who seek worldly ambitions shall be brought low. "For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." Luke 14: 11. Even when worldly ambitions are realized and attained, it is only vanity and vexation of spirit. These attainments are only transitory and will soon fade away. Only those who renounce the spirit of worldly honor and humble themselves to walk with Christ will attain to true greatness with respect to eternal values. Most all people have never learned that the way up is down. It is hard to learn

because self wants to be on exhibition.

Worldly ambitions come from pride in the heart. Jesus, in speaking of the scribes and Pharisees, said, "But all their works they do to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments, and love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi. But be not ye (speaking to disciples) called Rabbi; for one is your Master, even Christ, and all ye are brethren." Matt. 23: 5-8.

Seeking worldly greatness leads to strife and contention. Read Matt. 20: 20-24.

Saints should avoid worldly ambitions. Jesus asks this question in John 5:44, "How can ye believe, which receive honor one of another, and seek not the honor that cometh from God only?" We should have a heavenly ambition to seek only the honor and favor of God. We have Moses as an example, for we read, "By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward." Heb. 11: 24-26. James says, "Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God."

The most outstanding worldly ambition is to gain riches and wealth, but Jesus shows the vanity of seeking worldly possessions when He asks the question, "What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" And sadder still is to see professed saints starving and drowning their souls by grasping and endeavoring to add house to house and farm to farm—not taking time to serve God—but only planing to satisfy that worldly ambition—then in the end will lose their soul eternally and the rust of their silver and gold will be a witness against them. Jas. 5: 3.

The greatest and most useful preacher is the most humble preacher. The saint whose light shines the brightest for Christ is the one who is most lowly, meek and humble. The world does not know the way to true greatness, but he who learns of the humble Christ will know and understand.

"Humility—thou secret vale,
Unknown to proud in heart,
Where showers of blessings never fail,
And glories ne'er depart."

—L. D. P.



Good Pine, La. —Dear saints of God, whom I love in the truth: Grace, mercy and peace be unto you. We thank God for the victory. He will always cause us to triumph, if we do His Will.

This finds us very much encouraged. God has made

it possible for us to live in the parsonage here, and we find a little group of consecrated saints whom we appreciate so much, so by God's help we expect to accomplish more in the name of the Lord.

We need your earnest prayers; this is indeed a needy field.

Write us at Good Pine, La., Box 55. Yours for the truth, Ruth (McNeely) Murphey.

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Brownsville, Ore. —Dear Bro. Pruitt and workers: Just received the last issue of Faith and Victory and read it all. Glad to hear of those getting saved at the meeting; let the good work go on, for time is swiftly passing by, the gospel day will soon be over. May the good Lord inspire all the saints through another year to render unto Him their reasonable service. Let us all have a definite object in view each day as we go about our work, whatever that work may be. There are those around us that are without God, they need God more than anything in this world. We can pray for them; we can live before them that life which the Word of God demands, and we can speak those words to them that becometh men and women professing Godliness, thereby proving to them that God is God and His Word is true, and He lives in us and we in Him, and may our very presence be a rebuke to sin.

If any minister or saints come this way this spring, summer or any time be sure and come to see us; the latch string hangs on the outside.

May the Lord encourage you folks at the office to work on; your labor is not in vain. And to all the ministers and saints everywhere, be encouraged; don't let trials, persecutions, trouble and poverty overcome you, because He that made the heavens and the earth said, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." And I believe it. Praise the Lord!

Yours in Him, —Harlan E. Locker.

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Henryetta, Okla. —To the dear saints scattered abroad: Greeting in the precious name of Jesus. Today finds me still saved, sanctified and satisfied in the Lord, and my decision is to go on until the crown is won. Bless His Holy Name! The Lord has done many wonderful things for me, for which I give Him all the glory. Pray for me that I may be a light in this dark world for those that are lost in sin.

When my life's work is ended and the summons has come pray that my treasures will all be laid up in heaven. Yours in the one body, —Lizzie Murdock.

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South Haven, Okla. —Dear Bro. and Sister Pruitt, and the other faithful workers at the office and to all the dear saints scattered abroad: Greeting to you all in Jesus' precious name. I feel led to put my testimony in the Faith and Victory for the first time.

I have felt impressed for a good while, so by His grace and help I must obey Him. By obeying Him I have received much help from the Lord. I enjoy reading the Faith and Victory whenever I get one. I don't take it myself, but my mother and father at Okmulgee do. Also Bro. and Sister Reed take it and then they give it to me to read. And truly I do enjoy different testi-

monies of the saints of God telling how the Lord does keep them and heal their bodies; it encourages my very soul. I am glad for being saved and sanctified and have the victory and the witness that I am on the right highway to glory. I am much encouraged to go through the Bible way which is the only way that leads from earth to glory. I am glad it's a peaceable, clean and holy way, and nothing but clean, pure hearts can go this way. And I thank and praise the good Lord that a little over a year ago on the 7th day of January he saved my soul and put within me a clean, peaceable heart that makes me love everybody. Truly I do praise Him for it! Then later by obeying Him He sanctified my soul, and dear saints, since having on the whole armor I can face every battle because I have on the wonderful shield of protection which is faith in Jesus. Without a doubt I know He will carry me through. I feel like running all the way. I don't get tired of running; the longer I run, the more I want to run. When I can't run I just stand still and behold the goodness of the Lord.

So dear saints, I desire every one of your prayers that I will continue in this blessed way because I am striving each day to so live that I will see the Lord's face in peace. Your Sister in Christ, —Carrie Woods.

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Tulsa, Okla. —Dear Bro. and Sister Pruitt: I am writing you my testimony for the new year. I am so thankful that the dear Lord has allowed me to see the departure of the old year, and the arrival of the new year of 1937. I have made a decision in my heart to make a better record this year than ever before. I started at the beginning of the year to read the Bible through from Genesis to Revelation. And I am asking the Lord to give me knowledge to understand it as I read and to profit by it.

I was thinking the other day about home not being as comfortable as I wanted it to be. The Lord brought the 13th chapter and 5th verse of Hebrews to my mind, "Let your conversation be without covetousness: and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." Then my heart said, Amen to thy will, Lord. I will work for my eternal home beyond the skies.

I do thank and praise the Lord for salvation. It fills my heart with love for every living soul, and gives me faith and joy and spiritual strength untold. I do want the prayers of all the dear saints.

—Sister Nina Bray.

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San Bernardino, Calif. —In the year of 1925 at Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 1st. I took sick with ruptured appendix and I was operated on. The next day after the operation I got worse, had a fever of 105½, wasn't expected to live. I was in a Catholic hospital; across the room was the crucifixion of our Lord and Jesus Christ. And I looked upon it and I made a promise to God if I lived to give my heart to God and be a good Christian. So I got well and I came out of the hospital. My desire was to make myself right with God as I promised; at the same time I was suffering with my stomach. So then I went to my own church, the Greek Orthodox, then to the Catholic, from there to the Methodist. No

satisfaction there for my soul. From there I went to the Baptist so I got no satisfaction there. From there to Pentecost. But my soul was hungry. So in the year of 1936 I came to San Bernardino, Calif. I met a Brother Gus Anast. My country-man—a Greek. A real Brother Christian. I was sick in soul and body. I was going to the doctor for two weeks. Finally the doctor told me he could not do anything for me. He told me just to go home and forget it. That was the 5th day of Feb. 1937. On the 7th day of Feb. I went to Bro. Gus Anast's house, and I heard the Full Gospel with its purity and simplicity. And we sang a few songs and prayed. Then I knelt down and cried to God to have mercy on my soul, then I knew Jesus came to my rescue and saved my soul. At the same time Bro. Gus, and his dear wife and children anointed me with oil in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and prayed for me. I got saved and healing for my body. Glory to His Name forever more! Dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, pray for me to be faithful unto the end. This is my personal testimony. Your blood-washed brother, —A. G. Bardis.

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Forest City, Mo., —Dear Bro. and Sister Pruitt: We are writing you again this morning in Jesus sweet name. He is proving a great blessing to us as we go along in this life. We don't know how we could get along without Him. Those who don't have God to help them out in every time of need don't know what they are missing. How happy folks would be if all would have the Lord to help them when they need Him, and that is every day. It seems we love Him more every day. We can see He loves us so much. He is waiting to help His children if we will ask Him as He tells us.

Floyd took cold in his left eye; it just kept getting worse, and hurting him until some thought he would lose his eye: it felt like it was full of sand. It would get a little better and then worse again. He had been in the house all except a few days for almost 5 weeks. Part of the time he could not see to eat. Could hardly stand light most of the time. He had gotten relief sometimes, but not long at a time. We kept praying but it didn't help much it seemed.

We thought if he would have it anointed and prayed for it would be healed. So we went up to uncle Ed Whipples' They anointed and prayed the prayer of faith and the Lord wonderfully healed the eye. In driving up there one eye was used and part of the time it was rested, being weak too, but coming back both eyes were doing their part after five weeks of suffering. The Lord has to wait sometimes to heal if we don't take Him at His Word and do as He commands us. So we are decided to live for the Lord at any cost; He is so dear to us. We are praying the Lord to bless you. Pray for us. Your Bro. and Sis. in Christ, —Bro. & Sis. Floyd Knapp.

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Port Arthur, Texas —Dear Bro. and Sis. Pruitt, and all the Faith and Victory readers: For several months I have intended to write my testimony. Truly the Lord is my Saviour, my Sanctifier and my Healer, Praise His Name.

For nearly 5 years I suffered with arthritis, then neuritis and polyritis. It partially paralyzed my nerves.

I acted as if I had the palsy. I would get better then get worse. The doctors said I would never be well again. In August 1935 I went to my sister Vera Forbes in Los Angeles, Calif. I was almost helpless again. The saints had an all-day meeting. I was carried in a chair to the chapel. Bro. Harmon anointed me and they prayed for me.

I was not healed immediately, but by the encouragement of the saints I kept trusting and praising the Lord and soon the dear Lord gave me a "sure enough" appetite. Then I began to improve faster.

In four months I was able to go home by myself, and now I am able to cook and sew and feel real well. I know the Lord healed me. Praise His Name. I am so thankful for His promise, "If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." John 15:7. Pray for me that I may grow in grace and in the knowledge of His Word.

Your Sister in Christ, —Mrs. Dott Henry.

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Troy, O, —Dear Sister Pruitt: The handkerchief was gladly received a short time ago and I applied the handkerchief and the next morning when I got up the swelling in my foot had gone down considerably and it continued to do so and now my foot is completely healed. It is not sore any more and I can wear my shoes and galoches and I can walk as well as ever and I'm also working again. Praises to our blessed Saviour and king who forgiveth all our iniquities and who healeth all our diseases. I also thank you, Sister Pruitt, for the handkerchief and I also thank you and the saints for the prayers that you offered up for my healing.

Yours in Christ, —Elnora Wright.

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London, England, —My Beloved Brother and Sister in the Lord, Greetings in His precious name. I received a copy of your priceless paper, "Faith and Victory" and would like to subscribe for this inspiring publication.

I am by His grace sending out the Word of God in faith, love and loyalty and visit hospitals, and needy parts of this great metropolis. All the glory to God. What a privilege it is to be in the Master's service, and what a blessed commission, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." And the greatest of all is the promise, "Lo I am with you always." We must sow in tears and we shall reap in joy in the harvest home of heaven. Sow for God and do not faint.

I would be happy to circulate any of your literature, and would be grateful for whatever you could spare of the back numbers assorted of "Faith and Victory". My work is faith and love to Him. I am yours in His service, —Henry C. Spence.

DENY

There are three commands in the Bible on the line of denial, which if observed, would bring people into a precious experience with God. The first we will mention is, "Deny ungodliness." Godliness is God-likeness. Jesus came to show us what God His

Father is like. To deny ungodliness is to refuse to let anything be in us that is not in Christ. Another deny is to "deny himself" —YOURSELF. Self is a most harmful foe because we love self, and find it hard to refuse self its way, ease, comfort and desires. The natural self is always contrary to God and His will and is not submissive to God.

The other deny is "He (Jesus) CANNOT deny Himself." Could any declaration of God be more precious than that? How we need to BE what Jesus IS. How impossible to be, or do, what God requires of us except as we truly say, "Not I but Christ." How blessed that it is impossible to refuse us Himself. Why impossible? Because God gave Jesus, and Jesus GAVE Himself, and the Father and the Son cannot go back on anything that they have done. "What God doeth, it shall be forever." Praise His Holy Name for the gift that is ours forever! Then why do not all have the enjoyment and benefit of the fulness of this marvelous gift of God, His Son? Because people try to mix the natural with the spiritual, and the human with the divine, and self with the Lord Jesus, but they will not mix. "Emptied that He might fill me with His blessed self." A. B. Simpson said, "the road we travel is too dangerous to admit two drivers." "Reckon yourself dead" and refuse a resurrection of self. Every time it lifts its head, deny it any place or exercise or recognition. Refuse its every wish and demand. Declare that it has no rights, privileges, or possessions. Declare that it is dethroned, cast out, dead and separated from you and no more to be obeyed or even listened to. It is then that we claim that Jesus lives in the place vacated by self and "He cannot deny Himself." Glorious words. Self loves to be in evidence, seen, heard and appreciated, but God says "Your life is HID with Christ in God." So we will exalt Jesus, lift Him up until all eyes see only Him and all minds and hearts are occupied with Him.

Self dislikes the unloveable, faulty and trying people, but we must say, "Self, I deny you this privilege. You cannot control me. I take, in your place, Jesus and His pitying love that loves even the most disagreeable people. I take His love, interest, concern and attention for this person, whom, in the natural, I could not endure." Ah, He can not deny Himself, and as you hold steady in this position, the disgust all goes, and you have a real desire to do some love service for the trying one. Self does not like to suffer, but we must say, "Self, you no longer have a place in me. Jesus has your place and He said, 'I delight to do thy will' when He knew all of


God's will for Him was suffering." Again, "He cannot deny Himself," and like Peter and John we shall find ourselves rejoicing that we are counted worthy to suffer shame for His name and, like Paul we shall be looking forward to the "exceeding and eternal weight of glory" that this suffering is working out for us. Self shrinks from the criticisms and condemnations of others. Shall we not say, "Self, you can no longer do this in me. Your reign has ended and the holy boldness of Jesus now rules"? "If God be for us, who CAN be against us?" "Whom shall I fear?" "He CANNOT deny this because it is a part of Himself. Self wants its own way, but faith says, "Self is dead and I am risen with Christ, who pleased not Himself." Self wants ease, rest and comfort, but is now displaced by Him who said, "The zeal of Thine house hath eaten me up," and who had not time for Himself, "so much as to eat". Self wants plenty but must give place to Him who "had not where to lay his head," and "was followed by women who ministered to Him of their substance" and who, when hungry, waited until angels came and ministered to Him. Self does not like to wait on God and soon tires of prayer, praise and worship. We are to deny self and take the Christ who spent whole nights in prayer after days of toil.

All fear, doubt, wavering, half-heartedness and luke-warmness is ungodliness. I deny it and take Him who is "MADE unto us righteousness, and who is the "Lord, our righteousness." No matter what we have, if it is not of Jesus, deny it. Declare it dead, separated from you by the Cross and the blood of Jesus. "RECKON yourselves dead." Pay no attention to FEELINGS, but stand steadily on God's Word that these things are no longer a part of you. Refuse to let a single member or faculty of your being recognize them or serve them. Believe that you HAVE the things of Jesus, yes, JESUS Himself in their places. Constantly use every power of your being to recognize, serve and obey Jesus. "Neither yield your members as instruments of unrighteousness...but members as instruments of righteousness unto God." Using ALL your faculties for God is the proof that you are REALLY ALIVE from the dead. Refuse to let your mind be occupied with the old things but keep it on the new things. God has promised to KEEP you if you keep your mind STAYED on Him. To be KEPT is to be protected from EVERY EVIL. Glorious promise! Let us keep our minds upon Him and deny every wandering thought a place. If you would have the things

of God in evidence and enjoyment in your life, stand steadfastly. Never WONDER, QUESTION, or TRY TO SEE, or ASK FOR PROOFS. SAY, "GOD'S Word CANNOT FAIL," and stand on that, rejoicing and praising. As you thus stand and praise and worship, you will find that all things you thus deny will pass away, and the things of Jesus will be an evidence, because "HE CANNOT deny Himself."

Walk in love by refusing to think on any evil or speak of any evils. Instead think of God, His Word and will, and speak of the good, lovely, and helpful. Never murmur, criticize, judge or find fault, but instead rejoice that here is something for me to cover with love and overcome. Put praises in the place of idle talking or tale bearing or telling people's faults. Do a love service to every one who does evil to you.
 —By An Evangelist.

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God."



BIBLE STUDY

"The entrance of thy words giveth light."

When you receive this issue of the Faith and Victory paper, it will be time to send in your orders for the Picture Rolls and Cards. Don't disappoint your class by not having this material on time. If you don't receive the order as you ordered it, let us know at once because we order them direct to you and have no way of checking the order. If you order supplies for only two or three Sundays, you will have to pay for the entire quarter so it is to your advantage to send your order in early.

Order Lesson Picture Rolls and Cards for Primary Class from Bro. O. C. Porter, 402 S. Second St., Guthrie, Oklahoma. The Sunday School Lessons for the other classes are in the Faith and Victory paper.

Sunday, March 7, 1937.

LIFE HERE AND HEREAFTER

DAILY READINGS AND MEDITATIONS

March 1st to March 6th.

- M. Abiding in Christ. Jno. 15:1-7.
- T. The Life. Jno. 10:22-29.
- W. The Truth. Jno. 8:31-40.
- T. The Way. Heb. 10:19-25.
- F. None Other Name. Acts 4:1-12.
- S. The Crown of Life. 2 Tim. 4:1-8.

Printed PortionJohn 14:1-15.

John 14:1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

7 If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

8 Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.

9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?

10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

Memory Verse: In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you.

Practical Truth: Through Christ we may have spiritual life here and heavenly bliss hereafter.

Time—Thursday of April, 30, A. D.

POINTS FOR EMPHASIS

- 1 So-Journeymen Need A Home.
- A There is a Mansion For Everyone.
- B Preparations Necessary to Reach There.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

Our Scriptural lesson for today is one of the most comforting and consoling statements that the Lord has given us. "Let not your hearts be troubled." Many a troubled heart has taken refuge in the contents of these scriptures. While Jesus was speaking these words to his disciples that they should not be discouraged in the ordeal following, which was His crucifixion, yet we are His disciples and are privileged to embrace these comforting entreaties. He is not respecter of persons, therefore the young and old, the rich and poor alike may receive of His blessings.

Believe in God. To the extent that we believe, that we realize that He knows the best for us, and that all things work together for our good. It is to this extent that we appreciate this truth.

We are not so much concerned with what kind of a place Heaven is as we are concerned in knowing how we should conduct ourselves that we may have an entrance there. He said, "I will come again." We believe these scriptures and have a hope of complete redemption

through Christ in that day.

There are many false conceptions in regard to the future life. Many are deceiving and being deceived concerning the second coming of Jesus. Some look across into the future with horror and anguish of heart, a place of utter darkness, and to many it will be thus. Others, by an eye of faith are beholding the mansions (abiding places) that Jesus has gone to prepare. Some are expecting a literal reign of Jesus here on earth, that the devil will be tied with a big chain, and then they can live right. Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world," and again, "fear not for I have overcome the world. Also we hear that "the Grace of God that bringeth salvation has appeared unto all men, teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts we should live soberly, righteously and Godly in this present world."

Right now, in this present world we can be overcomers. Turn Satan loose and let him rage, yet by the grace of God we can live unspotted from the world, reigning over sin of every kind.

Sunday, March 14, 1937

JESUS PRAYING FOR HIS DISCIPLES DAILY READINGS AND MEDITATIONS

March 8, to March 13.

- M. The Comforter promised. John 16:5-7.
T. The Farewell Prayer. John 17:1-10.
W. Jesus Prays For His Disciples. John 17:11-19.
T. Jesus Prays For All Believers. John 17:20-26.
F. A Living Intercessor. Hebrew 7:19-25.
S. God Revealed in Christ. Luke 10:17-24.

Printed PortionJohn 16:5-7; 17:14-26.

John 16:5 But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou?

6 But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart.

7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

17:14 I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

18 As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.

19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given

them: that they may be one, even as we are one:

23 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, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

24 Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.

25 O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.

26 And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.

Memory Verse: Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

Practical Truth: There is a oneness of Spirit among those in whom the Holy Spirit dwells.

Time—Christ's last week:

Place—Jerusalem.

POINTS FOR EMPHASIS

- 1 The Comforter.
 - A Christ.
 - B The Holy Spirit.
- 2 The Lord's Prayer.
 - A Separate From The World.
 - B Oneness of God's People.
- 3 Sanctification
 - A Consecrating (On Our Part).
 - B Cleansing (God's Part).

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

It was expedient for the disciples that Christ go away. While He was here in bodily presence He could be only in one place at a time to comfort and bless, but if He should go, He would send the Comforter (Holy Spirit) that He may abide forever.

In this seventeenth chapter of John's gospel is recorded the Lord's prayer. First He relates the fellowship of the Father and Son. In verse 6-19 He prays for His disciples which includes their being separated from the world, and also that they might receive the Holy Spirit.

In verses 20-26 Jesus prays for the Church. His prayer and desire was that they should all be one. There is no other means by which a multitude of people may become one. Although there are hundreds of denominational cliques and clans of every imaginable name, yet Christ insists that He is the door and the references on the Church are in singular number signifying one. The Church of God is not some little obscure gathering as some might think, but it is a most noble and magnificent structure. It includes every child of God upon the face of the earth. It hasn't even one sinner in it. God himself writes up the names of those that are saved and He also blots the names of those that sin out of His book. Some declare that man must organize, that man must open the doors and admit members, but we do not find this in the scriptures. There is no stronger tie than divine love. Let us consider seriously the prayer that Christ prayed for us.

Sunday, March 21, 1937.

THE TRIAL AND CRUCIFIXION
DAILY READINGS AND MEDITATIONS
 March 15th to Saturday, March 20

- M. Christ stands trial. John 19:4-9.
 T. The Crucifixion. John 19:23-30.
 W. The voluntary death. John 10:7-18.
 T. Christ died for us. Romans 5:1-8.
 F. Christ's sufferings foretold. Isa. 53:4-12.
 S. The perfect pattern. 1 Peter 2:20-25.

Printed PortionJohn 19:4-9; 14-18; 25-30.

John 19:4 Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him.

5 Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man!

6 When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him.

7 The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God.

8 When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid;

9 And went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer.

14 And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King!

15 But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar.

16 Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus and led him away.

17 And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:

18 Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.

25 Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene.

26 When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son!

27 Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home.

28 After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst.

29 Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth.

30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

Memory verse: The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God.

Practical Truth: Christ submitted to unjust sufferings and death for our sakes.

Time—A. D. 30.

Place—Jerusalem and vicinity.

POINTS FOR EMPHASIS

1 Pilate's Attitude.

A Persuaded that Jesus was innocent.

B Without boldness to uphold his convictions.

2 Victory through sufferings.

A On a hill far away.

B He died for us—we should live for him.

3 Standing By The Cross.

A Tenderness of Jesus (Toward his mother) (Toward us).

B Our decisions to go all the way.

4 "It is finished."

A Not by old age, nor exhaustion.

B A full and complete salvation for us.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

"Behold the man," was Pilate's words in an attempt to arouse sympathy in the crystalized heart of the Jews, but all was in vain. The crown of thorns, the purple robe, the grossest mockery failed to touch and soften their hearts. So it is today, bereavement, floods, depressions, perplexities in the civil and spiritual world seem to have but little effect upon the people. May we open our hearts and allow the Word to be a savour unto life for us instead of unto death.

Crucify Him, crucify Him, —was the response from the church powers of that day. The king whom they had so long looked for, because He did not come according to their pre-conceived ideas, they were ready to falsely accuse and condemn to death. There was no room in the inn for Jesus at His birth and neither is there room in the hearts and lives of most people for him today. How unwise it is for men and women that are endued with reasoning faculties to go through this life suffering hardships and bearing their troubles by themselves neglecting and refusing to accept their Saviour and going out into the long beyond without hopes. How dark and long eternity will be without God. Denying ourselves of the blessings of God in this world, then go down to hell, a place prepared for the devil and his angels where the worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched. Some make themselves think that there will be some manner of escape but "How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?" Let us say now as did the prodigal, "I will arise and go to father."

There are some pictures and stories that are interesting and arouse our emotions bringing sympathy and even tears yet we have never heard of anything to equal or compare with this story in our lesson today. Can we allow our minds' eye to behold the betrayal of Jesus by Judas, the suffering in Gethsemane, the trial of the just for the unjust, and then the climax of the entire scene the Son of God hanging on the cross under the most shameful circumstances? His death was not caused

by hanging on the cross neither was it caused from old age or exhaustion but the enormous load of all our sins came upon Him. Truly with broken heart he declared that the plan of salvation was finished and he gave up his spirit.

Sinner friend, how do you think he feels today as he sits on the meditorial throne observing your response to the wooings of His Spirit to come and find rest for your soul?

Sunday, March 28, 1937.

THE RISEN LORD

DAILY READINGS AND MEDITATIONS

March 22, to March 27.

M. The Resurrection Foretold. Matt. 12:38-45.

T. Alive Forevermore. John 20:1-10.

W. Thomas Convinced. John 20:19-20.

T. Christ and His Workers. John 21:1-14.

F. Fruits of the Resurrection. 1 Cor. 15:12-22.

S. Peter's Restoration. John 21:15-22.

Printed PortionJohn 20:19-29; 21:15-22.

John 20:19 Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

20 And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.

21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you; as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

23 Whose soever sins ye remit they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

26 And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.

27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.

28 And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

29 Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet believed.

John 21:15 So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.

16 He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son

of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

17 He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

18 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldest not.

19 This spake he, signifying by what death he should glorify God. And when he had spoken this, he saith unto him, Follow me.

20 Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following; which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee?

21 Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this man do?

22 Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? follow thou me.

Memory Verse: Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.

Practical Truth—Because Christ lives we have courage to live and die in His service.

Time—In April—A. D. 30.

Places—Jerusalem—Shores of Galilee.

POINTS FOR EMPHASIS

1 Foretelling of Christ's Desurrection.

A By Himself—Jonah's Experience a Type.

B According to Prophecy

2 The Resurrection

A First and Second.

B Convincing the doubtful to Today.

3 The New Life.

1 Jesus a living reality.

2 What Easter Means to Children.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

In last Sunday's lesson we studied about the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus. Apparently He had met defeat and was forsaken but in this study we have a different scene. Jesus had died and was planted in the tomb but the shackles of death could not hold Him. He arose triumphant over sin and death. When the power of God says loose him and let him go, death and the grave must step back and let its victim go free." "What a mighty God we serve."

Jesus not only died that we might be forgiven but He arose that we might live. We hear the voice of God calling those that are asleep in the death of sin, "Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light." When this voice calls to the soul of man and that soul embraces it, there is not enough powers in hell to bind and hold one under the clutches of sin. Bad habits, sinful lusts and all manner of sin must fall and we are free to live for and magnify Him.