

# FAITH AND VICTORY

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HAVE FAITH  
IN GOD



A PAPER  
FOR ALL  
CHRISTIANS

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## IS THERE NO REST?

In darkness, bound in sin's domain,  
No hope of joy in sight;  
But blasted by the force of sin  
And groping in the night.

Yet toiling hard against the waves,  
Tempest tossed and driven,  
Longing to reach the peaceful shore,  
And anchor in the haven.

Is there no rest for troubled souls  
Whose hearts are like the sea?  
Can peace abide where trouble rolls  
Is there no rest for me?

Oh hark! I hear a gentle voice,  
That seems so strangely near:  
"Come unto me, ye troubled souls,  
Cast on me thy fear."

That gentle voice, in days gone by,  
Spake to the troubled sea  
And stilled the waves—there was a calm—  
He can speak peace to me!

The voice of Jesus I believe,  
Calling from sin away:  
"Lean on my breast, ye weary one,  
I'll give you rest today."  
—Ulysses Phillips.

## Fire On The Earth

In a positive declaration, Jesus says, "I am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I if it be already kindled? Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division. For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three." Luke 12:49, 51, 52.

Here is a text which might appear to contradict the doctrine of unity, but further consideration shows that it states another side to God's divine plan. In

this passage the "fire" referred to is clearly understood not to be literal. Hence, it is a figure of speech, meaning a certain Divine element which has the characteristics of literal fire. Strange as it may seem, fire both separates and unifies. What happens when a flame of fire is placed under a pot of gold-bearing dust or ore? It melts, and the dross or dirt separates from the gold. The dirt rises to the surface to be removed, while the pure gold remains. The fire did two things—one directly and one indirectly. Directly, it brought about a division or separation. Indirectly, the gold which remained was unified and compacted together as a result of the removal of the foreign substances which separated the grains of gold. Fire destroys and consumes. Therefore, Jesus said, "I am come to send fire on the earth." The fire of God's eternal Word will separate and consume every false way and foreign spirit. The fire will try every man's work. Fire is an emblem of God's Word. Jer. 23:29. In Hebrews 12:29 we read, "For our God is a consuming fire."

John the Baptist, while preaching to the multitudes about Jesus, said, "He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire." This was fulfilled on the day of Pentecost when the cloven tongues as of fire sat upon each of the disciples and they were filled with the Holy Ghost. Thereafter the fire of God's Word went forth through the apostles and consumed pagan religions, conquering and to conquer. Truly, He "maketh his ministers a flame of fire." Heb. 1:7. A flame is that which carries the heat, so the ministers carry the Word to the people. When the gospel of Christ is believed to the saving of the soul, the holy fire begins to burn on the altar of the heart, and will continue to burn as long as we keep walking in the light. We are exhorted to be fervent in spirit, serving the Lord.

John the Baptist kindled the fire. Christ Himself is the Word which was made flesh and dwelt among us. The disciples were baptized with fire, and according to the commission, they spread the fire to all the then-known world. Nothing could stand before it. Notice how it affected the early Church, the one which Christ Himself established in wondrous perfection. The holy fire made a com-

plete division and separation between the church and the world. Sin and the works of the devil were eradicated from the hearts of His people. A clear line of distinction was drawn "between the righteous and wicked, between him that serveth God, and him that serveth him not." (Mal. 3:18). At the very time it made division, it also knit together the believers, insomuch that they were in one accord in one body, with one faith and one Lord. Hangers-on and cold professors was no problem in those days, because men were afraid to join themselves to them. The fire of the gospel under the anointing of the Holy Ghost has the same effect today. It will sweep away the refuge of lies to which people are clinging.

God's church is full of fire. He is displeased with anything less. The Church at Laodicea was not hot, but lukewarm; therefore, He said, "I will spue thee out of my mouth." (Rev. 3:16.)

#### **"But Rather Division"**

Jesus said, "Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division." He meant just what He said. He who is the author of peace and unity came to make division. We have heard much about the unity which Jesus prayed and died for, all of which is true and proper, but in this text is brought to view the fact that He came to bring division. Do His teachings conflict? No! There is a division which God favors, and on the authority of God's Word we can say further that there is a division which God demands of His people. The extent of this division is expressed in the words of Jesus, "They (His people) are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." John 17:14. In the text Jesus said, "For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two and two against three." In the New Testament we have three records where there were divisions among the people because of Jesus and His teachings.

For a long period before Christ's first advent, there was no direct spiritual division. In other words, practically all people were given to heathen worship and enslaved to the power of sin. In that sense, the devil had unity in his kingdom. Yet in due time there appeared on earth a direct opposing force in the person of Jesus Christ who was given all power both in heaven and in earth. The devil's kingdom was disrupted and divided. A people was called out to compose Christ's kingdom. Down through the years since that time, Christ has been making division. People have been and are being separated from the spirit and love of the world.

This division which Christ brought also unifies His people. When one is separated from the devil's kingdom and made a new creature in Christ Jesus, he automatically becomes associated in spirit and experience with all others who likewise have been

separated from the world. We are in the world but not of the world. "By one Spirit are we all baptized into one body."

We are now living in an age when so-called Christians have decided that the line between the world and the church need not be so wide and distinct. The majority of the theatre-going crowd have their names on the sect church books. Nominal Christians and the worldlings go hand in hand. Untold numbers live in open violation to the Bible in regard to their conversation, dress, and manner of life on many points. Hear what God's unchanging Word says, "If any man love the world (worldly ways) the love of the Father is not in him." His Word cannot be side-stepped.

The exclusiveness of God's people is becoming an unpopular doctrine with many who once took the narrow way. At one time they were careful to obey all of God's Word and rejoiced in it, but now they refer to certain practices as "trivial matters" and "no harm." "Whom the Son makes free is free indeed," and we are not in bondage to the world or man in any form. The Lord does not intend for His people to "pledge support" to any man-made program, even though it may be called Christian. To many, the "fundamental difference" has become very dim between the churches of the world and the church of God. It is sad to realize that those who lose their vision will eventually be given "a unanimous vote of confidence and recognition among" the worldly churches.

What the people need today, is a radical division—from the world—the kind that Jesus taught and established.

—L. D. Pruitt.

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#### **THE GREAT NEED OF THE MINISTERS "More Humility and Prayer"**

I notice in the Word of God that Jesus prayed after some of the greatest things He did while in His ministry, and when people had the most to say about Him or praised Him most.

Matt. 14:14: "And Jesus went forth and saw a great multitude and was moved with compassion toward them, and healed their sick." Here we see Jesus, our example, having sorrow for the suffering people, and He healed them. Following this was one of the great miracles of His ministry—feeding five thousand men, besides the women and children, with five barley loaves and two small fishes. (verses 15-20). When the people witnessed this miracle, they were filled with excitement. Insomuch John tells us: "When Jesus therefore, perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make him a king, he departed again into a mountain himself alone." John 6:14. (Read also, 5-14 verses). You may ask why He went into the mountain alone. The

word says "He went there to pray." Mark 6:46. My dear brethren, here would have been a good place for our Master to have stayed around the crowd to have received some praise from man, and thus exalted Himself, because it was said of Him: "But was, in all points, tempted as we are, yet without sin." Heb. 4:15. Oh, praise His name for the perfect example! After His great success, He wanted to be alone in secret prayer. When prayer was over, we see Him coming, with great victory again, walking on the sea. (John 6:19). Dear ones, as I search into the life of our Master and see the character and manner of His life, truly, my soul cries out: "Oh, Lord, help me to keep hid away with Christ in God." Dear ones, holiness means freedom from sin. It brings heart purity, complete deliverance from all the elements of sin. It is the destruction of "the old man" and body of sin, being brought back to the image of Him who created us. As Paul says, "And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him." Colossians 3:10. But perfect holiness in entire Sanctification does not destroy our humanity. We still have our likes and dislikes, our natural dispositions; and too, we are subject to temptations, trials, discouragements, and, if not on our guard, may fall. Here is where the prayer life comes in. Every day, every hour, yes, all of the time we need to come to the throne of grace, that we may find grace to help in time of trouble. Here is where we receive protection, guidance with the Spirit warning, when danger is near—have triumphant victory over all the foe. At no time do we need protection and a fresh supply of humility and grace, as when we have visible victory and when God's power has been manifested in a special way. There are times when we have good success, (and, brethren, we are conscious of the fact) God has helped us in a wonderful way to preach the Word, and, as a result, the altars are filled with seekers. At the close of the service, people come to us saying, "My, that was a wonderful sermon, my brother (or sister), how the Lord is using you! You surely gave out the truth tonight. I never heard a better sermon, etc." How easy it is to swell up and get exalted. This is the time, when we need to take ourselves away to the secret place of prayer. Then we should take the attitude of Joseph, when he said, "It is not in me: God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace." Gen. 41:16. (Also, read Dan. 2:28.) Paul says: "I am not worthy to be called an apostle and am less than the least of all saints." Dear ones, it takes prayer, much humble prayer, to stay in the back ground. I have, and no doubt you have, heard preachers tell how, when they preached, this or that was done, or when so and so was healed. May the God of all love help us to keep hid away. Some will boast of their humility,

but you can find them out real soon, when differences arise. Under no condition can you get them to obey Matt. 5:23; 18:15, and yet, they will tell you, in the face of all facts, that they are doing all they can for God. I pray the Lord to help us to be a ministry of love and really possessing Bible humility.

Dear ones, have we really the humble heart that we want people to think we have? Do we, with all our heart, have the example to say to the people, or rather to the saints, "Follow me, as I follow Christ?" or is there a **self-centered** spirit about us that we fear lest some other brother be more in demand than we are. Truly, we trust all the dear ministers are free on these lines, and seeking for a closer walk with God, with a heart full of love for a clean work for God.

Your fellow-servant in the One Body,

T. Z. Lawson.

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### Meeting Report

Henryetta, Okla.—Dear Saints: I am still saved and have a determination to go all the way with my blessed Redeemer, at any cost.

We had a glorious meeting here at the Watson School on May 19, 20, and 21. The true Word of God was preached with power, each night.

Bro. L. L. Jackson preached the Word, and God surely used him to His glory. Bro. Jones of Jennings, Okla. attended the meeting. Some of the saints from Okmulgee and Hoffman were present. It was a happy union together. Some asked for prayer, but no one was saved.

Pray that the Lord will send His word back, so that some lost soul may find Jesus before it is too late.

Yours for lost souls, Lizzie Murdock.

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### A PRAYER

Oh Lord, that my eyes might be kept open wide,  
That no side-light attractions e'er turn me aside;  
That the plain humble life which Thou didst display  
Might lead me and guide me by night and by day.

Oh Lord, keep my heart e'er filled with thy love,  
Enroute for that mansion with Jesus above;  
That the words of my mouth and thoughts of my  
heart

Be kept pure in Thy sight, as when first I did start.

Lord give me that wisdom, that I might discern  
'Twixt the good and the evil and daily to learn  
More about Thy great love and my duty to all;  
So believing, I thank Thee for hearing my call.

—Erle E. Forbes.

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An exclusive, full gospel paper printed and sent out in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ in the interest of all Christians, which body of believers constitutes the one and only true Church of God.

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Its motto: Have faith in God. Its object: The glory of God and the salvation of men; the promulgation and restoration of the whole truth to the people in this "evening time" as it was in the morning Church of the first century; the unification of all true believers in one body by the love of God. Its standard: Separation from the world and entire devotion to the service and the will of God. Its characteristics: No discipline but the Bible; no bond of union but the love of God; no test of fellowship but the indwelling spirit of Christ; and separation from all human organizations that are not authorized in the Word of God.

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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

Since returning from our northern evangelistic trip, we have been extra busy in the "Lord's Print Shop." There were so many things to be done that it was hard to know just what ought to be done first. There were many letters to be answered, tracts to be wrapped and sent out, a book to be printed, and material for the July paper to get ready and set up, besides innumerable other things that needed our attention. The Lord has helped us and given us special strength and we have been able to work through the day and up to eleven and twelve o'clock at night most of the time.

It was Memorial Day when we arrived home from the north. We were glad to get home again, after being away a little over a month. Many of the services were blessed of the Lord, and a large supply of tracts and papers were used while on this trip. The meeting in north Mo. was hindered some by rain, but we had some very precious services, and on the last night of the meeting, some were at the altar for prayer. While there, we stayed with Bro. Ed and Susie Whipple who are humble saints of God and are very earnest in the Lord. Our stay there was a very pleasant one, and the fellowship with the saints was heavenly.

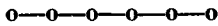
A company of us are expecting to leave for the Hammond, La. Camp Meeting the last of June. The meeting there begins the 30th of June. After the Hammond meeting, there will be some other meetings to hold in that State, but we are expecting (if the Lord wills it so) to be back at Guthrie before our "Oklahoma State Camp Meeting" which begins the 4th of August. We ask our readers to pray for us and also pray for the office work that the Lord will supply at home and keep the tracts, papers, and booklets going out all the time. We mean to do all we can for souls while the Lord keeps life in this mortal body.

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There will be no Faith and Victory paper issued for August, because we will be away in camp meetings and attending the one at home. This has been our usual custom, for the month is a very warm month and the workers, also, need a vacation from the continued indoor confinement.

You will also notice that we have the Sunday School lessons for July and August both in this July paper, having omitted the comments to save space. You can keep your July paper and use it in your Sunday School for August. This seemed best for all concerned here in the work, so please bear with us in this matter. We are much pleased with the circulation of the Faith and Victory paper as the Subscriptions steadily keep coming in, which makes us know that the readers are getting good to their souls out of it and want to pass it on to their

friends. We know that God is working and blessing the truth to the good of many precious souls.

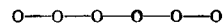


In this issue we are sending out "Subscription Blanks" to those whose subscriptions have expired to the **Faith and Victory** paper. We shall be very much pleased if you will renew at once so we can keep the paper going right on to you. If we have by mistake sent you a subscription blank when your time is not out, just drop us a card and we will extend it to the correct date; or if you have sent means in for the work and expected us to renew your subscription from that, just let us know and we shall be glad to send the paper on to you. If you do not have the 25 cents at present, you may have the paper sent on to you and pay for it any time during the year. We want you to know that we appreciate your subscription and shall be more than glad to keep you on our mailing list. Send us a letter or card at once, so you will not miss a copy.



To the making of sects there seems to be no end, and one cause of this is that men's faith becomes weak and they think they have to have some kind of an organization of their own; not willing to trust all with the Lord and just let God add to or take from as He sees the condition of heart, not willing to trust the Holy Ghost with the organization part; and seeing the low congregational standard in comparison to the "Blood bought Church" which is without spot or wrinkle, they lose sight of the heavenly visible Church and begin to talk about the invisible church which they hope some day will be visible. We are aware of the fact that this is a time when God is shaking, shifting, and sifting, and many are being shaken out and their spiritual eyes are growing dim and will soon be put out as Samson's were, and they will be grinding for the Philistines. To many, this is a very cloudy day and they cannot see the visible Church of God which is the pillar and the ground of the truth shining in her glory. However, she is shining just the same and will shine more and more unto the perfect day. She will gather force and brightness as days go on, and many companies, cliques, and clans will drift into worldliness and formality, and in time become dark sects; but the humble and true saints that keep unspotted from the world will be His "Jewels" (Mal. 3:17), the true Church of God, and they will shine in His Kingdom and be caught up at His coming. (1 Thes. 4:17). We have received a Kingdom that cannot be moved (Heb 12:28), and the gates of hell cannot prevail against the Church that Jesus set up (Matt. 16:18). Lately, we have come into contact with some who have attended "Bible Schools" which have a high reputation among reputed holiness people, and from what they say and others have told us,

the standard of spirituality weakens and becomes very low in those places. It becomes easy for the teachers, having not the Holy Ghost, to put their own private interpretation on the scriptures (2 Pet. 1:20) and deceive and lead innocent souls astray, causing them to lean to their own understanding in place of what God would give. I am fully persuaded that if God calls any one to preach His gospel, to teach His Word, or work in heathen lands, He will fit and qualify them for this place without special human aid from "would-be fathers." The Lord Himself will be our teacher and the Comforter whom he will send will lead and guide us into all truth, and in all work He would have us do. (John 16:8 and 16:13.) Many a poor soul had a good experience and could preach under the anointing of the Spirit before going to "Bible School," but after going to school and having his mental faculties crammed full of doctrines he became worthless, as far as preaching Holy Ghost conviction on souls is concerned. For a display of intellect and a show of numbers was uppermost in his heart and mind. No, dear readers, I am not in favor of "Bible Schools," not even "puppy" Bible Schools.



Many souls today who claim to be in the "Church of God" are lamenting their spiritual leanness and inactivity of the Spirit in them, and they seem to wonder why this is. The Bible will instruct and correct us if we will heed its teaching. In Gal. 6:7 we read, "Be not deceived, God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." If you sow to the flesh, you cannot expect the Spirit life of Jesus to increase in your soul. Those who are not careful to keep the teachings of God's word will be sowing to the flesh and that kind of sowing will grieve and kill out the tender loving Spirit of Christ, for they are contrary one to the other. Some get at ease in Zion and in this way sow to the flesh; for God says in His word, "Woe unto those that are at ease in Zion." Another will get so busy at secular work, laboring for perishable things, that they will neglect prayer, and reading of His word. Others will begin to put on adornments and dress in fashion to please the worldly minded and thereby disobey the teachings of His word. (Rom. 12:2 and 1 Tim. 2:9). Mothers will dress their little girls like the world with short skirts and bare legs, killing their modesty and starting them on the way to vulgar uncleanness. Many will not give of the means the Lord allows them to have and become selfish and covetous. All these things and many other wrongs which people do, weakens, wounds, and grieves the Spirit, for such works show no love to, and faith in God. Jesus says, "If ye love me, keep my commandments." Paul says, "Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have

no pleasure in him." Heb. 10:38. We read in the second chapter of Hebrews, and third verse, "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation." Brother, Sister, let the word of God correct you, sow unto the Spirit and put to death the clamorings of the flesh. "If we sow unto the Spirit we shall reap life everlasting."

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Pray for us and pray for those left at the office while we are away. Ask God to supply them, that the tracts and papers may continue to go forth in a steady stream to all parts of the world. Remember, we are praying for you. Our burden is to see souls saved and that they grow in grace and knowledge of the Lord. A never fading crown is awaiting the faithful.

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### OBITUARIES

Mrs. Anna Mae Holman, a child of God, departed this life near Dadeville, Mo., June 3, 1939, age 68 years, 11 months, and 12 days.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Otis Melton, and other relatives, and a host of friends who loved her dearly.

Funeral services were conducted by John W. Wilson of Greenfield, Mo., Sunday, June 4; attended by a large gathering of people.

Text: Luke 12:40—"Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not."

Every one should heed this solemn warning.

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Mrs. Martha Ann Melton was born in Tenn. in 1855 and departed this life near Dadeville, Mo., Sat. May 28, 1939, age 83 years and 8 months.

She is survived by five children: Otis, Ola, and James Melton of Dadeville, Mo.; Nelson Melton and Mrs. Ida Blankenship of Visalid, Calif.; also one sister and three brothers: J. E. Wilson of Greenfield, Mo., Frank Wilson of Okla., and Grant Wilson of Oregon; the sister, Mrs. Tex. Osborn of Okla.; besides a host of other relatives and friends who loved her dearly.

Funeral services were conducted by Tom Proctor of Greenfield, Mo.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Bro. Chester Hart of Mo. desires the saints to pray earnestly for the healing of his body. He is badly afflicted. Do pray for him.

Please pray for Olive Fidlir of Ohio who is suffering with a tumor, rheumatism, and heart trouble.

Pray for a mother's son in Va. who is sentenced to the Penitentiary. The mother is crushed under the load. Ask God to have mercy on him and her.

Pray earnestly for dear Bro. Newell of S. Car.

He is troubled with a complication of afflictions.

Pray earnestly for the Brown sisters who live in Mo. One suffers in feet and arms and another has severe headaches.

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### BOOKS FOR SALE

"From the Rockies to Egypt" is a very interesting book, which contains sixty-one pages with several pictures taken in Egypt, and a very beautiful paper cover. Send her an offering for the book. She will use the money obtained for Missionary purposes. Send your order direct to her.

Sister Marie P. Sass, Haigler, Nebr.

### NEW BOOK JUST OFF THE PRESS

#### "Causey-Bridwell Discussion"

This discussion was held at Poplar Bluff, Mo. between John L. Causey, Missionary Baptist preacher, and Elder A. Q. Bridwell, of the Church of God.

#### Subjects Discussed

Prop. I. The Scriptures teach that the Missionary Baptist Church, of which I am a member, is scriptural in Origin, Name, Doctrine, and practice.

John L. Causey, Affirmative

A. Q. Bridwell, Negative.

Prop. II. The Scriptures teach that the Church of God, of which I am a member, is scriptural in Origin, Name, Doctrine, and Practice.

A. Q. Bridwell, Affirmative.

John L. Causey, Negative.

Prop. III. The Scriptures teach that Christ will reign in person for one thousand years upon earth, upon David's throne, at His second coming.

John L. Causey, Affirmative

A. Q. Bridwell, Negative

Prop. IV. The Scriptures teach that Christ is now reigning upon this earth, Spiritually, upon David's throne.

A. Q. Bridwell, Affirmative.

John L. Causey, Negative.

Order your copy as soon as possible, Price \$1.00.

Order from Elder A. Q. Bridwell, 223 College, Poplar Bluff, Mo.

(Ed.) The above mentioned book has just been printed by **Faith Publishing House** here at Guthrie, Okla. You will find it very interesting and instructive. The subjects discussed are very important to all lovers of Christ, and you can easily discern the wide difference between the true and false teachings. You should have a copy of this book.

### CAMP MEETING NOTICES

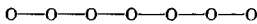
The State Camp Meeting at Guthrie, Oklahoma will be held from August 4th to 13th. It will run

on the Free-will offering plan. All are invited to attend. Those coming should bring pillows and shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?"

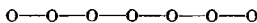
This is a State Camp Meeting, and all should do all they can to make the meeting a success by praying, giving, and coming. There will be Holy Ghost ministers here to proclaim the truth of the Bible. Those ministers that are out of harmony with the saints and the Lord should not think of occupying the pulpit for we are expecting God's ministers to be used in this way, only.

We are praying and believing for Jesus to be ruler and governor in this meeting and not some would-be Peter or Paul; so come in the meekness and humility of Jesus who is able to keep all in the unity and oneness of the Spirit. Those wanting to be saved, come; those wanting to be sanctified, come; those wanting to be healed, come; those wanting their souls fed on the good things of God, come! The Spirit and Bride say, Come, one and all.

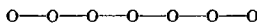
The saints at Guthrie extend a hearty welcome to all far and near. If you have any provisions or money for the meeting, send it to Faith Pub. House, Guthrie, Okla. so it can be used for this purpose.



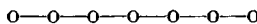
The Church of God Camp Meeting at Tulsa, Okla. will begin June 30th and close July 10th. For particulars, write to Bro. B. J. Douglas 1417 N. Madison Place, Tulsa, Okla.



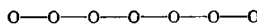
The Church of God Camp Meeting at Boley, Okla. will be held from August 18 to 27. For information about this meeting write to Bro. C. A. Wallace or Sister Lizzie Jones of Boley, Okla.



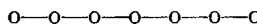
The Church of God Camp Meeting at Dover, Okla. will begin on the first of September and last until the 10th. Write to Bro. Ulysses Phillips of Dover, Okla. for particulars about the meeting.



The Church of God Camp Meeting at Reform, Ala. will convene from August 18th to August 27th. Bro. D. S. Richardson, Reform, Ala.



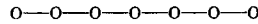
The Church of God Camp Meeting at Newcastle, Ind. will begin on the 25th of Aug. and last until the 3rd of September. Write to T. Z. Lawson, Box 393, Newcastle, Ind. for particulars.



The Church of God Camp Meeting at Dayton, Ohio will begin on the 11th of August and will close on the 25th of August. Those coming, bring straw ticks and sheets. Let no one stay away from this meeting as all will be cared for. There will be no compromise or fanaticism tolerated in this meeting.

Holy Ghost ministers will be present to set forth the Bible truth. The meeting will be run on the Free-will plan. The camp-meeting ground will be located on the west side of Dayton, on 3rd St. (which is on the street car line). There will be a sign up at W. 3rd and Upland Ave. pointing to the camp ground one block south. The camp ground is five blocks east of the Soldiers' home.

For further information, write to Cleo Murry, W. 3rd and Upland Ave., Dayton, Ohio.



The National Camp Meeting

The National Camp Meeting to Monark Springs, Mo. will begin on the 16th of July, and not on the 14th as we had it reported in the last issue of this paper. Through a mistake, we had it advertised to begin on the 14th of July, but it will begin on the 16th of July, so please remember the date and come if you can. Pray for the success of the meeting. Monark Springs is a good shady place for a camp meeting, and there is plenty of cool water. U. S. Highways 86 and 60 run through Neosho, which is near Monark Springs, Mo.

Write to Bro. John Strech, R. 5, Neosho, Mo., for particulars about the meeting.



Neosho, Mo.—To the Saints Scattered Abroad, Greetings:

As we are about ready to enter into another National Camp Meeting, we thought it good to let you know how we are getting along with the preparations for the meeting. We now have the kitchen about finished. There remains a few shelves to build and tables to make. We are able to extend the tables some this year, for we have the kitchen in which to cook.

We wish some one would volunteer to help with the cooking; that is, some one who is able to take some of the responsibility, and is willing to do so. Wife is not able to resume the care she has had here-to-fore. There is no pay; just service given freely to the Lord. There are no charges for anything pertaining to the meals; and we, the Camp Meeting Committee, feel it the best method not to charge for the meals; hence there is no charge for our services as cooks and managers. We believe the old method is the best, and we do not care to change it. If all will do their best, all bills will be taken care of, as they were last year. The saints did fine last year, so we hope they will feel it their privilege to do the same this year. We served about 12,275 meals last year during the fifteen days which we had meeting. We can all see by this what responsibility there is for us as the people of God, as well as those of our friends who were so courteous as to help bear the burden.

Much more could be said concerning the care of

this meeting, but we feel the above is sufficient. Now concerning the tents: the camping tents will be \$2.50 each this year. We want all to know about the conditions in which the tents are rented. They will cost us \$2.00 each, with the drayage, damage, and loss, including all this cost. The tents cannot be rented cheaper than the above stated price. There will be only two or three rooms available this year. Rooms can be rented in town, but to a disadvantage in getting to the morning meetings. There will be tents for all who want them.

Yours for the work of God, Bro. J. Strech.

## God's Ministry

The prophet Joel said, "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy (preach or foretell future events), your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions." Joel 2:28. Because of this outpouring, men and women got under conviction and got saved, then the same Holy Spirit called men and women to the ministry and qualified them. The qualification of those ministers, according to Titus, was: "If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children, not accused of riot or unruly," Titus 1:6, "For a bishop must be blameless." The commission given them, was to go into all the world, and they were to teach them to observe all things (all the teachings of the Bible); and if they did this, the promise "I am with you alway even unto the end of the world" was theirs. These ministers were to have power over all the enemy—they were to cast out devils, heal the sick and raise the dead (Matt. 10th chapter). They were to see eye to eye, all speak the same thing, and to be perfectly joined together in the same mind and the same judgment. Hence, the result was real Bible unity.

God's ministers have the burden of lost souls on their hearts—kind and tender hearted, yet firm; not double minded, but patient toward all men, striving together.

We are to know them that labor among us and are over us in the Lord. I am much convinced that this means to know their doctrinal teaching as well as their spiritual condition. If this were adhered to, there would be less disturbance among the saints of God. God's ministers love each other, and in much love and confidence stand together, in honor preferring the other ministers—none puffed up against each other. This grace carried out among the ministry will find its way among the lay members and they, too, will have the same feeling toward each other.

Judgment rendered in one state is always (or should be) recognized by the ministers in other

states. There has been a slackness on some of these lines, to the detriment of spirituality, and making division in different places. God's ministers are ambassadors of the Kingdom of peace, and represent the law of Heaven here on earth, and what they bind here will be bound in heaven. That is, the truth so preached here will bind souls out of Heaven, or land them in that Heavenly mansion prepared for those who love and obey God. Holy Ghost judgment will either draw or drive, kill or make alive.

God's ministry have the vision of His pure church, and can show the difference between the body of Christ and Babylon. I am sorry to have to say it, but some professed ministers have lost the vision (Prov. 29:18) of God's clean, pure church, and are holding up man-made creeds as being as good. That is, they are free to worship with the creedal systems of man, claiming they have fellowship with them, these sects. There has been a slackness among the ministry in showing up the evils of sectism. We can get so tender toward them that our preaching will shield them instead of helping them see the evils they are doing. God's judgments are both goodness and severity, and these two truths make a clean, pure work, free from all lopsidedness; and believers of this sort make up the pure church. "All love" will, if carried out to excess will allow crookedness to thrive under our labors. Real love will make a minister declare the whole counsel and even when he lays "judgment to the line" against crookedness, he does it in love with a pure heart fervently.

Ministers of God, let us stand together—we on the Pacific coast work with the ministers on the Atlantic or Midwest. What judgments are rendered on one coast, let us recognize them on the other. This will vitally affect unity and confidence among the ministry. I have written these things with a heart full of love for all, and not intending to hurt any, or thrust at any one, but to help us all to be more careful, and to make better co-laborers together for the work of the ministry. I plead with God's ministry, that each one of us endeavors to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace. True, we will have to do some submitting (not compromise) and some self-denial among ourselves, or a modern term would be, "Give and take." This can be done without any spiritual let-downs, or without sacrificing any principles of truth. Some times we may be fearful in submitting ourselves to each other, but there is no need for alarm, for God never said to submit truth, but "yourselves." This may mean one's opinions, but we can freely do this so long as a principle of truth is not involved. What is needed, is more real love of God in the heart, which will iron out many things. —E. M. Zinn.

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# « Young People's Section »

## AND HE'LL FLEE

When the tempter comes to tempt you  
With thoughts discouraging,  
Just turn your heart to Jesus,  
He will true gladness bring.

Tell Satan, "Get thee behind me,"  
As Christ did long ago.  
Resist him 'till he leaves you—  
He is a deadly foe.

Don't let him make you think that life  
Holds nought but woe for you;  
For we've a loving Saviour  
Who cheers and comforts, too.

When he tempts you brother, sister,  
Just flee to God in prayer;  
He'll give grace to overcome  
The tempter's every snare.

Then when you gain the victory,  
Proclaim to others, too  
How God came to your rescue,  
And gladly brought you through.

—F. F.

## EDITORIALS

The Apostle Paul wrote some admonitions to the church at Corinth, and in closing he said, "I write not these things to shame you, but as my beloved sons I warn you. For though ye have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers: for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel." In this we see the fatherly attitude in which he warned those who had been saved through his labors. There seemed to be a great number of instructors in Christ, but not many fathers in the gospel. With love and special care the father warns his sons. He pleads, persuades, and entreats, yet does not withhold any truth that they need.

Paul took special notice of the young workers in the early church. For instance, he wrote two letters to the young minister, Timothy. In one letter he addresses Timothy as "my own son in the faith," and we notice the many points of advice given in both letters. He encouragingly says, "Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands:" and another time he says, "Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with laying on of the hands of the

presbytery." This instruction should be obeyed by all who have received a gift from the Lord. It is for the profit and increase of God's cause among men.

Here is another injunction given to Timothy and to all preachers: "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine." After setting forth many truths, Paul says, "If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ." "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men who shall be able to teach others also." Here he expresses a desire to perpetuate God's Word and work in the earth by telling this young minister to commit these truths to faithful men who shall be able to teach others. Therefore, today it is very necessary that the young saints of the church be "nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine," so that in the future church there will be no place for compromise or fanaticism to take root. We are thankful for fathers in the gospel, but there is a wide field for many more. —L. D. P.

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## THE LORD NEEDS WORKERS

We hear it over the radio, we see it written in religious papers, we hear preachers preaching it: "Jesus is coming soon!" Yet heedlessly carried down by the swift current of sin are thousands of human souls. In spite of man's tireless efforts to warn the lost of their doom, they go heedlessly on their way and plunge deeper into sin to drown the voice of the gentle wooing Spirit.

Some go to church on Sundays, give a portion of their goods, and live morally good lives, but their hearts are cold and like whited sepulchres.

The gospel day will soon be ended. Time is fast growing short. Let us labor for the Master while we can. The Lord's army needs more frontlinemen. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few."

"The harvest truly is plenteous,  
But the labourers are few,"  
No time to spend in idleness,  
There is work for all to do.

Let us give our hearts to Him  
And heed the Master's call  
Never fear of being idle  
There is work enough for all.

—Fern Fortner,

Dear Sister Pruitt: The Lord surely has been good to me. He saved my soul, sanctified me, and keeps me walking in this way all the time, praise His matchless name! He will do the same for any body who will accept Him. He is no respecter of persons. He loves every boy, girl, man or woman, and anyone can come and take of the water of life freely. I am young in years, but I like to hear both young and old testify for Jesus Christ, live the life, be sanctified, and fight the devil. That is what he deserves, for he (the devil) never does anything good for the people.

Mayo Mitchell

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Glendale, Calif.—To the Readers of the Faith and Victory paper, Young, Old, Saved, and Unsaved:

I would that all of you knew Jesus as your personal Saviour. He is all to me. There isn't another thing that I enjoy as I enjoy my Saviour. He is my comfort. He heals and saves me, bless the Lord. I am still on the upward move, trying to make every day count for the Lord. There is always something for God's people to do. We may not always speak loudly, but live that quiet peaceable life. There are many people who never read their Bible, so we, as the Lord's chosen ones, are all the Bible some folks read. The world can compare our lives with the Bible better than we think. They notice the little mistakes.

Dear young people, be diligent in the service of God. You each have your place to fill. It may not be much in your estimation, but you are leading people either the right way or the wrong. Those who follow us will never walk closer to the Lord than we do, if they do they have gone on ahead of us. It means much to fill our little places in the Church.

May God bless each one of you and may you draw divinely near to God. My prayer and desire is to be a greater blessing in this sin-cursed world. I desire to always know His will concerning me.

Yours in Christian love, Selma Hiebart.

## CORRESPONDENCE

My Friends— To all who read this, I want to say I love you and I shall always love you. Dear ones, there is One who loves you more than I, and that One is Jesus. Some do not love Him now, but I am praying that they may be brought to see how good He is, and be led to yield to Him.

The Bible is from Him and through holy men. Will you please read it for His sake and for mine? Its promises are all sure, and as you take them into your heart, they will make you new, clean, and strong. You will then be happy and a blessing to others. Then some day we can meet where there will be no parting.

—Vera Hilburn.

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Dear Sister Pruitt: We thank and praise the

Lord for victory. My father is able to be up and around, and the other people I asked prayer for are better. The Lord wonderfully delivered me from the spell I had when I wrote to you. But my lungs are weak and I can not stand any cold. I am still looking to the Lord for deliverance, if it is His will. Please continue to remember me in prayer for strength in soul and body.

Marie Whiteside.

My Dear Ones In Jesus: Greetings of Divine Love to one and all who see this great light and truth— the "One Body," the Blood-bought Church of the Living God. Hallelujah!

I can praise God for complete victory and healing from head to foot of all the complications of which I have written you within the past eighteen months. Saturday a. m. June 10, 1939, the Lord lifted the burden and took away the physical weakness while I was getting my mail in the P. O. lobby. I feel better than in all my life.

Prayerfully,

B. Montress.

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Tyner, N. C.— Dear Bro. and Sister Pruitt:

Greetings in Jesus' name. Today finds me saved, sanctified, and living for God in the old-time way, and greatly encouraged to go on. God's ways are wonderful. I often desire to be with the saints in meetings; but even if I can not hear the pure gospel of Christ preached here, it makes my heart rejoice and it feeds my soul to read the good spiritual testimonies of God's children and other articles in the Faith and Victory paper. It is so comforting to know we are one in spirit even though we may be many miles apart. I thank God for every one of His dear children who is standing for the truth. Let us be encouraged. We have the best pearl in the world.

The verses, "A Little Farther," written by that dear saint 80 years of age was much encouragement to me. And I rejoiced in the truth as set forth in the article in the June issue of the Faith and Victory, entitled, "Of What Seed Are You?" I praise God for all of you and the work in which you are engaged.

I earnestly desire your prayers for the healing of my body and my lost family. May God bless you, and ever make you a blessing, is my prayer.

Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Berta Morris.

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Marion, Kans.—Dear Sister in Christ: I am so thankful to the dear Lord, for my hand for which I requested prayer is completely healed, and the wart is gone. It surely did pain me. At times I couldn't sleep because of it, and the pain went to my wrist. Two warts broke out on my wrist from the one in my palm; but, thanks be to God, they are all gone now. What a mighty God we serve! He heals all manner of sickness.

Christian love,

Sister Williams.

### SATAN'S ATTACK ON WOMEN

In other words, Satan, with his accustomed shrewdness, has set out to rob the race of the feminine contribution. He has inflated most women and is pushing them beyond mankind, as he formerly submerged them beneath him. What do we see then, around us today? —a restless womanhood! She will not be a female, she will ape the male! she will de-sex herself! she will wear man's clothing, cut her hair man fashion, don coat, vest, and tie! She will smoke, drink, swear, use slang words, swagger, run the streets at night, play bandit, swim sea-races, hunt big game in the Jungles, ride with strange men in automobiles at mid-night, drive racing cars at state fairs, execute dare-devil curves in flying machines, paint her cheeks like a savage Apache, use lip-stick, display bare arms, bosoms, bare limbs above her knees, spiked heeled shoes, ear rings, finger rings, neck chains, pearls, and diamonds. She shows in place of the feminine charm, the lure of the painted savage; instead of grace, the ogling of a coquette; instead of affection, sentimental affection. They no longer woo mankind, but rush upon him with brazen sentimentality, slobber their kisses on all, and offer their priceless womanhood to any chance passer-by, who can treat like a lord, and plank down the shekles for dope, drink, coffin nails, and other cabaret excesses, and accessories! Why shrink from marriage?" they cry, "tomorrow will bring a divorce, and new and fresh thrills the next day."

What does this all mean? It means that the race is again losing the feminine contribution! What a woeful impoverishment that means! This generation is bad enough, but what will the next one be, when this sinful crowd of women rear children that will go them ten-fold worse at their own game! Where is the charm of womanhood today? where is her grace? Where can we find in the generation of women in Europe and America today, that real genuine affection, that characterized the women of the recent yesterdays? Where have the good old-fashioned mothers gone? This cigarette-sucking, booze-drinking, half-naked, bobbed-haired outfit are not our American women are they? If they are, then woe betide this country of ours! The sea beaches are covered with half-naked sex display. Last summer France and Germany had an orgy of naked sun baths, indulged in promiscuously by both sexes. Our streets, homes, and schools are filled with women salaciously unclothed. What is the significance of all this? That savagery, barbarism, and heathendom from which Jesus Christ lifted the race, is again being entered voluntarily by the womanhood of today.

But all this horror of nastiness might have the silver lining to its darkened cloud, if we were able to turn to the professed church of God, and there

find that within its places of worship, that womanhood was being preserved in all the sweet sanctity and sober good sense, that God's women must have to be God's women at all. But with shrewdness the enemy has captured multitudes of these once God-fearing women with worldly styles of dress. Many are now clothed with unabashed effrontery! With bobbed hair and painted cheeks, with penciled eye-brows and hectic lips, with gold and pearls and costly array, they fill the pews, hymn praises to the lowly Christ, who was the poorest of the poor.

The holiness movement— that last appeal of a flouted and affronted but long-suffering God, to the people of the earth; that movement that stands stalwart for a genuine new birth, which takes all committed sin out of the heart and establishes the life in outward righteousness; that movement that strenuously advocates a second work of heart-cleansing that burns away the depravity that taints the blood of the human race, and fills the heart with perfect love; that movement that eschews worldliness and jewelry, sensational clothing and ornamental decoration as it would the embrace of the slimy devil as he arises dripping from the nastiness of hell; that movement that closes the door of heaven in the face of the most moral man or woman on earth unless he is holy in heart and life—is now being invaded by the cunning work of Satan. Often in camp meetings and other holiness gatherings we see the same short skirt that the worldly women wear, the same suggestive stockings, the same bobbed hair, the same paint on the cheeks—albeit, a trifle less brazenly daubed on,— the same scarlet lips, the same gold, the same pearls, the same costly array! These styles are slowly but surely invading the ranks of the women who profess houness! The devil has captured some of the holiness women! Now watch them capture the men! Few pastors will cry out against it because some of their own daughters, and possibly the preacher's wife, are among the offenders. Hence, the preacher dare not! he must have peace at home. Oh, the shrewdness of the devil. Being thus hand-cuffed you will hear them saying in words or in action that preaching against short skirts and flesh colored stockings, bobbed hair, rings, chains and bracelets and many other adornments is not preaching the gospel.

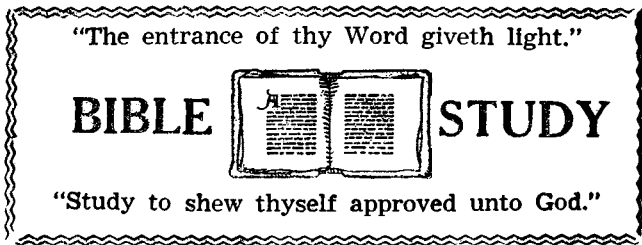
The women have undertaken to dress like the world, and cut their hair, and few are the men that have the courage to oppose the women! When the female elects to damn the holiness movement, the men, generally speaking, will accept damnation without a murmur. Adam did, and we are not so much an improvement on him. When the female speaks on the dress question, the male cowers, hides his abashed head, shuts his noble mouth, and the female rules.

Do not women know that these styles of dress these suggestive displays of their persons, these boyish bobs, these golden ornaments, these strings of beads, and all else that belongs to the ruineous styles of the day were hatched in the foul nest of prostitute France, and in Hollywood? Today, the devil is causing throughout the world a lost and ruined womanhood which is leading a not unwilling manhood to both their damnation and destruction. This condition is fearful, and it has brought the wrath of God upon the nation.

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You will find July and August Sunday School lessons in this paper as there will be no Faith and Victory paper printed and sent out for August.

Sunday, July 2, 1939.

**SOLOMON: A RULER WHO BEGAN WELL**

- Daily Readings and Meditations
- June 26 to July 2.

- M. Solomon Receives Counsel 1 Kings 2:1-4.
- T. Solomon's Prayer 1 Kings 3:5-9.
- W. Solomon Receives More than He Asked 1 Kings 3:10-15.

- T. Solomon Exceeds in Riches and Wisdom 2 Chron. 9:22-28.
- F. Finding Wisdom and its Value Prov. 3:13-18.
- S. The Vanity of Worldliness Eccl. 1:12-18.
- S. "The Wisdom that is from above" Jas. 3:13-18.

**Printed Portion ..... 1 Kings 3:5-15.**

1 Kings 3:5. In Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee.

6. And Solomon said, Thou hast shewed unto thy servant David my father great mercy, according as he walked before thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee; and thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne, as it is this day.

7. And now, O Lord my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: and I am but a little child: I know not how to go out or come in.

8. And thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude.

9. Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?

10. And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing.

11. And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment;

12. Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee.

13. And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches, and honour: so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days.

14. And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days.

15. And Solomon awoke; and, behold, it was a dream. And he came to Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and offered up burnt offerings, and offered peace offerings, and made a feast to all his servants.

**Golden Text** — "Give thy servant therefore an understanding heart . . . that I may discern between good and evil." 1 Kings 3:9.

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Sunday July 9, 1939.

**JEROBOAM: A MAN WITH A GREAT OPPORTUNITY**

**Daily Readings and Meditations**

**July 3 to 9.**

- M. Opportunity Withdrawn 1 Kings 11:9-13.
- T. Opportunity Transferred 1 Kings 11:26-31.
- W. Opportunity Limited 1 Kings 11:37-40.
- T. Opportunity Neglected Matt. 25:24-30.
- F. Opportunity Despised Luke 14:16-21.
- S. Opportunity Appreciated Luke 19:1-10.
- S. "Redeeming the Time" Eph. 5:15-21.

**Printed Portion .....1 Kings 11:26-31, 37-40.**

1 Kings 11:26. And Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephrathite of Zereda, Solomon's servant, whose mother's name was Zeruah, a widow woman, even he lifted up his hand against the king.

27. And this was the cause that he lifted up his hand against the king: Solomon built Millo, and repaired the breaches of the city of David his father.

28. And the man Jeroboam was a mighty man of valor: and Solomon seeing the young man that he was industrious, he made him ruler over all the charge of the house of Joseph.

29. And it came to pass at that time when Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, that the prophet Ahijah the Shilonite found him in the way; and he had clad himself with a new garment; and they two were alone in the field:

30. And Ahijah caught the new garment that was on him, and rent it in twelve pieces:

31. And he said to Jeroboam, Take thee ten pieces: for thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel, Behold, I will rend the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon, and will give ten tribes to thee:

37. And I will take thee, and thou shalt reign according to all that thy soul desireth, and shalt be king over Israel.

38. And it shall be, if thou wilt hearken unto all that I command thee, and wilt walk in my ways, and do that is right in my sight, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did; that I will be with thee. and build thee a sure house, as I built for David. and will give Israel unto thee.

39. And I will for this afflict the seed of David, but not for ever.

40. Solomon sought therefore to kill Jeroboam. And Jeroboam arose, and fled into Egypt, unto Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt until the death of Solomon.

**Golden Text** —"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Prov. 3:6.

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**Sunday, July 16, 1939.**

**REHOBOAM: A MAN WHO MADE A FOOLISH CHOICE**

**Daily Readings and Meditations**

**July 10 to 16.**

- M. Delaying to Do Right 1 Kings 12:1-5.
- T. Listening to Bad Counsel 1 Kings 12:6-11.
- W. Making a Foolish Choice 1 Kings 12:12-15.
- T. Disaster from Wrong Decision 1 Kings 12:16-20.
- F. A Good Choice Ruth 1:15-18.
- S. A Bad Choice Luke 18:18-23.
- S. "Wisdom is the Principal Thing" Prov. 4:5-9.

**Printed Portion .....1 Kings 12:1-5, 12-17, 20.**

1 Kings 12:1. And Rehoboam went to Shechem: for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him king.

2. And it came to pass, when Jereboam the son of Nebat, who was yet in Egypt, heard of it, (for he was fled from the presence of king Solomon, and Jeroboam dwelt in Egypt;)

3. That they sent and called him. And Jeroboam and all the congregation of Israel came, and spake unto Rehoboam, saying,

4. Thy father made our yoke grievous: now therefore make thou the grievous service of thy father, and his heavy yoke which he put upon us, lighter, and we will serve thee.

5. And he said unto them, Depart yet for three days, then come again to me. And the people departed.

12. So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king had appointed, saying, Come to me again the third day.

13. And the king answered the people roughly, and forsook the old men's counsel that they gave him;

14. And spake to them after the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, and I will add to your yoke: my father also chastized you with whips, but I will chastize you with scorpions.

15. Wherefore the king hearkened not unto the people; for the cause was from the Lord, that he might perform his saying, which the Lord spake by Ahijah the Shilonite unto Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

16. So when all Israel saw that the king hearkened not unto them, the people answered the king, saying, What portion have we in David? neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: to your tents, O Israel: now see to thine own house David. So Israel departed unto their tents.

17. But as for the children of Israel which dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

20. And it came to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was come again, that they sent and called him unto the congregation, and made him king over all Israel: there was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only.

**Golden Text**—"A man's pride shall bring him low."  
Prov. 29:23.

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Sunday, July 23, 1939.

**ASA: A LIFE OF TRUST****Daily Readings and Meditations**  
July 17 to 23.

- M. A Life of Trust 2 Chron. 14:2-7.
- T. Relying On God in Peril 2 Chron. 14:8-12.
- W. A Misplaced Trust 2 Chron. 16:7-9.
- T. Trusting Christ for Salvation John 9:35-38.
- F. A Father's Trust Mark 9:20-27.
- S. Trusting Christ for Victory 1 John 5:1-5.
- S. God Our Refuge Psa. 62:5-8.

**Printed Portion** .....2 Chron. 14:2-12.

2 Chron. 14:2. And Asa did that which was good and right in the eyes of the Lord his God:

3. For he took away the altars of the strange gods, and the high places, and brake down the images, and cut down the groves:

4. And commanded Judah to seek the Lord God of their fathers, and to do the law and the commandment.

5. Also he took away out of all the cities of Judah the high places and the images: and the kingdom was quiet before him.

6. And he built fenced cities in Judah: for the land had rest, and he had no war in those years; because the Lord had given him rest.

7. Therefore he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make about them walls, and towers, gates, and bars, while the land is yet before us; because we have sought the Lord our God, we have sought him, and he hath given us rest on every side. So they built and prospered.

8. And Asa had an army of men that bare targets and spears, out of Judah three hundred thousand; and out of Benjamin, that bare shields and drew bows, two hundred and fourscore thousand: all these were mighty men of valor.

9. And there came out against them Zerah the Ethiopian with an host of a thousand thousand, and three hundred chariots; and came unto Mareshah.

10. Then Asa went out against him, and they set the battle in array in the valley of Zephathah at Mareshah.

11. And Asa cried unto the Lord his God, and said, Lord, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O Lord our God; for we rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O Lord, thou art our God: let not man prevail against thee.

12. So the Lord smote the Ethiopians before Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians fled.

**Golden Text**—"Help us, O Lord our God; for we rely on thee." 2 Chron. 14:11.

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Sunday, July 30, 1939.

**JEHOSHAPHAT: A LIFE OF OBEDIENCE****Daily Readings and Meditations**  
July 24 to 30.

- M. Seeking God's Ways 2 Chron. 17:1-6.
- T. Magnifying God's Word 2 Chron. 17:9-12.
- W. The Wisdom of Obedience Deut. 4:1-6
- T. Failure Through Disobedience 1 Sam. 15:22-26.
- F. Obedience in Love John 15:9-14.
- S. Keeping the Great Commandments Mark 12:28-33
- S. "Obedient Unto Death." Phil. 2:5-11.

**Printed Portion** .....2 Chron. 17:1-6, 9-12.

2 Chron. 17:1. And Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead, and strengthened himself against Israel.

2. And he placed forces in all the fenced cities of Judah, and set garrisons in the land of Judah, and in the cities of Ephraim, which Asa his father had taken.

3. And the Lord was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the first ways of his father David, and sought not unto Baalim;

4. But sought to the Lord God of his father, and walked in his commandments, and not after the doings of Israel.

5. Therefore the Lord stablished the kingdom in his hand; and all Judah brought to Jehoshaphat presents; and he had riches and honour in abundance.

6. And his heart was lifted up in the ways of the Lord: moreover he took away the high places and groves out of Judah.

9. And they taught in Judah, and had the book of the law of the Lord with them, and went about throughout all the cities of Judah, and taught the people.

10. And the fear of the Lord fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands that were round about Judah, so that they made no war against Jehoshaphat.

11. Also some of the Philistines brought Jehoshaphat presents, and tribute silver; and the Arabians brought him flocks, seven thousand and seven hundred rams, and seven thousand and seven hundred he goats.

12. And Jehoshaphat waxed great exceedingly; and he built in Judah castles, and cities of store.

**Golden Text**—"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness." Matt. 6:33.

Sunday, Aug. 6, 1939.

**ELIJAH: A LIFE OF COURAGE**

- M. Elijah Before Ahab 1 Kings 17:1-5.
- T. Courage to Challenge Evil 1 Kings 18:17-21.
- W. Repairing the Altar 1 Kings 18:30-35.
- T. Calling on God 1 Kings 18:36-39.
- F. Condemning Crime 1 Kings 21:17-20.
- S. Crown of a Courageous Life 2 Kings 2:9-11.
- S. A Song of Courage Psa. 27:1-5.

**Printed Portion** ..... **1 Kings 18:30-39.**

1 Kings 18:30. And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me. And all the people came near unto him. And he repaired the altar of the Lord that was broken down.

31. And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, unto whom the word of the Lord came, saying, Israel shall be thy name:

32. And with the stones he built an altar in the name of the Lord: and he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed.

33. And he put the wood in order, and cut the bullock in pieces, and laid him on the wood, and said, Fill four barrels with water, and pour it on the burnt sacrifice, and on the wood.

34. And he said, Do it the second time, And they did it the second time. And he said, Do it the third time. And they did it the third time.

35. And the water ran round about the altar; and he filled the trench also with water.

36. And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word.

37. Hear me, O Lord, hear me, that this people may know that thou art the Lord God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again.

38. Then the fire of the Lord fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench.

39. And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, The Lord, he is the God; the Lord, he is the God.

**Golden Text**— "Jehovah is far from the wicked; but he heareth the prayer of the righteous." Prov. 15:29.

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Sunday, August 13, 1939.

**ELISHA: A LIFE OF HELPFULNESS**

Daily Readings and Meditations  
August 7 to 13.

- M. Helpfulness in Poverty 2 Kings 4:1-7.
- T. Helpfulness in Sorrow 2 Kings 4:32-37.
- W. Helpfulness in Hunger 1 Kings 4:42-44.
- T. Helpfulness in Sickness 2 Kings 5:1-7.
- F. Helpfulness in Recovery 2 Kings 5:8-14.
- S. Helpfulness in Peril 2 Kings 6:15-19.
- S. Doing Good Gal. 6:1-10.

**Printed Portion** ..... **2 Kings 5:1-10, 14.**

2 Kings 5:1. Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honourable, because by him the Lord had given deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valor, but he was a leper.

2. And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she waited on Naaman's wife.

3. And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy.

4. And one went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel.

5. And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten changes of raiment.

6. And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have therewith sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy.

7. And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel against me.

8. And it was so, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.

9. So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha.

10. And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean.

14. Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

**Golden Text**— "Be ye kind one to another." Eph. 4:32.

Sunday, August 20, 1939.

**BEVERAGE ALCOHOL AND THE COMMUNITY****Daily Readings and Meditations**

August 14 to 20.

- M. Wine Amid Waste Joel 1:5-7.  
 T. Intemperance in War Time Dan. 5:1-5.  
 W. Disaster Follows Drunkenness Dan. 5:25-30.  
 T. Strength in Abstinence Dan. 1:16-20.  
 F. Incapacitated by Indulgence Prov. 31:1-5.  
 S. Degeneration Through Drink Isa. 5:11-13.  
 S. "Watch and Be Sober." 1 Thess. 5:6-11.

**Printed Portion** ..... Joel 1:5-7; Dan. 5:1-5, 17, 25-28.

Joel 1:5. Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, all ye drinkers of wine, because of the new wine; for it is cut off from your mouth.

6. For a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and without number, whose teeth are the teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion.

7. He hath laid my vine waste, and barked my fig tree: he hath made it clean bare, and cast it away; the branches thereof are made white.

Dan. 5:1. Belshazzar the King made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand.

2. Belshazzar, while he tasted the wine, commanded to bring the golden and silver vessels which his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken out of the temple which was in Jerusalem; that the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, might drink therein.

3. Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of God which was at Jerusalem; and the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, drank in them.

4. They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold, and of silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone.

5. In the same hour came forth fingers of a man's hand, and wrote over against the candlestick upon the plaister of the wall of the king's palace; and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote.

17. Then Daniel answered and said before the king, Let thy gifts be to thyself, and give thy rewards to another; yet I will read the writing unto the king and make known to him the interpretation.

25. And this is the writing that was written, Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin.

26. This is the interpretation of the thing: Mene; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it.

27. TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.

28. Peres; Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians.

**Golden Text**— "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink." Hab. 2:15.

Sunday, August 27, 1939.

**UZZIAH: A KING WHO FORGOT GOD****Daily Readings and Meditations**

August 21 to 27.

- M. Seeking God and Prospering 2 Chron. 26:3-5.  
 T. Forgetting God and Failing 2 Chron. 26:16-21.  
 W. "Lest Thou Forget" Deut. 6:10-15.  
 T. Folly of Forgetting God. Luke 12:16-20.  
 F. The Hearer Who Forgets Jas. 1:22-25.  
 S. The Worker Who Remembers Neh. 4:14, 15.  
 S. "Forget Not All His Benefits" Psa. 103:1-5.

**Printed Portion** ..... 2 Chron. 26:3-5, 16-21.

2 Chron. 26:3. Sixteen years old was Uzziah when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty and two years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Jecoliah of Jerusalem.

4. And he did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, according to all that his father Amaziah did.

5. And he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God: and as long as he sought the Lord, God made him to prosper.

16. But when he was strong, his heart was lifted up to his destruction; for he transgressed against the Lord his God, and went into the temple of the Lord to burn incense upon the altar of incense.

17. And Azariah the priest went in after him, and with him fourscore priests of the Lord, that were valiant men:

18. And they withstood Uzziah the king, and said unto him, It appertaineth not unto thee, Uzziah, to burn incense unto the Lord, but to the priests the sons of Aaron, that are consecrated to burn incense; go out of the sanctuary; for thou hast trespassed; neither shall it be for thine honour from the Lord God.

19. Then Uzziah was wroth, and had a censer in his hand to burn incense: and while he was wroth with the priests, the leprosy even rose up in his forehead before the priests in the house of the Lord, from beside the incense altar.

20. And Azariah the chief priest, and all the priests looked upon him, and, behold, he was leprous in his forehead, and they thrust him out from thence; yea, himself hasted also to go out, because the Lord had smitten him.

21. And Uzziah the king was a leper unto the day of his death, and dwelt in a several house, being a leper; for he was cut off from the house of the Lord; and Jotham his son was over the king's house, judging the people of the land.

**Golden Text**— "Every one that exalteth himself shall be humbled; but he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." Luke 18:14.