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Out Of This Life

Out of this life I shall never take
 Things of silver and gold I make.
 All that I cherish and hoard away
 After I leave, on this earth must stay.
 Though I have toiled for a painting rare
 To hang on the wall, I must leave it there;
 Though I may call it mine, and boast its worth,
 I must give it up when I leave this earth.
 All that I gather, and all that I keep
 I must leave behind when I fall asleep.
 And I often wonder what I shall own
 In that other life, when I pass alone.
 What shall they find, and what shall they see,
 In the soul that answers the call for me,
 Shall the Great Judge learn when my task is thru,
 That my spirit has gained some riches, too,
 Or shall at last, it be mine to find
 That all I'd worked for I'd left behind? —Sel.

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Who Deserved The Cane?

A magazine writer vouches for the truthfulness of the following sketch:

"Mamma, please give me another piece of cake."
 "No, darling, one piece is enough." "Half a piece—please, Mamma?" "No, Freddie, no more!" "Just a very little piece, Mamma dear?" "No, Freddie, no!" "Do give the child a piece," says the husband, "I'll risk its hurting him." And the mother gave it! What else could she do?

"Mamma, may I go out to play?" "Its very damp, and you have a cold. I do not think it is best." "I won't take any cold." "I fear you will. You must play indoors today." "Just a little while—please, Mamma?" "No, Freddie, you must not go out today." "Do let the child go. What a girl you are making of him! Dress him warm and let him go. It will do him good." And Freddie went out!

"May I have my blocks in the drawing room, Mamma?" "No, Freddie, make your block house in the dining room. Miss— is an invalid, and I wish the room very quiet." "I will be very quiet." "You will

intend to be, but you cannot help making some noise, and as Miss —very rarely goes anywhere, I fear she will be very tired at best; so be a good little boy and play in the dining room this afternoon." "I won't make a bit of noise, nor tire her one speck." "You must play in the dining room, Freddie, and not say any more about it." "Nonsense! It will do her good to see a happy little face, and give her something besides her own pains and aches to think of. Let him bring his blocks into the drawing room." And he brought them in.

"What a torment that boy has got to be!" says the father, later on. "'Tis tease, tease, tease, from morning till night. 'Tis enough to wear out the patience of Job. If you won't whip him, I will." And he whipped him.

Query: "WHO OUGHT TO HAVE BEEN WHIPPED?"—Selected.

The above article, "Who Deserved the Cane," is certainly a true illustration of the dealings of many parents with their offspring. It clearly shows why many children today have no respect for their parents, and grow up willful and disobedient to parents; neither will they want to obey God.

I have heard parents tell children to quit doing a thing; but the child would not quit, and the parent would disregard the disobedience and permit the child to go on with the thing. I have also heard parents tell the child to do a thing. The child would whine about it, and the parent would let it go without making it obey. It is no wonder that such children grow up with no respect for the parents' advice. They become law breakers and often are sent to reform schools or jails. Parents of this kind surely do spare the rod and ruin the child. Parents who act thus with their children and the children who disobey, all need the rod applied to them. Really, the parent is more to be blamed than the child.

Parents need to get wisdom from God in training their children, and then take time to see that they practice what they are taught—and of course, example is the greatest teacher.

The Bible has much instruction concerning the rearing of children. God's wrath was kindled against Eli and his house because his sons made themselves

vile and he restrained them not. God says in His Word, "Them that honour me, I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed." 1 Sam. 2:30. When parents refuse or neglect to obey God's Word in restraining and correcting their children, it is the same as despising God. In Proverbs 22:6, we read, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." If a child is properly trained while young, made to mind, when he becomes of age, he will generally hold to his teaching and will obey the Lord and become a blessing to parents and to all mankind. In the 15th verse, we read, "Foolishness [or sinfulness] is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction will drive it far from him." Prov. 29:15, "The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame." 17th verse, "Correct thy son and he shall give thee rest; yea he shall give delight unto thy soul."

God holds parents responsible for the right training of their offspring, and they should work together for the correct rearing of their children.—Fred Pruitt

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Hard Hearts

Many people, no doubt, do not realize it, but according to God's holy Word everyone who obtains a divorce and marries again is hard hearted. Their hearts had to be in a hardened condition before the desire could be created to disbelieve and disregard God's Holy Word to the extent of divorcing their companion. God's Holy Word says plainly in Matt. 18:8, "Moses because of the hardness of your hearts, suffered you to put away your wives." That being true back there makes it still true, as it is still God's Word. And through the teaching of the New Testament, even greater light is revealed to us. It gives grounds for divorce only on one reason, and makes no provision whatsoever for remarriage except in case of death of one party concerned. Even when this complete separation has been fulfilled, God's Holy Word still specifies that the only way they shall marry again is "only in the Lord" 1 Cor. 7:39.

In 2 Cor. 11:2, 3 the Apostle Paul speaks of how we may lose sight of the "simplicity that is in Christ," through the subtlety of Satan. He says, "For I have espoused you to ONE husband that I may present you as a chaste [pure] virgin to Christ." After we are married to Christ through our accepting him and the true doctrine of God as taught by his Holy Word through the medium of his Holy-Ghost-filled ministers and the every moment leading and teaching of the precious Holy Spirit to our hearts, how could we accept or take another doctrine (wife) and still be true to either?

When we marry, we then and there accept that sacred ceremony as being performed by God through his ordained minister, and God's holy Word teaches us in Matt. 18:6, "Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder." By this he shows us plainly that man has no right whatsoever to

separate that which the Almighty God has joined together as one flesh.

If at the time of the marriage ceremony, we willingly and without question accepted it as of God, what happened to our hearts that caused us to desire and to get a divorce from the very one we knew God had joined us to as one flesh? Just as has been stated above, our mind has been corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ through listening to Satan; our hearts became hardened and we were made a willing subject through the subtlety of the enemy; thus fulfilling what Jesus says in Matt. 18:9, "And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery, and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery."

Now as God's Word teaches us that he has given each of his children a "new heart of flesh" in place of that hard, stony heart we brought to him, we know that if we again allow that heart to become hardened against the teaching of His most holy Word, we are entirely out of God's favor, thereby forfeiting every precious promise we once found and held so dear.

There are those who worship among the saints, professing to be saints, who are living in the very condition described herein, and some even go so far as to say that God was the one who chose and pointed out their second living companion! May God help us! If this be the true extent of their knowledge of and belief in the Word of God, they are truly in terrible darkness; for nowhere in God's Word do we find any Scripture that commands us to do one thing and approves us in doing the opposite. God's Word is very positive concerning this matter, and only a hardened and darkened heart can deliberately disobey God's holy Word. Oh, dear hearts, take warning and fast and pray and search your hearts and seek God's holy favor, no matter what the cost may be; for unless you conform to all of God's commandments, you are eternally and everlastingly lost, even now!

—Bro. Wesley Trimble.

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My Request

Written by a saint to a beloved pastor.

Following you as you follow Christ,
I've done the best I could,
Doing all I know to do,
And what you said I should.

And when God blesses with a shout
As if on winds soft blown,
Out in the distance one might hear
An answering shout—it is my own.

We've walked this way together:
Each other, we better know
With each passing day and year
My love doth stronger grow.

And two by two He sent them out,
And gave them work to do.

As Paul and Barnabas, one was stronger—
This time, it is you.

With my lot, I'm satisfied;
Let me a helper be;
But on the face of God and you,
Approval may I see.

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Jehovah's Witnesses, or Russellism Vs. The Bible

The Lord laid this on my heart to write, and if it only helps one, then I know it is worth writing. (Praise the Lord for it).

Jehovah's Witness teaching is known by different names, as "Millennial Dawnism," "Russellism," "Rutherfordism," "Jehovah's Witnesses," etc.

Their literature is scattered all over the world by colporters or ministers of their cult.

The founder of this religious cult was Charles Russell (not Christ). And he called himself "Pastor Russell." He was born in Allegheny, Pa. I believe it was in the year 1854. He was first a Congregationalist. One of his first publications, I believe, was called, "Food for Thinking Christians."

J. F. Rutherford, the apostle of this cult that became known as "Jehovah's Witnesses," was pastor Russell's lawyer, and at Russell's death he took over "The Watch Tower," etc.

But we shall compare Russell's teaching with the Word of God. To show that there will be false prophets, etc., first let us turn to Matt. 24:24: "For there shall arise false Christ's [There are 32 false Christs today] and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect." By this Scripture alone we know there are false Christs and false prophets. It is time for all the saints of God to watch (these false prophets, etc.) and pray (for the honest souls that are in these cults) and to hear the truth. But every one (Jehovah's Witnesses) so far, with whom I have come into contact, has refused our literature, neither would they listen to the truth of God's Word. The reason is, they are afraid to study the Word of God for themselves. They carry a Bible with them in their work, but I have my first one to see to use God's Word (Bible).

Jehovah's witnesses claim that Christ's second coming took place in 1874, and that all true Christians then in their graves were raised in 1878. (Where does the Bible teach this??). They also claim that Christ and these Christians are here now, but unseen, carrying on a special work, and that in 1920 Christ began his "Millennial Regin." (Where does the Bible teach this???)

Oh, friends, how we should pray for these lost souls, that they will take God's Word instead of following these false prophets. "Pastor Russell" is dead, but his heresies are still being taught. We know Russell and Rutherford were false prophets. The Lord said through the prophet Jeremiah in 29:9, "For they prophesy falsely unto you in my name [in the name

of Christ]. I have not sent them, saith the Lord."

Oh, how wonderful the Word of God is, if we just study God's Word and say, "Lord, this is for me." Praise His wonderful name!

Pastor Russell made these prophetic falsehoods: He said Christ came in 1874 (no Bible for this); the saints would rise in 1914 (no Bible for this); that the world would end in 1920 (no Bible for this). Russell made so many false statements that I could write a book on them. But I can thank God that we can always say, "Thus said the Lord," (and not some man.) Oh, how we should praise the Lord for the truth. There are so many today who do not want the truth, as we read in God's Word in 2 Peter 2:2: "And many shall follow their pernicious ways [or lascivious ways]; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of." And how true that is today. We have some who have left the truth, and speak evil of the truth. But as we read Mark 13:22, "For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect." Oh, how we should obey God's Word in Timothy 4:16: "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: For in doing this, thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." And in Titus 2:1, "But speak those things which become sound doctrine" (not some man's doctrine). We must "adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things." Titus 2:10. And every saint should remember this Scripture, Eph. 4:14, "That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive." We should all abide "in the doctrine of Christ" and not some man's doctrine.

Let us turn to 2 John 9, 10, "Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son."

Here is the warning in the tenth verse—please read slowly: "If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed." Friends, as you read this, you may be saying to yourselves, "Bro. Summers does not know what he is writing about." The Lord is my judge—I was three years minister of "Jehovah's Witnesses." I sold their books and worked with them. (I was a young man then.) But I believe in my heart that God has forgiven me for teaching that false doctrine. And I do love the "church of God doctrine." So to all who read this: Remember me in your prayers that God's will always be my will.

—Bro. William D. Summers.

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To the one who wants to go on with a profession after the spiritual life has leaked out: Don't forget, God's Word is still true. "Be sure your sin will find you out." Num. 32:23. Better to make confession. 1 John 1:9, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." And humble down before God. Isaiah 66:2.

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Okla.—Dear saints everywhere,—Holy greetings to all in Jesus' dear name. I am still saved and much encouraged to live for the dear Lord. He has done so much for me. The Lord blessed me when grapes were ripe. I was making jelly and in emptying a glass of hot jelly to re-cook it I spilled some on my left hand. I took a cloth and tried to wipe the jelly off but as I wiped it off my hand began to blister. Thank God, he healed me and I didn't stop my work. I know it was by the help of God. He can do anything. I wrote to brother Pruitt for an anointed handkerchief for a breaking out on my body. The Lord is wonderfully blessing me and healing me but I am not completely healed. Please remember me in your prayers that the Lord will heal me.

Your sister in Christ,

Clara Barnett.

Editorials

As our manner and custom is, we are sending out envelopes and subscription blanks with this issue of "Faith and Victory" paper for your convenience in getting ten subscriptions for three months. This is a wonderful way of getting the gospel to perishing souls. For your encouragement, I wish to say that last year more people renewed their subscriptions after the three months were up, than in any previous year.

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All subscriptions should be into this office by December 15, 1951.

We thank the Lord and you in advance for these names and addresses, which we shall look forward to receiving.

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Twenty years ago when this writer was fifty years old, he was sick and had become very poor and thin in body, could hardly eat anything to sustain life in the body. I felt that it would only be a short time until I would die, and I reasoned with the Lord about the matter in prayer, and told Him that I did not want to die. The children were not yet all grown, and it seemed to me that I was just then getting to a place where I could do so much more toward getting the gospel to men by the printed page. One day, while in the kitchen with no appetite to eat, the presence of the Lord came down over me in a special manner, and the words were formulated in my soul in a very impressive manner by His Spirit as follows: "You have twenty years yet." That was glad news to me from heaven, and from that hour I began to amend and soon was in normal health.

I have been telling this to the saints for the past twenty years; for on the 4th of October I was seventy years old. How much longer the Lord intends to let me live, I cannot tell; but this one thing I do know, that my health is good and I work every day in the "Lord's Print Shop," and much of the time do a lot of my writing between seven and eleven o'clock at night. From the appearance of things now, He may let me live fifteen or twenty more years, but I have no assurance from Him for that.

On the evening of the 4th of October, we received a double surprise from friends and saints. Lawrence, our son, and family; Willie Murphey, our son-in-law, and family; and a few other saints gathered in early and brought with them two freezers full of ice cream and a large cake. We enjoyed these things and their

association. Later, while in the sitting room enjoying a warmth of love among us, there came marching in a large portion of the congregation of the saints here at Guthrie, singing, "Happy Birthday to You." They continued filing in until our rooms were filled to past their sitting capacity. I hardly knew what to think or do. They piled many birthday cards on the table. I read the appreciative verses on the cards, and all seemed to enjoy this. Then I picked up a paper sack, which was among them. I opened it and pulled out two envelopes full of bills, amounting to \$49.00. All who could, went into the sitting room where we sang songs, and ended the singing by singing my favorite song, which is also my testimony: No. 94 in the "Evening Light" song book. Then I read my favorite Psalm, which is Psalm 34, after which we all had prayer, then a large company of the saints left for their homes, wishing us many happy birthdays. It was not long until a sister who lives near by returned, bringing me another dollar, saying that she and her daughter wanted to make the amount of the offering up to fifty dollars. Later I went into the dining room and picked up the paper sack from the table, intending to dispose of it; and I found twenty more dollars in it, which I had overlooked, not being in the two envelopes. That made seventy dollars, one dollar for each year of my age. Then I picked up an envelope which was on the table, and found a twenty-five cent piece, which made good measure. Then a birthday present of \$7.50 from a brother of Livingston, Calif. made the measure pressed down and running over. All praise be to the Lord of Hosts. I shall not go into detail as to other presents that loved ones gave and sent, though they were much appreciated; but will close by saying that our love for God and the saints has been increased and my soul is provoked by this love and interest in one so unworthy as I that I mean, by His grace, to show more sympathy, love, and compassion for others than ever, and watch to find opportunities to reveal Christ to souls in charity work to further the interests of God and be a true representative of heavenly things to the men of this world. May God bless and reward every saint and friend. I love the Lord because he first loved me. I love the saints because they first loved me and prayed for me while I was yet in sin. True holiness in the heart will cause a sweet heavenly fellowship to flow from soul to soul. May that sweet fellowship of His true holiness people forever live!

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Satan is always ready, and also his false teachers in the world, to wrest the sacred Scriptures from their proper meaning and keep men and women in sin, even while claiming to follow Christ. The teaching so prevalent in our day, that it is impossible for one to live free from sin by His grace and help, is a flat contradiction of God's holy Word. The only way that one could get such a meaning out of the Word is to wrest the Scriptures from their proper meaning and to put their own private interpretation upon them. I was conversing with a Baptist minister one time who believed in a "sin-you-must religion." He was

holding up for sin in a Christian's life. I tried to show him by the Word of God that God destroys sin out of the hearts of believers, for in 1 Thess. 5:23, the Lord says through Paul, "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body [that includes the whole man] be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." Then he positively states in the next verse: "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it." This poor man fled for covert to the seventh chapter of Romans, to prove to me that a Christian could not live free from sin.

People who do not correctly understand the teaching of Paul in the seventh chapter of Romans wrest it to their own destruction. In this chapter Paul was telling how he felt while in sin under the law. I told the man that Paul in those Scriptures stated that he was a wretched man and asked him if he was a wretched man. His answer was, "Yes, sir!" I told him that I was not wretched, for since God saved my soul, I had peace, happiness, and joy. It seems that most people who profess to follow Christ do not know what it means to be delivered from sin. In the eighth chapter of Romans, Paul tells the experience of one saved from sin.

A prominent Campbellite preacher and editor has this to say about holy living in this life: "To teach that we as Christians do not commit sin, is to deny 1 John 1:8, 9, and other passages. This assertion that we do not sin, is not only untrue, but it makes God a liar (1 John 1:10), yet that is the sin of all 'holiness' people. Strange that they can claim the 'Baptism of the Holy Spirit' while making God a liar! But that is precisely what they do, and it proves that their whole religious system is false."

Talk about men being in darkness, this poor man is in dense and inky darkness and is perhaps so conceited in his belief and misunderstanding of the Scriptures, that it would be just a waste of time to try to show him his errors. This man also, later on in his article, quoted the 23rd verse of the seventh chapter of Romans. He also must be a wretched man, as was the other fellow, for the next verse following the one he quoted reads (Paul speaking): "O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death." Paul found deliverance in Christ Jesus, and in the first verse of the eighth chapter, he says so very plainly.

Now let us turn to 1 John 1:8, 9, which he says holiness people deny. It would be impossible for a man like him, who is not delivered from sin and walks in darkness to properly understand this Scripture. Jesus warns us against just such a one as he before writing the 8th verse, for the 6th verse reads thus: "If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another [The man that walks in the light as He is in the light will have fellowship with God], and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." You will notice that this word "sin" is in the singular number, having reference to the sin nature that Paul says passed upon

all men by Adam's transgression (Rom. 5:12). Following this thought, he goes on to say in the 8th verse, "If we say we have no sin [to be cleansed from] we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

In the 9th verse we read, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins [Here he speaks of actual transgression, as he refers to them in the plural number, and then he finishes up the verse with the same thought as in the seventh and eighth verse], and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." The sin in the soul is unrighteous, as it is the planting of Satan, and must be cleansed by the blood of Christ. That was His mission, giving himself as a blood sacrifice, which cleanses us from that sin principle so we can live holy before Him all the days of our life (Luke 1:75). The burden of John's heart in writing as he did was to get these young converts to see the need of being cleansed from that sin nature so they would not have to commit sins and confess them over and over, even if the Lord was faithful and just to forgive them of all their sins.

To interpret these Scriptures as the "sin-you-must" people do, would cause John to flatly contradict himself and make out Jesus Christ to be a sinner; for he says in the 3rd chapter of this epistle, verse seven, "Little children, let no man deceive you; he that doeth righteousness is righteous even as he [Christ] is righteous." The sixth verse reads: "Whosoever abideth in him SINNETH NOT: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him." Now notice the eighth verse: "He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil." The works of the devil was that sin that he planted in our hearts, from which the blood of Christ will cleanse us and make us holy and pure in his sight.

True holiness people do not claim that after they are saved and sanctified it would be impossible for them to become careless and neglectful and give way to lustful things and commit sin; but they do claim that after being saved and cleansed from Satan's sin nature, by yielding to God's will and retaining the Spirit of Christ in the soul, they can and do live year after year without committing sin. This is in harmony with the 9th verse of this chapter, which reads, "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed [Spirit or Word] remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God." In the next verse, he says, "In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil." God's children do not sin, and the devil's children do sin. There are just two families in the world today: one is the family of God that does not sin, and the other is the family of the devil that does sin. To which family do you belong? You could make a high profession of being holy; but if you committed sin, you would belong to the devil's family. A profession does not save men, but it is Christ in the soul that saves (Rom. 5:10). If the spirit and life of Christ is living in your soul, you are not sinning. Christ will not live in a soul where sin is.

One who is not cleansed from that sin nature and is not a possessor of the Holy Spirit positively cannot live free from sin nor understand the Scriptures correctly; and, by putting their own private interpretations on the sacred Scriptures, they deceive souls into believing lies, thus bring destruction upon themselves and those that hear them.

The following comments are from a righteous man whom God has enabled to make the truth on this subject plain to us:

"Sin exists in the soul after two modes or forms. First, in guilt, which requires forgiveness, or pardon; second, in pollution, which requires cleansing. Guilt, to be forgiven, must be confessed in order to find mercy; and man must know and feel that he is a sinner, that he may fervently apply to God for pardon. In order to get a clean heart, a man must know and feel his depravity, acknowledge and deplore it before God, in order to be fully sanctified.

"Few are pardoned because they do not feel and confess their sins; and few are sanctified or cleansed from all sin, because they do not feel and confess their own sore, and the plague of their hearts.

"As the blood of Jesus Christ, the merit of his passion and death, applied by faith, purges the conscience from all dead works; so the same cleanses the heart from all unrighteousness.

"As all unrighteousness is sin; so he that is cleansed from all unrighteousness is cleansed from sin. To attempt to evade this, and plead for the continuance of sin in the heart through life is ungrateful, wicked, and even blasphemous: for, as he who says he has not sinned, verse 10, makes God a liar, who has declared the contrary through every part of his revelation; so he that says, the blood of Christ either cannot or will not cleanse us from all sin in this life, gives also the lie to his Maker, who has declared the contrary; and thus shows that the word, the doctrine of God, is not in him.

"Reader, it is the birthright of every child of God to be cleansed from all sin, to keep himself unspotted from the world, and so to live as to never more offend his Maker. All things are possible to him that believeth; because all things are possible to the infinitely meritorious blood, and energetic spirit of the Lord Jesus."

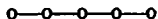
Obituaries

Mrs. C. C. Joseph passed away July 2, 1951 in Tampa, Florida, at the age of 69 years, 11 months, and 21 days. She was born in New Albany, Ind., July 23, 1881. She was left an orphan at the age of four years and placed in an orphans' home in Louisville, Ky. She was adopted out by her grandmother, Mrs. Catherine Schmidt of Princeton, Ind., Aug. 12, 1888, who soon brought her to Florida. She was united in marriage to John Wesley Adams of Dunnellon, Fla. To this union, ten children were born, two dead and eight living. They are: three daughters, Mrs. J. C. Wiggins of Ocala, Fla., Mrs. Mary Parkerain of Jamestown, N. Y., and Mrs. Alice Huff of Bradford, Pa.; five sons, Arvel E. and E. C. Adams of Tampa, Fla., C. H. Adams of Shreveport, La., William O. Adams of Jamestown, N. Y. and George T. Adams of Erie, Pa.; 22 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. May Gregory of Oklahoma City, Okla.

Her sufferings were great for a year or more before her death, but she never complained, and was very calm in all her trials and sufferings. She trusted the Lord with great faith, and her testimony was that she was ready to go. She was a minister of the Church of God for a number of years. She was a woman who lived her creeds and the doctrine for which the church of God stands, never giving in or compromising with the world or creeds of men. At the end of life she thanked God that He knew best, and said if it was not His will to heal her, to take her on home to be with Him.

We weep because she no longer sits with us, but rejoice in the influence she left behind, and the assurance that is ours, that she is safe in the arms of Jesus where she will know no more sorrow or pain. One of her greatest desires was that her children be real saints of God.

Luther Moore, a minister of Eustus, Fla. had charge of the funeral. He was a pastor she loved. The body was placed in Cedar Grove Cemetery near Dunnellon, Fla. by her two sons. She longed to be with the saints all the time. Most of the time of her illness was spent with her oldest daughter, Mrs. J. C. Wiggins of Ocala.



Rosetta (McCarroll) Cunningham, was born in Montgomery, Alabama, August 25, 1893, departed this life Sept. 30, 1951, at the age of 58 years, 1 month, and five days. She moved from Montgomery, Ala. to Marietta, Okla. in her infancy; later moving to Boley, Okla. early in the year of 1905. There she united with the Antioch Baptist church at the age of 12 years. She was considered a devout Christian, and at this early age she loved to do church work.

She was united in marriage to Robert L. Cunningham Dec. 25, 1910. To this union ten children were born, three sons and seven daughters. One daughter, Odessa, preceded her in death.

In the year 1924 she moved with her family to the vicinity of Dover, Okla. Here she united with the Wana-maker Baptist church, and as her manner was, continued with her activities and work in that place until 1939, at which time she heard the truth taught and explained by some of the ministers of the church of God, who showed and proved that sin separates people from God, and that God is calling his people to a holy and righteous life, free from sin and condemnation. She, with others, believed and accepted the truth, and rejoiced in her new-found experience, and the light that the Lord had shined on her pathway. Sister Cunningham enjoyed a wide circle of friends and acquaintances, and her hands have ministered to the needs and comforts of many. She was looked upon as an outstanding neighbor in the community.

In 1934 her health began to fail, but she continued in her activities of doing good and rendering service wherever she could with kind words and a pleasant smile for all with whom she came in contact. On Aug. 3, 1951, Sis. Cunningham became ill and steadily grew worse, seeking means of recovery to no avail. She was made to realize that she had faltered in her trust and renewed her covenant with God; and, with joy, she said she was light and free and ready and willing for the Lord to have His way, ready to go or ready to stay. The Lord had at times, sent her relief and comfort in answer to prayer. She realized that she had to cross the bar and wanted her family to be reconciled to that truth. She said, "I am not afraid of death; I am ready to meet my Jesus." On Sunday morning, Sept. 30, God called her hence. She slept away, leaving to mourn their loss, her husband, six daughters, three sons, eight grandchildren, three sisters, six brothers, a host of other friends and relatives, beside the saints,

who share in their sorrow. We sorrow, but not as those who have no hope. May the God of all consolation comfort those that mourn.

Funeral sermon by Bro. Ulysses Phillips, Isa. 61:1, 2, assisted by Bro. Manly Spears. Burial in Wanamaker Cemetery.



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ASSEMBLY MEETING NOTICES

Lord willing, the Oregon Assembly will be held this fall on the saints' camp ground at Jefferson, Ore., Nov. 23rd to December 2nd. All saints and lovers of the truth are urged to come. God has given us a number of cabins, and we can care for all who come. Pray with us that God direct the ministers and workers of his choosing to be here. God is prospering his work here, and we feel he has greater things in store for all who love and serve him. Pray on, all saints, and all come who can. Anyone expecting mail while here, if they will have it come in care of Box 41, can get it on Sundays.

Any wishing further information, write, Emma Busch, Scio, Ore. or Noah White or Sam Wilson, Jefferson, Ore.

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The Church of God Assembly meeting is to be held on the Southern camp ground November 23 to Dec 2, inclusive, of Hammond, La., just off White St. in the southwest part of town. We are looking to the Lord to send ministers of His choosing. All saints and lovers of the truth are welcome. For further information, write to Ray Key or Max Williamson, Box 370, Hammond, La.

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A meeting will be held in Orland, Calif. beginning December 5th and will continue as long as the Lord leads. We trust the Lord to send all help that is needed. We welcome all and hope the isolated saints can be with us.

Bro. and sister Huskey, R. 2, Box 215. Phone 135W2.

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SOME BUILDING NEEDS TO BE DONE

About ten years ago the Lord moved upon us to purchase the two lots joining the "Lord's Print Shop" on the east, on which was a small four-room house. The house, which no doubt had been hurriedly built by an inexperienced carpenter at the time of the run

to Oklahoma, was badly in need of repair. At that time Guthrie became a city of three thousand over night and many buildings were slapped together to provide shelter for the '89ers. This little house seemed to be one of that kind, with other rooms added later. In fact, it was discovered that every room had been tacked on. It was built so low down on the ground that the termites had done their work, and some of the floors were badly warped. For several years we have been burdened about the house, as it was going down fast, and we wanted to do something about it. About two weeks ago the Lord put the matter strongly on our hearts, and gave the "Go" signal.

Bro. Hyrum and Sister Geneva Ray, who have been working together with us in getting the gospel out to men by the printed page, have lived in this house for the past ten years, and deserve a better place to live. They moved out a week ago so the work could be done.

We intended to raise it off the ground and put it on a two-block foundation, straighten the floors, build on a kitchen and bathroom with sewer connections, which it had not had before, also cover it with siding to make it warmer, as part of it was only boxed up with half inch boards, and the window sashes and wood work about them needed to be repaired or replaced.

When the work of jacking it up was started, we learned it was decayed even more than we thought. Before we got it up half high enough it broke into pieces and the floor fell down out of one room. It was then evident that it would be impossible to get it up and together in that condition, so we began to realize the only wise thing to do would be to tear it down and build anew. At this writing, we have it nearly all torn down.

Our plans are to replace it with a four-room house and bath. We ask our readers to get under the burden with us for this building to be completed. Our eyes are upon the Lord, and we are expecting Him to see us through with it, and at the same time to keep the printing work going on and the gospel going forth to precious souls. Sister Geneva operates one of the type-setting machines here in the "Lord's Print Shop" and has for many years been quite essential as a worker in getting the gospel printed and sent forth.

This work is kept going by free-will offerings by those whom God impresses to work together with us in getting this precious truth to the souls of men. If God did not supply for the work, it would only be a matter of a short time until we would have to close up shop, as we depend upon Him altogether to lead, guide, and supply. Pray for us, brethren and sisters, as we move on by faith to print and send forth the gospel, and that He keep the work supplied in all of its phases.

We mean, by His grace, to hear His voice and move at His command regardless of how things look or seem to be, for we know by experience that PRAYER CHANGES THINGS. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Heb. 11:1. "O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together." Psalm 34:3.

Young People's Section

AWAKEN

Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away;
For, lo, the winter is past, the singing of the birds
is come today.

Awake to righteousness and from all sin;
Sorrow and sighing doth flee away then.
Awake thou that sleepest and rise from the dead
And Christ shall give thee light instead.
For ye were sometime darkness, but now are you light,
Once ye were blind, but now ye have sight.
The wilderness and solitary place shall be glad and
the desert of our soul rejoice;
The parched ground shall become a pool, and the
thirsty land be moist.

Then shall the lame man leap as an hart and the tongue
of the dumb sing;

For in the wilderness shall waters break out and
streams in the desert ring.

He shewed me a pure river of water proceeding from
His throne.

All who partake of salvation are trees of life and shall
become His own.

Rise up, my love, my fair one, (Christ speaking to his
bride),

For, lo, the winter is past, flowers appear—they are
walking side by side. —Sister Roberta Reese

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Good Works

We are not saved and given a home in heaven because of our good works, and yet we must work as though our getting to heaven did depend upon our works. Man may do a great many good deeds and yet be far away from God; but it is true that those who are near to God are active in good works. One of the surest evidences that we are gaining a closer walk with Jesus is that our lives are becoming fuller of good deeds; that we are more eager to do something to his glory. God wants a people to walk with him; therefore he saves from evil works, makes us new creatures in Christ, and prepares us for good works. Is that not wonderful and glorious? God has ordained that man should walk in good works. See Ephesians 2:10. He provides the works and prepares man for the work. God has provided plenty of work; and if those whom he has prepared become neglectful and fail to do what he has provided, he will cast them out. Be not weary in well doing, but as you have opportunity, do good unto all men.

Will you listen closely and prayerfully while I read you a few words from God's Holy Book? "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

2 Tim. 3:16, 17. God has done all that you might be furnished throughout unto all good works. He has given you the scriptures, he has given ministers and tells them to put saints in mind to be ready to every good work. See Titus 3:1. We have said before that our good works do not take us to heaven. This is true; but it is equally true that if we are not zealous of good works we shall never gain heaven.

One cold winter night as a man was returning to his home from his place of labor, he passed near a soldier at his post of duty, keeping sentinel. The laboring man saw that the soldier was thinly clad. Going up to the soldier, the man said, "You may have my heavy coat to protect you from the cold of this wintry night." While speaking, he took off his coat. Handing it to the soldier, he went on to his fireside, to his supper, his bed, and his dreams. That night he dreamed he saw the Saviour coming in the distance. As he came nearer he saw that the Saviour had his (the man's) coat on. When Jesus came near enough, the man said, "I let the thinly clad soldier have my coat last night, and how has it come about that you have it on?" Jesus answered, "As oft as ye do it unto one of my little ones, ye do it unto me." Whenever you do a good deed to any one with a pure motive, you do it to Jesus. Be zealous therefore of good works.

If you are not intently interested in the salvation of souls and are not doing all you can to save them, you can make no progress in spiritual life. There is a great lack of interest in the salvation of souls. Read Gal. 6:9, 10. —"Hidden Life or Walks With God" pages 89, 91, 92, 110, by C. E. Orr.

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La.—Dear saints,—I thank the Lord that I can still testify to his saving, keeping and healing power. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. The Lord will work for us now the same as he did in the apostle's time if we will only meet the conditions.

I took a bad cold a few days ago and after I about got over it a tightness developed in my throat that made it hard for me to breathe. It kept getting worse until last night I really had to fight to get my breath. I believe it was asthma taking a hold. When I realized this a fear came over me but I kept praying and holding on to the Lord to remove the fear and the affliction too. About 5 o'clock this morning the Lord touched my body and cleared up my throat until now I can breathe freely. The Lord is surely a present help in time of trouble. I desire to ever please the Lord in all things and be ready at all times to meet him in peace. Pray for me.

Dale Doolittle.

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When our eyes are washed with tears, the hand of God is more clearly seen in our behalf.

Some complain that roses have thorns. But aren't you glad that THORNS have ROSES? —Sel.

The Experience of Becoming a Child Of God and Getting Into Heaven Is Sevenfold.

We shall endeavor to give you the simple truth of getting saved from your sins, and then so yielding to God and living for him that in that great Judgment Day you can hear those words from the Judge's lips, "Thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of the Lord."

By way of comparison, think of the Christian life as a gospel tract which has seven folds or pages. Each page opened up shows our experiences as we develop in the Christian way; and much more could be written in each page or fold, if need be. We are giving the experiences of true holiness people and not of wild-fire experiences nor cold, dead, formal sectish experiences. One who follows the leadings of the Spirit in journeying on with Christ will be a lively stone in the building of God.

First fold or page: "But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." Heb. 11:6.

It would indeed be a foolish thing for any man to kneel down and pray unto God if he did not believe that he existed. Thus we see that one would have to have faith that God exists in order to pray intelligently to Him. Then he must needs have faith that God would reward him and give him the desire of his heart. Jesus stretches out his hands of love and says to all sinners, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (soul rest) Matt. 11:28.

Second fold: One must have godly sorrow for doing wrong in His sight. The prodigal son of whom we read in Luke 15, became overtaken with godly sorrow when in a far country, which represents one in sin. He said, "I will arise and go to my Father." 2 Cor. 7:10, "For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death." It is not sufficient to be sorry because men know about your sins or that the law-enforcement officers of the land have caught up with you. Godly sorrow is different from that. You need to be sorry because you have sinned against your heavenly Father and grieved Him, and because you have brought separation between Him and thee and deserve punishment. Your sins and iniquities have separated between you and God. Isaiah 59:2. Godly sorrow will work repentance and cause action on your part as it did the prodigal son who arose and went to his Father. Godly sorrow will cause you to begin to quit your sins, and that would be coming to Jesus or to God.

Third fold: Repentance. When the prodigal met his Father, he began to confess and repent, having godly sorrow. He was exceedingly humble, and said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son." "The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken

heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit." Psalm 34:18. The blood of Christ is an atonement for our sins. When we repent and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, our sins are all blotted out of God's book. He says he will remember them against us no more. Rom 10:9, 10: "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart [not your head only] man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Again we read in Ephesians 2:8, "For by grace ye are saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." In Prov. 28:13 it is written: "He that covereth [will not confess] his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy." Now, since you have confessed and repented, you have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Your actual transgressions are all taken away and you have no condemnation. And if you should die before you had opportunity to understand and go farther, you would be with the Lord as surely as the thief on the cross who repented, confessed Christ to be innocent and he guilty; and Jesus said unto him, "Today shalt thou be with me in Paradise." Jno. 23:43.

Fourth fold: Be baptized. Belief, confession, and repentance should always precede water baptism. Water baptism is a precious ordinance if properly understood and administered; but otherwise it would just be a formal work of man and would profit nothing. Many a soul is deceived by false teachers concerning water baptism, and they go down into the water a dry sinner and come up a wet sinner, and walk in sin without Christ. Satan delights for you to have a profession if you have no Spirit of Christ in the soul. The Lord, thru the Apostle Paul, said, "Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his." Water baptism typifies the death, burial, and resurrection of the Lord. They did not bury the Lord until they were sure that he was dead. When you forsake your sins by confession and repentance, you cease from sin and become dead to sin and the world. Then, and then only, are you ready for water baptism. This service should be performed by a sanctified minister of the church of God; one who is able to teach the proper meaning of water baptism, and is free from sin and sectism. Being dead to sin and the world, you go down into the watery grave, as Christ was buried in a literal grave. You are raised up out of the watery grave, as Christ was raised up, realizing that you are a new creature and that the old life has passed away. You will walk in newness of life, even in the ways of Christ. You have shown by going into the watery grave that you died to sin and the world and have been resurrected (John 5:25), and you are now in the Ark of safety, even in Christ. "For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection." Rom. 6:5.

When Christ arose from the grave, death had no more power over him. He was alive forever more. When we arise from the watery grave, we show that we have passed from spiritual death to life in God,

and eternal death and destruction has no power over us to destroy us as we walk in newness of life.

Peter, speaking of water baptism, makes it exceedingly plain to all honest-hearted souls. He says of Noah's Ark, which was a type of Christ, that eight souls were saved by water; and "The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us [lest we should misunderstand him, he adds]: not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God." Baptism answers to our good consciences that we are dead with Him, and now we will walk in newness of life with Him. The water that surrounded the ark did not save the people in the ark. The fact that they were in the ark meant salvation to them. The water just showed that they were saved in the ark. So baptism shows, or is a picture, of our being saved in Christ. Christ is our Ark of safety from sin all about us. If we were not in Christ, the Ark of safety, we would be drowned in sin which is all around us. It is a glorious picture of the mighty work that God has wrought in us through Christ. My soul rejoices as I write about it. None should omit water baptism, but should embrace it heartily as the first commandment after repentance, showing that our sins have been washed away by the blood, the atoning blood of Christ.

Fifth fold: Now since you are saved and your actual transgressions are all forgiven and you have peace with God through and by the blood sacrifice of His dear Son, there comes a time when you realize you need more power and strength to overcome the flesh, the devil, and the world, and to hold true to God when the pressure is on. The carnal nature has not been eradicated, but only suppressed by the power of God with you. You begin to understand the Word better and read what Jesus said, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." Matt. 5:8. In Hebrews, 6th chapter, you read that God says, "Therefore leaving the principals of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment." The fifth fold, then, is conviction for the baptism of the Spirit, with a knowledge of your need. You find that Paul said in 1 Thess. 4:3: "For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication." You find that Jude addresses his letter to "them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ and called." Romans 15:16, "That the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost." In Hebrews 13:12, you read, "Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. In John 14:16 Jesus says, "I will pray the Father and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world [the unsaved] cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." Jesus was their Comforter while he was with them, but he was going away; but he promised to send them another

Comforter. In the 26th verse He calls it the "Comforter which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name." In Gal. 4:6, he calls it the "Spirit of his Son in our hearts."

Sixth fold: The sixth page of your Christian experience would then be consecration and reception of the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost. In 1 Thess. 5:23 are these words of truth: "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it."

Under the law, they sprinkled the vessels with blood, and in that way sanctified them or set them apart for the purpose of being used only around the altar service. So we first sanctify ourselves by consecration; and then when God sees our consecration is complete, he sends the Spirit of truth, the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, cleanses and infills us with His Spirit as He did the disciples on the Day of Pentecost. In Romans 12:1, we are told how to consecrate. It reads: "I beseech you therefore, brethren [He is writing to saved folks, and calls them brethren.] by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice [just to use for Him] holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable, and perfect will of God."

By reading the first chapter of Acts, we learn that the disciples were in an upper room, continuing in prayer with supplications. When they were fully ready and the Day of Pentecost had come, the Comforter suddenly came upon them as a mighty rushing wind from heaven, and they were all filled. When God sees that your consecration is complete, He will send the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, the Spirit of Truth, to abide in your heart. It will seem to you that all heaven has come down into your soul, so great and mighty will be His presence, and power, and wisdom, and strength in your soul—far beyond your former experience.

Seventh fold: This will be accomplished at His coming when the judgment sets and the wicked and the righteous receive their rewards. This change to a glorified state will be our portion, because we have continued in the faith, having the Spirit of Christ in our hearts. It is a reward of our faith and faithfulness. Rom. 8:17, "And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ [equal heirs of glory], if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together." Then in the 23rd verse, we read that we ourselves are waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

There is a redemption of the soul, and when we keep yielded to him and thereby retain His Spirit and life in our bodies, there will be a redemption of our bodies—a change from a vile, decaying condition, to a glorified state with God, as we are joint heirs with Christ. Paul tells us in Phil. 3:20, 21, ". . . we look for our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like

unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself."

1 Cor. 15:50, "Now, this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption." This flesh and blood will not inherit the eternal kingdom of God, but it is the life of Christ in us that will bring about the change. The next verse reads: "Behold, I show you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, [We shall not all be dead when Christ comes], but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed." In the 4th chapter of 1 Thess., the last part, we read how both, we that are alive and they that have died in the faith, will be caught up together in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Paul tells us that "Christ in you" is the hope of glory (Col. 1:27).

The number seven in Biblical language is counted to be the whole of a matter, and also carries the meaning of perfection. So in these seven folds, or changes, in our experience, we come to the end of the whole matter here in this world and then abide in His eternal kingdom with the Father and Son; for in Christ now we become equal heirs with Him in glory.

Men have invented many ways for us to get to heaven, and Satan has many ways of decoying us from the right way, but Jesus says in John 10:1, that those who climb up some other way are thieves and robbers.

Dear friends, do not look for bargains in salvation, but pay a full price and get the genuine. Satan and his agents have plenty of cheap ways, and they make a big show of religion; but the genuine is hid from their view. Jesus said the kingdom of God was like unto a merchantman seeking goodly pearls. When he had found one of great price (Christ is the Pearl of great price) he went and sold all that he had and bought that pearl. Read Matt. 13:45, 46.

—Fred Pruitt.

Jesus was exceedingly sorrowful (Matt. 26:38) to give me joys flowing like a river. (John 15:11).

Jesus was tempted (Matt. 4:1) that he might be able to deliver me in the hour of temptation (Heb. 4:15).

Jesus was forsaken (Matt. 26:56) that I would never be forsaken (Heb. 13:5).

CORRESPONDENCE

Colo.—Dear saints,—Greetings of love in Jesus' dear name. Forty-five years ago I sought the Lord. First he healed me of chills and fever, then I accepted him as my Saviour. In a few months my sister and I were traveling with horse and buggy through a large pasture over roads we hadn't traveled before to meet sister Julia Myers. The clouds had hid the sun since early forenoon and we found our road had a new fence across it and a sign saying, go west. There was no other road and I thought we were going west. We got down and asked God to let us see

the sun. We hadn't seen anyone for many miles to ask, so immediately God let the clouds part and showed us the sun, then the clouds covered the sun again. We found we had been traveling north, so we turned and went across the prairie until we found a road.

After father's death I supported my mother, sister, and young brother but couldn't have done this without God's help. My health was not good. Later I married my employer who wasn't a Christian, but promised he would be. After nine years he became ill with cancer. We had family worship and God often relieved him of pain in answer to prayer and saved him. Jesus stood by his bedside shortly before he passed away. Many times since, God has heard prayer and touched my body while all alone and spared my life when I felt like I would choke to death before morning.

I was taking care of husband's sister who had suffered a sunstroke and lost her mind 50 years before this. She lay bedfast four months with hardening of the arteries and was very sick. The doctor had told me she might go weeks before she died and I was up with her every night many times. The doctor said, "she will get mean, they always do with that disease," but she was nicer to me than she had ever been before and wanted me to read and pray with her. Before her death last year God gave me a vision and I said, "God is going to take her home." After her death I couldn't relax for several days. I would jerk when I tried to relax. They said, "Let the doctor give you something to help you relax." I said "No, God said, 'He giveth His beloved sleep' and I'll trust him." God did give me rest. Praise his name.

Her deceased brother's attorney tried everything he knew to get away with her brother's money, investing it in some stock which he was president of and which I refused to accept. I held on to God with fasting and prayer and the saints agreeing with me in prayer for months until God heard prayer, though he succeeded in giving the greater part to the land lady, another woman, the lawyers and court. Yet God got glory out of part of it. It pays to trust God even in such matters as this.

At Monark Springs camp meeting God instantly touched my eyes which were hurting so I could hardly hold them open. When I reached home I found a telegram had come for me saying that my brother at the state hospital must have an operation. I went to Pueblo and found they had cut open his left leg and stomach, saying he had blood clots. After they had operated another clot formed and gangrene had set in. I had phoned to the minister's meeting at Monark but they amputated his leg above the knee. I stayed there and prayed with him after he got where he could and got him to ask God's forgiveness. He said most of the Lord's prayer and asked me to read the Bible. They gave him a blood transfusion. I sent to brother Pruitt for an anointed handkerchief during the Guthrie camp meeting. I also received one from the Los Angeles camp meeting and applied them to him. I caught cold sitting in a draft at the hospital and before I could take the last handkerchief to him it came to me when I was coughing to apply it. I did and God immediately stopped the cough and I went to sleep. I was ashamed to ride on the train before because I coughed so much. How I praised God for healing me.

My brother's other leg was so cold and had been since before they amputated the other one so they operated again cutting the nerves leading down from above his hip, about a six inch incision. He was on the operating table about three hours. Oh, how he cried when they brought him to his room. I cried too and prayed with him. They

gave another blood transfusion and he then had a congestion at the base of his right lung. They thought they might have to cut off the stub again but now it is healed on the outside but he pulled off some of the scab and I saw that it is not healed on the inside. I apply the handkerchieves and pray every time I go. I have had one minister, his wife and another minister lay on hands and pray with me. We couldn't feel any resistance or signs of evil spirits but his brain doesn't get enough blood and he was injured on the head twice earlier in life and his mental condition is bad but better. He gets cross with me when I try to prevent him doing things he is not allowed to do. He can walk around the room by pushing a chair but his legs are so cold and thin. The operation seemed to cause better circulation for a short time but not now. He says things a Christian must not say and smokes a few cigarettes. He doesn't seem to understand why he should not do these things. Please pray that he may be saved and that God may have his way with him. He never had many opportunities to be in the saints' meetings. Thanks for all the prayers.

Yours in Christ, E. Coral (Myers) Johnson.

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Mo.—Dear saints scattered abroad,—Greetings in Jesus' dear name. I am praising the Lord for keeping me saved and sanctified, and for answering my prayers with power divine. I praise his name for healing my body this afternoon. I had some kind of a spell, I suppose with my nerves. A tingling sensation started around my brain and traveled all over my body, especially around my heart and brain. I prayed several times but it grew worse. My mouth and left eye felt like they were paralyzing but I could still use them. I felt I should go tell my husband if I should get worse to call the saints at Myrtle. After I came back to the house I prayed again and said I would write to the "Faith and Victory" and I was healed from that moment. Praise his dear name. If it wasn't for the Lord's healing power I don't know what I would do. The age of miracles is not past and praise the Lord never will be as long as we trust him with body and soul. He has healed my babies again of colds and a bowel disorder so I have much to praise him for. Pray for me that I will draw closer to my Saviour. Your sister, Lavern Moles.

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Mo.—Dear brother Pruitt,—Greetings of love in Jesus' sweet name. I am still saved and sanctified. Praise his holy name. He has answered my prayers many times and has healed my afflictions many times. Yesterday morning he came to my rescue. I had hurt my right shoulder and arm by falling through a board on a porch. It happened about four weeks ago so the pains continued about four weeks. I told the Lord I must get relief. I read "How May I be Healed?" in sister Wilson's tract. "First we should remind you of the word of God which declares, 'He that cometh to God must believe that he is and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.'" Heb. 11:6. I read and prayed, then it seemed my Jesus said to go where some of the dear saints lived and be agreed in prayer. I planned to go that very evening to sister Effie Miller's but my husband and children didn't get in in time to go so I put it off until morning. Oh, how my arm and shoulder did hurt me while I was getting breakfast. My husband said, "Well you will have to go to a doctor." I said, "No, I am not going to a doctor, I'm going to God for relief. I want to go to sister Effie's." She lives about four miles from us. My husband said, "Well I will take you. I won't go against what you want to do," so he took me. We prayed to our Saviour the prayer of faith and

oh how he came to me. He healed my shoulder right then. Praise his holy name. Lillie Williams.

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Calif.—Dear saints,—Greetings in Jesus' dear name. I'm truly praising God for his wonderful blessings. He truly "maketh rich and addeth no sorrows thereto."

We enjoyed a nice little meeting of praise and fellowship in the new home of brother Cecil and Rada Watkins last night, and they also surprised me with birthday cards and good wishes. So we were all happy together, for which I praise the Lord with all my heart and with many tears of gratitude for I know it's all through his great love.

We still need your prayers for the work out here. Some difficulties have been overcome but the devil is never satisfied. There is still more to be accomplished, and by faith in God above we believe he will help us still further. Praise our dear Lord. We pray God to richly bless you and reward your efforts for his cause.

Your sister in Christ, Vera Forbes.

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Okl.—Dear saints,—Holy greetings in Jesus' dear name. Today finds me yet saved and much encouraged to live for the dear Lord. I can truly say the Lord has wonderfully blessed me. My leg has gone down to normal, just a little sore below the knee and my hand is almost healed on the outside but it is still swollen on top, but to God I give all the praise. I thank all the saints for their prayers. I believe the Lord is going to completely heal me. My trust is in the dear Lord. I ask the saints to continue to pray for me that the Lord will completely heal me. I mean to trust him all the way.

Your brother in Christ, Andrew Lignons.

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Ind.—Dear saints,—I feel the different ones who might be interested in the future plans for holding camp meeting would like to hear what we are trying to do by the help of the Lord. We would appreciate prayer in our behalf as the enemy has been working in every conceivable way against us. It has been a continued battle from the beginning but I know God is in this thing and we will persevere.

With what cash we had on hand and the generous help of a brother we were able to clear the lot we are building on. That left us very little to begin the foundation. Much prayer went up and by faith we started in. To date the blocks are being laid. Brother Grover Martin is donating his help while the other brothers are keeping them in supplies. We have now received word of a party who desires the present building and will need to give possession possibly around the 15th of November. We will surely have to have God's help in getting the other place in a state where we can use it by then.

We certainly have had chances for our faith to be tried. Oh, how we long to prove true in every test. It seems like the messages that go forth are along this line. As the word says, we are contending for the faith once delivered to the saints. We want to have more power in our midst so the world can be made to see the pure Bride of Christ.

A few weeks ago our afflicted boy was suffering with toothache and we couldn't get any dentist to remove the broken tooth without taking him to the hospital and administering ether. I hadn't given him medicine or dope for fourteen years. I was under such a burden seeing him suffer and yet not desiring to see the other done. Prayer was requested and he was in such turmoil he couldn't rest. Through another supplication that went forth in

faith, I was myself made able to touch the hem of His garment and the pain all removed. He slept almost constantly for three days and nights. How I did rejoice. The saints everywhere need to draw close to Jesus and believe what he says in the word.

I don't know when trials and persecutions have ever been so bad as now. The devil surely is loose and unless we watch and pray much, we will not be in a state of readiness when He comes. I mean to go through even at my life's blood if necessary. The harder the trial, the sweeter the way. Praise our God.

In His service,

Sister Minnie Brown.

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Mo.—Dear saints,—It has been some time since I sent in my testimony. I feel that it would be pleasing to our God to tell what a mighty God I serve. I have had an awful ailment since last November. At times I wasn't able to mop my floors or carry water without pain. My dear Lord healed me. I am doing hard work for a woman of my age. I'm not able to pay the price of work it is so high. I have too many trees around the house. They are about a foot through so I am cutting them myself with the dear Lord's help. I'm cutting them in wood to burn. I have set out peach trees and others. I am 82 years old. I couldn't do this if I didn't have God with me. He will do for others if they will trust and obey him. He doesn't think any more of me than he does of you that read this testimony. Pray that my faith will not fail but rather grow stronger. I am all alone as far as one can see but the dear Lord is with me. What a mighty God we serve.

Emma Ritchie.

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Okla.—Dear saints,—Greetings in Jesus' dear name. I'm so thankful that I am saved from sin and encouraged. I surely want to praise the Lord for his great love to us. My chickens all took sick and it seemed they would die. The poultry man told us we had better give them some medicine as every one seemed to be losing their chickens in great numbers. Husband told him we didn't use medicine, that the Lord would heal them. We just told the Lord to have his way. Today they are all well and doing fine. We give God the praise.

When I was doing my laundry I dropped a heavy dish pan. The edge hit on the bend of my foot. It seemed it was broken it hurt so badly. I was alone but I started praying. Jesus said, "This thing is from me." I started praising the Lord, the pain left and it didn't get sore. We have much to thank the Lord for. I love all of God's dear saints. They are surely a precious people. Please pray for us that we stay in the will of the Lord.

Your sister in Christ,

Gertrude Haven.

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La.—Dear saints abroad,—Greetings in the name of our dear Lord and Saviour. I have been impressed for some time by the Lord to write my testimony of the goodness and mercies of God and some of the things he has done for us this summer. My two girls and I still love the Lord and want to do his will and serve him until the end. We praise his dear name for all his goodness, kindness and mercies he has shown us before and since we have been saved. We truly thank and praise him for sparing our life and not cutting our life short when we were in sin, that he spared us and gave us a chance to get saved and live for him and work for him.

My youngest girl, Peggy has been sick off and on for four years. I am trusting the Lord with her. This summer it was taken out of my hands and she had to be put under medical care but I did not stop trusting God.

The doctor said she would have to be operated on for her tonsils in three weeks from the day she first went to him. I knew God could do a lot in three weeks so I wrote to brother and sister Max Williamson for prayer. When she had to go back the doctor said "Why this child doesn't need an operation. She doesn't have any tonsil trouble." He couldn't understand why she had made such a change in three weeks. While she was sick she had lost 20 pounds but had gained 5 pounds in those three weeks. The doctor didn't understand but praise God I understood that God was still on his throne and had heard and answered prayer. This same girl had to have her eyes tested for glasses but the day she was to put on the glasses the doctor tested her eyes and said she didn't need glasses. Today she can see as good as any one.

During the time that I was going through these trials my oldest girl had an attack of appendicitis but she made it plain to every one that she was trusting the Lord. The Lord wonderfully blessed her and healed her and she hasn't been bothered any more. Praise God. I could sit and write for hours and hours and still not have half of the good things told that God has done for us. We still need prayer and God's help every day that we will live faithful and true to the end.

I have a very special burden that I desire the saints to pray about. It has troubled me for several years and I have relief at times but I want complete victory over it. It is a hindrance to our spiritual life. Pray much that God will undertake. I also have a friend I have been talking to about his soul's salvation. He seems very interested but is of the Catholic belief. This person is suffering with ulcers of the stomach and desires prayer for healing. He desires God to give him more light and wisdom and understanding to know the meaning of what I tell him that he might get saved and live for God.

Your sister in Christ,

Ida McDonald.

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GOD REVEALS HIMSELF TO MOSES

November 4, 1951

Printed Portion.....Exodus 3:1-7, 10, 13-15.

Exo. 3:1. Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the back side of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb.

2. And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

3. And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

4. And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.

5. And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.

6. Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God.

7. And the Lord said, I have surely seen the affliction

of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows.

10. Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

13. And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you: and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them?

14. And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

15. And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever, and this is my memorial unto all generations.

Memory Verse: God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob hath sent me unto you. Exo. 3:15.

Practical Truth: A call of God carries with it responsibility and opportunity.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

God's call to Moses, after giving him the preparation he needed to lead the Israelites out of Egypt to the promised land was at first rejected. God still had to deal with him to bring him to the place where he would obey him. He resisted God to the extent that "The anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses." Exo. 4:14. When God's people know that it is the will of God to do some work for him, there is great danger to disobey in anywise. According to Acts 7:25 Moses knew that he was chosen of God for the task of being leader but when God's time came for him to do the work, Moses objected and made many excuses. Finally Moses obeyed God and went to Egypt where his brother Aaron met him in the wilderness and they gathered the elders of the children of Israel together and showed them the signs in the sight of the people. "And the people believed: and when they heard that the Lord had visited the children of Israel, and that he looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshiped." Exo. 4:31.

"And now I have flung myself recklessly out,
Like a chip on the stream of his Infinite Will;
I pass the rough rocks with a smile and a shout
And I just let my God his dear purpose fulfil."

God is always ready to help us to do his will when he calls to any duty.

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THE PEOPLE DELIVERED

November 11, 1951

Printed Portion.....Exodus 12:30-31; 14:15-22, 31.

Exo. 12:30. And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead.

31. And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, and get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the Lord, as ye have said.

14:15. And the Lord said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward:

16. But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

17. And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them: and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

18. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gotten me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

19. And the angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them:

20. And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the one came not near the other all the night.

21. And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the Lord caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.

22. And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

31. And Israel saw that great work which the Lord did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared the Lord, and believed the Lord, and his servant Moses.

Memory Verse: The Lord is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation. Exodus 15:2.

Practical Truth: God is able to bring deliverance to his people.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

The scene is now set for the deliverance of the Israelites from their bondage in Egypt, which is a type of the sinner being delivered "From the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son." Col. 1:13. Note the refusal of Pharaoh, who did not know God, to let the people of Israel go. Neither does Satan allow any sinner to leave his bondage until he is forced to do so. The plagues of blood, frogs, lice, flies, murrain, boils, hail, locusts, darkness, and the death of the firstborn, had such effect upon Pharaoh and the Egyptians that they were glad to let the people go, so that Pharaoh said in the night, "Take your flocks and your herds as ye have said, and be gone" (12:32).

When the sinner is determined to leave sin and Satan as his taskmaster, God will perform a miracle then and there and save him from sin, and give him the joy of salvation. Matt. 1:21; John 1:29. After Pharaoh had time to think a little a feeling of revulsion suddenly came over him that he had let the people go. So he took his army and six hundred chariots and followed them. So Satan follows the newborn Christian but "God is faithful" (1 Cor. 10:12-13) and will give us power to live godly in this present world for he knows how to deliver the godly out of temptation. Praise our God.

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LAWS FOR THE NEW NATION

November 18, 1951

Printed Portion.....Exodus 19:7-8a; 23:1-13.

Exo. 19:7. And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before their faces all these words which the Lord commanded him.

8. And all the people answered together, and said, All that the Lord hath spoken we will do.

23:1. Thou shalt not raise a false report: put not thine hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness.

2. Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest judgment:

3. Neither shalt thou countenance a poor man in his cause.

4. If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again.

5. If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help with him.

6. Thou shalt not wrest the judgment of thy poor in his cause.

7. Keep thee far from a false matter; and the innocent and righteous slay thou not: for I will not justify the wicked.

8. And thou shalt take no gift: for the gift blindeth the wise, and perverteth the words of the righteous.

9. Also thou shalt not oppress a stranger: for ye know the heart of a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

10. And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the fruits thereof:

11. But the seventh year thou shalt let it rest and lie still; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard, and with thy oliveyard.

12. Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.

13. And in all things that I have said unto you be circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.

Memory Verse: All that the Lord hath spoken we will do. Exodus 19:8.

Practical Truth: The laws God has given are for the well-being of men and are not arbitrary requirements.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

When men are born again they become new creatures in Christ, "Old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." 2 Cor. 5:17. God gives them laws to abide by and writes them in the heart (Heb. 8:10-13) that he has made clean "Through the blood of the everlasting covenant." Heb. 13:20-21.

The new nation of Israel needed new laws to govern them since they were no longer under the bondage of Pharaoh and his dominion for now they were under God's direct ruling since he had given them so great a deliverance. So when we are delivered from sin and become a part of God's "Holy nation" 1 Pet. 2:9, we are to come under his dominion and do as he says in Rom. 6:13, "Yield yourselves unto God." Obedience to God's law and his leadings brings joy and comfort and peace to the child of God that the man of the world knows nothing about. God gives the child of God power to keep his laws and commandments, so that not one of them is too hard to keep and none of them are grievous. 1 John 5:3. Since we love him we are glad to obey in all things. Be diligent.

THE PEOPLE AT WORSHIP

November 25, 1951

Printed Portion.....Exodus 29:43-46; 35:21-29.

Exo. 29:43. And there I will meet with the children of Israel, and the tabernacle shall be sanctified by my glory.

44. And I will sanctify the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar: I will sanctify also both Aaron and his sons, to minister to me in the priest's office.

45. And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their God.

46. And they shall know that I am the Lord their God, that brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, that I may dwell among them; I am the Lord their God.

35:21. And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments.

22. And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing hearted, and brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and every man that offered an offering of gold unto the Lord.

23. And every man, with whom was found blue and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair, and red skins of rams, and badgers' skins, brought them.

24. Every one that did offer an offering of silver and brass brought the Lord's offering: and every man, with whom was found shittim wood for any work of the service, brought it.

25. And all the women that were wise hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun, both of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine linen.

26. And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun goats' hair.

27. And the rulers brought onyx stones, and stones to be set for the ephod, and for the breastplate;

28. And spice, and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense.

29. The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the Lord, every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all manner of work, which the Lord had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses.

Memory Verse: Take ye from among you an offering unto the Lord: whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering of the Lord. Exodus 35:5.

Practical Truth: Worship should help to make God real to us and should increase our trust in him.

COMMENTS AND APPLICATION

"O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." Psa. 96:9. One of the outstanding things in our lesson today is the willing heartedness of the people of Israel. They had a mind to work and give liberally of what they had until they were restrained because of an over supply. Exo. 36:4-7. They consecrated themselves to this work that they might have a place to meet with God and worship him, and commune with him according as God promised them in the first four verses of our lesson. We have aids to worship in our day; the sacred scriptures, and a wealth of spiritual songs with communion with God by the help of the Holy Spirit, that makes possible of praying, preaching and testimony in worshipping God in "Spirit and in truth." John 4:24. The surrendered life to God can enjoy all these privileges. As the glory of God filled the tabernacle so the glory of God fills the soul that obeys him in all things. It pays big dividends to serve God with a willing heart. A heart full of divine love, that loves God and his brother is in a condition to truly worship God aright.

C. W.