

# The Apostolic Faith

Lift up a standard for the people.—Isaiah 62:10

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## “Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men”



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The above picture, showing the birthplace of Christ as it is today, was reproduced from a post card, which Mr. Parham sent home while he was in Jerusalem. The writing shown on the picture, is his own hand-writing and the line pointing to the spot which is so expensively decorated. Two years ago, December 25, 1927 he spent the day at Bethlehem, it being his great desire to be at the place Christ was born on Christmas day.

## EMMANUEL

## The Alpha — The Omega

Ever since the time of our Lord's earthly pilgrimage, there have been repeated assaults made upon the deity of Jesus Christ, but they have almost invariably come from without.

It has been left to the growing apostacy of "these last days" for the most daring and presumptuous assaults to be made by men, who deny with impious effrontery the very foundation principles of the Christian church, and religion, to which many of them belong.

It is not merely the outer life of Jesus, the life of word and deed, which the church must reconstruct in these days of Apostacy, but a final call to arms should be sounded for all true believers to arise, and proclaim the deity and Lordship of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

We are exhorted, "That ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints; For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ." Jude 3, 4.

We cannot claim infallibility for Jesus alone on questions of history, or problems of science, or by any current events of His time, but the Bible, God's book, clearly, and definitely sets forth every phase of truth and light, a declaration of those things which are "Most surely believed among us."

The words, Alpha and Omega, are the first and the last words in the Greek alphabet. Jesus uses their significance in referring to Himself in the context, "I am Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last." Rev. 1:8, 11—21:6.—22:13.

Paul's description of Jesus is that "He LIVED and WAS before all things." Col. 1: 15, 16, 17; Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by Him were all things created that are in Heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers; All things were created by Him, and for Him, and He is before all things and by Him all things consist.

Jesus is the only one who can bear witness to a knowledge of pre-existence before putting on His fleshly body. Yet, He chose the witness

of His father rather than His own, Jno. 5:36, "For the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the works that I do, bear witness of Me, that the Father hath sent Me." Whether attending a marriage feast at Cana, or descending from the mount after the wonderful discourse, or from the mount of Transfiguration; whether entering or leaving a city, or ministering by the roadside; whether standing by the bier or entering the death chamber or at the sepulchre, whether asleep amidst stormy seas, or ministering to the hungry multitudes, the life of our blessed Lord was one continuous manifestation of divine, God-given power over all manner of diseases and infirmities, meeting every need and even calling the dead back to life.

Not only in these profound realms was His exclusive power manifested, but the very forces of nature were subject unto His will. Truly the winds and the waves obeyed Him. The fish must needs bring the money at His behest, the fig tree withered up when He pronounced His awful curse; even the untamed colt was subject unto Him, and the crow of the cock accomplished His purpose.

Rom. 11:36, For of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things to whom be glory forever, Amen.

Jesus is made unto us the wisdom of God, and that wisdom was with the Father before the beginning of the creation of all things.

In Prov. 8:22 to 36. We have a fitting testimony of Jesus as the Alpha who was "before all things".

"The Lord possessed Me in the beginning of His way, before His words of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.

When there were no depth, I was brought forth, when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills, was I brought forth. While as yet He had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.

When He prepared the heavens, I was there: when He set a compass upon the face of the depth: When He established the clouds above: when He strengthened the fountains of the deep. When He gave to the sea His decree, that the waters should not pass His commandment: when He appointed the foundations of the

earth; Then I was by Him as one brought up with Him; and I was daily His delight, rejoicing always before Him; Rejoicing in the habitable part of His earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

Now therefore hearken unto Me. O ye children: for blessed are they that keep My ways. Hear instruction and be wise, and refuse it not. Blessed is the man that heareth Me, watching daily at My gates, waiting at the posts of My doors. For whoso findeth Me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the Lord. But he that sinneth against Me wrongth his own soul: all they that hate Me love death."

Jesus said, "Before Abraham was, I am." Jnc. 8: 56, 57, 58.

Jesus prayed to His Father, "glorify Thou Me with Thine own self with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was." John 17:5.

All these scriptures and many others, reveal to us the life of Christ before His birth into this present evil world.

#### "The Word was Made Flesh"

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father.) full of grace and truth." John 1:14.

The Virgin Mary stands as the embodiment of innocent Jewish maidenhood. The conversation between the angel Gabriel and the Virgin Mary, as recorded in Luke 1:28, 38, constitute one of the most sublime portions of Holy Scripture. Well might the maiden be "troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be."

The Lord speaks through His heavenly messenger words of comfort and blessing. "Hail, thou that are highly favoured, the Lord is with thee; for thou hast found favour with God." Then follow those transcendent words that proclaim the incarnation of Jesus, who was that "Holy Thing" which was born of the Virgin Mary "The Son of God."

Well might she sing with holy rapture, "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God, my Saviour, for He hath regarded the low estate of His handmaiden, for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed." Lu. 1:46, 55.

The birth of Jesus was not to convert the Godhead into flesh, but the taking of the man-

hood into God. Mary was not the mother of God, but was the mother of Jesus in respect of the manhood which He took into the Godhead. The birth of Jesus was not to absorb the divine into the human, but rather a combination of the human with the divine. Jesus was the seed of the woman, but was untainted by the tendency to go astray from God. He did the will of His Heavenly Father and always did the things that were right, bringing His human manhood into absolute subjection to the whole will of the divine. Jesus, "The Son of God", the second person of the trinity, being very and eternal God. of one substance, and equal with the Father did, when the fulness of time was come, take upon Him man's nature, with all the essential properties and common infirmities thereof, yet without sin; being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, of her substance. So that two whole, perfect, and distinct natures, the Godhead and the manhood, were inseparably joined together in one person, who was very God and very man, yet one "Christ, the only mediator between God and man."

"Let every kindred, every tribe,  
On this terrestrial ball,  
To Him all majesty ascribe,  
And crown Him Lord of all."

#### "Thou Shalt Call His Name Jesus"

Thou shalt call His name Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins." Matt. 1:21.

Sin lies at the root of all the unrest and evil that abound in home, church and state today, and no solution has ever been found outside of the range of Holy Scripture. The Apostle's words are as true today, as when he wrote nineteen hundred years ago. "He that committed 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." (1 John 3:8.) And so Jesus Christ came into this world, being clothed with an earthly body, the only one who could accomplish so mighty and wonderful a work, and had He possessed within Himself the slightest shadow or taint of sin, He could never have merited the glorious title which is His alone.

#### "A Body Hast Thou Prepared Me."

"Then said I, Lo, I come; in the volume of the book it is written of Me, I delight to do Thy will O My God; yea, Thy law is within My

heart" (Ps. 40:7, 8.) "Wherefore when He cometh into the world, He saith, sacrifice and offering Thou wouldst not, but a body hast Thou prepared Me. In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin Thou hast had no pleasure. Then said I Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of Me, to do thy will, O God." (Heb. 10: 5-7.)

The trinity is revealed in the first chapter of Genesis. "In the beginning God (in His triune aspect) created the heaven and the earth." "And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." Gen. 1:1, 2." and God said, "Let us make man in OUR image, after OUR likeness." Ver. 26.

So, at the outset of our Lord's ministry, this essential doctrine of the Faith is re-affirmed.

Before the actual work of the divine ministry of our Lord took place, certain significant experiences revealed to the world, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

"And Jesus, when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water and lo, the heavens were opened unto Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him, and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." (Matt 3:16, 17.)

What a hallowed and blessed combination, proclaiming with no uncertain sound the great fundamental truth of the trinity in unity.

#### Who is This?

The attending disciples need not to be at a loss for an answer. Which of the prophets has not put it into their mouths? Who is this- Ask Moses and he shall tell you, "the seed of the woman that shall bruise the serpent's head; Ask your father Jacob and he shall tell you, "The Shiloh of the tribe of Judah," Ask David and he shall tell you, "The King of Glory." Ask Isaiah and he shall tell you, "Emmanuel, Wonderful, the Mighty God, the Prince of Peace; Ask Jerimiah and he shall tell you, "the Righteous Branch." Ask Daniel and he shall tell you, "The Messiah," Ask John the Baptist and he shall tell you, "The Lamb of God." And the God of all hath told us, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Yea, the very devils themselves have been forced to confess, "I know Thee who Thou are, the Holy One of God!" On

no side that Christ left Himself without a full and plain testimony.

"Seeing then that we have a great High Priest that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

"For we have not a High Priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without (apart from) sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." (Heb. 4:14-16.)

"Free from the law, O happy condition, Jesus hath bled, and there is remission, Cursed by the law and bruised by the fall, Christ hath redeemed us once for all."

—W. Bacon, Fairland, Okla.

#### A GIFT

While the multitudes throng the streets and gift-shops looking for gifts and thinking of their loved ones; while the old, the young, the rich and the poor mingle their footsteps together seeking some gift; while homes are broken and hearts are bleeding yet seeking a gift; while men walk the streets asking for work, thinking of some gift, widows with tired bodies and sunken eyes struggling for food and shelter, seeking some gift; orphans thinly clad, hungry and cold seeking some gift. Oh, if the multitude would seek God's gift that came to earth 1900 years ago! That gift was laid in the manger. He was not born in a palace, but in a stable for the poor. Friends, if you would seek that gift: a gift paid by the blood of our Lord Jesus. He came seeking the lost, He came begging for souls.

Would to God this day, you who are seeking gifts would get a glimpse of Jesus and seek Him. Homes would be united, tears would banish, hatred, strife and wars would cease. And then we would hear the joy bells ring, peace on earth, good will to men."—Contributed.

"Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart, wait, I say, on the Lord."

The secret of happiness is not in doing what one likes but in liking what one has to do.—James M. Barrie.

THOU ART THE CHRIST  
THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD

What a confession Peter made, no human mind could ever have found words or lips to have uttered such a truth except by the power of God.

Wherefore I give you to understand that no man speaking by (in) the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord but by (in) the Holy Ghost. I Cor. 12:3.

"And Jesus answered and said unto him Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but My Father which is in heaven". Matt. 16:16-17.

Jesus blesses every one who can say from the innermost being "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." To know Jesus is to know Him by the Spirit as the Son of God, the seed of the woman, born of the virgin, the only begotten of the Father. My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Matt 3:17.

The prophet Isaiah foretold by the Holy Spirit, of the coming Redeemer. "Therefore the Lord Himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel (God with us). Isa. 7:14. Matt 1:23.

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulders: and His name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." Isa 9:6.

Surely the Lord made it clear to the prophet how the Son of God should come in bodily form. And the apostles tell that He did come as was foretold.

And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary for thou hast found favour with God.

"And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call His name Jesus." Luke 2:30-31.

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins." Matt. 1:21.

"And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth." John 1:14.

"In the book of the generations of Jesus

Christ the Son of David to the son of Abraham."

"And Jacob begot Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ. Matt. 1:1-16.

The changed expression here is important. It is no longer "Who begot" but Mary of whom was born Jesus: Jesus was not begotten of natural generation but by the Holy Ghost.

"And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee. therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. Luke 1:35.

In Matthew where unquestionably we have the genealogy of Joseph, we are told (1:16) that Joseph was the son of Jacob. In what sense, then could he be called in Luke 3:23 "the son of Heli"? He could not be by natural generation the son both of Jacob and of Heli. But in Luke it is not said that Heli begat Joseph so that the natural explanation is that Joseph was the son-in-law of Heli, who was, like himself, a descendant of David. That he should in that case be called "son of Heli" ("son is not in the Greek, but rightly supplied by the translators) would be in accord with Jewish usage (I Sam. 24:16) The conclusion is therefore inevitable that in Luke we have Mary's genealogy, and Joseph was son of Heli" because he was espoused to Heli's daughter. (Scofield). Thus Jesus was of the seed of the woman.

"But when the fulness of the time was come God sent forth His Son, made of woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons". Gal. 4:4-5.

"For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh." Rom. 8:3.

"But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in likeness of men." Phil. 2:7.

"And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness. God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory." I Tim. 3:16.

"For as much then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself like-

wise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is the devil." Heb. 2:14.

"Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every Spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God." I John 4:2.

For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an anti-Christ." II John 7.

We are living in the days of the deceiver when the Virgin Birth, and the Divinity of the Christ is being denied. "Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity." II Tim 2:19. So that we shall be able by the Holy Spirit to tell the difference between the Christ, the glorified Son of God, and the anti Christ the arch deceiver of Satan whose comings are close at hand. Today many can not say, "Thou art the Christ the Son of the Living God," because they have not been regenerated and have not the knowledge of sins forgiven.

"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God, and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together." Rom. 8:16-17.

And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

"He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life." I John 5-112.

Praise God for eternal life which comes through faith in the Virgin Birth and divinity of Christ by the Holy Spirit.

Yours for the Truth,  
Mabel E. Daley

#### IS IT TOO HARD FOR GOD?

God can form man in four ways: From a man and woman, as constant custom shows; from neither man nor woman, as Adam; from a man without a woman, as Eve; or from a woman without a man, as the Son of God.—Anselm

The outward life may be as spotless and yet the heart be as black as the devil wants it.

Every fingerboard pointing toward heaven reads, "Start at once."

#### MAKING THE BEST OF THINGS

(Frederic H. Senft.)

At Christmas time, a beggar in our city caught the spirit of the age and the happy holiday season, by decking his crutches with evergreens. Instead of the dejected expression and whining voice of his fellow-mendicants, the young fellow displayed a happy smile and called out cheerily to passersby, thus reaping his reward.

"What's the use of putting on a sour face?" he said. "Of course it's tough to have only one pin, but that's no reason for looking glum. Now I can't have the good things that other persons get at this time of the year, but with all this happiness going to waste, you can just bet I'm reaching out for all the joy I can get hold of.

"It's Christmas time, and so I'm decorating for Christmas. These crutches ain't very ornamental at any season, but with a little green they look a heap better than just the naked, bare wood. And then," he added, with a shrewd wink, "people like to see others making the best of things, and I ain't going to howl.

Quite a philosopher for a beggar! But it pays. The scheme worked. Where others got a penny thrown carelessly, this fellow got brighter and bigger coins.

#### How Slow We are to Learn the Lesson

Men ply their trade in a successful way for mercenary purposes. Even this is allowable in business marts—the smile, the genial manner the persuasive word to effect a sale or close a bargain. But why not make the best of things in the spiritual realm, the social circle, the family life?

The habit of true happiness is only acquired by him, who is inspired. The God of hope must fill us with all joy; a fixed purpose must possess us to rise above adverse conditions, and make the most of every circumstance in life.

"What's the use of putting on a sour face?" And surely the cripple had a plausible pretext to look awry, for "it's tough to have only one pin, but that's no reason for being glum." Especially when his bread and butter were at stake! Putting on a good front was his stock-in-trade, when holiday joy was in the air. He seeks to please the public from which he must gain his livelihood.

#### Motive and Method

With the child of God the motive is differ-

ent, but the method is the same. A little evergreen of gladness will cover the rough exterior of hard experiences; the velvet moss will cover the rugged rock of difficulty; the fragrant flowers will hide the thorny trial, and the joyful spirit will find its expression in smiles and songs. The passersby will catch the sweet odors of the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley.

"Forgive and ye shall be forgiven; give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give unto your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." Luke 6:37-38. We get what we give—give a frown and you get a frown; give a smile, and you get a smile. Both good and evil are contagious.

The harder the test, the happier the heart; the longer the trial, the louder the praise.

"Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labor of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation." Hab. 3: 17, 18.

#### LILY, LAMB, AND MORNING STAR

A Virgin conceives and there springs into life a Lily fair, unfolding leaf by leaf, daily nourished by the great love of the Father, flowing through the heart of the Virgin into the Golden Heart of the Lily.

Day by day angels watch and wait, while the Virgin ponders in her heart, wonderful thought, that she of all the Virgins of Israel, was Jehovah's chosen vessel. There were days of rejoicing with the mother of John, in songs of glory and praise, while tears of joy fall on the Lily like drops of dew.

A night of travail, and there bursts into bloom the "Lily of the valley," pure as the snows of Lebanon, filling the earth with His perfume, and our hearts with a delightful fragrance.

We bow with the Wise Men of the East, for we have seen the Star in the East, and have come to worship Him and lay our treasures of myrrh and frankincense at His feet.

We walk in the valley with Him as He feedeth among the lilies; we mount up to the

mountains of myrrh and hill of frankincense, and behold! the day breaks, the shadows flee away, and we behold our Beloved as He cometh into His garden to the bed of spices, to feed in the garden and to gather lilies. Thou art beautiful, my Love, as Tirzah, comely as Jerusalem. This is my Beloved, this is my friend O, daughters of Jerusalem.

A Virgin brings forth and we "behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world," "the only begotten of the Father," our Passover Lamb, without spot or blemish. O, wonderful truth, and we shall be like Him.

With the blood of the Lamb covering our hearts, we enter within the veil, bow our hearts before His glory, where our prayers as sweet incense rise before Him, and we hear the golden bells ring out, "ALIVE FOREVER MORE."

An angel rolls the stone away, the Lion of the tribe of Judah breaks the seal and there bursts from the tomb "the Bright and Morning Star." Beams of light fill the earth, piercing the dark night of souls, and our hearts are lighted with His glory.

May the "Lily of the Valley" fill our hearts with a perfume richer than all spices; may the Blood of the Lamb cover, and the Morning Star fill with radiant glory this glad Christmastide.

D. M. P.

#### ESSENTIAL TO THE TRUTH

In regard to such a mystery as the Incarnation our part is to keep to the very words of Holy Scripture; and the language of Scripture is unequivocal and plain. As to His human birth, the Lord was "the Seed of the Woman." But it will be asked, How is that possible? The answer is supplied by Matthew 1:20 and Luke 1:35. The Virgin Birth was altogether miraculous. The truth of His Sonship as implied in the Virgin Birth is merged in the truth that He was the Son of God in a vastly higher sense; and that great truth is in the warp and woof of every part of the New Testament.—Sir R. Anderson, K. C. B., L. L. D.

God wants us so deeply rooted—established—in Himself that we can go on bearing fruit through adverse conditions as well as amid more favorable ones. In fact it is so often true that real Christians grow stronger amid trials and temptations than when all is smooth sailing.

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Repentance to God and man which brings Salvation, the knowledge of sins forgiven.

Entire Consecration which brings the blessing of Sanctification through the cleansing of the blood of Christ.

Baptism of the Holy Spirit, with the evidence of speaking in other tongues, upon a cleansed life.

Healing for the body.

Second Coming of Christ.

We are not fighting men, or churches, but seeking to displace dead forms, and creeds, and wild fanaticism with living truths.

The Editor endeavors to keep the paper free from grave doctrinal errors, but must not be held responsible for all ideas advanced by contributors elsewhere

### NOTICE

We have some back numbers of the paper also extra copies of the February number containing Mr. Parham's pictures which we will be glad to send anyone desiring them.

Last month we sent out 3000 papers, sending to all the names we have on our old mailing list, marking those 'sample copies' who had not sent in their names saying that they wanted the paper continued.

We have been more than pleased and greatly encouraged by the scores of letters we have been receiving daily saying how glad and thankful they are that the paper is being printed again and wanted to receive it regularly.

Fearing however, that all have not given in their names who want the paper continued, we are sending out sample copies again from our old mailing list.

Even if your name was on the old mailing list, please send in your name again, as after mailing out this issue, we will discard the old mailing list, and the new names now being sent in will be placed in the hands of the publisher, who will mail out the papers from the printing office hereafter.

These names will be printed, so if you will send in your names at once, it will help us as we wish to get the new mailing list as complete and correct as possible so that there need not be any more changes than necessary after the first of the year. Some have said, we want the paper but will not give in our names, as we have no money to send and we know it takes money to print the paper. We know this too, and we expect to keep all bills paid, but we do not want you to miss a copy, so we suggest that you send in your name now and send in your offering later as you are able to do so. We know this time of the year there are extra expenses, and means are often scarce, and if your offering comes in later it will be just as much needed and appreciated.

We would like especially to have the names again of those who sent us your names and means, for the paper the first of this year, and only received one or two copies before the paper was discontinued, give us your names and present address and we will gladly continue the paper to you.

Last month some said your papers were marked "Sample Copy" who had sent in your names. We might have had your paper marked before we received your letter, or it might have been a mistake on our part. We will appreciate it very much if you will notify us of any oversight on our part, or if you should not receive your paper by the middle of the month and we will make sure your name is on the publisher's list.

We are editing this paper for your benefit, and we want all to receive the paper who wish it and feel that it will be a blessing to you. We are just your servants for Jesus' sake.

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#### PICTURES OF THE TWENTY-THIRD FOR OUR BOOK

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Most of our readers know that with the pictures that Mr. Parham brought back with him from Palestine was a series of thirteen pictures illustrating the twenty-third Psalm.

He especially loved this wonderful Psalm, and always took great pleasure in showing the beautiful pictures representing it. Everywhere these pictures have been shown they have been very much appreciated. Christ said, He was the "Good Shepherd...., and as we look at the pictures of the well-cared for sheep, our hearts are lifted up in praise and worship to the tender Shepherd for His watchful care over our lives.

As Mr. Parham enjoyed these pictures so much, I thought that it would be a real monument in memory of his three months spent in Palestine, if we could secure these pictures to put in the book, for truly this Psalm was made real in his life. The Lord was his Shepherd and we did not want, and how often the Lord prepared a table before him in the presence of his enemies, and kept him from harm, and dangers, seen and unseen. God anointed his head with oil when He bestowed upon him the baptism of the Holy Spirit in 1901 and gave him this message to give to the world. When at last he passed through the valley, and the shadow of death, we know God was with him, and His rod and staff did comfort.

I decided to write to Jerusalem to see if it would be possible to obtain these pictures. I rejoice to be able to tell you, that by the kindness of Mr. Parham's friends over there, I now have the pictures which I desired, which were

obtained from the American Colony Stores, Vester and Co., who have a copyright on them. This is the store also where Mr. Parham bought his slides.

I hope to have the book ready for the press within the next few weeks. We shall endeavor to make the price of the book as reasonable as possible, though we shall use good paper with a good durable binding. After the publisher receives the copy, it will require about three months to complete the work, so that we can place the book in the hands of the public.

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Cave Springs, Ark., Oct. 2, 1929.

My Dear Sister Parham—

I would like to add my testimony to the many others that have been given in your paper in times past.

In praise and thanksgiving to the Lord Jesus, for the wonderful change He wrought in my life as I know without a shadow of doubt, that I have been born again and that Jesus, is the same yesterday, today and forever.

I was and had been a Catholic for forty-five years (all my life) and I had never read the Testament or Bible up to that time, only my prayer book and catechism. It will be nine years Nov. 26, 1929, since the Lord Jesus came into my life in such reality in our own home.

On Nov. 25, 1920, my husband was so miraculously healed of paralysis as the different people of this Faith, prayed for him.

It was Nov. 26, that Brothers Waterbury, Coberly and Brogan, came in to see my husband. They went to prayer and all of them prayed but they did not remember me in prayer. At the conclusion of their service, something came over me like a heavy burden and I asked them to pray for me. As soon as the stubborn will of Catholicism was broken the sunlight of heaven came into my soul and the halo and brightness was greater than the sun.

I experienced a complete change in both soul and body. My eyes were instantly healed, also varicose veins that I had had since a girl in my teens, having to wear elastic stockings all those years! It was at this point that I received a revelation from the throne of Heaven and was made a new creature in Christ Jesus, as I was completely, "Born Again" into the family of the Most High, and at this time the entire 8th

chapter of Romans was revealed to me and I quoted it to those assembled. Having never read the Bible in my life, I knew that it came from above, because no man or man's works could have made such a complete change in me or revealed to me any of the above facts.

Since this great and wonderful change came into my life, I have depended upon our Master for the healing of the various diseases and afflictions to which man has inherited from the fall of Adam to the present generation. But thanks to our Master, the stripes were placed upon His body for the healing of all who come to Him in Faith believing.

I stand for the full and everlasting Gospel of the Kingdom once delivered to the Saints that Brothers Parham and Waterbury brought to this place.

With Christian love and prayers, I am,

Sincerely Yours in Him,

Margaret K. Alley.

Nara Ken, Japan

October 18, 1929

Dear Sister Parham.

Greetings in Jesus Precious name.

The other morning in family worship we read the 78th Psalm, and I was particularly struck with the 72nd verse. It reads as follows:

"So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart; and guided them by the skilfulness of his hands.

How much we need these very two things—A heart of Integrity, and Hands skilful for work and ward. May God grant them both to us for the extension of His kingdom in the Japanese Empire.

It is a pleasure to write to you again, and speak of the Lord's faithfulness to us. 1929 has been an eventful year, a year of difficulties not known before in the work, of temptations the fierceness of which we had never dreamed, but oh glory, glory, be unto the matchless name of our Redeemer, we believe we can truly say we have seen something of the faithfulness of our great God, that we have never realized before.

On the 15th of September, the Bible School was formally opened, and God blessed mightily. This has been a rare step of faith, as besides the \$5,000 required for the building, we had to face another \$2,000 for incidentals that we were not prepared for.

Oh how faithful has been our God. This is the thought that comes to us as we face the student body morning after morning. Fifteen students are now in school, or have been accepted as students, and every day new applications are being made. The present building accommodates 24, and sometimes the evil one tries to scare us with the thought that 24 students mean an additional income every month of \$250.00. But is not God sufficient? Oh Hallelujah—I will to have faith in Him, for He is faithful.

Back of the Bible School the woman's dormitory has risen. Praise God again for His faithfulness that we were able to pay half of the amount required at the close of last month. Something like \$6000.00 or one hundred and twenty pounds will have to come in this and next month to complete the payment, and again our God is going to be Faithful. Bless His holy name.

We have just said "Goodbye" to Brother Clover, who left on the Asama Maru for America. He has been with us four months, and had helped us considerably in the work. For his coming we enlarged the tent twice costing us something like \$250.00 Fifty pounds for that alone and have held four campaigns of a months duration in three instances, and two weeks in one case this summer. It has been a gracious time of seed sowing, and what wonderful sights have been seen as night after night the altars have been filled with seeking souls. It would not be fair to judge the results of this tent campaigns by the attendance at the missions, for truly the altars have not been filled by workers urging them to come forward, but by a spontaneous desire created by the Holy Spirit in the hearts of sinners.

The last two nights I preached in the large tent at Haginochaya. The weather has been so poor this month, contrary to the usual custom, that the crowds this time have been very poor. It seemed as if the tent meeting was going to be a failure. But again God has been faithful, and on Saturday night there were seven new seekers at the altar, and last night as I finished my address, the altar was filled with twenty-two people, including christians, first timers, and inquirers. What a blessed sight in this dark land of heathenism.

The tent campaigns this summer have been

really strenuous. Every house in the district of the campaign has been visited by the students. 15,000 large sized Tent Newspapers have been printed, and distributed free. 40,000 small tracts with notices of the tent meetings have been printed and distributed far and wide. Who can tell the depth and width of the work done?

Besides the time and strength, these campaigns have cost us heavily. Something like \$400.00 have been spent on them, but here again God has revealed His faithfulness. Oh what a God we have.

And we are going to trust God to continue His faithfulness. For we are praying for ten men who will be moved by the Holy Spirit to contribute \$100 (Twenty pounds) each to finance a month's tent campaign, for we are still going on with them. We can easily go on until the early days of December, and in the country districts can go throughout the year. Will you please pray with us towards this end?

We know you are praying for us, for your good letter of Aug. 30th carries the sacrifice and thought that you have for our work with it. May God bless you and reward you for your labour of love, and we are sure when you reach the golden shores you will be agreeably surprised at the results of your efforts on this earth.

We should certainly like to receive continuance of your paper. May God bless you in your efforts, encouraging you to push the battle, even though your husband is in glory.

Faithfully Yours,

L. W. Coote.

#### HOW THE LORD HEALED ME.

While attending the camp meeting at Lavern, Okla., in August, 1929, one morning I was suddenly stricken with a very severe pain in my back. One of the lower vertebra of my back was dislocated about 27 years ago., which has ossified, and I have suffered many attacks, and have been bedfast from three to six weeks, several times. But never was the pain so excruciating as at this time. I managed to get into our tent, Mrs. Daley prayed for me, but I was not completely delivered. Mrs. Daley asked for special prayer at the morning services. Three of the brothers in the Lord came and prayed for me. By faith in Jesus' name I arose from the cot, yet in misery. I walked to

the big tent about a half block away. In less than an hour I became very sick. They prayed for me and I revived, but again I was stricken seemingly unto death, my breathing was short. I thought the end was near. Hands were laid on me and God heard and answered prayer. The misery and sickness left my body also the lameness in my back, and in two days I was walking straight again. How I praise God for answered prayer.

Fred C. Daley.

#### WHAT MAY I DO AS A CHRISTIAN?

When you think, when you speak, when you read, when you write,

When you sing, when you walk, when you seek for delight;

To be kept from all wrong, when at home or abroad,

Live always as under the eye of the Lord.

Whatever you think, never think what you feel

You would blush in the presence of God to reveal:

Whatever you say, in whisper or clear, Say nothing you would not like Jesus to hear.

Whatever you read, though the page may allure,

That His smile is upon you be perfectly sure; If not, then dismay would be seen in your look If God should say unto you, "Show me that book."

Whatever you write, in haste or with heed, Write nothing you would not like Jesus to read; Whatever you sing in the midst of your glees, Sing nothing His listening ear could displease. Wherever you go, never go where you fear That the Great God should ask you, "How camest thou here?"

Turn away from each pleasure you'd shrink from pursuing

If God should look down and say, "What art thou doing?"

—Selected

There are two little words that seem sweetly linked with his coming. The first is "come Lord Jesus;" that is the Spirit's cry, and that will be the cry of every one who is filled with the Spirit.

The second is the word "Go." If we are truly saying "come Lord Jesus," we will "Go" with the gospel of salvation.

Siloam Springs, Ark.  
Nov., 9, 1929

Dear Sister Parham:

Just a word from one of God's least.

The sample copy of your paper came today. How glad I am for it and that God has put it on your heart to print the paper again.

Tonight as I read the wonderful articles in the paper, it makes big tears come; partly for joy and in a sense sadness. It's wonderful what God is showing His people, a vision of the future.

The joy comes when I think how God is working through those who are close to Him, getting them to see the great things in His Word. How the articles in this Nov., number point to the one great thing, Christian perfection, as a pure heart, without which we will not see God. The time is here, and to get back to His book. Back to the great commandment. Matt. 22:37—Thou shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. When we do this, there will not be any room for the world, the flesh or the devil. There won't be room for envying, strife, malice, backbiting, evil thoughts or any such thing, we love God too much to let these enter. We have not room for them, for love has crowded them out. When we get to this place we have a right to call out to God for the faith that was once delivered to the saints, and He will give it.

When we get people to see this great thing we won't hear: Are you a Baptist, Presbyterian, Methodist etc? but are you a Christian? We have got to get to this place before we can get the faith once delivered to the saints. When we do we will see the miracles performed that were once here on earth. People healed by one of God's childrens shadow falling on them. The healing we see today will only be a sprinkle.

May God stir the Full Gospel people, as they have never been stirred, is my prayer. May we lift Christ higher by living purer and cleaner lives. Let God give us all He has for us, clean us up from the world, crucify the old man and die to sin and the devil. May we go on to perfection regardless of what men do or say.

This is the gospel I am trying to bring, it's the life I'm trying to live through His blood, regardless of persecution, slander, and misunderstandings. I'm no preacher, but I'm hold-

ing prayer meeting in homes around here. I intend to have every night in the week filled before long. I find that we can reach people this way that we can't reach in any other way. My one aim is to bring this truth to the people, and it has to be brought in this way, down here. We can't bring it in the church (buildings) they won't stand for it. (some may) I'm praying that others will take up this work of cottage prayer meetings, it's a great field to work in and the time is here to do it.

May God bless you in your work. May He help you to lift Christ higher than ever before through the printed page, fighting the devil on every hand, warning the people against fanaticism and cold Christianity We must keep in the narrow way, God's way, the way between the two.

With Christian love,

George L. Alley

#### PEACE

Peace. Does the world want peace? Yes, the world is hungry, starving for love, peace and rest. Yesterday we celebrated the Armistice day. What a wonderful day of peace that was when the war was over, I know of a greater day; when the greatest battle was fought and won, and deliverance and freedom for us was signed with blood of Jesus Christ the Prince of Peace. He absolutely bought us free!. Free! World do you hear it. Jesus bought us free with His blood on Calvary on the cross. He said, "It is finished." A full redemption for us. He, Jesus, hath delivered us from all the powers of darkness. "In whom we have redemption through His blood even the forgiveness of sins." Peace, yes glorious peace. When this great Prince of Peace was born over nineteen hundred years ago the angels were singing "Peace on Earth, Good will toward Men." He said, "Hail unto you." "Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

He, Jesus, is our Peace.

Dear hearts, let Him in your heart. He will forgive all your sins and give you a clean conscience and bring peace, love and rest.—B. A.

"If your riches are yours, why don't you take them to the other world?"

—Benjamin Franklin.

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 For the Children
 

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**THE CHRIST CHILD'S STAR**

The holy Christ Child's star of old  
 Shines down upon us still,  
 And fills our hearts with holy love,  
 Divine peace and good will.  
 Its rays of splendor shine afar,  
 More precious than fine gold;  
 To guide the lost sheep far and near  
 Into the Shepherd's fold.

—Vera Speed.

**JESUS AS A CHILD**

God was full of pity for the unhappy people of the earth. He loved them so much that He sent His Son to the earth in the form of a child, a babe in His mother's arms. He came to earth to show us how to obey God—how to live to do good in this life and to be happy both in this life and the life to come. He came as a child to show children how to live. He came like other children and grew up as other children do, only without sin.

When God sent His Son to the earth He gave Him unto Mary who lived in a small town called Nazareth. When Jesus was born in Bethlehem, there was no place in the inn for the travelers to lodge so Mary and Joseph had to stay in the stable which was a part of the house in that country. God was not ashamed to place His Son in the care of poor people or to have Him born in a stable and cradled in a manger.

A bright star appeared over the place where the young child lay, and by this sign the wise men of the east who came seeking Him, were enabled to find the Christ Child.

Mrs. Mattie Dishman,  
 Corona, N. Mex.

Vanderpool, Tex.  
 Nov. 9, 1929

Mrs. Sarah E. Parham:

Dear sister, I am just writing a letter for the paper. I am twelve (12) years old. I have been saved, sanctified and received the Baptism last Christmas evening out at my grandpa Palvado's Mrs. Srimpy received the Baptism too.

Brother Jackson is holding a meeting here

some have been blest. I want all the praying Christian to pray for me that I may help win souls. Yours in Christ, Joe Lee Palvado

**HOW HARRY WAS SOUGHT AND FOUND**

A party of boys and girls, accompanied by some of their parents, sailed along the Firth of Clyde on the pleasure steamer "Ivanhoe," to have a day's romping on the rugged hills and in the pretty glens of the isle of Arran. When they arrived at the pretty little village of Corrie, they had some buns and milk, sang a hymn on the green together, and then went off to see the famous Glen Rosa.

All went happily for an hour or two. They had a rest and some singing in the glen, and then the boys went off gathering grasses and wild flowers, with which the glen abounds. When it was time to gather together for the journey back, one boy, named Harry, was nowhere to be found. They could not return without him, for his parents would be in a terrible state, if their little Harry was left all the dark night in the wilds of Glen Rosa. So the party divided into two sections, and began their search for Harry, in the glen. For several hours they climbed over rocks and walked through long grass, but no trace of the missing Harry could be found. At last a feeble cry was heard, and one of the party shouted, "Harry," the name echoing far up the rocky glen. In a moment, a shrill voice was heard calling out the one word, "Lost." It was enough. Two young Arran shepherds, who had joined in the search, found Harry standing in a shaded spot, and so hemmed in, that he could go no further. "You've been long in coming," said the little fellow, who had cried himself hoarse. "We came the minute we heard your cry, 'Lost,' my little chap," said the kind-hearted shepherd, as he lifted Harry, and bore him in his strong arms, out of the dark glen, to his friends.

This little story illustrates very simply the condition of those who are yet lost, and the way in which sinners are saved. Like Harry in the glen, you have wandered away from God. You cannot find your way back. You have no strength to deliver yourself. Jesus alone can save.

—Exchange.

Howth, Texas  
Nov. 11, 1929

Dear Mrs. Parham:

I am glad that you have decided to edit the paper again. I did not know what a comfort and blessing we received from the paper until it was discontinued for a while. Of course we enjoyed it, but like many people who have good health, we did not realize the blessing of it until it was gone.

We are sending a small donation and we want you to continue our name on your mailing list. It is our prayer that the Lord will prosper you in the work you have undertaken and I am sure He will

The Hempstead Mission is alive for God. It is very refreshing to have Bro. Homer Coberly with us at this time. Souls have been saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Spirit bodies have been healed and demons cast out.

Let us earnestly contend for the old time gospel of salvation from sin, after repenting to God and the Spirit witnessing the work is done. Sanctification as a second definite work of grace, after consecrating our all to God and honoring the blood to cleanse out the carnal nature and the Spirit witnessing. Healing of the body by faith in the stripes that were placed on the body of Christ. And the baptism of the Holy Spirit evidenced by speaking in other languages. He is able to supply our needs.

Yours in Christian fellowship  
Joe B. Dewees and family

Corwin, Kan.  
Nov. 5, 1929

Dear Sister in the Lord:

We felt much impressed to come here for a revival. We are praying that this might be a real harvest for God for so many are out in sin and don't seem to have any idea of the things that Jesus purchased for us.

The last week of the meeting in Arlington was fine, nine received the Holy Ghost and it was fine to see sixteen go down into the water on the last Sunday afternoon. Both young and old were blessed as they gave their lives to the Lord in full surrender. On Monday Oct., 28, we went to Arlington again for a prayer service after having visited in Marion, Wichita and Cheney, on that evening another received the Holy Ghost so that town is really glad for the

blessings of God.

We spent a few days in Kingman then came on to Corwin to begin this revival. We will let you know of the result of our labor in this field, so continue to remember us in prayer.

May God bless you is my prayer.

Gail Schultz.

#### REVIVAL NEAR STELLA, MO.

The three weeks meeting conducted by Sr. Virgie (Mrs. Philip) Parham and Margaret Moore closed Sunday night November 17. The crowds were good all the time and Saturday and Sunday nights the house was packed. Many drove as far as 40 miles over the hills to be in the meeting.

The people were interested in the word and the hungry hearted ones were fed upon the living bread of life, eight souls were saved and two sanctified. Sr. Virgie baptised three in water. The Lord surely did bless the people in many ways.

The last Sunday was a very eventful one, aside from the evangelistic services a double wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Cooper, when their daughter, Ava Gladys was united in marriage to Albert L. Curham. Also Miss Zana E. Roach was united in marriage to William D. Yeakle. After the ceremony a bounteous dinner was spread for these young people and their guests.

These young people have been in the evangelistic work for some time and they have the best wishes and congratulations of all. Our prayer is that they shall be greatly used in the vineyard of our Lord winning precious souls.

#### CANNOT BE GIVEN UP

"It is not merely the Virgin Birth of our Lord that is in question, it is also the doctrine of original sin, the sinlessness of Jesus, His bodily resurrection and ascension, the whole nature of the Atonement and Salvation. . . . Those who give up the Virgin Birth will be compelled by logical and irresistible impulse eventually to give up all of these."—Dr. Briggs, Edinburgh.

The Lord prepares a table before His children, but so many of them always are on a diet.



## NATIONAL CAMP MEETING PLANNED

Plans are now under way for a great National Camp Meeting for July 1930, at Spring Grove Park in Roswell, New Mexico, in the heart of the Pecos Valley.

Roswell is a beautiful little city of about 10,000 people in a prosperous farming center and fruit belt which is supplied by innumerable artesian wells which flow the year around. The largest artesian well in the world is located a few miles from Roswell.

Four years Roswell has had their bid in for a camp meeting. A large number of ministers that have been over this field and laboring in this vicinity have desired a National Camp meeting in this location.

If the present plans are carried out every accommodation will be provided for those coming from a distance. Tents will be available on the grounds or rooms may be rented nearby at reasonable rates. The services will be conducted in a large waterproof tent, with seats to accommodate about 2500 people. Ministers, workers and musicians are expected to attend from all parts of the U. S.

Charles F. Parham, the founder of all Apostolic, Full Gospel and Pentecostal movements of the world, held these National Conventions every year for over 20 years. This meeting is to be held in memory of our beloved brother and faithful servant Charles F. Parham, who passed away in January this year, after 35 years of loving service.

Every one pray much and plan to attend this great Camp Meeting and Convention. Further announcements will be made in the future issues of this paper.

Ministers who desire to have a part in making this camp meeting a great success for God and souls and would like to be on the committee for the meeting please communicate with either of the following.

Gray G. Coggin, Box 181, Artesia, New Mex.  
Mack Wyatt, Box 366, Roswell, New, Mex.

We are pleased to know that the people of Roswell are interested in having a camp-meeting. As other camp-meetings may be held we trust that the dates and locations may be so prayerfully planned and directed by the Holy Spirit, that they may not conflict, and may be in reach of as many people as possible.

We feel that if a course of Bible study could be given in connection with the camp-meetings, it would be a great benefit, as we all need to study the word of God, and know more about the times in which we are living.

Blue Jacket, Okla.

Nov. 9, 1929

Dear Ones All:

We surely have enjoyed the two week's meeting held by Robert L. Parham and his wife, and having them and Miss Lillian Thibodeau in our home, the latter helping in the last week of the meeting. I am sure all the Christians have been blessed and encouraged to go on. One young man, influential in the community, gave his heart to God, and we are praying that God will make him a blessing, and that the Lord will send laborers into the field from this place. The last night was a blessed service, with conviction on the people, we trust that there will soon be a great harvest of souls.

We are glad for the ones who took part in the music and singing.

God bless you all.

Your sisters in Him,

Mrs. Anna Livingston and mother,

Mrs. D. L. Whitley

Route 3, Gravette, Ark.

Nov. 16, 1929

Sister Parham and co-workers of the Full Gospel Movement.

Peace to thee.

We have just come home from Adrian, Mo., where we had a four week's meeting. Four were saved and the saints drawn together by the mighty power of God. The Lord opened up a nice hall down stairs for the meeting, and after the meeting closed, the trustees rented the hall for one year for their mission. I hope that they will have a real year of service and that many souls will be saved.

We do not know yet where our next meeting will be, as we have several calls but have not decided where to go first.

Pray for us.

Yours in His Vineyard,

Evang. Ed Durbin and wife