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THE NATIONAL CAMP MEETING

After much prayer and yielding to the hundreds of requests begging for a National Camp Meeting I have at last decided that it will be in divine order and have consented to lead the Convention.

We have decided to have the Camp Meeting this year in Baxter Springs, Kansas as most convenient for all and for me as well. Many Ministers, Evangelists and Bible Teachers will be present as well as noted singers.

THE DATES SET ARE AUG. 11 TO 26

This may seem but a short time but we have found in other years that some come the first part and go home and new ones come for the last part of the meeting so now we are urging all to come for all the time, this will give us three Sundays and two full weeks.

All persons coming must prepare to care for themselves, but as far as possible we will care for all credited Ministers. There will be plenty of tents to rent on the ground if you cannot bring one with you. There will also be plenty of sleeping rooms and rooms for light-housekeeping in walking distance as we will be right in town this year in the Park adjoining our home. It will only be three blocks from all the Restaurants and Cafes in town, so every one can get accommodations to suit all purses.

Pray for, come for, and work for the Camp Meeting. If you can't come send some one especially a preacher or an Evangelist as they need a filling station to better tell the story.

It will greatly relieve me of unnecessary burdens if all who can, will mail in as soon as possible whatever donations they can for the Camp Meeting and I also want to impress all that our paper fund is running low. Many have not given any thing this year. Won't you try to help in thus spreading the Gospel to all lands.

Ministers knowing where they will be for the following month should send in their reports before the end of the month so we can get them in the paper. We are in receipt of many letters asking for the desired information of such and such a Preacher. If each one would send in their address each month and where they are laboring they might hear from friends to their own benefit.

Those who expect to be with us for the Camp Meeting will do well to let us know so we can better arrange for them and whether they want rooms or tents and what they really want so we can be ready to locate them. Now may God bless you all as you pray and work for the National Convention.

IS THE CHURCH HONEST?

By John E. Brown

My first article on "Is the Church Honest?" has apparently created quite a bit of controversy. The issues I have raised are vital issues. In the heading which I used I did not intend any reflection on the church. I think the world knows my attitude toward the organized church of Jesus Christ. I used the title more with the thought of forcing men to face the serious issues involved than for any other reason. This controversy, whatever its immediate developments will end in good.

In writing the article and in following it up with this second article I expected and now expect a great deal of criticism. In the letters thus far, received, however, only one has been viciously mean. One letter, coming from a town in Missouri, of which I have never heard, and from a pastor of one of our evangelic bodies, was especially nasty. My guess is at random that he is drawing pretty heavily on the funds of the Missionary Board, and his attempt to be facetious is an issue as to Christ or Christianity or the high ideal of brotherhood in Christ, about which we all preach and toward which, as the final goal, we turn our faces. The whole issue in every one of these letters is the issue prompted through the resentment of the intimation I make that money spent in these little, over-churched towns is worse than wasted.

From certain men who occupy official positions in the church the criticism comes that my article raises a question regarding the denomination and that some people might read into the article an attack on the organized church. Not a letter received thus far raises of "denominationalism."

Not a single writer thus far has offered one line of argument as to why this destructive warfare and appalling waste of money and men in over-churched towns and villages should be continued. Not a single man who has written me thus far even so much as suggested that what I outline as to the unification, or at least the co-operation, of various church groups is impossible or even unreasonable. The whole issue thus far is not Christ but the church. It isn't Christianity but the denomination. It isn't the welfare of the local community but the authority of the denomination.

One brother makes much of the fact that I

have confounded two distinct fields of operation that in his church the "home missionary society and the foreign missionary society and the foreign mission money raised for the heathen in other lands cannot be spent to evangelize the heathen at home. To be true, I unintentionally confused these two distinct departments of Christian effort, and yet after all is it not true that this distinction is more or less "a distinction without a difference?" And if anything the crime of taking money that is raised for the needy fields, the unevangelized sections of the home land, to pour it into over-churched villages and towns where various denominational groups are fighting to keep afloat that denominational flag, is the more inexcusable and the more unpardonable.

I can take critics to vast stretches of territory here in the home land where live tens of thousands of people young and old coming from pure Anglo-Saxon race who are without church service, Sunday School or religious instruction. While three or four pastors on money from the Mission Board are fighting each other in an un-Christlike attempt to make some appearance of progress and where differences are magnified and nonessentials all but glorified until altar is arrayed against altar and the whole community is stirred up with discord and strife. It is often true that figuratively speaking, within a stone's throw of these over-churched communities there are sections that hardly know what it is to hear the Gospel preached.

I am working in a community now where Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club and various organizations are working as a united community for every worth-while thing that builds the home and builds the city while the charge is widely made that the only disturbing, disrupting influence in the community is that which centers back in the church. As usual, with enough church members in this town to make one strong church of the distinct denominations represented here, the churches are split up into several warring factions, and in one denomination of fellowship the only dividing line is the question of musical instruments in the service of the church.

It is the conviction of those who are conversant with local conditions in the average community that if left to themselves the Christian people of that community could soon iron out their differences and unite about the Cross of

Christ. It is the outside man and often the "higher-up" anxious for the welfare of his denomination who persists in drawing dividing lines where God never intended there should be dividing lines. In this city I write there are men above the average intelligence and above the average morally and spiritually who enter enthusiastically into all the ideals of Rotary, where Jew and Gentile, Catholic and Protstant, sit down at one common table, who when they turn toward their church disown and refuse to fellowship a man who would introduce a piano or an organ into the worship of God.

In other words, he swings from the extreme ideal of fellowship when it comes to his common contacts with men to the narrowest, most exclusive, and most sectarian conception ever a human can have when he turns towards the things of the Kingdom of God. It is my conviction that in this day when infidelity and modernism are centering their fight on the underlying doctrines of our evangelical faith, God's people have no business wasting their time, talents and money in maintaining dividing walls that have been erected in a so-called loyalty to the church, a loyalty that may easily prove to be disloyalty to Jesus Christ.

A friend of mine was laughingly telling me of a meeting that he was engaged in where one of our denominations (or of what was once one denomination) had consummated plans by which they united in one church and discharged one of their pastors. The man who led the meeting had nothing to do with the two congregations uniting, but when the annual meeting of his church came he was called before the authorities of the church to be rebuked for having been instrumental in starting a movement which took a whole church body out of his own denomination. Laughingly the declaration was made, that had the pendulum swung the other way and the other church united with his denomination, **instead of the church body of his denomination going to another denomination, this man would have been called up to be complimented and congratulated.**

In other words the bone in the brush pile was found in the fact that in carrying out the Christ ideal and stopping warfare between two church bodies, and a waste of money, the membership **didn't go in the right direction!**

I recall that I was once identified with a local

church body in a community where two church groups that years ago represented one denomination were struggling to maintain all the machinery of two local congregations. Both groups needed new churches, which neither was able to build. With the two churches united there was just about strength sufficient to maintain one organization and to properly support one pastor. A meeting was called of these two church bodies and a more beautiful spirit of fellowship and a more hopeful atmosphere of expectation could not well be imagined.

Plans were immediately made for the merging of these two church bodies, and in these plans the local pastors entered whole-heartedly and enthusiastically. Everything was set and ready to go and all that was needed for the culmination was the "God bless you, children" from the parents or the authorities who stood high over all. But to the amazement of these two groups the parents' blessing never came. As a matter of fact, the word came down the line in no uncertain language indicating that matters were to stand just as they were; and this came of course from the denomination whose congregation was planning to go over to another church body.

Today, after years have rolled by, in this same little city are the same two churches, with their all but daily struggle to halfway maintain their denominational works without starving a preacher or without the sheriff foreclosing on some of their property.

Not very long ago I was called in by a ministerial body and asked to enter my protest against the consummation of the plans of a General Church board to build an imposing church plant in a city of less than five thousand people where there were sixteen denominations and where a sister church of the same fellowship already had a modern church plant and was in a death struggle to pay for it and maintain it. The ministerial union argued that this church had little or no constituency and for a term of ten years had been gradually dying. Despite their protests a church was built in that city and a pastor was sent there who during the year resigned and announced he would not be a party to any such crime. He advised the few members worshipping in this beautiful new church to go join this sister church and center the efforts there. The last time I was in this little city this beautiful little church was closed

the membership was scattered.

What I here write is a plain but friendly criticism of the disasters which are attending our work today in many small communities where the fight is on to keep a sectarian flag waving in the breeze. Everywhere today it is co-operation and consolidation. In our noonday luncheon clubs the widest ideals of brotherhood are being promulgated. In various civic bodies all classes and all creeds are uniting for the common good, and the darkest storm cloud right now on the horizon of the church life of America is that which centers back in the narrowness and blindness which seeks at any cost to create dividing walls between the people of God who believe and accept every fundamental fact that centers at His Cross.

Amidst the cry, "All denominational money for denominational work," there comes the sad lament that in the richest nation God's sun ever shone upon, and with the church controlling most of the wealth of the nation, the stream of the contributions of gifts for church work is slowly but surely running dry. While the sad cry goes up that hundreds of missionaries may have to be returned from the distant fields and vast stretches of our own home land lie unevangelized we not alone pour millions of dollars into over-churched towns and villages where pastors starve and churches die, and where leading people quit the church in disgust, but we rap over the head as an enemy of the church of Christ any man who dares to utter a word of protest against this un-Christlike strife and ungodly waste.

My first article on "Is the Church Honest?" was intended to make men think. We expected criticism and especially from those men who are for the denomination against Jesus Christ and against the cry of need wherever that cry may be heard. I will gladly put my record of loyalty to the church and service to the church against the ignorant, malicious criticism of any subervient, vindictive, sectarian mortal who undertakes to becloud the whole issue by denominational bigotry or cheap abuse.

Is a person who has backslidden on Foreign Missions a backslider?

The Spirit of God works principally by means of and through men and what they do.

A PLEA FOR A DEEPER CONSECRATION

The most vital attack by the enemy just now is a letting down on our consecration. And the strenuous length we used to go to bring about the blessed results in the salvation and healing of the people.

Most of the Pentecostal evangelists are notorious money getters, often restoring to all sorts of illegitimate ends to obtain money. While with the most of us we fail in being willing to endure hardness as good soldiers and to let self and easy places lead us instead of the Holy Spirit. Until we lack in results that used to follow the work in the earlier days of the Full Gospel movements and then there is a popular wave sweeping through the land now. Ministers are seeking to become favorably known and be well thought of, not willing to suffer reproach for the Gospel's sake. And these are letting down on the vital truths of the Bible so that they will become popular with the old line churches making a league with Babylon and there is such a wave organizing everyone so that leaders may have a pull and hold on their dupes to gin the more income out of them. So that each town will have from two to fifty Missions where preachers can find a living out of those. They organize and prejudice against the people in the other missions till strive and evil speaking and ungodly surmising is the order of the day. May God deliver His people till love shall reign in every heart. And all malice and evil speaking be put away from all such as name the name of Christ.

We need men and women now who will be willing to suffer the loss of all for the Gospels sake and be hated, despised, rejected, forsaken, and them that are not who will not consult with relatives, friends, flesh and blood but only the leading of the Holy Spirit and when sure of the way take it whatever the cost without consulting self or sentiment or considering old self in any way or whether the way is pleasant or agreeable, or convenient, but let self and all die that we may endure as good soldiers of the cross and count ourselves and our own life as naught that we may please Him. Someone will have to lead the way in a most strenuous effort to set the pace for others in consecration and utter crucifixion of the self life.

I believe that any one serving the Lord should put in as many hours for God and

JERUSALEM MODERNIZED

Jerusalem is fast becoming modernized. Steady progress is being made not only with the enlargement of existing suburbs, but even with the beginnings of new suburbs. As the water supply from Ain Fara is already in full working order, there has been no lack of water during the past summer, consequently building and spraying of streets has been carried on unhindered. The streets are being widened and relaid. Jaffa Street, in particular, the main street of Jerusalem, which hitherto has been noted for its mud in winter and its dust in summer, promises to become worthy of the capital. A long felt need has been supplied recently by the numbering the buildings, although for the time being this has only been carried out in regard to the chief streets. The central post office has undergone a through transformation. Moreover, the new houses which have sprung up all over the city satisfy all modern requirements in regard to water supply, electric light and sanitary arrangements.

“Our Hope.”

STARTLING SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Bolshevism has entered the Holy Land.

It is now evident that after the Church is taken up, the Anti-Christ will through the beam wireless be able to communicate immediately with all parts of his vast domain.

No Jews were killed in the last earthquake at Jerusalem.

Out of 3,000,000 Jews in Russia one half of them are drifting about, socially, politically and economically.

If the Soviet Government should cease this number would be in peril of butchery.

All religion is in a state of collapse in Russia because of the war of the Soviet Government against Sunday and religious schools for boys and girls under 18.

The Jews in the younger generation of Russia have lost all sense of the Jewish religion.

We fully believe the League of Nations seeking for a world peace now exemplifies 1st Thes. 5-3-5.

Baron Edmond de Rothschild has just given nearly \$50,000.00 for the reopening of Zionist schools in Palestine.

Jericho in the Holy Land is to be an up-to-date garden and winter resort.

Olive culture has taken on new life in Pales-

tine.

Eucalyptus and Myrtle trees are being planted in Palestine. See Isaiah 55:13.

Food shortage is becoming acute in the cities of Russia now. March 26, 1928.

Mr. John Rockefeller, Jr., has offered a gift of 400,000 English pounds nearly two million for the construction of a museum of antiquities in Jerusalem.

Preparatory work on the construction of the Haifa harbor is being done by four engineers, two British and two Palestinian.

Bishop Kean, the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, states that the Holy Land is now the most peaceful country on earth.

One may travel from London to Cairo via Palestine by sleeping car service (wagon lits.) The trip takes about 6 days each way.

Rabbi Kattuckle declares that Jews are gradually coming to see more and more necessity of accepting Jesus as one of the most illustrious men of their race.

England imported 280,00 cases of Palestine oranges during the past year.

An Arab investor is now building a modern hotel in Amman, in Transjordan, to accommodate the tourist trade.

America has now within her borders over 4,400,000 of the Hebrew race.

Argentina has about 200,000 Jewish population.

QUIETLY WAIT.

In quietness and confidence shall be your strength. Isa. 30:15.

There is indeed strength given us in being quiet before God. Man is so prone to do and to say, and attend to things himself rather than to allow God to work out things for him, while he humbly waits before Him. It is one thing to talk about this, and quite another thing to actually be quiet before God. It never pays to speak hastily, never! It never pays to act hastily, never! We can always afford to wait until we truly know the mind of the Lord.

The first impulse may be to retaliate, fight for our rights, etc., but when we wait before God, His mind is different. He will work things out for those who humbly trust Him, and His way is always right. O let us quietly and confidently wait on the Lord and our strength will certainly be renewed.

—Selected

HOLMAN—PARHAM

The marriage of Miss Pauline Holman of Picher, Okla., to Robert L. Parham of Baxter Springs was solemnized at the Community Chapel on West Twelfth street at high noon Sunday, June 17.

The bride was given away by her father, A. A. Fowler and as they entered she was proceeded by the little ring bearer Garland Stroupe and two flower girls, Beulah Weaver and Mary Claudine Evans followed by Miss Mildred Tyte of Chanute, Kansas, brides maid. The bride was prettily attired in white georgette and lace with a bridal veil of old lace and orange blossoms, carrying a large bouquet of white roses.

The bridesmaid wore orchid georgette with hat to match and carried a bouquet of sweetpeas. The flower girls were dressed in white organdie and carried little baskets of rose petals which they scattered in the path of the bride.

The groom entered with George Harper of Commerce, Oklahoma. He was dressed in a navy blue suit.

Miss Edith Lowrey of Miami, Okla., played Lohengrin's wedding march as the couple entered the church. Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Parham sang "List to His Voice." Mrs. H. Weaver sang "I Love You Truly."

The church was attractively decorated in a symmetrical design with an arch of pink and white flowers above the couple. Directly in front was a bank of ferns. On each side stood a tall pedestal of gladiolas. Other appropriate flowers and ferns decorated every part of the church. The chief floral offerings were the gift of the William Johnson Art Shop at Oklahoma City.

The Rev. Charles F. Parham, well known minister and evangelist, father of the bridegroom, performed the ceremony. Robert is the last of the children to be married, all of them having been married by their father.

They left immediately for Kansas City and St. Louis where they expect to stay for a short time after which they will be at home at 726 East avenue.

Mrs. Parham is a graduate of Picher High School of the class of '27 and attended North-eastern Oklahoma Junior College at Miami where she was a member of Eta Upsilon Gamma social sorority and Phi Theta Kappa honorary sorority.

Robert attended high school at Baxter

Springs. He has been employed for the past two years at the Brands Dry Goods company.

I AM THE DOOR

"I am the door; by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved" (John 10:9).

"Any man" including the reader of this page and excludes, none.

"I am the door," says Christ. He does not say, "I am a door" as if there could be another. There is no other door to salvation. Just look at the titles on many of the doors. There is one having written across in bold letters

Works.

Not one has ever found salvation through that. Crowds are flocking that direction. But the voice of the apostle warns us off: "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us" (Titus 3:5).

Churches

On another door is the word Church, and it seems to attract immense numbers. Its cry is, "No salvation outside the church;" yet Peter, claimed by it as first universal bishop, declared of Jesus: "Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." Ah! that name of Salvation—the name of Jesus Christ whereby WE, Romanists, Protestants, Jews and sinners of all sorts and conditions, must be saved. No, the Church is not the door—Christ is.

Ordinances

Another door offers to sell salvation. Its name is Ordinances. Thousands enter, although not one has ever found salvation through it. That door is a mockery. It is the blood of Christ which cleanseth us from all sin (1 John 1:7), and not the waters of baptism. If Ordinances were God's way of salvation, then the dying robber never entered Paradise, for he was not baptized. Shun the door of ordinances. It will never land you in heaven.

Christ Only

"By Me, if any man enter in." You see how Christ is everything to the exclusion of all else and every one else. "By Me," not by feelings, or prayers, or doing the best you can. "Any man" is a grand word for a despairing sinner. "Enter in; come, O come to this ever open door. "Enter in" freely, fully, and without question. The door is wide enough to let the

greatest sinner on earth pass in. Shall be saved is said of all who enter by Christ. What a glorious declaration! "Shall be lost," is the sure result to all who enter by any door save the right one, which is Christ. Sinners in all ages and of all crimes have entered in through God's one and only door, CHRIST, and are saved. Come and join the number of the ransomed host.

REPUTATION

Reputation as understood by the world applies as to what others think or say about a person. This word is often used in place of the word character, but character is what a person is, regardless of his reputation. A good man may be given a bad reputation by his enemies. Christ was sinless but had a bad reputation among the Doctors, Scribes, Pharisees and Jews but this did not change His character.

The meaning of the word Reputation as used in Phil. 2:7. "He made of Himself no reputation." He emptied Himself or He laid aside His power and authority as God and took on the form of a human being and took the place of a servant and was numbered with the transgressors, or sinners. He became a nonresistant and overcame by submission, even to be crucified as a sinner in the estimation of the High Priest and Jews; not exercising His supreme power and sovereignty. Having no worldly possessions He would today have the reputation as being a pauper having nowhere to lay His head: Yet in character He was God manifested in the flesh and demonstrated His love by giving His human life as a ransom for sinners and enemies, even forgiving their sins and saving His people from their sins, causing them to be born of God and received a divine or God nature; more than this baptising them with the Holy Ghost that they might receive the power of the Holy Spirit and bear the fruit of the Spirit and receive gifts and ministrations of the Spirit as we have seen in these last days according to prophecy.

The 9th verse gives character and reputation as He will be seen when He sets up His kingdom, but His time has not yet come to reign, so as to reputation, He is despised and rejected by the world, but then, every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

Christ never sought honor of men, nor their praise, or to be a ruler, judge, or to defend him-

self or His reputation, though "He had all power in heaven and earth," He used none of these to make a reputation or to gain the favor of men, but came to give his life for those who had sinned and broken the laws of a just God, that sinners might be saved from the guilt, penalty, and consequence of sin, and today his reputation is good with those who know the power of His salvation.

Those who are His followers no doubt will also lose their reputation in the estimation of sinners and the world, caring nothing for what the world or sinners may think or say about them. They are no more seeking and thirsting for the things of the world its pleasures, its fame, glory, honor, praise, flattery or position. Their affections are set on the things above: they have lost their reputation as being sensible and occupied with those things which the pleasure loving, and slaves of fashion and pride are seeking and hungering for. They are no more giving their time and money to useless amusements, appetites, dissipation, and sinful pleasures, therefore have lost their reputation among them, and are accounted as queer and fanatical and often reported to be weak minded, when in fact, they have the mind of Christ and have Him in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

These Christians who have lost their reputation to the world and the desire of association by the sinners and those occupied with and led astray by the allurements, deceptions and snares of the world, like Christ they will not lose their character but will be exalted with Christ and shall sit with Him in His throne and shall be kings, rulers and priests unto God and shall reign on the earth. Now they are servants then they shall be revealed as Sons of God.

—Selected.

WILL

(By Clara Exline Bockoven)

Time was I thought by power of will

To forge ahead, made strong through patient skill,

Mine ancient foe to overcome.

But now with bleeding wounds and spirit numb,
I cry to Thee! No more I ask

Thy favor on each self-appointed task,

But rather pray that Thou wilt take
My yielded will, my faith, and thereof make
An instrument to fit Thy Hand.

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STRATON LAUNCHES WAR ON
EVOLUTION

“Monkey Theories” the Root of Evil, Pastor Holds, Attacking Educators as Pagans SEES OUR YOUTH LED TO ERR Films, Stage and Dances Help Us to Lead in Lawlessness, He Declares

The Rev. Dr. John Roach Straton, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, opened an “intensive

drive against evolution” last night with an attack on the “commercialized amusements, sensuous dances, best sellers, and the ever present downward drag on stage and screen,” which he said, are “enough to debauch any generation.” The younger set in America had come to such a pass, he told his parishioners, that “Leopold, Leob, Hickman and others like them are really samples, and not just shocking exceptions.”

When he had made these remarks by way of preface, he commenced an attack on the “Godless and materialistic” doctrine of evolution, blaming the educational authorities in America for waywardness of the younger people. “Monkey men,” he declared, “make monkey morals.” The parents, he said, were not at fault. He pictured them as striving against the time-spirit to keep their children from drifting “deeper and deeper in rank paganism.”

“It is notorious though heartbreaking,” said Dr. Straton, “that America has become already the most lawless nation on earth. Our divorce record is worse than that of the most backward nations of the Old World. We are now killing each other at the rate of over 10,100 a year, a murder rate about ten times as high as that in England, for example, and we are facing the appalling fact that more than three billion dollars is being lost annually in this country through hold-ups, swindling schemes, forgeries by trusted employes, and so forth.” He said that authorities informed him that the cost of vice and crime in America “is now larger each year than the total cost of operating the United States Government in all of its branches.”

The moving pictures, he said, provided the young with “the most noxious mess of false romance, sordid silliness, immorality and the portrayal of vice and crime ever presented to a people. And this despite the frantic reform efforts of Mr. Will Hays—at the tidy salary of \$150,000 a year paid by these very interests.”

Dr. Straton traced all the faults of the younger people back to the “deeper and insidious force working today for the moral and spiritual overthrow of our boys and girls.” This force, he said, was an “unwise and faulty educational system” that permitted and vaunted the teaching of evolution.

The Calvary pastor announced in closing that

he would continue his campaign against evolution next Sunday night, when he will preach on "Shall Atheism and Infidelity Winn?" He will give an account of five debates upon evolution which he held on the Pacific Coast with Professor Maynard Shipley, President of the American Science League. In his morning sermon Dr. Straton said:

"Present day miracles such as regeneration of the spirit and the healing of the sick and maimed by prayer and the laying on of hands make conclusive proof that Christ lives on after His death by crucifixion!"

THE QUESTION BOX

This will be a special feature of our paper. All Questions Mr. Parham deems of value he will answer in these columns.

Q. What is the sin against the Holy Ghost.

There are several ways in which one may sin against the Holy Ghost. First Jesus said to the Jews when they said he cast out devils by the power of Belzebub, that all sin would be forgiven man except the sin against the Holy Ghost. From this one would be led to believe that any operation of the Holy Ghost was very sacred and that to attribute such operations to the devil would be the sin against the Holy Ghost. While most of us know that two thirds of the stuff that goes on in the pentecostal assemblies is spiritualism, flesh and fanaticism yet to speak of all manifestation as of the devil and speaking in tongues or healing as of the devil one would thus commit that Sin. Again, a sinner might commit that Sin by stubbornly driving the Holy Spirit in conviction till He would forever cease to strive with him, lastly Paul says that after you have been enlightened and tested of the power of the age to come if you fall away or turn from God there is no hope for you. This means that after you have obtained immortality and are as the angels who fell in the dawn of creation, if then you wilfully sin there is no forgiveness. Some may say that it will be impossible for one to sin after putting on immortality. That is not true God will never take away your free moral agency; and if angels sinned before the creation one would have the power to turn away from God throughout the ages to come.

Foot Washing

Yes, we believe and teach that foot washing

is an ordinance and if you intend to fully live up to the Bible you must practice footwashing Jesus said if you love me keep my commandments and again he said except ye do this (wash feet) ye cannot be my disciples.

"If I your Lord and Master wash your feet so ye ought to wash one anothers feet." When He went away He said, Go ye into all the world and disciple all nations teaching to observe (means to do) all things I have commanded you. This means that every command seventy two in all, are to be as fully and practically obeyed as Water Baptism or the Lords supper.

A REMEDY FOR THE WEAK AND RUN DOWN IN SPIRIT AND BODY

Mix together faith, virtue, knowledge, patience, temperance goodness, brotherly kindness, charity, and one good resolution.

Well shaken together with prayer, and taken 365 days in the year, will heal you.

Now if we can get this remedy used in the homes of this country it will purify our hearts and minds, make us love the Lord and everybody.

—Selected.

GO THY WAY AND SIN NO MORE

They brought her there before the Master,
Her eyes downcast, her cheeks aflame.
That His dear eyes so pleading, tender
Should see her anguish and her shame.

There at His feet they roughly cast her,
And told the story of her crime
But Jesus lips did not condemn her,
He knew their motives all the time.

He saw their hearts were oh, so evil,
Then she began to understand.
When He turned His back upon them,
And wrote a message in the sand.

Then the ones who were most guilty,
Left His presence, one by one,
They had recognized His power,
That He was Jesus, God's own Son.

At last, she stood alone before Him,
Repenting how she'd lived before.
Then He turned and gently bade her
"Go Thy way and sin no more."

—Catherine Phelps.

RUSSIA

By Rev. K. Gretzenger

During the last revolution and persecution of Christians in Russia, a Bolshevik said: "We have killed the Czar of Russia, we too will do away with God." It is true, under the Czarist regime many, many, Christians were persecuted, fettered, beaten, jailed, sent to Siberia. In the village where I was born and raised in Russia, some of us experienced the same fate. Our leaders were taken from us by force, by the Russian police: yes, and who was behind the persecution? The priests of the orthodox church of Russia. Today Russia and her priests are helpless, neither priest nor Bolshevik government can stop the evangelization of Russia. The following article from the Literary Digest speaks for itself:

In spite of Soviet efforts to ridicule it out of existence, religion is said to be reviving in Russia, and the workmen themselves are said to be building churches in which to worship. Sir George Hume, who was educated in Russia and is now a Unionist Member of Parliament, is reported in *The Christian World* (London) as saying that undoubtedly the religious spirit was living again in Russia. When a church is dead, he says, it can only be revived by persecution, and this is what has happened in Russia. The Soviet has recently explained that it has not been able to stamp out the idea of God, and Christian influences are spreading even in the Red Army. He quotes statements from a report presented to the Greek Orthodox Church on the way in which the Russian people, craving for spiritual food, are flocking to the Evangelical bodies. The movement toward the free religious bodies is said to be spreading like an epidemic from village to village. Whole communities are reported to have gone over to the Protestant sects, and large meetings are organized at which there is most effective preaching. Exact numbers are difficult to obtain, but the report reckons that these independent bodies have recently gained between seven and eight million members. Meanwhile the orthodox church priests are said to be helpless.

"Similar reports of a return to religion come from the Volksmission (Berlin,) which reports that the workmen in a large textile factory in the province of Wladmir, which is operated under the name of the Communistic Vanguard, have built a church with their own hands. The

factory, we read, employs 7,000 workmen Volksmission continues this very interesting story:

"In the province of Smolensk, 6,000 workmen employed by a weaving mill have likewise built a church, the material for which was purchased through voluntary contributions of the men.

Another church has been built by the personal labor of 2,000 of the workman employed by a clothing plant which bears the name Red October. Then a committee was formed to collect a certain sum each payday as the gift of each workman toward the building of the church. In this manner 40,000 gold rubles approximately \$20,000 has been collected.

In each of these three cases the new church was built next to an old church which the Soviet Government had closed and transformed into a club house or theatre. Soviet newspapers appear to be extremely upset because in each case the workmen building the church are the same who hitherto had been considered true Bolsheviks. It is also noted that the churches have not been built in obscure locations but in important industrial neighborhoods."

Many Christians are afraid that Christianity will lose out in China because of the present uprising against Western civilization. It is a positive fact the Christian Church will be victorious in the end: the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Christian Church. Christ will reign from sea to sea and from one end of the world to the other.—Port Elgin, Ont.

THE ANGLO—CELTIC—SAXON RACE

The story of the "lost tribes" involves questions far reaching into the past, extending through prophecy into the future to the consummation of God's plans the human race.

Their discovery and identification uncovers the history of the Anglo-Celtic-Saxon race and is what is known at this present time as Anglo-Israel. Centuries ago the "Ten Tribes" of Israel, as prisoners to the Assyrians, passed through the gate of the Caucasians mountains into the mystery that hid them for ages. As the time of their manifestation draws near it is necessary that their identity be made known. Hence Isaiah's prophecy for the last days pertaining to the house of Israel. Isa. 41:42 "Let them bring (them) forth, and show us what shall happen; Let them show the former things what they be, that we may consider them and know the latter end of them. Again Isa. 43:9

Let all the nations (Gt. Britain and her company of nations) be gathered together, and let the people be assembled who among them can declare this and show us former things let them bring forth their witnesses, that they (the former thing) may be justified. That means those who have information of the early history of the Israelites, (or ancient people) let them make them known, and with others, learn through the prophecies, and promises and law of God, that we may know the latter end of the Israelites who they are, where they are, and what they are. For God appointed the Israelites to be His witnesses.

The result of these investigations is as the prophecy, Isa. 44:5—"One shall say, I am the Lord's. (The Christian-proper) And another shall call himself by the name of Jacob. (The Jews) and another shall subscribe with his hand unto the Lord, and surname himself by the name of Israel. (Angle-Israel.)

7th Vt.—And who as I shall call, and shall declare it and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people; and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them show unto them.

8th Vs.—Fear ye not, neither be afraid; have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it, ye are my witnesses?

By the above quotations we have three distinct classes of witnesses, to-wit: 1st. The Christian proper. (All are not christians who make a profession) 2nd. The Jews. (The house of Judah) 3rd. Anglo-Israel. (the house of Israel, or Ephriam). The first witness—Christianity, is witnessing all over the world, to the "soon coming of Christ" to take over the rule of earth.

The second witness, the Jews are according to prophecy inhabiting Palestine witnessing to their hopes of the soon coming of their Messiah.

The third witness—Anglo-Celtic-Saxon, are identifying themselves and subscribing themselves as Israel—the house of Israel—the tribes. The proofs of the identity of the identity of the Anglo Saxons of St. Britian as the Kingdom of Ephriam, and the U. S. A. as that of Manassah, are such as not to be gain said and only invites investigation to coordinate their claims. It is up to the professor of christianity to identify and locate these lost tribes for the maintainance of his text book—

the Bible.

It is up to the Jews to discover them before their prophecies can be fulfilled, that is, that both the House of Judah and the House of Israel will come together under one King, and be no more two nations.

It behooves the Anglo-Saxon to acknowledge their identity, as the prophecies are fulfilled, and being fulfilled in them, that were made to the House of Israel. To search out the ancient way marks and trace out the paths the children of Israel trod, and herald it abroad over the face of the earth, that their descendants may know who they really are, and may accommodate themselves to the positions and work God has for them to accomplish in the near future; for their King is coming soon to take over the government of the earth as the preliminary steps for the restoration of the Kingdom, for it has become very corrupt, incomplete and imperfect; also for the redemption of the Israelites from the Adamic Curse, and to give them years of nursing and training back to Edenic perfection and efficiency in preparation for taking over the Kingdom when Jesus according to promise will raise up David to reign 1000 years as Super-King.

As to the British-Israel Question, I am fairly well read up. The subject is a triangle. But one angle is correct, one angle is the German view, this one is needless to discuss. The other two resolve themselves into the Post and Pro-Millennium. There are those who think they are to prepare the Kingdom, (British Empire) for the Christ to reign over as King. The third angle, as I understand it, is the only one in harmony with the bible, as to ultimate outcome and is as follows: "God is taking a people for his name; these are the Church of Christ. The purpose is that they may be changed or rather be made partakers of the Divine Nature becoming real sons of God—Brethren of Jesus Christ, and joint heirs with Him, there for endowed with power and authority, and beings members of the body of Christ (Jesus the head member) together with Him will subdue all the power of the adversary reign with Him for the Millennium Sabbath. Thus bringing the world back to Edenic perfection. The Spirit having been poured out on them at the time of resurrection or when they were changed from Mortal to Spiritual making them capable and efficient to take over the perfected Kingdom, and to rule

perfect government thus and only thus is the kingdom restored to Isreal with David on the throne and they reign first with Christ and then with God from age to age through out all eternity.

Praise the Lord God and His Son
J. G. Campbell.

Labor Party Makes Plans To Sieze Power In Wartime

London, Feb. 29.—Plans for the Labor party to seize the government in case war threatens will be submitted to an Easter conference of the Independent Labor party by the Lancashire Divisional council.

These are the details: first, the Labor delegation in Parliament would constitute itself a national committee of public safety to take over the complete control of the machinery of government; second, the public safety committee would organize the transport and other services so as to prevent all movements of troops and munitions and control the transport of food supplies; third, a co-operative movement would be organized, based on the trades union councils and such local authorities as would agree to it, for the purpose of organizing food supplies; and fourth, the local trades and labor councils would constitute themselves local committees of public safety.

It is proposed finally that this plan be forwarded to the labor parties of other countries so that international machinery along the same lines can be organized to stop war.

The London divisional council expresses its opinion that as one means "towards removal of the anti-social effects of vast accumulations of wealth in private hands," the Labor government should radically curtail the powers of bequest and right of inheritance.

AMERICAN PIG PLANTS A GLOZEL; HIS TOOTH RULED MISSING LINK But 2 Turns Up; Now Nation Snickers At Scientists

New York, Feb. 19.—Science's solemn sovereigns were given another rude jolt yesterday when, close on the heels of the Glozel squabble, a "million dollar" tooth officially accepted as being that of the long sought missing link was discovered to be nothing more or less than the molar of an ordinary barnyard pig.

When the tooth in question was discovered six years ago in an ancient river bed of Nebraska it caused a furious flurry in scientific circles. It was immediately claimed to be that of a monkey-man who roamed the American hinterlands before history started to be written. But the scientists, skeptical as usual, refused to accept the trophy at its face value.

The bit of ivory was minutely examined, weighed, measured and compared with hundreds of other teeth. Scientists from several countries hurried to the scene and added their arguments. Finally, after five years of pondering, British anthropologists announced that there was no longer any doubt and that the tooth was out of the mouth of a missing link who lived millions and millions of years ago.

A certain officer of the American Museum, Mr. William Gregory, however, played havoc with the decisions of the scientists, when he found another tooth, similar in every respect, in the same place. Mr. Gregory, struck by the coincidence, did a little concentrated research work of his own, the result of which—unfortunately for the progress of science—was that he proved beyond the question that the relic had come from a source no more obsolete than a porker's jaw.

CALLS ISLAM PROBLEMS OF THE WORLD TODAY

Prof. Levonian Says Moslems Hold Strategic Area and Look Down on Christianity

A lecture in "The Problems of the Moslem World" was given in place of the usual sermon yesterday morning at the Manhattan Congregational Church, Broadway and Seventy-sixth Street, by Professor Loufti Levonian of the School of Religion, Athens Greece. Dr. Emett conducted the services.

"Islam is a problem today," Professor Levonian said, "because there are over 230,000,000 Moslems in the world, one-seventh of the whole population of the world. Islam is important also because it is the only great religion which has risen after Christianity, and has passed its judgment over Christianity. It holds geographically a very strategic area in the world, between the West and the Far East. Whatever affects the Moslem world will affect the Far East and Europe also. There is a great sense of pride among Moslems, which adds to

the problem. They have been the ruling race wherever they settled, and they look down on Christians."

It is wrong to think that one can understand Mohammedanism by reading the Koran, according to Professor Levonian. The immense mass of Moslem tradition which has grown up around the life of Mohammed, and the interpretation of those traditions by religious doctors, are the real sources of Islamism.

The greatest weakness of Moslem ethics, the speaker said, is that there is no clear distinction between right and wrong, and they have no great ethical figure to found their religion on, such as Christians have in Jesus.

The Results of Earthquakes

No one needs to be told the results of earthquakes in these days of quick cables, up-to-date newspapers which carry pictures, and actual photographs of the utterly inexpressible misery, destruction, and suffering caused by the quaking of the earth.

The writer has had the experience of having gone through each of the last three disastrous earthquakes that wiped out the city of Yokohama, and the half of Tokyo, as well as the cities of Toyo-oka, and Kinosaki, two years later, and the present one that came as a forcible warning to the cities of Osaka, Koyto, and Nara where our work has started and is becoming more and more established.

The direct result of earthquakes then is **Utter Destruction**. Not in the sense that so many thousands of people are **Killed outright**, without any feeling. Not at all. The number of people who were thus killed with the total number of deaths is very small indeed.

The earth rocks, houses twist, fail and go into a heap with the occupants underneath the pile of debris. When the first shock is over indescribable groans and shrieks fill the air, and the hearing of these shrieks have sent many a person out of their mind who had otherwise escaped the immediate quake. A strong able-bodied man from underneath the heap of what five minutes ago was a nicely furnished home, finally, with strong effort, extricates himself from this heavy pile, cutting his body, and losing every stitch of clothing whilst doing so. He is weakened almost to a staggering point, blood flowing from his body, but the groaning of his

wife beneath some huge joint, and the decreasing moans of his child as the last breath leaves its body a corpse, stirs him to action even though he is almost a living corpse.

Finally he does manage to get a lot of the mixed material of tiles, wood, and other things away, and he reaches his wife to find that her leg is broken, and the blood is gushing out as fast as possible. But what can he do? There is no doctor to call, no medicine shop to get lint from. Everybody has suffered the same, and all are in the same plight.

It is too horrible to consider what happens. We must leave it to consider another side of the question.

Another family have received the same experience, all buried under the ruins, and a young man the heir of the family extricates himself from the debris. He starts to get his father, his mother, his brothers, and his sisters, and finds them all dead, and he alone left. Can you imagine the situation? Every relative gone, Home gone. Nothing in this world, and no God, no Salvation, No Hope. Nothing. Can you imagine it?

Or a third picture, that of a group of wounded men and women, some badly, and others less severe, around a pile of debris trying with all their might to rescue an old lady (who has always lived alone) from underneath her house. As you approach you hear the moans, and see a pair of protruding legs, and imagine to yourself the actual condition of her face and body jammed between fallen timbers. The wounded rescuers themselves are filled with pain by their own wounds, and are thoroughly tired out having rescued each other from their own houses, but with the little strength left they persevere until right from behind them comes the smell of smoke, and almost immediately they realize that terrible accompaniment of earthquake has proven to be a deadly enemy here too. Shall they leave the old woman to die alone? But they will be burnt if they stay. Go on, run for your lives, says the man with the broken leg. I'm done for anyhow and he begs them to flee and leave him and the pinned down old lady to the mercy of the flames. This they finally do, and flee for their lives, but they have not gone far before another flame reaches them in the opposite direction, and caught between the two they die in the flames, calling on their i

to help, idols that have ears but cannot hear.

Is this picture a black one, does it make your flesh to tremble as you read it? Beloved brother or sister, a picture a hundred times worse would still be a thousand times far away from the real horrors that take place in these earthquake disasters.

But are there not other results besides **Uter Destruction**? Praise God there are. And one of these is the **Impetus** it gives to the gospel messenger who realizes his tremendous responsibility to those who are still living that they may have at least **One Chance** of hearing the gospel. Ezekiel 33 becomes a living exhortation to him. "If the watchman see the danger and warneth not—his blood will I require" resounds in his ear, and stirs his very blood.

—Selected.

COMPANIONATE IDEA IS CALLED BARBARIC RELIC

Is Declared Merely An Excuse For Dereliction

Chicago, Mar. 2.—Judge Ben Lindsey's inspiration, known as companionate marriage, was devastatingly criticized yesterday by Dr. A. J. Todd, professor of sociology at Northwestern University, who discussed "The Family of the Future" before his class in contemporary thought.

It is, Dr. Todd declared, in reality little more than a covering for sexual shopping, or promiscuity, an excuse for personal dereliction, and is a degraded form of trial marriage which for ages past has been one of the marginal forms of the family.

"This so-called companionate marriage," he said, "simply seeks to apply the commercial principles of buying on suspicion. Unfortunately for that idea, human marriage involves the very deepest feeling of human responsibility. Consequently the principle of 'money back if you don't like it' is only slightly and superficially applicable.

Future of Monogamy

"However much it may shatter the hopes of the apologists for sexual license, we may be pretty sure that the future form of the family will not be very different from what it is now and that it is likely to be monogamous."

Dr. Todd is of the opinion that if the parlor, dicals who believe they have found something in the idea of companionate marriage would

refer to their histories, they would discover that humanity has made nearly every possible experiment in the domesticated life of half a million years.

"It has tried out free love," he explains, "plural marriage, the companionate trial marriage, wife lending, and easy divorce. Hence, these big words which are now flung at us are, after all, not the revolutionary experiment of daring futurists. They are survivals of retrogressions or apologies for personal dereliction.

Divorce As Medicine

"Permanent pair marriage may or may not be nature's ultimate decision, but up to the present it has apparently proved itself best suited to the average human nature, to the life and welfare of children, and the peace and order of society."

Divorce, Prof. Todd declared, is simply a symptom of domestic disorganization and an inadequate attempt to apply medicine to a sick situation. The high divorce rate means only that people refuse to be patient when they find that the law permits them to be impatient, and they crash the gate to get out of marriage bonds.

Prof. Todd predicted for the future a great family research institute at Northwestern, where it will be possible to obtain adequate information on the problems of the family.

Crime Becomes Billion Dollar Industry In U. S.

Washington, D. C.—Crime has become a billion dollar industry in the United States.

Never before in history has the professional gunmen and his allies enjoyed such rich harvest in a civilized community than during the post-war period in the richest country in the world.

Estimates of the value of the aggregate loot of safe breakers, jewelry thieves, dock and railway pilferers, bank robbers and others engaged in holdups and thievery vary. A nationally known editorial writer recently stated that the big business of crime had an annual turnover of \$3,000,000,000 of which one half was profit.

Safe Crossing Won By Simple Rule

New York.—She was standing on a street corner, and when the traffic officer gave the sign to cross she stepped quickly to the side of the fattest man in the waiting group and crossed with him, side by side, step by step. When forced to halt in the middle of the street, she stepped so close to his side that he looked at her curiously.

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humanity every day as they would if working for some corporation or worldly company. I believe God hates a lazy worker of any kind. Lets arise as preachers and laity and put our shoulders to the wheel and let the world know we are still alive. Let our likes and wishes and sentimental stuff die and like the soldiers of Uncle Sam put shoulder to shoulder and fight for God and souls.

Unprecedented crowds pack all halls or churches or fill parks where I am giving my lectures on the Holy Land. No speaker has ever had such crowds on lectures along these lines, many places they almost fight to get into the buildings and for two hours they stand listening to the Full Gospel preached as the pictures are being shown on the canvass. Many are being saved and healed in the meetings thus held. I am expecting to be in South Texas till time for the National Camp Meeting.

Chas. F. Parham

THE VOICE OF GOD

Down in Old Mexico there is a young Mexican Indian 29, Fidencio Constantion, who is a prophet and Healer. At home he was constantly abused and mistreated: and his persecutions drove him almost to despair of his life. And of late he came in the habit of going alone up into the mountains, and there in his solitude he would meditate and pour out his soul to God in prayer.

One day he says, while praying a vision came to him and a voice, the voice of God spoke to him, and told him that he would find peace and comfort for his soul if he would go out and heal the sick. "But how can I heal?" asks Fidencio: "It doesn't matter," the voice replied, "You can cure anything, But you must never take any reward, if you do you will loose your power."

In the vision he was shown no specific method for healing, but was told to heal "just any-way." And being ignorant of any of the known ways by which God heals, he obtained a pot, poured in some water and threw in handfuls of fruits herbs and flowers which he boiled all together, and sprinkled this on the first afflicted persons that came to him; and they were immediately healed. This soon attracted people from far and near which came to him with all kinds of diseases to be healed.

From a little hamlet of two or three stores and adobe shacke have grown a tented city of

more than 45,000 persons and others coming daily. Sanitary conditions have become frightful, and enough people have died to make a large cemetery. While many have without question been healed, and some miraculously. Some wait in line for hours until their time to reach the healer, only to go away without being benefited, and after a short rest and breathing spell these same ones will take their place in the long line of waiting ones to try again. For not all are healed. And Fidencio has told them they must not come in twenties and thirties, for God has never shown him to heal in mass.

But through it all Fidencio is patient and seemingly tireless. Like the Prophet Isaiah he went in answer to the call of God barefoot and with scarcely any clothes, and they ragged. But the people crowd and trample one another, just to get to touch this young man with frayed cuffs and his coat worn through at the elbows. And the people worship him as though he was the Messiah. His assistants are all the time busy boiling the potion which he uses after laying his hands on the afflicted. Some are healed just touching him, and some are placed in a rope swing and swayed to and fro to the sound of an Indian chant, which the people say, "becomes sweet and joyous when the Spirit witnesses to the healing: and at other times when the case is hopeless his voice becomes sad and then silent, and as he turns away his face seem to reflect the patients pain and suffering.

He does not attempt to heal defects of birth or to perform amputations. Grateful patients have offered him money but he will accept nothing, and they have left it at the roots of a tree by the door of Fidencio's hut, and this money has grown into a pile of perhaps millions of pesos of Mexican money, but no one will touch it. And likely it will be left to the Mexican government, who have soldiers on hand to guard and preserve order, to do something with it.

I believe that the modern Apostolic and Holiness people have largely lost the power they once had, by having a prescribed and fixed way for God to heal: and then when God does heal to take reward for it? You will know when Naaman the Syrian taken with him and offered as a reward to Elisha "ten talents of silver and six thousand pieces of gold and ten changes of raiment for his healing. The gold alone would equal \$48,000 of our money: "But he said, the Lord liveth, before whom I stand, I will

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ceive none, and he urged him to take it, but he refused." 2 Kings 5:16.

Not one child of God believes that there is virtue for healing one single disease in Fiden- cio's boiled herbs. Neither in the water of Jordan for Naaman's leprosy. Or in the lump of figs for Hezekiah's boil. Or in the clay that Jesus used on the eyes of the blind man. But Fiden- cio heard the voice of God speak to him, and he knew that if he obeyed he would be endowed with power, and he was shown that he must not take reward. Then if faith "is the gift of God" and afflicted persons are healed through this gift, the reward belongs to God. Though He send us forth barefooted without purse or money or shoes, and with frayed and tattered coat, we will have power from God to do the works He sends us to do. Oh let us obey the voice of God that we may receive a new allotment. Many of us are being held up on the strength of what we did fifteen and twenty years ago.

J. M. B., Carthage, Mo.

CORRESPONDENCE

Utopia, Texas
June 19th, 1928

Dear Brother Parham:—

Greetings in Jesus Name.

Received your letter for which I thank you. Since coming here, there has been 31 saved and baptized in water which makes some where in 50 since Brother Horace L. Watkins came to Vander Pool in January with 90 or more really saved and about half of them have been sanctified, with ten having received the Holy Spirit in Pentecostal power one lady being baptized in the Holy Spirit at home. Many more seeking to be filled with the Spirit, The people say they have never heard the real Gospel preached before though they have heard much preaching at it. So we are praising God for His mighty power and the way He leads His children.

Ever your Sister in the Gospel

Mrs. Jennie Ballard

Robstown, Tex.
June 10, 1928

Our Dear Brother Parham:—

May the unsearchable riches of Christ Jesus our Lord, ever abound in your heart and life, making your ministry to abound more and more the revelation of the life more abundant in

Him.

I have thought a number of times since reading your experience, "something new," that I would write you, and try to express, if I could my appreciation of your very wonderful experience.

To me this has been a great stimulent and encouragement, inspiring with renewed faith and determination.

I am still helplessly, (though I think not hopelessly) bound with rheumatism. While not giving up my contention for healing, my courage reaches a very low ebb sometimes as it seems that God is a long time in coming to my help, and honestly, I do not quite understand the reason. But oh, I would so much like to step into the freedom that I know you are enjoying, and which I know is my heritage in Him. Though it seems entirely too much for me to entertain any hope of attaining to any such exalted privileges as your life of service entitles you to enjoy. And too, I know it is attainable by faith, and not by works"

No doubt, you have gone to a depth, and soared heights in Jesus that is a revealed wonder to men, that few indeed, are privileged to know. And knowing something of your life of sacrifice and service, and that God in His wisdom has seen fit to instruct you with His most wonderful last day message, we do not wonder at, nor do we feel that any mistake has been made, when He pours out heaven's richest on your life. Brother, in this, your new found blessing, we rejoice with you.

You may not know that we moved from west Texas, and have made this our home for more than a year. And here, as most every where, we find lots of raw material which the great Achitect might use in His most wonderful buildings. And we hope, in the not very distant future, that God will give us a great meeting here.

I am enclosing a newspaper clipping of a declaration by the district Methodist Conference, in which they give voice to the present spiritual deadness of the Church. I thought you might use it.

Yours in His great love
D. F. Ware.

Have you ever been inoculated for missions? Salvation is like smallpox; it spreads unless checked. Is your salvation a mild form?