

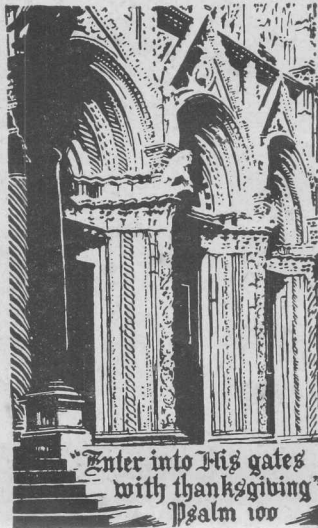
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“Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and bless his name.” Psalm 100:4.

Amidst the darkness and sorrow of this world, my heart is lifted in praise unto the most high God who made heaven and earth. I sense a definite working of the spirit and power of God, drawing to greater things, moving out, an enlargement of our borders, and I want to praise God for it. There is something great for us ahead, let us be in the place to move as the spirit of God moves. I want to be an open channel to receive His blessing and answer His call, and fit into the perfect plan of God, and I know you desire His perfect plan worked out in your life too.

God is truly getting a people ready for His coming, in spite of apostasy, worldliness and the deceitfulness of riches, God is going

to have a people that will go through with Him and in that great day will stand with Him on Mt. Zion. Let us strive with all the power and grace God gives us to be in that number.

Every blessing of God, every good and perfect gift comes through praise. Oh, that men everywhere would lift their voices in praise to God. Let's praise God for answered prayer, not beg Him to answer. More is accomplished through praise than begging. As we approach the throne of grace let's come praising and magnify God. As we praise Him, we draw closer to Him, our faith reaches out to believe—our prayer is answered.

God is working and moving and speaking to many, and I am assured a great forward move is just ahead. Let us be prayerful, praising and believing God for great things.—*Editor.*

Rewards and Blessings

Harold N. Cooper

God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put Adam, "The man He had formed," with only one commandment to observe. And the Lord God commanded the man saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. (GEN. 2:16-17). Adam disobeyed, and fell from favor with God. Lest he put forth his hand and eat of the tree of life and live forever in that rebellious state, he was driven from the garden and cherubims and a flaming sword was placed there to keep the way of the tree of life. We hear no more about the tree of life, until we locate it by the river of life in the new earth.

Because of the transgression of Adam in the garden, the seed of sin, or iniquity entered into the heart of man. David said, "Behold I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me." As a result of sin and iniquity in the heart of man whom God had created, natural death was pronounced upon him. For in the day thou eatest thereof, thou shalt surely die. Adam lived 930 years and died. He died in one of God's days. "Be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." It is once appointed unto man to die, and after this the judgment. "For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." DEATH came through Adam, but LIFE comes through Jesus Christ. The first death comes to the sinner, and also to the christian; as a result of Adam's transgression. But the bible speaks of another SECOND death for the sinner; not because of Adam's transgression, but as a result of rejecting CHRIST THE LIFE. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him

should not PERISH, but have everlasting life. (JN. 3:16). This was God's gift for the salvation of the world. In failing to accept the gift, we perish. John speaks as follows: "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 JN. 5:11-12). For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. (ROM. 6:23). The penalty for sin is death; and there could be no eternal burning in hell, if Christ is our only source of ETERNAL LIFE.

In MAT. 18:3,—Jesus said, "Verily I say unto you, except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." Children, before coming to the years of accountability; are on the same plane of life as was Adam before his fall. Sinners, having repented of their sins, honoring and accepting GOD'S gift; "The only begotten of the Father who was sent into the world to redeem sinners," have become converted, and are again on the child's plane, or, Adam's plane. Adam did not have immortal life, neither was there anything about him that was immortal. He had everlasting natural human life, and would have been living today had he not have eaten the forbidden fruit. Not only was Adam affected by his disobedience, but as a result; all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. It took the gift of God's Son to restore fallen man to that place lost through Adam. The tree of life was preserved and protected in Eden, and surely it was for a purpose. John tells us of the tree of life in the new earth. And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every

month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. (REV. 22:1-2). He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God. (REV. 2:7). Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. (REV. 22:14). Those living on the Adam plane will come forth at the second resurrection to the white throne judgment, eat of the tree of life, and dwell in the new earth.



Not only did GOD give His Son that we might be saved, but JESUS gave himself for the church. When Jesus speaks of the church, he refers to a class of people who are already saved. Let us now consider this class of christians for whom Jesus gave His life.

ST. JN. 10:10-11, — Give these thoughts: "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." In this reading we notice that He spoke of LIFE, and ABUNDANT LIFE. God gave HIS SON, that we might have life; But Jesus gave HIMSELF, that we might have it more abundantly. Thus we understand, "LIFE, comes in conversion; and ABUNDANT LIFE in sanctification." We notice also that the good shepherd gave his life for the SHEEP. Jesus likens christians as sheep, and sinners as goats. In the 17th Chp. of St. JN. we find the Lord's prayer recorded. This prayer was prayed for the disciples, and all who would believe through their word. He said, "I'm not praying for the world, 'Sinners' but for those whom thou hast given me out of the world. For their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. The

pirit of Christ enters into man at conversion, but carnality, or the seed of sin is not taken out until sanctification. In HIM is life, "Spiritual life, regeneration, conversion, being reinstated to the Adam plane." But John said, "But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the SONS of God, and to attain the new birth. This born again experience comes not by inheritance, nor by race; but it comes by grace, through the will of God. (ST. JN. 1:1-13. Paul tells us in 1st. THES. 4:3-4,—This is the will of God even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication; that everyone of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honor. If sanctification is the will of God, and we are born of the will of God, we conclude that sanctification is the new birth.

Now let us consider the benefits of sanctification, and of the new birth. In REV. 12:6,—It speaks of the woman who fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and three score days. This woman represents the true church for which Jesus offered himself. Under the reign of the Anti-Christ, or during the great tribulation period preceding Christ's second coming, this sanctified church will be protected, and remain alive until his appearing. Again Paul speaks of this group in 1st THES. 4:17—Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. The dead in Christ shall rise first. The sanctified dead, and the living church, as the bride of Christ will rise to meet him in the air. The remnant of the woman's seed will be killed by the beast and false prophet.

In ACT. 26:18,—Paul was ordained a minister to preach through Jesus Christ, forgiveness of sins, AND, inheritance among them which are sanctified. As we consider the greater inheritance through sanctification, our thoughts turn to REV. 20:6,—Blessed and Holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death



hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years. After Jesus has returned and the battle of armageddon has been fought, Christ will establish a reign of righteousness here upon the earth; during which time the devil will be bound, and the sanctified church will reign as kings and priests with him a thousand years. Let us consider a few thoughts from Paul's writings in (1 COR. 15:51-54). Behold I show you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible and we shall be changed. Paul tells us, we shall not ALL sleep, "or die," but we shall ALL be changed. ALL sinners, and ALL who are merely converted, "Living on the Adam plane" will be killed. The sinner will be killed as a result of the wrath of God poured out upon the beast and his supporters, and the remnant of the woman's seed will be killed by the anti-christ, because they fail to take his mark, and witness for Jesus. Paul spoke of some who would be changed. Let us read verse 53 and 54. "For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

When Paul spoke of the corruptible putting on incorruption, he was referring to the blessed and

Holy, sanctified dead who were placed in the grave and saw corruption; but were brought forth at the first resurrection with an incorruptible body. When he spoke of the mortal putting on immortality, he referred to the woman, or sanctified class whom Jesus gave a place of protection in the wilderness. God will change that mortal church, to the immortal bride of Christ. Those people can truly say, "Death is swallowed up in victory."

There is another wonderful blessing brought in reach of the human family, providing they have been born again, or cleansed by the sanctifying blood of Jesus; and that blessing is, THE GIFT OF THE HOLY GHOST. Joel prophesied of this great blessing 800 years before Christ came as the saviour of the world. But it was not until after his ascension that it was brought in reach of man. The apostles were commanded to wait at Jerusalem for the gift. (ACT. 1:4-5). 120 received the experience at pentecost. (ACT. 1:15). Peter declared the experience at pentecost to be the same that Joel had prophesied. (ACT. 2:16). He repeated Joel's prophesy saying the promise was to ALL. (ACT. 2:38).

Now let us consider a few present blessings, and benefits of the gift. Gives power to witness. (ACT. 1:8). Teacher, and brings things to remembrance. (JN. 14:26). Testifies of Christ. (JN. 15:26). Guides us, and shows us things to come. (JN. 16:13-14). The main thing we desire to stress at present is the scripture found in (EPH. 1:13-14). "In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise. Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchase possession, unto the praise of His glory." We have spoken of the woman, and the remnant of her seed in REV. 12th chp. But let us now read verse 5. And she "The woman, or church" brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught

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Underestimating the Enemy

Elvin Lankford

One of the most prevalent and disastrous, mistakes present-day Christians and church members are making is the underestimation of the enemy of souls. Nothing, of course, pleases the enemy more than this. From the beginning of man in Eden 'til now, Satan has cunningly persuaded man to discount and deny his power and very existence. The rapidly growing and popular religions of today cleverly explain him away, and dismiss this outmoded bogey with amusement.

Underestimating our political enemies before being forced into this long war proved a costly and dangerous mistake. During our non-vigilant complacency, our enemies were carefully preparing for the day they would strike, while their envoys lied us into a false sense of security. Needless to say, we woke up with a shock and feverishly prepared for the long battle ahead without wasting any more precious time. Such signs as "The Time is Short" and "Every minute counts" appeared in war plants.

The same is true right now regarding the unseen enemy of souls. No more timely signs than these could be posted on platforms of complacent churches today. These same conditions obtain spiritually, and the same pre-war slumber, while Satan is waging his never-sleeping war on every living soul. "Graveyard peace" is the torpor-satisfaction enjoyed by multitudes of church members. Like the Laodicean church, they are spiritually desolate; dead and don't know it.

Jesus warned: "Take heed that no man deceive you." Many learned men today are willing envoys of Satan, who carry out his deceiving orders with skill and cunning "logic." "Evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived." II Tim. 3:13. Jesus also warned His own disciples to "Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and . . . Saducees" . . .

Math. 16:6. Not one of us are proof against the adversary except through the appropriated blood of the Lamb.

Martin Luther's great hymn aptly says: "His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate; on earth is not his equal."

Peter, the rock, on which Christ built His church, wrote: "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion walketh about, seeking whom he may devour; whom resist steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world." I Peter 5:8-9.

Many young men in this war do not like to hear about the dangers and crafty enemy technique they'll be exposed to. But to become thoroughly acquainted with every possible plan of enemy attack and surprise trickery is of paramount importance in preserving their lives. When the tests come, ignorance or non-vigilance would be fatal folly.

One of Satan's smartest tricks is to persuade or distract us into relaxing our vigilance. Failure to recognize him in any of his many guises often proves a costly lesson learned the "hard way." Paul admonished: "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Ephesians 6:11. Read Hebrews 3:13, 14.

The rewards for overcoming are very great for a good reason: it *means* something and is not easy to "overcome," or be victorious, over satan and sin. Jesus assured us: "In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." "For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil." 1 John 3:8.

And His and our complete triumph will come in the final, eternal fulfillments foretold in Revelation 3:21.

"To Him that overcometh will

I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne." Praise His name!

THE SKY IS THE LIMIT

All Christians believe in PRAYER, and then many use as little of it as they conveniently can and not break with God.

Yet our Lord took the lid off the possibilities of prayer and said: "Help yourself; anything you ask for in prayer, in my name, believing, you can have." With this UNLIMITED DYNAMIC OF PRAYER in our hands, do we palter, hesitate, and limit our asking to our own little circle of desires? Do we whine and complain and wonder why things go crippling along as they do? ? ?

Like a child at the throttle of a mogul locomotive, we claim we believe in its power, we insist it can pull anything, but content ourselves with listening to the exhaust as we move back and forth on the siding.

Let us put the giant PRAYER ENGINE on the MAIN LINE OF ACHIEVEMENT. Let us put God to the test. Let us come boldly in prayer asking for A GREAT SPIRITUAL AWAKENING.—From Mothers Calling America to Prayer.

PRAYER

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

PRAYER means POWER; while the disciples prayed at Pentecost the Spirit in His power came.—Acts 1:14 and 2:1.

PRAYER means VICTORY; Nehemiah accomplished his task in the face of his enemies because he made his "prayer unto God."—Neh. 4:9.

PRAYER means DELIVERANCE; Peter was brought out of prison in answer to prayer.—Acts 12:5.

PRAYER means HOLINESS; for prayer takes us to God in our need, and brings God to us with His supplies of abundance of grace.—Phil. 4:19.—Sel.

Calvary Holiness Church of England is sending a missionary to the pigmies of Africa.

To "The Little Flock of the Last Days"

L. Marie Rundell

"I am seeking for one who will watch and wait for My beckoning Hand, for My Eye, who will work in My manner the work that I give, and the work I give not, pass by. And oh the joy that is brought to Me, when one such as this I can find—a one who shall do *all* My will—who is set to study His Master's mind." (Sel.)

Oh that every blood washed child of God might set themselves to study their Master's mind. That Master is, or should be, Christ, and He has a plan for every one of His own, a work for each to do, and they "stand or fall to their own Master" (Rom. 14:4) whether the work be the ministry of intercession, of teaching or preaching, of helping (and what a lowly yet wonderful work this is) — or just standing when God wants you to stand, in the place He wants you to stand. No one else can find that place for you, or tell you what God's plan may be, it must come from God alone—but not one ministry can be left out, no matter how humble in the sight of man, whether one talent or five, they dare not be buried, lest when we come to stand before the judgment seat of Christ, we cannot render an account of that which is committed to us.

It is like the great symphony orchestra directed by one of our great masters of music, wherein was the player of the little piccolo. It made such a little sound in all the other great sounds of instruments, that its owner thought he would just stop playing, and he did, but in a moment the great Master musician raised his hand for quiet, and asked where the music from the little instrument was, and proceeded only when it was restored. To his keen ear, the harmony was incomplete without the tiniest sound. And so it is with us. We think that we can do so little that we may as well drop out., but to our Master in Heaven, it breaks the harmony,

and in earth it stops or mars the building of the Kingdom. Remember "the very hairs of your head are all numbered" and He who notes the sparrows fall, is watching and waiting for His own to unite from the smallest to the greatest, for "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female, for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." (Gal. 3:28.) Our meeting place is the place called Calvary where Jesus died and shed His precious blood, that we might be one—"every joint supplying that which edifies—or builds up—in love, the whole body of Christ.

May we, by the grace of God, get our eyes off one another on to Christ, finding our place, doing that which GOD wants us to do.

*"Go labor on, 'tis naught for naught,
Your earthly loss is heavenly gain;
Men love thee, heed thee, praise thee not,
The Master praiseth, what is Man?"*

May our heart's cry be, "that I may know HIM" — not about Him, but Jesus Christ as a living person at the right hand of the Father, living to intercede for me, loving me, wanting to *live* in me.

*"With calm brave purpose every day renew,
And let each moment planned and precious be,
And thou shalt find thou hast just time to do
What GOD requires of thee.*

*What GOD requires! Who knoweth well this frame
Not what thy friends or those around may ask;
The ceaseless bustle and the overstrain,
Or self-imposed task.*

*Be not of careless or of anxious mind,
But let His gracious peace thy spirit fill
With quiet diligence to seek and find
Just time to do His will."*

—Caroline Tickner.

I am profitably engaged in reading the Bible. Take all of this Book upon reason that you can and the balance by faith, and you will live and die a better man. In regard to the Great Book I have only to say that it is the best book which God has given to men.

—Abraham Lincoln.

TESTIMONY

Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip. Let us therefore fear lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above.

And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts. Praise His name. For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.

I am glad for the Christ who has redeemed us to God by His blood and has made us unto our God, Kings and Priests and shall reign on the earth, and His feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives and the mountain shall be divided toward the east, west, north and south. Oh what a day when the light shall not be clear or dark, and old Satan will be bound a thousand years and cast into the bottomless pit and will not deceive the Nations no more till the thousand years should be fulfilled.

I'm looking for that thousand years of reign with my Lord.

Pray for us that the Word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified even as it is with you.

A Servant of the Lord,

Mrs. Ollie E. Molton.



ITEMS OF INTEREST



RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

The outlook for religious freedom in a post-war world looks at least favorable. It seems that outside influence and circumstances have been brought to bear upon Russia to the extent that she at least pretends to grant religious freedom. Let it be remembered that true religion has always been a persecuted religion. The world loves its own, and by nature it is at enmity against God. A ministry armed with power of the Holy Ghost to do signs and wonders in the name of Jesus of Nazareth was God's answer to a Christ-rejecting world then, and this is still true today. A manifestation of the miraculous will awaken and maintain interest in spiritual things.

JEWISH POPULATION

The American Jewish Yearbook reports an increase of 42,344 persons during the past six years, bringing the total Jewish population of the United States up to a total of 5,199,000.

SACRIFICE FOR SINS

(1) The individual's sacrifice is mentioned in Gen. 4:4; (2) in Exodus 12:3, the passover mentioned was the sacrifice of the household; (3) the sacrifice of a nation, Lev. 4:13-15; (4) in John 3:16 we have the sacrifice for the sin of the world.

One Percent Atheist, is what a recent Gallup poll finds the people of the United States to be; and this poll cut close to facts, in the national election. Believers in God are 96 percent; doubting Thomases are 3 percent. The average runs the same among all classes. Only 76 percent feel sure of a life hereafter. O that we might believe even this many were ready.

—John Paul.

HEBREW, GREEK, AND LATIN

"Hebrew, Greek, and Latin" (John 19:20). Pilate, who was evidently anxious that all should read it, went beyond the usual custom of fixing up a condemned man's accusation in one, or at most two languages, and in this case had it written out in three different languages, viz.: (1) Hebrew, the vernacular or natural language of the Jews—that is, the religious language (representing the Covenant Race—God's law). (2) Greek, which was the usual language spoken by the people (representing art and learning—human wisdom), (3) Latin, which was the official language—i. e., of the Romans (representing power and conquest—worldly empire).

DESTROYED CHURCHES

A report from Paris by RNS states that nearly 5,000 churches were destroyed in France between 1939 and 1945.

BIBLE SCHOOL

The deal for the final purchasing of the building in Baxter Springs, Kansas, for a Bible School was completed on May 18. Plans for the coming School are moving along nicely and arrangements are being made as swiftly as possible and details of the coming term will be announced at a later date. Some have felt perhaps the Bible School would in time be a "hitching post" and lead to organization of the Movement, so we want to make it clear, that there are no intentions now, nor will be in the future to form an organization. But let's not forget, this Movement was born in a Bible School, and God's approval has rested upon it since that time. The paramount aim of this Bible School is to teach, preach and practice the Doctrine of the Bible as set forth by the Apostolic Faith Movement.

We give our utmost thanks and appreciation to you who have given financially. We are yet in debt a few hundred dollars, and we trust you will make this a matter of prayer.

Trustees:

Ben Barksr,
Otis Wade,
Alford Whiteley.

THE PLACE

There is a place where thou canst touch the eyes
Of blinded men to instant perfect sight.
There is a place where thou canst say, "Arise!"
To dying captives, bound in chains of night;
There is a place where thou canst reach the store
Of hoarded gold and free it for the Lord;
There is a place—upon some distant shore
Where thou canst send the worker or the Word.
There is a place where Heaven's restless power
Responsive moves to thine insistent plea;
There is a place—a silent trysting hour—
Where God Himself descends and fights for thee.
Where is that blessed place—dost thou ask,
"Where?"
O Soul, it is the secret "Place of Prayer."

—Adelaide A. Pollard.



prophecy will be fulfilled. The fact that in the Bible is recorded prophecy of the birth of Christ as to the time, manner, place, and lineage; of the mode of His transportation upon His triumphal entry into Jerusalem; of His suffering and death; and of His resurrection should make any honest-hearted person believe in the divinity of Christ. These things, coupled with the history which tells of His life here on earth, and the fact of His great influence in the world of today, should cause everyone to desire to know Him in reality and in truth.

538 years before the time of Christ, Daniel had a vision in which he was told the time of the birth of Christ. The substance of this vision in relation to the subject at hand is given in Dan. 9:25. He was told that from the order to rebuild Jerusalem until the time of the long-awaited Messiah would be seven weeks, and sixty two weeks or a total of 69 weeks. Bible students agree that the time which is referred to as a week in this scripture is not our week of seven days, but seven years. This is no violation of the Bible, but is the same as the week spoken of in Gen. 29:26-28. Several decrees were given regarding the rebuilding of Jerusalem varying in date from B. C. 536 to B. C. 444 which dates cannot be fixed definitely. The record of these commands is given in Ezra and Nehemiah. Any time within the range of the dates given above, with the addition of the sixty-nine weeks, brings us very close to the time of Christ. Please note that 500 years ago America was yet undiscovered, and 400 years ago it was still uncolonized. These

prophecy which was made at a time so remote from the time of its fulfillment? It was slightly over 700 years ago that King John of England signed the Magna Charta which forms the basis of all democratic forms of government. Surely it would be impossible for anyone in his time to foretell the place of birth of someone in our day. Yet that is substantially what happened in this scripture: and we are aware that Christ was actually born there—history records it unequivocally.

In Isaiah 7:14 we find these words: "Therefore the Lord Himself shall give you a sign; behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." This scripture foretells the manner of Christ's birth 742 years before he was born, and also that he should be called Immanuel, which means "God with us." This was fulfilled without doubt in Christ's birth. Again in Isaiah 9:6, "For unto us a child is born: unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." This scripture was also fulfilled in the birth of Christ, with the exception of the phrase "and the government shall be upon his shoulder," which is yet to be fulfilled when He comes back to earth the second time, with power and great glory.

The following verse tells that He shall sit upon the throne of David, which fact, in connection with Micah 5:2 should establish his lineage.

In 487 B. C. the prophet Zechariah wrote these words (Zech. 9:9): "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: Behold thy King cometh unto thee: He is just and having salvation: lowly and riding upon an ass and upon a colt, the foal of an ass." Now consider history for moment: see the man Jesus as He rides into Jerusalem on an ass amid the shouts of the populace, who are waving palms and shouting. These folk surely believed that Jesus was the Messiah; but they had forgotten in all their parade that this same Jesus was to be the object of much sorrow according to the prophecy of the same men who prophesied of His glory and power. May we beware lest we make the same mistake and see only the glory and popularity of the way, failing to see the cross which Christ said we must take up in order to follow Him.

"So they weighed for my price thirty pieces of silver." Zech. 11:12, B. C. 487. "I gave my back to the smiters and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting." Isaiah 50:6, B. C. 712. "But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed," Isaiah 53:5. "They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture," Psa. 22:18. "For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption," Psa. 16:10. All these scriptures stand as mute evidence of the fact that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of God, for they were all fulfilled in his life, death, and resurrection. These are the scriptures which the Jews overlooked when they studied

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Brief Mentions

MERIDIAN, MISS. Brother Grady Adcock, Pastor of the church at Snell, reports the blessing of the Lord on the work there and that great interest is manifested in the building of a new church which they hope to build this summer. Brother Adcock hopes to be in revivals in the different communities around there.

PALM CITY, CALIF. The work of the Lord is going forward at Palm City, the recent revival proved a great spiritual blessing to the church. 12 were saved, 7 sanctified and six received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Marcena Mahan, Geraldine Allen, Ethel Fulbright and Wilbur Fulbright were ordained into the Ministry. Rev. Wm. Yeakel, Pastor.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. Evangelist and Mrs. Glayron Rees, Joe Lilly and Hallie Chitwood recently closed a good revival at the Sunset Mission. A number were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Spirit. The last week of the revival Brother Rees gave Bible lessons on the deeper teachings of the Word of God. Sister Pearl Yeakley, Pastor.

HARDESTY, OKLA. Evangelist and Mrs. Sidney Rees, assisted by the Pipkin Sisters, and the Nelson Sister of Laverne, Okla. have recently closed a fine revival at Hardesty. A number were saved and sanctified. A lovely new church is now under construction, size, 30 x 50, with full basement for class rooms. Splendid cooperation and help is being given for the building of the church. Rev. and Mrs. F. P. Copeland, Pastors.

Rev. C. R. Dale, Pastor of the Spring Grove Church, Galena, Kansas, is now in Stockton, Calif. and will be in special services there. Sister Dale will be filling the pulpit during his absence.

PONTIAC, MICH. An outstanding revival has just closed in Pontiac with Evangelist John William Troy, nationally known evangelist of the East, President Interdenominational Assn. of Evangelists of Winona Lake, Ind. Splendid crowds attended the meeting, good gospel singing was outstanding, and souls were saved. Rev. and Mrs. Virgil Peters, Pastors.

SNYDER, TEX. The church at Snyder has recently enjoyed an old time revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Gail W. Schultz, assisted by Evangelist and Mrs. Amos Watkins, Fern Hunt and Naomi Mahan. Eight were saved, several sanctified and one received the Holy Spirit. Attendance was good and old time singing was a feature of the services. Vester Clanton, Pastor.

BALKO, OKLA. Evangelist and Mrs. Tica Tabor, and Evangelist and Mrs. Bob Palmer have recently closed a very good revival at the Olive Church. Hap Watkins, Pastor.

KATY, TEXAS. The tent meeting recently held at Katy by Evangelist and Mrs. Murphy Barnes, proved a great blessing and encouragement to the church. Eugene Cornell, Pastor.

ROCKDALE, TEXAS. The work of the Lord is making progress toward the plane on which it should be dwelling at all times. The Sunday School is growing and special interest is being shown in the open discussion Bible Lessons conducted each Thursday night. Special services are held every Wednesday night at Hanover and the Lord is dealing with hearts there. A good free spirit prevails every Friday night at Gause in the services with Brother and Sister Bollinger. Greater things are expected in this district as each one works on and prays on. LaVerne and Eloise Johnson, Pastors.

ALVIN, TEXAS. A farewell service was held at the Apostolic Faith church in Alvin, for the Alvin, San Leon and Galveston churches, on May 27, for Rev. Alford Whiteley and family who have moved to Elkins, Arkansas. An all day service was held with basket dinner and the afternoon service in the City Park. Rev. Whiteley preached his farewell message at the night service.

GRAVETTE, ARK. The Lord is blessing in the services at Mt. Olive and Saratoga. Plans to remodel the church at Mt. Olive are moving along nicely—new shrubs and flowers have been set out. A special Memorial service will be held there on June 3, in memory of the Parham Family. C. E. and Imogene Orendorff, Pastors.

“When God asks you questions concerning your duty to the heathen, do you answer them in your favor, or in His and theirs?”

MAGNOLIA, ARK. A good meeting has recently been held at the New Bethel Church with Evangelist Otto Busch. The crowds were real good and several were saved in the meeting. Special day services were held each morning which were a blessing to the church. Vera Scott, Pastor.

CENTER POINT, TEXAS. The Center Point church is moving forward under the leadership of Brother and Sister Paul Bailey. The entire church is looking forward to a revival soon, and plans are under way for the building of a parsonage.

CURTIS, OKLA. Evangelist and Mrs. Earl Neilson have recently closed an old time revival at the church in Curtis. Several were saved and sanctified and the christians received great victory. Sister Etta Mae Peters, Pastor, has resigned and is now in special services through out the pan-handle district.

Lenore Peck, Louella Russell, Loraine Barker and Cleo Cooper are now attending the Stamps-Baxter School of Music in Dallas, Texas.

Harold Cooper, Minister of Arnett, Okla., reports good services there and all are enjoying the weekly Bible Lessons.

Brother and Sister Floyd LaMunyon expect to conduct a revival at Elk City, Kansas, in the near future.

LAVERNE, OKLA. The Lord is blessing in the church at Laverne and a revival spirit prevails. A number have been saved recently in the regular services, and a baptismal service was held on May 20. Evangelist Earl Neilson has been in special services there. Ben Barker, Pastor.

Evangelist and Mrs. George Bollinger held their farewell services at the 5th St. Church in Baxter Springs, Kansas, Sunday, May 27, and are entering the evangelistic field.

Rev. and Mrs. Earl Morgan have resigned as Pastors of the Mission in Fayetteville, Ark., and plan to be in evangelistic work soon.

Evangelist Dora Spencer, Frances and Eula Mae Taylor and Dorcas Crouse have been in special services in Gravette, Cave Springs, Fayetteville and Greenland, Ark. They plan evangelistic meetings in Nebraska soon.

A Singing Convention will be held the third Sunday of every month in the different churches in the district in and around Joplin, Mo. Wilfred Arnce, in charge.

The Union Chapel at Bethpage, Mo., has elected Brother Ted Jackson as their new Pastor.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Miss Lucille Robinson, daughter of J. W. Robinson of Baxter Springs, Kansas, and Cpl. Ralph Denton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Denton of Baxter Springs, Kansas, were united in marriage at an impressive double ring ceremony at the 5th St. Church on April, 22. Mrs. Denton has been assisting in the office of the Apostolic Faith Publishing Co. for several months. Cpl. Denton has been stationed in the Pacific for 29 months, and reported to Leavenworth, Kansas, for duty on June 2.

GUYMON, OKLA. The tent meeting at Guymon, under the direction of Olen Bachlor and the Lee Brock party, proved of great blessing and help to the entire community. Paul and Dessa Bollinger, Pastors.

Sister Hallie Chitwood is assisting in the work at the Sunset Mission in San Francisco, Calif. Pearl Yeakley, Pastor.

Leota Chitwood and Lucille Denton expect to be in a revival meeting at North Platte, Nebraska, by the middle of June.

Evangelist and Mrs. Glayron Rees and party plan to be in a revival meeting at Stockton, Calif. soon and they plan evangelistic meetings throughout the summer on the western slope of Colorado.

Evangelist P. M. Campbell of 5918 Graywood, Bellflower, Calif. plans to be in evangelistic meetings and is open for calls.

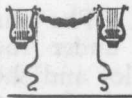
The blind Evangelist, Rex Qualls and Arthur Ray of Fresno, Calif., who used to assist Brother C. F. Parham in evangelistic meetings, years ago, are now going into the evangelistic work and are open for calls.

Sister Jewel Smith of Lomita, Calif. writes the dear ones of the faith there, are continuing to have their prayer meetings in the different homes every Wednesday night.

Brother Bill Briles is now pastor of the work at Englewood, Kansas, and they are praying and looking forward to securing a church building.

Brother Curtis K. McAdams is an undenominational Missionary for the State of Texas and is open for calls for gospel work.

Evangelist Frances Stork is now in a revival meeting at the Frisco Mission in Webb City, Mo.



Our A Treasure Chest

I wonder how many of you children have a Bible all your own? Did you ever stop to think how much work has been done, so that all of us can easily own a Bible?

Once upon a time, a long, long, time ago, there was no writing or printing. Fathers and mothers told stories to their children, and sometimes a famous story teller would travel about, telling what had happened long before.

Someone invented picture writing, and the pictures were traced on many things. Clay tablets were used, or the pictures carved on stone. Then they used the skins of animals, and invented ink with which to mark on the skins.

The people of Egypt learned a simpler and easier way of writing, and made paper from a weed.

God's people also learned about writing at this time. They were called Hebrews and their language, the Hebrew language. Their writers, who were led of God to write, wrote on scrolls, or long pieces of paper fastened together. These were carefully kept and it was from these that Jesus read.

Only a very few people could read or write. These men were called scribes. The work of writing was done by hand, and the letters used were all capitals. It looked something like this GOD-ISLOVE. When a scribe was ready to write the name of God, he tried to do his best work, and even washed his pen before he began to write that name.

Over 200 years before Christ came the Hebrew people lived in other countries where Greek was the language spoken. Wise men translated the Old Testament from Hebrew to Greek.

Just before Jesus ascended into Heaven he told his disciples to "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Disciples and followers of Jesus



obeyed this command, and churches grew up in many places. Parts of the Bible were translated into many languages, and finally a very good man named Jerome worked hard for years and translated the Bible into Latin. A large number of ungodly people were displeased with his work.

If you had lived in England only a few hundred years ago, you would have been unable to read your Bible, for there was no Bible written in English. Only a few very well educated persons could understand Latin. Godly men began to see the need of having the Bible in English so the common people could read it.

Some parts of the Bible were translated into English, and then a man called Wycliffe worked hard many years and finished translating the Bible from Latin to English. A copyist worked about ten months to make a single copy.

The common people received the new TREASURE CHEST gladly, but the rulers of the Church did a strange and terrible thing. They passed a law saying that no one should be allowed to read the Bible. To own one was considered a crime. Many persons were put in prison for the privilege of reading and studying the Bible.

People who could not own books read those of their wealthy neighbors. One man paid a whole

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GOD WANTS THE BOYS

God wants the boys, the merry boys,
The noisy boys, the funny boys,
The thoughtless boys;
God wants the boys, with all their joys—
That He as gold may make them pure,
And teach them trials to endure.
His heroes brave He'd have them be,
Fighting for truth and purity;
God wants the boys.

OUR THOUGHTS

Spring is just around the corner, and many of you will be helping mother plant a garden. We like to do this, but in time we have the ugly job of pulling weeds. If we do not pull out the weeds the garden will not grow.

So it is with our thoughts. Read this little poem which I found for children:

"Every kind, loving thought
Bears a kind, loving deed;
While a thought that is mean
Is just like a weed.

We must watch what we think
Each minute all day;
And pull out the weed thoughts
And throw them away."

Viola Modrick.

A CHORUS

Do you like to sing little choruses. Here is one that some one has written to the tune of "What A Friend We Have In Jesus:"

"Trusting, loving, learning ever
In Christ's Name we onward go.
We will seek the things of goodness
In our life God's love we'll show.
We will keep our body holy,
Keep our mind all clean and pure;
We will walk as in the daytime
With our hand, dear Lord, in thine."

Viola Modrick.

Russia has opened a consulate at Jerusalem.

OUR BIBLE

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load of hay to be permitted to read from another man's Bible an hour a day for a certain number of days. A little girl learned the Ten Commandments, and some parts of the Epistles. People came to her home to hear her recite these parts of the Bible, and often she recited them at meetings. Nothing could stop the work of giving the Bible to the people.

When all books were written by hand, and paper was very expensive, only wealthy persons could own books. This made it impossible for most people to read the Bible. Many persons tried to find easier ways of making books. In the year 1450 Johann Gutenberg invented the printing press. When he took the model to the workmen who was to make the first printing press, he said, "Through this God will spread His Word." Sure enough the first book printed was the Bible, so James I, King of England found how to make cheaper paper.

Many years later the people felt the need of a better translation of the Bible, so James I, king of England found fifty-four men to do the work. It was seven years before the work was finished and published. This is the Bible you and I use today, 334 years later. We also have an American version to use.

The Bible, all of it, or in parts, has been translated into hundreds of languages and dialects, so that other people can have this wonderful Treasure Chest. Even the blind have not been forgotten, and a copy of our Bible can be bought for a few cents.

Boys and girls, every time you pick up your Bible, I want you to think of the years and years of hard work it has taken for us to own a Bible. Many good men were put in prison, or even put to death, trying to improve the reading of it. Be glad for your Bible and read it often, for it is God's word given to us to take care of.

—Viola Modrick.

"Begin now to tithe in the days of thy youth; while the stingy days are not nigh; when thou shalt say, 'I find no pleasure in it.'"

SIGNS OF CHRIST'S FIRST COMING AND DIVINITY

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the prophecies regarding the Messiah who was to come. But they were fulfilled, and those who failed to believe on him because of his suffering are no better off for their momentary glorifying of this Jesus, since they were later offended in him. Those who had opportunity to read the scriptures but chose not to see therein the death and suffering of Christ will stand condemned for that failure.

In the face of so great a cloud of witnesses to the fact of the divinity of Jesus, is it possible for one to fail to believe on him? Would we be guilty as were the Jews of not studying the word of God from an unbiased point of view, but accept only the glory part of the gospel, refusing the cross? Jesus admonished us to "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of me." John 5:39. May we begin to study the Word of God in order to see whether we have eternal life, or whether there is yet something for us to do before we are admitted into the portals of glory. Some will say, "But this is the age of grace—all we must do is believe to be saved." Perhaps true, but did you not also read about the signs following a believer? Did you not read about repentance? Did you not read one must be born again in order to see the Kingdom of God? Did you not read where He said to take up our cross daily and follow him? Many of us are looking for the promises of God, but are not willing to see the commandment that goes with it, which is the condition that must be met before we receive the promise. Many of us are so busy looking for the portals of glory, and for riches and comforts here that we never have time to look around to see whether the Lord left a cross for us to bear. It is one thing to believe on Jesus as the historical king; and it is quite another thing to believe on him as our king, our Lord, our all in all. If Jesus is our king, then we should begin to put him first. We should begin to practice the things which are com-

manded us to do by the Word of God. Each one has his own cross to bear, and if we fail wilfully to see it, we are accountable, and cannot inherit the promises of God. We must each examine our own lives, to see whether we be in the faith: whether we just believe on Christ as the historical Messiah, or as King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.

You know, the great commandment is to love the Lord God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and the next is to love your fellowman as yourself. (Mark 12:28-31.) If we do these things, our service to God and to others will be a service of Love, and will accomplish something. Paul gives some light on how we may keep these commandments, when he said, "Whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God," I Cor. 10:13. I believe we would begin to discover where we stand with God if we would consider everything we do, and see whether we do all to the glory of God.

TRI-STATE YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY

A splendid young people's rally was held Sunday, May 13, Mother's Day at the Spring Grove Church in Galena, Kansas. President Delores Smith presided. A splendid program was given and a timely message was delivered by Rev. Darrel Sutton. An election of officers was held and the following were elected. Darrel Sutton, President; Alice Scott, Vice-President; Roberta Parham, Sec. and Treasurer. The next Rally will be held at the Full Gospel Church in Joplin, Mo., the second Sunday in June.

Jews to the number of 1,000,000 are reported to be in the allied armies.

Stewardship put the Golden Rule into business instead of the Rule of Gold.

The worst agony I know is to lose Christ and then attempt to keep up the camouflage with an empty heart.—Gipsy Smith.

OUR BOYS IN SERVICE

Hawaii.

Dear Folks:

Yesterday, was quite an inspirational day. I enjoyed one of the grandest Christian followships since being in the service. It was really wonderful. I went to the Kaimuki Gospel Community Church, Wayne Huff and I had been there previously. I stayed for the entire day's activities. Actually the services were held in the home of these fine Missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Cross.

A person doesn't realize how unimportant denominationalism is until you get away out here in the Islands and become really hungry for Christian fellowship. Heaven must surely be something like that. There is no arguments and disagreements about petty creeds of doctrines. Everyone there seemed to have a very definite experience with the Lord. I don't believe there is any greater fraternal organization than one made up of Christians. Some were Baptists, Nazariners, Assembly of God, Pentecost, Holiness, Missionary Alliance, etc.—but there was one thing in common, the Lord had saved their soul.

After Sunday School and morning service everyone was invited to stay for sandwiches provided by the ladies of the church. About 30 service men were there. I conversed with a young Lieutenant in the Navy, which is the same as a Captain in the Army. A splendid chap, a rarity indeed.

During the afternoon a Bible Study class was held. At 5 o'clock dinner was served to all by the girls of the church—and frankly I don't see how they were able to provide such a delicious meal, namely, baked ham. It was really inspiring to be seated at the table amongst service men of every branch and every rank; and instead of having to listen to the customary smutty tales, you heard various experiences of men, and how they were saved. If anyone there had any doubts that a man could live a victorious life for the



Lord in the service; they must certainly have had to have a change of belief after seeing and hearing the experiences of those men; not flak-happy men but sincere intelligent men who had a very real experience of salvation.

A song and testimony service was then held—which got better and better. Some of the men had been to the battle fronts while others were just on the way. It was almost like being in an old camp meeting. I got world's of good out of this meeting. This stop in Hawaii has been a filling station spiritually as well as materially.

Your son,
Bentson Bowen.

Written to Mr. and Mrs. L. C.
Bowen of Booker, Texas.

Dear Friend,

It is with great pleasure that I am answering your letter. I am very glad to know that my request has been acknowledged and that you all are praying for me. I would like to send a request for my father who has been in poor health for sometime.

I was greatly blessed when I saw my letter was printed in the October issue of the paper.

My prayer is that God will bless you in your Christian work and make you a great success in the future.

Your Christian Friend,
Pfc. Elmer Smith.

Pacific.

Dear Sister Parham:

I am very glad to be on your mailing list, as I get lots of comfort and encouragement from reading the Apostolic Faith Paper. I am the only one on my ship that receives your paper. Our ship is small and we do not have a Chaplain, so I am by no means the only one that reads the paper. I leave it on the table and other papers come and go, but it is still there. I have some very good friends of other faiths who really love your paper. I don't know why you keep sending it on and on without even a thank you—but I certainly do appreciate it.

A friend in Christ,
Charley M. Clark.

Dear Sister Parham:

I enjoy the paper very much. It seems to arrive at the time I need encouragement most, so please continue sending it.

Your Friend in Christ,
Grady Sweeten, Y 3 C.

Philippine Islands.

Dear Friend:

I am thankful to receive your paper, it gives me a great uplift, and something to stand on. You may send me a blest handkerchief as I need for my body. I like to read where the many boys have written in.

Your Friend in the Lord,
Pfc. Tex Heiman.

Dear Mrs. Parham,

I received your letter. It really is an encouragement to get letters from those who are praying to God for our safety and safe return home. Yes there are many who look to God for protection in their daily lives. I am looking forward to the day that I can return home and have peace and happiness, also the privilege to worship the way I have been taught to and want to.

I enjoy the magazine that you publish very much.

Keep praying for me.

A friend in Christ,
O'Dell Justice.

Philippine Islands.

Dear Friend:

I wish to thank you for your letters of encouragement, not only those you wrote to me, but for the many others that I know you wrote to the far corners of the earth.

I misplaced the address and didn't have the paper transferred overseas, but my good christian friend, Mr. Crane at Lamesa, Texas, had it transferred to me over here, however the paper hasn't reached me yet, but it will by and by.

I wish to thank you for calling my name in prayer and my sincere hope is that your prayers will not go unheeded.

There is nothing better than a nice letter of encouragement and hope for a guy like me and many others who are far away from home during this awful day of war and distress. It wakes us up and sets us aright, lest we stray and turn the wrong way.

I am sincerely your friend in the Service,

Brock McPherson.

Germany.

Dear Mrs. Parham:

I have been planning to write a few lines of appreciation for your letter of remembrance that I received quite some time ago. It has meant a lot to me and I'm sorry I have waited so long to write.

I realize too, that I failed to write to you and give my overseas address, when I came overseas quite sometime ago, but still I have received one copy of the Apostolic Faith Paper.

I still hear from several of the ministers and workers at home and as always glad to hear of the good work being done. I shall always remember the good work accomplished by both the Parham brothers. May God bless you.

Paul A. Ross.

"Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God."

—Wm. Carey.



Taken in Belgium.

Cpl. Jona Janzen,
stationed with 76th General Hospital
in Europe.

SOLDIER'S PSALM

Soldier, lift up your eyes unto the hills,
From whence comes a Soldier's help.
A Soldier's help cometh from the Lord,
Which made Heaven and Earth.
He will not suffer a Soldier's foot to be moved,
He that keepeth a Soldier will not slumber,
Behold! He that keepeth a Soldier Shall neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord is a Soldier's keeper.
The Lord is a Soldier's shade upon the right hand.
The sun shall not smite a Soldier by day,
Nor the Moon by night.
The Lord shall preserve a Soldier from all evil.
The Lord shall preserve a Soldier's soul;
He shall preserve a Soldier's going out,
And a Soldier's coming in;
From this time forth and even for Evermore.
A Christian Soldier's Prayer:
Lord, make me to be the Soldier that my country needs.

Philippines.

Dear Sister Parham:

May I take this means to express my appreciation for the Apostolic Faith Paper which you have been sending me. I receive it every month and really do enjoy it. I pass it on to my buddies and they too find enjoyment reading it. We are always looking forward for the next issue.

I think often of you and your family and I pray God will bless you as you continue on in your work. I know it is doing lots of good for we boys that are over seas, so keep up the good work.

I trust you will place me on your prayer list, as there is nothing that can take the place of prayer. I want to thank you again for your wonderful paper.

Your brother in Christ,
Pvt. Allen S. Brandon.

Halstead, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Parham:

Greetings in Jesus' Name.

I'm sending you an offering and also my new address. I certainly enjoy the paper, and more so, since I've been in Service.

May God bless you and your work.

Sincerely yours,
C/N Ruth E. Lynch.

Brigham City, Utah.

Dear Sister Parham:

Have been planning to write you for some time. I received the paper last month, surely was glad for it and to read the sermons of different ministers of the gospel. We are glad that we know the Lord. Truly He is a friend above all friends. And we know our Lord is soon to return to this earth for those that are ready to meet Him. Lord help us all to be ready to meet Him.

I am in the hospital here now and hope to be home soon and again be in some good services. Enclosed is a money order for the work of the Lord. I appreciate the prayer of all our christian friends.

Yours in Christ,
Sgt. and Mrs. Nolan Eiland.

❖ MISSIONARY PAGE ❖

The Gospel in the Battle-Scarred Solomons

By A. J. Campbell

Missionary to the South Sea Islands

It is more than four hundred years since the first white man, in the person of a Spanish navigator who had voyaged out from Peru, discovered the Solomon Islands. These islands remained unseen by any other Europeans for more than two hundred years. Gradually their wild cannibal and head-hunting tribes came under various civilizing influences. Christianity was accepted by thousands of these savages of the Solomons, and today it is a mighty force throughout the group. Head-hunters' sons have carried the gospel message to the same tribes whom their fathers fought. The war cries of the heathen have given way to Christian hymns. Beautifully carved war canoes now carry families to places of worship. Instead of fierce and inhuman cannibal and head-hunting expeditions, the people meet together in the worship of their Master.

The gospel has performed wonderful things. Ordained native ministers are the sons of head-hunters and cannibals. One of these has organized canoe squads that have been instrumental in rescuing nearly a hundred airmen from sea and jungle. These fine Christian people who have performed this noble rescue work were "primitive" but a few years ago. Now they are transformed, for they have found Jesus and have learned to love Him and to appreciate the purpose of His leaving the courts of glory and coming to this world.

It did not take millions of years for head-hunters to become Christians, rather but a few years, and in some cases not even a year. Their sons became Christian teachers of power and purpose, who won heathen of opposing tribes to Christ. This great work continues in the face of the greatest conflict this distracted world has yet seen. The front line of modern warfare has been carried into their midst



with incredible suddenness. Many of the deeds of love and mercy performed by these dusky-skinned Solomon Islanders during this present conflict would thrill the reader, if they could be told. Many Americans live today who would not have lived but for them.

No finer investment was ever made by the people of the United States than their support of Christian missions in the Solomon Islands. Today these battle-scarred islands have exchanged cannibalism and head-hunting for the gospel; they have surrendered their habits of smoking and betel nut chewing for Christ's message of love. The thunders of modern warfare on land and sea and in the air, which have rent their once-secluded domains, have only made them truer soldiers of the cross.

DIVINE JUSTICE

Justice which lacks strength is powerless. Force without justice is tyrannical. We must then unite justice and force, and, to do so, bring it about that what is just is strong, and that what is strong is just.—*Pascal*.

A MISSIONARY TROPHY

A Christian soldier writing to his pastor from somewhere in the South Sea Islands relates the following:

"This morning while away from camp I came upon one of the most interesting pictures of my life. The natives were building a grass hut, and they had only the wood framework up. One black boy was perched on the top of the center support, singing the hymn, 'Jesus Christ Is Risen Today,' in his own native tongue. It was at first quite a shock to me, but I realized that he had learned it from a missionary. I looked up at him and I don't think I have ever seen such a look of complete happiness on any human face in my life. I called up to him and said that he was a good boy. I don't know just why I said that, but I did. He looked down at me and repeated a few times, 'Me good boy, me good boy.' He came down from his perch and began to sing again. I listened, then joined him in English. How strange it was to hear this primitive boy and myself singing praises to our God. One feels the presence of God more out here in the wilds of the world. He alone meets our needs."

From—The Lutheran.

If Christian missions in foreign fields had done nothing more than win Madam Chiang Kai-Shek to Christ, her place and personality in the world of today would justify every dollar spent on the foreign missionary enterprise since the church in Antioch sent Paul to preach to the Gentiles.

—Christian Index.

CHAPLAINS DIE IN BATTLE

Forty-two chaplains are reported to have died in battle during the last three years, while three are reported missing in action and forty-three more are being detained by the enemy. There were 9,825 chaplains reported in the Army, Navy and the Marine corps, and the Coast Guard, as of December 7, 1944.

REWARDS AND BLESSINGS

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up unto God, and to His throne. This man child who was caught up to the throne of God are those who have the seal of the holy Spirit unto the day of redemption. They are the first fruits unto God. They are the hundred fold christian, who have measured up to the greatest requirements of christian living. EPH. 4:30,— Gives the QUALIFICATION for redemption. "And grieve not the holy Spirit of God whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. REV. 14:1-5,— Gives the REQUIREMENTS to retain the seal for the event. "And I looked and and lo a Lamb stood on the mount Zion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps; and they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women: for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the first fruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.

These hundred and forty and four thousand will be caught away to the throne of God at the beginning of the great tribulation week, or the 70th. week of Daniel's prophesy concerning Israel. This class will also be changed and put on immortality as they are caught away from among men to God and His throne.

As we consider these great blessings purchased by the supreme price of calvary, and the benefit and reward they bring; it should stir every soul, and plant a desire in our hearts to pay the utmost price. By paying the utmost price, we can enjoy the fullness of God's

blessings and benefits; and receive His greatest rewards.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF
REWARDS
REWARD OF THE WICKED.

Death and destruction in the lake of fire, for rejecting Jesus.

30 FOLD CHRISTIAN,
CONVERTED, THOSE ON
THE ADAM PLANE.

These come up at the second resurrection to the white throne judgment, partake of the tree of life, and dwell in the new earth.

60 FOLD CHRISTIAN,
WOMAN CLASS,
SANCTIFIED CHURCH.

Put on incorruption, immortality, are the bride of Christ who meet him in the air, reign with him through the millennum; and dwell in the new Jerusalem for eternity.

100 FOLD CHRISTIAN, MAN
CHILD, SPIRIT FILLED.

These put on immortality, are caught up to the throne of God; reign as kings and priests for a thousand years, dwell in the new Jerusalem for eternity.

WHY I CAN'T
GO TO THE MOVIES

Because my parents made me go too often when I was a boy.

Because no one speaks to me when I am there.

Because they always want money.

Because the manager never visited me in my home.

Because the people who go there never live up to what the movies teach anyway.

(The above is silly, isn't it? Of course, if we substituted the word "Church")

Discipline—a ten-year-old was making obvious preparations to run away from home. "And what's the trouble, my boy?" asked a kindly lady. "Oh," said the youngster in disgust, "my parents won't mind me any more."

—Arkansas Baptist.

VACATION**BIBLE SCHOOLS**

LOGAN OKLA. Sister Viola Modrick recently conducted a very successful Daily Vacation Bible School at the Mid-way Country Church. Attendance was good and outstanding lessons and illustrations were given on Creation and Formation by Sister Modrick. Marcus Adair, Pastor.

GALENA, KANSAS. Sister Charles Dale has just conducted a splendid Daily Vacation Bible School at the Spring Grove Mission. The theme of the School was God's Clock of the Ages. The Spring Grove church has recently held a Sunday School Contest bringing the attendance up to 176. Brother Charles Dale, Pastor.

BAXTER SPRINGS, KANS. Sister Charley Gilmore directed the Daily Vacation Bible School at the 5th St. Church. Good attendance and interest was manifested. Sister Pauline Parham gave the Bible Lesson to the entire school every day.

TESTIMONY

For several weeks I suffered severe pain caused from kidney stones. After consulting two different doctors and receiving no help, I went to a specialist who immediately ordered me to the hospital. One hour before I was to receive an examination which would lead to an operation, I passed a stone without any pain, and the Lord healed me. The doctor came and went ahead with his examination but found nothing wrong. He said, "young man I believe you cured yourself." The next day I came home from the hospital, the doctor could hardly believe my healing so told me to come back in another week for a check up. Praise God I have had no pain since that time. Jesus never fails.

Brother Fred Peter, son of Rev. and Mrs. Virgil Peter.

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OBITUARIES

Mrs. Dorothy A. Kivel, wife of George Kivel, a resident of Port Huron, Mich., for 39 years, passed away at her home on April 23, after a long illness, at the age of 82. She was born February 6, 1863, in Strathroy, Ont. Canada. She was married to Mr. Kivel on November 7, 1883.

Mother Kivel was a devoted follower of Christ and was a great adherent of the Apostolic Faith, and many times in years passed entertained Ministers of the gospel in her home, and her sweet hospitable and sacrificing character shall long be remembered.

She is survived by her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Byron Cochrill; two sons, Eli W. Kivel and Verne E. Kivel all of Port Huron.

Funeral services were held at the Downs funeral home with Rev. Clayton Bearinger officiating.

Charley Wesley Handley was born December 24, 1880 at Council Grove, Kansas. He departed this life April 22, 1945, at the age of 64 years, at his home in Webb City, Mo.

He is survived by his wife, Florence; five sons, Cecil and Ted of Webb City, Mo.; Gay of the U. S. Navy; Jack of Los Angeles, Calif.; Rev. Bill Handley of Houston, Texas; six daughters, Mrs. Zetta Crawford of Washington, Mrs. Kitchen of Utah, Mrs.

Jaunita Roudebush of Kansas City, Mo., Mrs. Jewel Sage, Mrs. Pauline Minges, Mrs. Lorene LeMaster of Webb City, Mo.

Funeral services were held at the Hedge-Nelson Chapel with Rev. Olen Bachlor in charge, assisted by Rev. Leonard Turner.

PRAYER LIST

Your prayer request shall receive personal attention. Blest and anointed handkerchiefs will be sent on request. Whatever your need may be, trust in God, He is ready and willing to hear and answer prayer for you.

Mrs. Henry Martin
George W. Long
Mrs. D. L. Jamison
Mrs. Fay S. Abnett
Mrs. Dillard Rice
Mrs. Eva Smith
Mrs. Edgar Beyers
Sharon Rose King
Mrs. Glen King
Christana Staus
Mrs. Fred Krause
Mrs. Henry Kreis
Mrs. Ed Mindt
Mrs. A. W. Webber
Mrs. J. P. Wycuff
Cpl. Glendo Coffey
E. L. Clark
Pvt. Ray Johnson
Bill Noble
Effie Hudelson

THE EAGLE AT NIAGARA

An Eagle was seen on a cake of ice floating in the river above Niagara Falls, feeding on a dead lamb. A sleet was falling at the time, freezing as it fell. The unconscious Eagle, intent upon its meal, surveyed the scene, obviously aware of approaching danger, yet nothing daunted, expecting to escape the threatening flood by flight. Thence was borne into the current nearer the rapids, and then the falls. The Eagle crouched to mount into the air. But its feathers were congealed into fetters. The harmless mist had frozen into bands of ice while the Eagle was feeding in security upon earthly things. Nearing the brink, in frantic fright it strove to force the pinions, but it was bound and with piercing shriek of agonizing terror, plunged into the merciless abyss.

This perilous picture will never be forgotten, neither the thought. What if the coming of the Lord should find me occupied with earthly things, unprepared to meet the Bridegroom of my soul.

—Selected.

The above article was published in the Apostolic Faith paper in 1927, and as it has had a lasting impression on me I am desirous to see it reprinted. How easily it would be for us to lose our sanctification while we carelessly feed upon the things of the world, harmless tho they seem. Others may tell us that they can partake of the things of the world and the Lord does not condemn, but be careful. Maybe they are not living close enough to the Lord, so He can show them, or condemn them.

If we have been sanctified we have no appetite for the things of the world and if we live close to the Lord He will lead us into a closer walk and fellowship with Him. We will not be found feeding upon earthly things, but will be feeding upon the Bread of Life, which is the Word of God. Hebrews 6:4, 5, 6.

—Addie Owens.