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"YE ARE COMPLETE IN HIM"

A PERFECT SALVATION  
FOR  
SPIRIT - SOUL - BODY

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# My Mother

Who fed me from her gentle breast  
And hushed me in her arms to rest,  
And on my cheek sweet kisses prest?

My mother.

When sleep forsook my open eye,  
Who was it sung sweet lullaby  
And rocked me that I should not cry?

My mother.

Who sat and watched my infant head  
When sleeping in my cradle bed,  
And tears of sweet affection shed?

My mother.

When pain and sickness made me cry,  
Who gazed upon my heavy eye  
And wept, for fear that I should die?

My mother.

Who ran to help me when I fell  
And would some pretty story tell,  
Or kiss the part to make it well?

My mother.

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## *A Personal Letter To You*

This little Gospel Messenger comes to you again as the result of many dear consecrated Christian friends and co-workers. We sincerely hope no one will feel that this is "our" paper but rather that it is going out to many people with a co-ordinated labor and ministry of love and blessing to all who read it.

It is our desire first, that it will be the means of souls finding real salvation and thus helping to accomplish the mission of Jesus and His wonderful Gospel; then too, we are praying that it will be a source of encouragement to the many who are Christians. We are working in full cooperation with our official paper "The Apostolic Faith" and its dear Editors who have so faithfully served us through the years.

We are made to see more and more with the passing events of this day that we must all heed the commandment of our precious Savior, to "work while it is day: the night cometh, when NO MAN CAN WORK." Let us look upon humanity with that vision which Jesus had when he WAS MOVED WITH COMPASSION as he beheld the multitudes in sin and in such great need of the redeeming power of God to save and heal. Then whether we are a minister or of the laity let us pray the Lord of harvest to send forth laborers with a willingness to be the one He would send.

As a few words of personal message to our loved ones who are serving our Nation in the armed forces we wish to remind you that our Savior will always accompany you as you observe His commandments, and also what a wonderful privilege it is that our great Nation affords men the right to serve God according to their own belief even in the Military phases of our Government. Many friends are praying for you and His eyes are ever upon His own.

We surely covet the prayers of everyone as we go forward in the work of the Lord.

Your humble servants of the Lord,

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## Christian Inventory

*By Sidney B. Rees, Pastor of Union Church, Spearman, Texas*

All types of businesses that are successful take at least one inventory a year and sometimes an inventory is taken each quarter to see if the business is progressing satisfactorily and to see if there is any profit derived from it during a particular period of time. The inventories reveal the things that are making a profit and the things perhaps that are losing money for the investor and that a detriment to the success of the business venture. Surely in the realm of Christianity we need to stop and take an inventory and see just how well we are progressing in the things of the Lord and get a glimpse of the things that are unprofitable as Christians and eliminate them. If we could only see ourselves as God sees us and see our shortcomings and errors, then we would be able to improve our status as a fruitbearing Christian. We are living in the time of the great falling away of the Christians and we need to take heed lest we be tempted and drift back in a life of sin.

We wish to deal with the Christians Inventory in two separate phases, one of which deals with the laymember and the other the minister. Some of the things we call attention to can be applied to both groups but first we wish to take inventory as a laymember along some of the lines that are neglected a great deal today. If we do not do God's bidding we will fall by the wayside. So let us search our lives together.

The first thing we need to do is to examine our lives and see if we pray enough each day, and as we look about us see that many Christians are lean in their souls because they have neglected their prayer life. The scripture declares we need to pray without ceasing and that the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. We find many homes of our ranks that do not have a family altar or regular times that the family may gather around for suppli-

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## Contending for the Faith

Jude 3: "Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."

As I pause to survey the content of the above statement I am made to know immediately that the Arch-enemy of humanity has sought all the way down through the centuries to destroy faith in the hearts of God's servants; if there was a tendency so soon after the establishing of the Gospel church of the early days to depart from the faith of our Lord and His gracious promises, it is no wonder that in this, the closing time of the Gospel dispensation, that Satan is trying so hard to weaken faith in the lives of Christians, but, there was no excuse then for not having the necessary faith and the same is true in this time. I do not say this to censor or condemn any one yet I am reminded of the words recorded in Heb. 11:16, "But without faith it is impossible to please Him:" knowing that this statement is true, let us awaken ourselves to the admonition of Jude and begin now to **EARNESTLY CONTEND** for that like faith of the saints.

I fear that sometimes we read over a very important commandment of the Bible because it is stated in such a simple way, and

fail to observe as we should its importance in the securing of ourselves in the plan of God.

The definition of the word contend is, when observed, very impressive: "To exert one's self to obtain some object; to struggle and strive." Now the admonition of the Bible then, is to exert ourselves in the struggle for the faith, which we all know is going to be so much needed every day of our life and so much more as the age draws to a close.

If we but stop to think of all the things which are going to be obtained, alone by faith, I wonder how many are ready for the consummation of this age; It is my personal opinion and I believe substantiated by the gospel that our entire sustenance is soon going to be through faith in the God of miracles alone; People are finding it hard to trust God for Divine healing today. and once again let me say that I am not saying this in a condemning manner, but I am concerned about the future of the people of God. Oh friends, surely the hour is near when we are going to come face to face with more perplexing trials than trusting the Lord for healing and our health; By faith we are going to obtain Grace to face the ever rising tempo of Satanic hordes and Demonology as it surges forward to crush and destroy countless numbers of peo-

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**SEVEN WAYS OF GIVING**  
**THE CARELESS WAY — TO GIVE SOMETHING TO EVERY CAUSE THAT IS PRESENTED WITHOUT INQUIRY INTO ITS MERITS.**

# Questions and Answers

*Used On "Gospel Of Kingdom"  
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**Q. COULD THE SCRIPTURE IN PET. 3:19, MEAN THAT THERE IS A CHANCE TO REPENT AFTER DEATH?**

A. No, it is not possible for people to have a chance to repent after death; Let us read carefully this passage and note its meaning: First notice who it was that Jesus went and preached to. It was those of the Created Spiritual race and their descendants who had committed a terrible sin by inter-marrying with the formed or natural race. Their disobedience brought the flood and their death naturally, without a chance to repent so Jesus went during the days his body lay in the tomb and preached to them in the Spirit Prison. Not a second chance but their first chance to have the Gospel. In chapter 4:6 we find these words which we quote, "For this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh but live according to God in the spirit. In Jude 6, we find reference also to the disobedient angels or spiritual host which left their own habitation and are reserved to judgment. We cannot say, because there is no scripture that tells us whether these spirits in prison accepted Jesus' preaching or not.

**Q. ARE ALL PEOPLE GOD'S CHILDREN WHEN BORN INTO THE WORLD?**

A. Humanity in the natural state of birth into the world are certainly not the children of God. I know it is taught by many that God is the father of all people. That is true only to this extent that he brought man into existence, but by sin and transgression man fell from his relationship to God and became strangers and aliens to God and is born into the world with the nature of satan and sin rather than the spirit of God. Now all you folks listening get a good hold on your self while I tell you that regardless of all your family pride and prestige you and I and my children and your children came into the world not the children of God but the children of wrath, even as others the children of the Devil. I know that may be hard on your pride but it is Bible and I quote, Eph. 2:3, Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of the flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, evne as others In closing this statement let us remember the words of Jesus to Nicodemus, "Ye must be born again."

**Q. HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN THE PASSAGE IN GEN. 5: WHERE IT SPEAKS OF ADAM BEING CREATED?**

A. The word Adam does not mean a name such as, Smith, Jones, etc., as it is commonly thought and believed, but the true

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**THE IMPULSIVE WAY—TO GIVE FROM IMPULSE—AS MUCH AND AS OFTEN AS LOVE AND PITY AND SENSIBILITY PROMPT.**

# “The March of World Empires”

*An Outlined Study of the Book  
of Daniel*

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SERIES NO. 2

As we resume our studies of the Book of Daniel we wish once more to call to our remembrance the vital truth that Daniel was the prophet to the Gentiles, or a prophet to whom was revealed the things which should come in the “Times of the Gentiles.”

We have progressed to the incident of the dream of King Nebuchadnezzar, which was hidden from him and which the Wise men and Magicians of Babylon were not able to make known to the King; There are, we feel, two reasons why this dream was not revealed through the Wise men of Babylon; The first shows how small is the wisdom and ability of men, even though mighty in the wisdom of the world; and the second and major reason why God did not permit this dream to be revealed through the astrologers and magicians of the king's courts was that it was Divinely given for the revealing of God's plan for the future of World Empires and must of necessity also, be divinely revealed or interpreted.

Now let us give very careful attention to the mater of the dream as recorded in Daniel 2:36-45, (please read).

**IN WHAT WAY WAS THE  
TIMES OF THE GENTILES**

**MADE KNOWN TO NEBU-  
CHADNEZZAR, TO DANIEL,  
AND TO WE WHO ARE LIV-  
ING TODAY?**

We will say, in brief, to Nebuchadnezzar by the dream of the image, to Daniel by a vision as recorded in Daniel 7; and to we who are living today by revelation of the Holy Spirit in understanding these things.

Now, since the dream of the image was the first revelation pertaining to the subject we are studying, the rise and fall of world Empires, we feel that it will be necessary to go quite in detail into this matter and in order to grasp the true meaning of Nebuchadnezzar's dream. We will of necessity have to study some other passages of Scripture. Thereby ascertaining just where in the course of Empires, and also just which of those Empires the image pertained to.

One thing which we feel is very needful for us to thoroughly establish in our minds as we study God's dealings with the nations is, that in most all cases He spoke concerning World Empires and not to nations singly; There are exceptions to this, we know, as he did speak concerning Israel and also other single nations on some occasions, but in a general way of revealing the progress of the Times of the Gentiles He spoke of world-wide empires, thus in the image of the

**THE LAZY WAY—TO MAKE A SPECIAL OFFER TO EARN  
MONEY FOR BENEVOLENT OBJECTS BY FAIRS, FESTIVALS,  
ETC.**

king's dream and also in the vision Daniel saw, which is recorded in Chap. 7: and most assuredly not to single nations. Please remember this.

It is very helpful for us in studying the prophecies of Daniel to familiarize ourselves also with some of the prophecies of the book of Revelation, and such is the case in properly understanding the image dream. Let us turn now to Rev. 17; and read: Here we have a description of a scarlet colored beast with a mystery woman rider.

We notice from the reading of the description of this scarlet beast that it has seven heads and ten horns; These seven heads and ten horns have been the source of many and varied ideas and opinions but we notice that to the mind which hath wisdom, (verse 9) these things are quite clearly defined. "The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth." Many have said, these seven mountains are the hills upon which the city of Rome is builded, and we will not say but what there may be some significance to the city of Rome standing on so many hills, but, permit us to say this, that the seven mountains are something of far wider and greater import-which that city stands.

#### WHAT ARE THE SEVEN MOUNTAINS, (HEADS)?

A mountain in prophecy is a world kingdom or empire. This fact cannot be disputed. A num-

ber of scriptures bear this out. Notice these: In Jeremiah 51:24-25 we find a world empire called a mountain, and also naming this particular mountain, and here we quote, "And I will render unto Babylon and unto all the inhabitants of Chaldea all their evil that they have done in Zion in your sight, saith the Lord. Behold, I am against thee O destroying mountain, saith the Lord, which destroyeth all the earth; and I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and roll thee down from the rocks, and will make thee a burnt mountain." Now, we feel that one more Scripture will be sufficient proof of the statement concerning a mountain in prophecy as being a world Empire, and we now quote from Daniel 2:45, "—and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth." Thus we find world dominion referred to as a mountain.

Then having explained what the mountains spoken of are, we arrive at this knowledge, that there were to be seven World Empires in the period of time in which the Government of the world was to be vested in the hands of man; Search history as we may and we will find that to this time there has been but six world Empires and the seventh is soon to rise. They are as follows: 1st. OLD ASSYRIA, which began at Babel, when the Govern-

**THE SELF DENYING WAY — TO SAVE THE COST OF LUXURIES AND APPLY THEM FOR PURPOSES OF RELIGION AND CHARITY. THIS MAY LEAD TO ASCETICISM AND SELF COMPLACENCE.**



ment of the world was first turned over to man, following the flood; 2247 B. C. (remember, from that time unto the present and until Jesus comes to take over the Government of the world, God has not taken the affairs of nations and Government out of the hands of man, it has, and is, truly an age of man); the 2nd. world Empire, EGYPT, 1322 B. C.; 3rd. BABYLON, of Daniel's time, 604 B. C.; 4th, MEDO-PERSIA, the double kingdom, 538 B. C.; 5th GREECE, 336 B. C.; 6th. ROME, the "One is" of John's time, 45 B. C. REMEMBER THE LEGS OF THE IMAGE CONTINUE THROUGH THE FEET AND TO THE TIME THE STONE CRUSHES THEM, thus, the seventh will be a continuance or revival of the sixth, (ROME) also spoken of in Rev. 17:10, "the other which is not yet come."

We find there is another spoken of also, as the eighth, "And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven." And so we learn the eighth develops out of the seventh at the time of the sword wound and is the Anti-christ. This eighth kingdom will even supersede all the previous kingdoms in that it is to be a Satanic-spiritual kingdom making an effort to accomplish that which the literal kingdom of Christ will accomplish when it de-

stroys this Satanic kingdom of the anti-christ.

In verse 10 of Rev. 17 we find a precious truth which not only helps us in understanding the things revealed to John, but is also helpful in our study of the empires shown in the image; "And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space." The statement, there are seven kings tells us that in all there were to be just seven kings. Now bear in mind that this was not spoken concerning kings of single nations but as we have already said it was referring to world empires, of which there were to be seven; five had already come and gone. They were: Old Assyria, Egypt, Babylon, Medo-Persia and Greece. The one is (present tense of John's time) was the then existing Roman empire. And so we have located the seven heads or mountains of which Nebuchadnezzar's dream pertained to some of these same empires which we will study immediately. But, before we leave this passage in Rev. we feel to go a step farther.

WHO IS THE MYSTERY WOMAN ARRAYED IN PURPLE AND RIDING ON THE BEAST?

She was born at Babel out of a Devil-fostered religion, Gen. 11:3-4. Because of her Devilish power

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**THE SYSTEMATIC WAY—TO LAY ASIDE AN OFFERING TO GOD A DEFINITE PORTION OF OUR GAINS—ONE TENTH—ONE FIFTH—ONE THIRD—OR ONE HALF. THIS IS ADAPT-ABLE TO ALL, WHETHER RICH OR POOR; AND GIFTS WOULD BE LARGELY INCREASED IF IT WERE GENERALLY PRACTICED.**

she has ridden and dominated every world Empire. She has slipped from one head to the other as the centuries have passed, thus sitting on the beast and dominating all human rule. She incorporates all false religion reaching her zenith in "The Mother of Harlots" and her daughters, the modern churches of today, finally to be destroyed by the beast on which she has ridden thus fulfilling the fall of Babylon in Rev. 18.

Now with this information in our minds we return to the direct subject which we are studying, to answer this question:

**WHAT WAS THE TRUE MEANING OF NEBUCHAD-NEZZAR'S DREAM AND WHY WAS IT GIVEN IN THE FORM OF A MAN?**

This great metallic image in the form of a man was a very fitting symbol—because it represented the "Times of the Gentiles" during which time the government of the earth was to remain in the hands of man, until the end of the Gentile age, and the time when the government of the world will be placed in the hands of Jesus whose rightful place it is to reign.

The head of Gold was the Babylonish Empire, the Silver was Medo-Persia, the Brass, Grecia, the Iron, Rome, and the feet of Iron and Clay which were a continuation of the leg Empire will beyond doubt be manifested in the revival of the Roman Em-

pire, in effect, but I doubt very much if in name, though it will most likely be geographically, much the same.

**WHAT DID THE DIFFERENT METALS INDICATE?**

A deterioration of value from top to bottom, from gold, the highest symbol of value to the worthless mixture of iron and clay which failed to hold together; Thus we have seen how truly God portrayed the gradual failure of man's efforts to govern until it shall end in absolute inability to control the forces of evil and Satan; How nearly we see that condition existing at present.

**WHAT DOES THE CRUSHING OF THE IMAGE BY THE STONE SHOW US?**

We have so commonly heard it said that the Stone falls on the feet of the image, and that is true, yet there is a more important truth revealed here, it not only falls on the feet to destroy them but we notice the entire image comes under the crushing process of the Stone, "it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the silver, and the gold" and so we see that every form and influence of man's government is going to be completely destroyed to make way for the kingdom and reign of Christ, the Stone.

We are going yet, a step farther in regard to the stone, so often referred to as Jesus, and rightfully so, but, we find this Stone is cut out of the mountain, and

***THE EQUAL WAY—TO GIVE GOD AND THE NEEDY JUST AS MUCH AS WE SPEND ON OURSELVES, BALANCING OUR PERSONAL EXPENDITURES BY OUR GIFTS.***

without hands, so do we not have here included in this Stone the body of Christ which truly is cut out of the mountain, or world, not by man's own ability or wisdom but without hands, by the redeeming power of the Blood of Jesus. And so completing the substance and nature of the government of the world under Jesus and His Saints, The Stone.

And so we come to the close of this part of our study of the book of Daniel with the fulfillment of that spoken in verse 44: "And in the days of these kings (the toes or ten horns) shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever."

"And the stone become a great mountain and filled the whole earth."

Thanks be unto God who in His great wisdom hath prepared and revealed such glorious things to those and for those who will forsake the ways of sin and darkness to walk humbly with Him. Let us lift up our heads and rejoice for, "Behold He cometh quickly." And until we shall resume our studies we say may God richly bless His word to your hearts, and remember to pray for your humble servant in the Lord.

"He who enters in an argument always convinces other people; that he is using poor judgment by so doing."

## **CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH**

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ple. By faith those who go into Redemption will rise above the grasping clutches of the spirit of the anti-christ, by faith those who make up the bride of Christ will find a way to the place of shelter from the storm of tribulation when the Holy Spirit is taken from the world and Satan is no longer withheld from his work of trouble and sorrow. By faith those who go into the wilderness will find their help and sustenance from God as the children of Israel did in coming out of Egypt.

Many are excusing themselves today with an acknowledgement that they don't have sufficient faith to reach things which are needed to make their lives as God would have them be; friend, an acknowledgement of failure will never in itself bring the faith needed, we must be conscious of our need but the way into that need is through striving or contending for that faith.

This great movement of Apostolic believers began as we all know in a desperate struggle in order to obtain the faith and power of the Apostles. We cannot run on past victories and reputation as Apostolic believers in these critical days, but must have a new baptism of zeal and power through faith in God which will cause us to actually prepare for the days of darkness which are even now carrying the world over

**THE HEROIC WAY—TO LIMIT OUR OWN EXPENDITURES TO A CERTAIN SUM, AND GIVE ALL THE REST OF OUR INCOME. THIS WAS JOHN WESLEY'S WAY.**

that awful abyss of despair and destruction.

My heart is burdened as I write these words that we may see the people of God reach out for greater things, not new things, but the old time power through faith which will break the bondage which Satan is inflicting upon many today; let us "stand fast in one spirit, WITH ONE MIND STRIVING TOGETHER FOR THE FAITH OF THE GOSPEL." Phil. 1:27.

It does not necessitate much questioning now, unless we are so absorbed in the cares of this life to take time to consider, to understand why Jesus said, "when the son of man cometh shall he find faith on the earth." My mind can fathom no sadder picture than coming to the end of the age of gospel opportunity having known the teaching of the gospel of deliverance and professing to have accepted that gospel only to find that we have been too busy looking after treasures of this world and putting off into the future the actual struggle and contending for the faith which will please Him who has loved us and died for us, and as we stand to give an account of our stewardship, find that we ourselves are turned away from the Beautiful Gate.

In conclusion, may the words of Paul enter into our hearts, "lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." I Cor. 9:27.

—By the Editor

## THE TONGUE

"The boneless tongue, so small and weak,  
Can crush and kill," declares the Greek.

"The tongue destroys a greater hoard,"  
The Turk asserts, "Than does the sword."

A Persian proverb wisely saith,  
"A lengthy tongue — an early death;"

Or sometimes takes this form instead,  
"Don't let your tongue cut off your head."

"The tongue can speak a word whose speed;"  
The Chinese say, "Outstrips the steed;"

While Arab sages this impart,  
"The tongue's great storehouse is the heart."

From Hebrew wit this maxim sprung,

"Though feet should siip, ne'er let the tongue."

The sacred writer crowns the whole,

"Who keeps his tongue doth keep his soul!"

For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that speak no guile. I Pet. 3:10.

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"As you learn, teach; as you get give; as you receive, distribute."

# THINK IT OVER

**INCLUDED.** No part of our being is left out in God's provision to supply our needs. This is one of the wonders of our religion. Christ's power not only extends to all men, but it reaches all the man. Our bodies are precious in God's sight, and they are included in redemption's benefits.

It will be helpful to study the place of the human body in other religions. In some it is regarded as the seat of sin and so must be penalized by mistreatment. In another its lower impulses are exalted and allowed free expression. One cult denies the reality of a physical existence. The teaching of the Bible on this subject is appealing because of its balance and harmony.

A correct view of the relation of body and spirit will bring a sense of the sacredness of the temple in which God's Spirit dwells. It deserves careful consideration.

**HEALTH INSURANCE.** It is not quite what the name implies. How fine it would be if good health could be assured by payment of a monthly or an annual premium. What we really get is a provision for sickness rather than health. Of course there are sensible measures which all of us can take to promote a reasonable state of physical well-being. If we were really wise, we should not wait until health is gone to give it adequate attention.

There are within the reach of all of us the beneficial physical effects of a Christian life. Righteousness pays dividends in bodily benefits. There is freedom from injurious habits and the destructive consequences of sinful practices; there is salvation from the poison generated by worry and fear.

**MEDICINE FOR THE MIND.** A comparatively new branch of the medical profession is that which treats sickness of the mind. Strange to say, most mental disorders have no physical basis. Many are the result of nervous strain induced by worry. Worry is a type of fear, and fear manufactures poisons which tear down body and mind.

Christ brings balm to the mind as well as to the soul. One of the effects of righteousness is peace, and peace garrisons both the mind and the heart (Phil. 4:6). Have you faith in God? Then you have learned a foremost health secret. Faith and fear cannot live long together. Jesus' counsel not to worry about our food, our clothing, our tomorrows (Matt. 6) is still sound, scientific advice.

**"YOU CAN PRAY."** Living within reach of God is a source of comfort, but it is more. A Christian has help in times of need. A godly mother was caring for the very sick child. The home was far from medical aid; the outlook was dark. "What can I do?" the mother asked herself. "You can pray," said a voice in her heart. She did pray, and the sickness was checked.

God's help is not primarily for times of emergency. Nevertheless, He has promised to hear us in the day of trouble. He delights to put himself at the disposal of those who love and serve Him. Your time of special need will come, and you too can pray.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH MOVEMENT

Acts 2:42

### Enlightenment

By the Spirit of God and the preaching of the Gospel, St. Jn. 1:8-9.

### Conviction

By the Holy Ghost, St. Jn. 16:8.

### Repentance

Resulting in forgiveness of sin and conversion, Lk. 13:3, Ac. 3:19.

### Sanctification

#### SPIRIT, SOUL AND BODY

A positive second definite work of Grace received, by perfect and entire Consecration and Faith in the Flood of Jesus which cleanses from all sin, delivers from Carnality, making the heart ready for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and providing the Grace wherein we stand, II Cor. 1:15, St. Jn. 17; 1 Th. 4:3-4. Also Sanct., the New Birth, by the removing of the spirit of carnality and the birth of the spirit of Christ in our heart. Heb. 2:10-11.

### Baptism of Holy Ghost

According to Acts 2: with evidence of speaking in other language, and not with fleshly and fanatical manifestation. Lk. 24:49, Ac. 1:8, Ac. 2:39.

### The Baptism of Holy Ghost as the Seal Unto the Day of Redemption

Eph. 1:13-14, Eph. 4:30.

### Divine Healing

The door to Divine Health, through the Sacrifice of Jesus' broken body. Isa. 53:5, Mat. 14:17, III Jn. 1:2.

### Trinity of the God-Head

Namely: God the Father, the forgiver, Jesus Christ the Son, the Sanctifier, He, the Holy Ghost, the Baptizer and indwelling spirit.

### The Personal Return of Jesus Christ

Ac. 1:9-11, to reign over this earth for one thousand years or, the Sabbath of the Lord, Rev. 20:4-6.

### Conditional Immortality

Or, Life only, through Christ. St. Jn. 6:53-54, I Jn. 5:11-12.

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## TWELVE GREAT THINGS

Jn. 3:16

GOD—The greatest Lover.  
SO LOVED—Greatest degree  
THE WORLD—Greatest company  
THAT HE GAVE—Greatest act  
HIS ONLY SON—Greatest gift  
THAT WHOSEVER—Greatest Opportunity  
BELIEVETH—Greatest simplicity  
IN HIM—Greatest attraction  
SHOULD NOT PERISH—Greatest promise  
BUT—Greatest difference  
HAVE—Greatest certainty  
EVERLASTING LIFE—Greatest Possession.

## RADIO

### "The highway and hedge call"

## PROGRAMS

of

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Ralph A. Durham, director

## Final Destruction of the Wicked

Rom. 6:23, Mat. 10:28, Mal. 4-1.

## The Ordinance of the Lord Jesus

As He instituted them, namely: Water Baptism as into Christ Jesus, the answer of or testimony of a clear conscience toward God. The Sacrament of bread and wine or the Lord's Supper to shew forth the purpose of His death 'till He come again; Foot-washing as an act of humility, in obedience to the example of Jesus washing the Disciples feet.

## The Support of the Ministry

By the Bible plan of Tithes and Offerings and without collection or solicitations.

## A CHALLENGE TO ALL!

With charity in our hearts to all men, let us strive for the faith once delivered to the Saints, endeavoring to bless humanity and save the lost by serving the Lord in a sinless—Sickless—surrendered life 'Till He shall come as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Wherefore — give diligence to make your calling and election sure: For if ye do these things, ye shall never fall. For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. II Pet. 1:10.

## MOODY ON SPIRITUAL POWER

"A great many people are afraid to be filled with the spirit of God—afraid of being called fanatics. You are not good for anything for God until the world considers you a fanatic. George Fox used to say that every Quaker ought to shake the country for ten miles around.

What does the Scripture say? "One" shall chase a thousand, but "two" will put ten thousand to flight.

It takes now about a thousand to chase one. Why? Because people are afraid of being too religious. MEN THAT ARE OUT-AND-OUT FOR GOD, is what the world needs today and not half-hearted in their allegiance and service."—Dwight L. Moody

# *The Voice of Christian Youth*

This department earnestly solicits the messages and testimonies of the Christian Youth of today.

## THE SOLDIER'S BIBLE

When you reach the Receiving Center and get settled in your quarters, read Daniel 1:8.

When the first pangs of homesickness seize you, read Matthew 5:1-12.

If you are tempted to sin, read I Corinthians 10:13, Hebrews 4:15.

When you have overcome temptation, read I John 3:1-24.

If you are reviled because you will not commit sin, read I John 4:4-14.

If you are overcome by temptation, read I John 2:1-3.

When your superior officer bawls you out, read I Kings 2:1-3.

When you are tempted to gripe, read II Timothy 2:1-5.

If you feel yourself growing panicky, read Psalm 91.

When you are being "shipped over," read Joshua 1:5-9.

When anticipating a battle, read Matthew 6:25-34.

If you have a chance to help a wounded or sick buddy, read Isaiah 53:4-12.

If a buddy wants help in getting saved, read Isaiah 55:6-7, I John 1:8-9.

If you have been forgetful of your blessings, read Psalm 103.

If it seems that the tide of battle is turning against you, read Psalm 2.

If tempted by evil women, read Proverbs 7:6-27.

If you think of getting married in service, read Proverbs 31:10-31.

Above all, if you are not a Christian, read John 3:7, 16, Matt. 10:32-33, 22:35-40, Luke 19:1-10, Acts 16:29-31, Romance 10:6-13.

—Courtesy of Forward

# EXCESS BAGGAGE

Heb. 12:1 — let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.

As we endeavor to call the minds of the young folks to the need of running a successful race of Christian living it is not without realizing the natural desire of youth for pleasure and entertainment, but, we are also aware of the snares of Satan which he seeks to place before them, many times in the form of worldly and sinful pleasures.

The real pleasure and joy can only be found in the way of salvation and among the environment of Christianity. So, then let us lay aside the excess baggage of worldliness and make the journey of life with only the Robes of Salvation.

May we use this illustration to impress our hearts with the above text: A lady upon arriving at the railway station approached the baggageman with these words, "I have four trunks, will you please hurry and check them as I wish to catch the train leaving in five minutes." The time was quickly passing and the departure of the train drew near; "Will you please hurry," she said to the baggage man. He answered, "I am sorry madam but I will have to weigh the trunks." "But I have my tickets," she exclaimed. As the baggage was weighed it was found she had more than could be taken on the price of the ticket.

"You have a lot of excess baggage and will have to pay for it," he informed her. There was nothing left to do but pay. While she was paying the price of the excess baggage the train departed, leaving her to the inconvenience and disappointment of having taken excess baggage.

Many others who had only the required amount of baggage boarded the train and were sure of reaching their destination. The difference was they were not trying to take things which were a hindrance to them.

Now let us take knowledge from the illustration. Many people there are who are planning the journey toward eternal life, and not a few who actually have purchased a ticket of real salvation, yet, because they are not willing to leave behind them the "weights which do so easily beset," (excess baggage) they are hindered, delayed, and required to pay for their effort to take the world with them in their Christian life. Remember friend, that you are going to reap on the things which may seem now to be a necessary part of life if they are of the ways of sin. The lady paid for taking too much with her and so will every one, but that was not the worst, she missed the opportunity to make the journey to the goal. How sad it will be if some permit the baggage of this world and sin to so delay

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**SEVEN RULES FOR GIVING  
GIVE SOMETHING (1 COR. 16:2)**



# A Soldier's Testimony

April 1, 1944

Dear Brother Durham:

There is nothing that is so encouraging to me as the fact that I know the folks back home are praying for us.

When I received your paper this afternoon, there seemed also to be a big blessing wrapped up in the same envelope. From reading your personal letter, various articles and testimonies, I could feel the very presence of the Lord; Surely this idea of publishing the Gospel is divinely inspired, and may God crown your efforts with success.

Oh I'm so glad the Lord has saved my soul and taken away the desires for worldly pleasures. Because actually, what the world considers to be pleasures will last only for a season, what then? "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of our Lord is eternal life." Tonight I was a witness to the results of a few minutes of delving into the pleasures of sin, . . . . and you'll find almost every time liquor was the root of the trouble. God alone can solve this national problem; All the dramatic speeches and educational systems that can be devised won't put the love of God in man's heart—and until that happens there will always be strife and trouble.

As I mentioned before, I am

really encouraged and rejoice to learn that my home church is spreading out to try and reach lost souls by means of radio, publications and personal testimony. Praise God for the old time Gospel and for people who are not afraid to serve Him.

A Fellow-soldier of the cross,

Lt. Chas. B. Bowen.

P. S. Enclosed is an offering to help with the work.

## Testimony

"I am glad to speak as a witness for my great Savior, who died to save the sinners from sin and destruction.

It is good to know that it is our privilege to trust and worship Him for our needs and healing. Several times I have been sick, but called upon the great Physician for healing and my prayer was always answered.

If there were more young people who realized that they need to serve the Lord, it would be a happier, more pleasant world to live in."

A witness for God,  
Henry Pletcher.

"Experience is what you get while you are looking for something else."

"Step on your stumbling blocks instead of falling over them."

**EXCESS BAGGAGE**

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them until too late to make the goal of eternal life.

I can see what is in the four trunks which are hindering so many young folks in their journey of Christian life: in one is found Worldly pleasures, which they are taking along, just in case Christianity becomes dull and loses its interest; in another, wrong associates, because the group of Christian associates are too small; in the third, neglect of Christian duties; we are too busy to pray and take part in church activity, while the fourth contains, fear of persecution, and worldly robes to hide our religion behind.

It is not our purpose nor belief that Christian young people can not in any way come in contact with the unsaved people of their surroundings but remember you can neither win them nor save your own soul by going the way of the world and sin with them. So just pack the Robes of Righteousness and Christian influence into the one bag which you can take with you on your ticket of salvation, paid for by true repentance and stamped with Calvary's blood which the Great Conductor will honour and get aboard 'Heaven's Limited' and you will find real pleasure on your excursion to eternal life.

—Editor

**A Soldier's  
Testimony***By Paul Martin*

Thank God, tonight, out here—  
alone,  
Five thousand miles away from  
home,  
My pew a rock, my church the  
sky,  
That I can sing and pray and  
cry.  
Thank God for Mom and Dad, so  
true,  
Thank God for the red, white and  
blue;  
But best of all, I want to say,  
Thank God for Christ—He made  
the way.  
And come what may, to live or  
die,  
With blood-soaked earth and  
bomb-filled sky,  
I'll trust His Word, whate'er be-  
tide,  
His promise is "I will provide."

(Quoted by Chaplain Arthur M. Parce on "The Chapel Hour" broadcast from Sheppard Field, Texas, over Station KWFT, Wichita Falls, Tex.)

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**Thomas Jefferson:** "The studious perusal of the sacred volume will make better citieznns."

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**Abraham Lincoln:** "In regard to this great Book, I have only to say that it is the best Book that God has given to man."

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**GIVE WISELY AND PROPORTIONATELY (LUKE 12:42)**

**THE TOUCH***By Nellie Goode.*

Though many crowded and  
thronged that day,

And jostled the Master over  
much,

Yet only one of them went away  
With a blessing from His  
touch.

But she who sought, and knew  
her need,

Found there a blessing rich in-  
deed.

The Master walks with us still  
today;

There's help in His touch for  
every need;

But they jostle and crowd Him  
on the way,

And some pay little heed.

But those who seek, a blessing  
know

As did that one of long ago!

Dallas, Texas.

**"MY RULE FOR CHRISTIAN  
LIVING"**

Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman had this which he called "My rule for Christian living": "The rule that governs my life is this: anything that dims my vision of Christ, or takes away my taste for Bible study, or cramps my prayer life, or makes Christian work difficult, is wrong for me, and I must, as a Christian, turn away from it." This simple rule may help you find a safe road for your feet along life's road.—Watchman-Examiner.

**MEET THE SUCCESS FAMILY,  
PLEASE**

The father of Success is Work.  
The mother of Success is Am-  
bition.

The oldest son is Common  
Sense.

Some of the other boys are:  
Perseverance, Honesty, Thorough-  
ness, Foresight, Enthusiasm, and  
Co-operation.

The oldest daughter is Char-  
acter.

Some of her sisters are: Cheer-  
fulness, Loyalty, Courtesy, Care,  
Economy, Sincerity, and Har-  
mony.

The baby is Opportunity.

Get acquainted with the father  
and you will get along pretty  
well with the rest of the family.

—Selected

**MY LIFE STORY**

I am not what I was. Eph. 2:  
12-13.

I am not that I shall be. I Jn.  
3:2.

I am not what I would be.  
Phil. 3:12-13.

But by the Grace of God I am  
what I am. I Cor. 15:10.

"When thou prayest, rather let  
thy heart be without words than  
thy words without heart. Prayer  
will make a man cease from sin  
or sin will entice a man to cease  
from prayer. Pray often, for  
prayer is a shield to the soul, a  
sacrifice to God, and a scourge to  
Satan."—John Bunyon.

**GIVE SYSTEMATICALLY (1 COR. 16:2)**

# A Farewell Letter

(Bro. Fullbright is entering the U. S. Army. Let us all pray for him.)

Friends, I am glad that I can tell you that I am still on the firing line for Jesus Christ, my Saviour. I think so often of what it means to serve the Master and I know that it is indeed a great privilege. There is no one that could care for us like Jesus. He means more to me each day. I have been personally acquainted with Him for a number of years, and He has been with me in times of peace and gladness, as well as in every time of sorrow and distress. When I need a friend most, He is always near to give me comfort; and to cheer me along life's way, lifting all shadows when I call upon His wondrous name!

I'm glad that there is no limit to God's power—He is able to do all things, but we must first ask Him for what we need. Through prayer we may obtain wisdom, knowledge and all the marvelous blessings of God.

Let us all encourage one another in the Lord, and do all we can to see souls born into the kingdom of God. These are perilous times, and souls that are saved now are as though they were snatched from a fire. Many fail to realize the value of a soul, but one soul saved is worth more than the whole world. Time is short—Jesus is coming soon! May Christian people put on the whole

armor of God and be ready for the soon returning of our Lord and Master.

Wilbur D. Fullbright  
Spearman, Texas

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## UNSELFISHNESS

1. Does it make me dissatisfied to have someone more successful than I?

2. Do I want credit for all the unselfish acts?

3. Am I vain? Do I talk a great deal about myself?

4. Do I hesitate to do things I believe to be right for fear of what people will think?

5. Do I unselfishly share my plans with others?

6. Am I really thoughtful and considerate, putting self last?

7. Am I stubborn, self-opinionated, seeking to impose my point of view on others?

8. Am I willing to take responsibility when it is inconvenient?

9. Are my thoughts self-centered? Do I want my own way?

10. Do I crave praise for myself after speaking, or doing some bit of neat work? —Selected

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*Horace Greeley:* "It is impossible to mentally or socially enslave a Bible-reading people! The principles of the Bible are the groundwork of human freedom."

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*Patrick Henry:* "There is a Book worth all other books which were ever printed."

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**GIVE LIBERALLY (ROM. 12:8)**

## Sermons That We See

A successful evangelist had preached a powerful sermon, and there was a feeling of awe and solemnity in the great auditorium. He closed his sermon with an earnest appeal that all who were not Christians might yield their lives to Christ.

More than a score answered his appeal and went forward for prayer. Among them was a woman in middle life, well dressed, and having every mark of refinement and culture.

She asked the evangelist if she might say a few words, and permission was granted her to speak. A hush fell over the large audience as she began. "I would like to tell you," she said, "just why I want to be a Christian. It is not because of the eloquent words spoken by the preacher. I am giving my life to God because of the influence of a dear little woman who is in the audience tonight. Her form is bent by the hard work of many years. Her hands are red and horny from constant daily toil. She is just an unknown, obscure, but faithful washwoman. For many years she has been a servant in my home. Never once in these years has this faithful soul ever complained or been impatient. Her way has been hard, and she has had more than her share of trials and troubles. But she has always manifested the same sweet Christian spirit. Not one unkind word has she ut-

tered in my presence, even when my harshness might have provoked and irritated her. Not a cloud ever crossed her countenance in my presence. Her life has been adorned with little acts of unselfishness and love. Day by day her thoughts have been of others.

"A short time ago my little girl was snatched from me, and I was broken-hearted and without hope. This little woman brought joy and gladness into my barren, empty life. She read to me from the Bible, of life beyond the grave, and gave to me my first ray of hope. I began to long for that something which made her life so beautiful. It was her sweet Christian influence which led me to believe in Christ."

The minister called the embarrassed little washwoman down to the front and then introduced this humble soul as the real preacher of the evening. He admonished his congregation to go from the meeting and do likewise—to preach by their daily lives; for as the poet has said, people "would rather see a sermon than hear one any day."—Selected.

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*Wm. McKinley:* "The more profoundly we study this great book, and the more closely we observe its divine precepts, the better citizens we will become and the higher will be our destiny as a nation."

# Christian Inventory

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cation unto God. We need to be prayed up and be ready for any eventuality. There is no reason whatsoever for us to wait until sorrow or trouble befalls us and then start praying. Pray much in secret and God will give you your needs for spirit, soul and body, and you will be a spiritual Christian.

Secondly, do we neglect the services of the Lord. The day in which we live we see people crazy for money and more of it and work so hard they do not feel like going to the house of God and would not enjoy the services if they did venture out because they have labored so hard during the day for the dollar they can not take with them when they die. In Heb. 10:25, God says, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." Christ's coming is surely near so let us assemble ourselves together real often. Anyone can find an excuse to stay away from church if they want to as the devil is their ally and pardner when it comes to thinking of excuses. Sure we know there are legitimate excuses but we wish to offer some of the familiar ones we get to hear real often. Do we offer the one that we are too busy and that we just couldn't get out to church and Sunday School. You won't be too busy to die. Another excuse that we know by heart is that one about company detaining you. Bring your company to church with you and if your kids lay around your house every Sunday with their families for you to wait on and cook for, let them cook their own meals. You will be held accountable for the way you attend services, not the way you cooked for a bunch of lazy kids and in-laws that come to see you almost every Sunday.

Another thing in the inventory of ourselves, we might find that is going to keep us out of the Kingdom of God, unless corrected, is that we must love our brothers and sisters in the Lord. The Bible has said in John 13:15, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." A hard saying to some of us, is it not, but if we ever make Heaven our home we are going to have to be cleansed of all hatred and malice towards our brothers and sisters in the Lord and towards all others. Maybe you can not love old Sister So and So but if you ever hear Jesus say, "Enter in ye blessed" you will have to love all God's children. Hatred will bar more people from the joys eternal than murder or any other major crime. People can shout and have spells around the altar and appear terribly religious, but as long as you do not love your fellow man, you are not fooling any one and in particular you are not fooling God. There is enough hatred in the world without the Christians furnishing any of it, so let us search our hearts carefully.

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**GIVE EXPECTANTLY (PROV. 11:25, MAL. 3:10)**

Another we might find lacking in our Christian lives is in the giving of our support to the ministry in a financial way. We cannot rob God and expect to be spiritual. We believe you owe part of your money to the one who labors in your Church and that God will hold you responsible if you withhold wages from his servant. The laborer is worthy of his hire according to the word of the Lord and if you are robbing God you will never make the grade.

Now we would like to turn to the ministers of God and do just a little soul searching. Sometimes ministers feel like the only ones in the churches that have faults and that need to take inventory are the laity but we say preachers need to take time and look at themselves as God does. Perhaps one weakness we might discover is that we do not study the word of God enough and that we spend too much time at something else. God does not require that we all be college graduates but he expects us to know the Bible and to search out the scriptures that we might bring messages that will keep our churches spiritual and fed on the bread of life.

If we searched a little farther, we might find that we just use our ministry as a sideline and do not work at it very diligently. Then when we get caught up with our work perhaps we will hold a meeting or two and then spend all winter and fall and most of the spring preparing our camp meeting sermon. Or maybe we will just make a little gospel tour in taking our vacation and then go back home after a few weeks on the road. God wants ministers who are consecrated all the year round.

A little more searching might reveal that we are so anxious to get more of this world's goods that we spend most of our time working and neglect the things of God. Perhaps a minister might say that he cannot get by financially without working most of the time for temporal things but we can state unequivocally that God will supply your need if you do His will and work for Him. Another excuse that a minister might make in neglecting God's service for the natural things is that some of the members in your church expect you to get out and labor for them. What they need is a hired hand, not a minister. Do what God expects you to do above all else. The Bible states that no man can serve two masters and we will say without reservation, no minister can do two jobs and do justice to either of them. We are not advocating for ministers to lay up on their lazy backs in bed till ten o'clock in the morning and never do anything but we say God's work can furnish full time employment to any minister that desires to labor. If you don't believe it, try it.

And in conclusion, do we do the work of the ministry in visiting the sick and setting up with them when it is necessary and by visiting the aged that are not able to be out to the house of God or do we just hibernate all week. Do we give to the poor and needy in our community

or do we save the extra dollar for the little woman a new dress. We have plenty of inviting the unsaved to our churches, that should keep us plenty busy. Make friends with the unsaved and visit in their homes if you have a lot of spare time. Perhaps some good old Pharisee in your church will condemn you for eating with those unsaved people in the community but they condemned Jesus, so rejoice. My fellow ministers let us do something for God while it is called today and not try to feather our little nest down here so much. I am striving for a mansion that will far surpass anything down here and am striving to send a little material up to heaven now. Now is the time for all, as laymembers and ministers of the Gospel, to take inventory. God bless you all.

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## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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definition of the word Adam, is, in the Hebrew, Mankind. It also means one made or produced. The word Adam does not apply to one being, alone; but, rather to the race of man.

We note in Gen. 5:2, that the word Adam is used both in the plural sense and also in the common gender or as both male and female were called Adam. We quote the following from Peloubets Bible dictionary, "The name Adam was not confined to the father of the human race but, applied to a number or group."

Gen. 5:1, in the Hebrew would read, This is the book of the generation of mankind. Then note in V. 3 there is a change of the subject altogether, and we begin the genealogy of the formed Adam or natural human race through which Jesus was to come into the world.

**Q. WHAT DOES GEN. 3:20 MEAN?**

A. Some have taken this verse to try to disprove the Bible teaching of two races; A spiritual race created and a natural race formed, but, such effort is vain for the Bible does positively teach

two races; and the fact that the statement is made in V. 20 that Eve was the Mother of all living does not in any way disprove it. Once again we are reminded of the need of rightly dividing the word of God. The fact is, in this case, Eve had not even become a mother yet, but she was to be the mother of the race which would later survive the flood, (remember, Noah was perfect in his generation, or had not intermarried with the created race) thus his blood lines were pure clear back to Eve, so, she was the mother of all who survived the flood and not only that but, through her descendants Jesus came into the world.

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**John Quincy Adams:** "So great is my veneration for the Bible that the earlier my children begin to read it the more confident will be my hopes that they will prove useful citizens of their country and respectable members of society."

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**William Ewart Gladstone:** "I have known ninety-five great men of the world in my time, and of these eighty-seven were all followers of the Bible."



# WE GO TO PRESS

So once again we close this little publication, and as we do we can truthfully say that it is the result of much prayer and waiting upon God that it may be a blessing to every person into whose hands it will go. While you are reading this there are also quite a number of our boys overseas and in the various camps who are reading these sermons and articles; to some it perhaps is their only opportunity to receive a real Gospel message, and I wish to urge every one at home to pray more for our Service men and women. I'm sure you are praying, but I wonder, are we praying as earnestly as we should while they are making so great a sacrifice?

We have received many cards and letters in response to the first issue of "The Gospel Voice" for which we are very glad and also wish to express a word of thanks to you who are so graciously extending financial help in this effort. We do desire an interest in your prayers that we may know and follow the will of God in every effort. If you have a friend to whom you wish this magazine sent, just send their name and address.

We say again let us do all we can, as quickly as we can, to reach lost souls and to be a blessing to those in every condition of need. God give us a re-newed vision of the hour in which we live and what it means to fail to be ready for the cry "Behold the Bridegroom cometh."

We regret that some of the articles we had expected to appear in this issue are not yet in our hands. We welcome your Sermons, articles, testimonies, announcements, prayer requests, etc.—R. A. D.

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## My Mother (Continued)

Who taught my infant lips to pray,  
To love God's holy word and day,  
And walk in wisdom's pleasant way?  
My mother.

And can I ever cease to be  
Affectionate and kind to thee  
Who wast so very kind to me,—  
My mother.

Oh no, the thought I cannot bear;  
And if God please my life to spare  
I hope I shall reward thy care,  
My mother.

When thou art feeble, old and gray,  
My healthy arm shall be thy stay,  
And I will soothe thy pains away,  
My mother

And when I see thee hang thy head,  
'Twill be my turn to watch thy bed,  
And tears of sweet affection shed,—  
My mother.

—Jane Taylor

Ed. note: Re-dedicated to my own dear mother and all the mothers who are prayerfully helping, waiting and longing for the day of peace. Thank God for mothers, praying mothers.

# For This I Pray

OH GOD,

For great consistency of thought,  
For steadfast aim that falters not,  
For Power to do the things I ought.  
For this I pray.

MAKE ME——

To run the race courageously,  
To falter not, nor fail to see  
The path Thy Hand hath set for me;—  
For this I pray.

FORGIVE——

My sin,—my inconsistency,  
The pride which clothes my human frailty;  
Create in me a real humility,  
For this I pray.

GIVE ME——

The faith to take Thee at Thy word,  
To know that Thou Who see'st each little bird,  
Dost know the way where it to me seems blurred.  
Guide me I pray.

HELP ME——

To cleanse and keep my soul from dross,  
To count my righteousness but total loss,  
To point another to Thy blessed Cross,  
For this I pray.

—Selected